

RITUALISM.

It is Growing in Favor in the United States.

Notable Meeting of the Catholic Club in Boston—An Interesting Letter.

BOSTON, Nov. 22.—Episcopalians in the United States, while occupying precisely the same position in the field of religion as the followers of the Church of England, are not disturbed in the slightest by the steady progress ritualism is making in this country. In England the high church question holds a leading place in the ecclesiastical world. A number of unfortunate situations have been the outcome of bitter controversies, and at the present time test cases are being made there of the use of incense, and of the celebration of the eucharist when no communicants are present, the low church party claiming that both of these are contrary to church law. To settle the matter once and for all several churches in London and vicinity have been singled out by the evangelists in their crusade against ritualism. The high churchmen make it a fixed rule to celebrate the Holy Eucharist once every morning of the year, with extra celebrations on Sundays and holy days. At choral celebrations incense is used much after the manner of that in the Roman Catholic church. Authority for this is found in several places in the Scriptures, particularly in the Revelations of St. John the Divine and in Malachi. The eleventh verse of the first chapter of Malachi is often quoted in defense of this ceremony. It is as follows: "From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering; for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of Hosts."

In this country harmony prevails between the two wings of the Episcopal church, each agreeing that there is nothing in the book of common prayer prohibiting advanced ritualism. The advocates of the latter are influential in the church, but they are not disposed to force their principles upon others, and so the controversies of the English church do not figure here. Nevertheless interest in the progress of the high church continues to increase in the United States, and it is now admitted that this party is decidedly an important factor in the growth of the Episcopal denomination. During November there was held at the Church of the Advent, in Boston, a notable council of ritualists, which even attracted the attention of the secular press. The council was that of the Catholic Club of the eastern part of the country, which is one branch of a national organization known as the Clerical Union for the maintaining of Catholic principles. The purpose of the organization is pretty clearly defined in its very name—that of upholding the truths of the Catholic religion. Right here for the information of those who do not attend the Episcopal church, it should be explained that the term "Catholic" as used in this connection has no reference to the Roman Catholic church. Episcopalians everywhere call themselves Catholics in the sense that the word is used in the apostles' creed. In fact most believers in the Episcopal tenets contend that they are as much catholic as the members of the Roman church, and that the systems of government and certain practices in the latter church foreign to the faith were the principal causes of the original separation.

The head of the National Clerical Union among high churchmen in this country is the Rt. Rev. L. Nicholas, D. D., of Milwaukee, bishop of Wisconsin, and among his lieutenants are the bishop of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin; Rt. Rev. Arthur C. Hall, bishop of Vermont; Rt. Rev. Robert Codman, Jr., bishop of Maine; Rt. Rev. Father Christian, of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York; Rev. Father William B. Frisby, rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston; Rev. Father Edward Osborne, rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston, and rector of the American branch of the Cowley Fathers of England; Rev. W. H. Van Allen, Elmira, N. Y.; Rev. Arthur Ritchie and Rev. Father Gorgas, New York City; Rev. Geo. M. Fiske, Providence, R. I.; Rev. Robert Ritchie, Philadelphia; Rev. R. H. Payne, Baltimore; Rev. Father Augustus Prime, Boston; Rev. Father C. N. Field, Boston; Rev. C. S. Hutchinson, Boston; Rev. Arthur Budd, Boston; Rev. Samuel Johnson, Boston; Rev. E. Wynn Jones, Boston and Father Bradton, also of this city.

The bishop of Fond du Lac was formerly a rector in Boston, and Bishop Hall, of Vermont, was formerly at the head of the Church of St. John the Evangelist here. Bishop Hall is an Englishman. One of the objects of the council was to unite the ritualistic party and to work harder in the interest of the Catholic faith.

The writer is informed that one reason for the recent activity among the ritualist clergy is found in the so-called religious unrest of the present day. Some of the denominations outside of the Episcopal church, the ritualists claim, have been troubled with differences concerning their confession of faith, ministers have wandered away from the gospel, some have accepted parts of the Bible and rejected others, while there are Christians who deny the divinity of Christ, reject the doctrine of the Trinity and in short uphold a system which results in confusion among their followers, and a consequent falling off in church attendance. The ritualists say that these things confront ministers today, and give as the reason the departure from the Apostles' Creed, i. e.—The Catholic faith. It is also claimed that in many of the churches it is found too much of the world and too little of that which is not of the world. The solemn services, the ceremonies, the seven red lights, the candles, etc., in

A TALE OF DEATH.

How Boers Treacherously Shot Down Canadians.

Gallant Deed of Rescuer—Mentions Chums, All of Whom Have Since Been Killed or Wounded.

Corporal Darrell Ince Warren, formerly lieutenant of the Governor-General's Body Guards, and now with the Royal Canadian Dragoons in South Africa, writes to his father from Belfast, under date of October 3, as follows: "You see we are no longer at Wonderfontein, which place we left on Sunday two weeks ago. Two days before leaving there we had a sad time of it. I received orders to take three men and a Cape cart and go off to the head of our straw for the troop horses. Some of us while scouting had seen this straw a few days before it was shot at by a Boer farm house. We started off with Troopers Thornton and Spence, mounted and acting as advance guard, and as my horse was pretty well played out, I decided to give him a rest, and ride in the cart with the other two. We did not get to the farm, Catherine, and a former member of your regiment, the 2nd Dragoons, Spence was from Peterborough, and Thornton from Toronto. We arrived at the house safely. It was situated in a large valley four miles from camp, and the Boers had not yet left. We went on about a quarter of a mile up the valley to some Kaffir kraals to purchase chickens and eggs, which Mr. King had given Spence orders to get. Then we started for camp.

BOER TREACHERY.

When we had gone about half a mile we came to a creek, the bottom of which being very rocky, Ratcliffe and I got out to cross. Just at that moment we noticed three men, mounted and standing in behind some rocks up on the side of the hill. As soon as they saw that we had seen them they beckoned to us and called us to come over. I at once recognized them to be Boers, but Thornton and Spence, who were ahead, thinking them to be our own men, rode towards them, and the Boers fired. Thornton and Spence immediately returned the fire, and then galloped up the valley about 200 yards, and dismounted to fire again. Spence, poor fellow, only fired once and then a bullet went crashing through his brain. Ratcliffe and I ran up, leaving the horses and cart in the creek. Just as we got near Spence and Thornton, Ratcliffe was shot through the body. Thornton was a good shot at them, as they were under cover of the rocks. After firing a few rounds Thornton attempted to pull his horse in towards him to get him out of range of the Boers, and just then a bullet struck him, entering the front of his neck and going out below the right shoulder-blade.

THREE OF THEM HIT.

Well, I thought it was all up with me when I saw those three poor fellows all stretched out, and one of them dead. The Boers stopped firing a few minutes after Thornton was hit, and I then shouted out for them to get up and get help. Poor Ratcliffe had died in the meantime.

I then managed to creep out, and caught one of the horses, but the poor thing had also been badly wounded, and I had hard work in dragging him along. I crawled about 200 yards, pulling the horse by a rope, and then went as hard as I could make him go for the outpost. I arrived there safely, and one of the fellows, named Robinson, of Toronto, offered to go back with me, and another one went to a farm-house to get some food, and a third one went to get a horse, with a mattress on it, down for Thornton. Robinson and I got back just as it was getting dark, and found Thornton no worse than when I left him. We walked about in the dark, and then the wagon and mattress turned up, but as we found his wounds were still bleeding, we thought it would be dangerous to move him, and we decided to remain there all night. We sent the wagon back, but kept the mattress for Thornton to lie on.

BOERS HOVERED AROUND.

We put in a terrible night with him, and early in the morning we could see the Boers hovering around like a lot of vultures. They kept drawing closer and closer, but fortunately for us, just as they were getting within range, our ambulance came up, and consequently put a stop to their sport. Thornton and the two dead bodies were put in the ambulance together, and started off towards Belfast, while Robinson and I found our way back into camp as best we could. Thornton is now in the hospital in Pretoria, and will recover, I think. We are all getting pretty anxious to see home again.

CANADIAN HORSES THE BEST.

You ask me in yours how the Canadian horses are holding out. Well, I am sorry to say, there are only about ten left, but while we had them they were the very best. At Pretoria we had to get a new lot all round, our horses being completely used up. My own horse, which I brought from Toronto, gave out at Kroonstad, having been sick from the time we left Cape Town. Since arriving at Pretoria we have been using Argentine horses, and have had three remounts each of them, so you see they are not much good. Yet they are well fed and there is good grazing, the grass being green and pretty high. You will be sorry to hear that my glasses, given me before leaving home, are gone, and the Boers have got them. They got me into a tight corner, and lost my glasses. I was thankful my stars they did not get me, too, for it was a close shave for me.

I suppose you would like to hear of the boys in the field. Well, there are only five of us here, so far, who have come all the way through so far. They are Builder of Bramford (since killed);

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REV. DR. GATES

Has Accepted a Call to the Windsor, N. S. Baptist Church.

Announcement Received Friday Evening With Considerable Surprise and Deep Regret An Able and Popular Clergyman.

The regular monthly conference meeting of the German street Baptist church was largely attended on Friday. After the completion of the regular service, the clerk of the church read the following resignation of Dr. G. O. Gates of the pastorate:

ST. JOHN, Nov. 30.
To the Members of the German Street Baptist Church and Congregation:
Dear Brothers and Sisters—I beg herewith to tender my resignation as your pastor, the same to take effect from the first of the present year and the fifteenth of my pastorate. I have not come to this important step without much anxiety, thought and prayer, but having reached this decision, I hope you will not ask me to reconsider the same. I would not regret to resign if I thought that what is right, and hope you will continue to think kindly of me and to pray for me. Most cordially I thank you all for all you have been to Mrs. Gates and myself, and rest assured we shall continue to pray for the prosperity of this church, more dear to us than words can express—a church and congregation with which I have given the best of my ability fifteen of the best years of my life's labor.

Yours most sincerely,
G. O. GATES.

This definite announcement came as a great shock to the members of the congregation. That a call to Dr. Gates had been extended by the Baptist church of Windsor, N. S., was announced a few days ago in the press, but those to whom he had successfully ministered for so many years, could not believe that any acceptance would be considered by their pastor. So this definite presentation of Dr. Gates' resignation came as a unexpected blow and evoked unanimous and heartfelt protest. When it became evident that his decision was final, the grief of the large assembly was deep and intense. Strong men broke down and sobbed and women wept bitterly. The pastor endeavored to speak, but emotion choked his utterance, and he was compelled to desist. No better tribute to the love and esteem in which the reverend gentleman is held by his congregation could have been given.

The emotional character which the meeting assumed precluded the possibility of any transaction of business, so no formal action was taken concerning the resignation. At Dr. Gates' suggestion a pulpit committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. S. M. Black, Deacons J. H. Harding, T. S. Davis, William Lewis, W. H. Colwell, H. W. Wasson, W. C. Cross and S. H. Davis, Treasurer S. McDermid, and Clerk D. Hunt.

Rev. G. O. Gates, D. D., is a graduate of Acadia College, which also conferred upon him a few years ago the degree of Doctor of Divinity. In January, 1855, he accepted a call to his present pastorate, after a very successful ministry in Moncton. During his long service here he has worked hard and faithfully and with great results. The church has increased in membership, the congregation is one of the largest in the city, and concerning Dr. Gates' place in the hearts of his people the testimony of intense sorrow shown at the announcement of his departure is ample evidence. As a preacher he is unsurpassed by any in the city, and as a citizen his personal popularity extends far beyond the bounds of his church and denomination. His departure will be keenly felt by all of his numerous concourse of friends, and the city itself will feel the loss of so able, earnest and faithful a Christian worker. The congregation to which he will go are to be congratulated on their acquisition.

To a Sun reporter last night Dr. Gates stated that though his resignation had not been formally accepted, his decision in the matter, reached after much prayerful consideration, was final, and that he had requested the church not to ask him to reconsider. His grief at breaking the loving ties formed during his long ministry here, and other things, had not been formally accepted, but he thought it would be better for the church and for himself to accept the call of the Windsor church. "My relations with the members of the church," he said, "have been of the most cordial nature, and I feel that a change would be for the good of all. I have felt the burden of the work very much of late and for my health's sake I think a change of location would be beneficial. For the church, I feel that they have been accustomed to my preaching in a particular manner, and even the same truths I have stated to them, would be more effective now if presented from another standpoint by another man. I feel sure that my successor will reap a great harvest."

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RE THE KINGS COUNTY ELECTION CASE.

To the Editor of the Sun:
Sir—From the report of the proceedings on the recount in the Kings county election case I infer that neither the judge nor the counsel are aware of the reports of a long train of decisions by various county judges as to the real powers and duties in such cases published from time to time in the Canada Law Journal. I was under the impression that some of the points discussed in the Kings county case were considered settled. I refer especially to Judge (now senator) Gowans' decision in 18 Canada Law Journal, new series, page 204, and the case of Campbell v. Vall, vol. 23 of the Canada Law Journal, page 171, decided by Judge Savary of Digby. There are several other decisions by Judge McDonald of Brockville and others reported in the same periodical.

NOVA SCOTIA, Dec. 1, 1900.

GOLDEN GROVE CHURCH DEDICATED.

Friday was a red letter day for the members of the Church of England at Golden Grove. After years of patient labor and waiting, they had the satisfaction of seeing their very pretty little church completed, and its dedication by the name St. Andrew, by the bishop of the diocese.

The ceremony began at 11 o'clock, and consisted of morning prayer and holy communion, with special psalms, dedicatory prayers, and an excellent sermon by the bishop, which was listened to with rapt attention by the large congregation present. The prayers were said by the rector of Rothsay, and the lessons read by the rector of the parish. Four of the city clergy were also present. The building is very neat in appearance outside, substantially built and forms an interesting landmark. It is nicely finished and has a good organ. A little chime fountain is yet needed to complete the outfit, which will doubtless be presented by friends of the church, at an early date. There is a debt of about \$300, towards the reduction of which the offertory at the service was devoted. After service, the bishop, clergy and other visitors were entertained at luncheon, at the house of Mrs. Stevens by the ladies of the congregation in their usual sumptuous manner. It is in place to congratulate the rector and his little flock upon the success of their efforts so far, and trust they may have the satisfaction of seeing their pretty little church free of debt.

THE R. W. KINSMAN CO. FIRE.

Doubtless nearly everyone has heard of the destruction by fire of the magnificent barn of the R. W. Kinsman Co., Ltd., Canning, together with all it contained. We give below the actual cost as estimated by the owners, as far as lay in their power. A good deal of the stock was young and well bred, and so rather difficult to put a price on. The barn was valued at \$1,000; 83 head of cattle; \$140, 10 horses; \$1,000; 100 hogs; \$400; 750 bushels of potatoes; \$350; 6,000 bushels of potatoes; \$2,000; 1,500 bushels of turnips; \$500; 200 tons of hay; \$1,000; 735 dry barrels; \$136; harness, farming implements, etc., \$345, making a total loss of \$10,331, which was covered by insurance in the Imperial and London to the amount of \$9,000, thus leaving a loss of \$5,331. The company intend building again in the spring and will have the logs hauled and cut this winter, so that by this time next year we may expect to see another barn as good as the first, and the one just burned.

ENTIRE FLEET GONE.

Liberia has had the misfortune to lose its entire fleet, a time of peace. The gunboat Rockdown sank in the harbor of Monrovia in five and one-half fathoms of water. The gunboat, owned by the same government, the Goramonal, and the Liberator, a small schooner, were also lost. The case of the Liberator was held by the admiralty in Liberia, and the government has had to host the pending the attempt of the president of the republic to acquire another fleet.—Chilean Times.

A TERRIBLE WRECK.

A Score of Persons Killed and Sixty Injured in a Smash-up in Mexico.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 2.—A terrible wreck, in which a score of persons were killed and about sixty hurt, occurred on the Mexican Central railway on Thursday afternoon between Tamaulaca and Symon, fifty miles south of Jumiillo. The first news of the disaster reached here today. Edward Rischo, a citizen of San Antonio, was at the scene twenty minutes after the engines crashed together. The place where the wreck occurred is in a valley at the foot of two immense hills. At the time both trains were running thirty miles an hour. One of the trains had on board a construction crew numbering 150 men. The other was a freight train of empty cars. Three engines and about 40 cars were piled 30 feet high. The American train employees were forced to flee to avoid being lynched. The names of the killed and injured are not obtainable. This is the first and the most serious wreck that has ever occurred in Mexico.

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P. E. ISLAND.

Re-count in East Queens Began Saturday—Number of Ballots Not Initialed.

CHARLOTTETOWN, Dec. 2.—The re-count of ballots in East Queens election began before Judge MacDonnell, county court judge, yesterday, and will not be concluded till Monday. The re-count developed the fact that a large number of ballots were not initialed by the deputy returning officers. At Cherry Vale poll 41 ballots were not initialed, and all ballots cast at Murray Harbor had to be laid aside for the present because of some peculiar marks on the back. Martin had a majority of four votes at this poll. The argument on reserved ballots is yet to be heard.

The barn belonging to Alexander MacIntosh, Heatherdale, was destroyed by fire last night. In the barn was a whole crop of hay, straw, oats and farm implements, six cows and a horse. All was destroyed; no insurance.

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CLEVER YOUTHFUL BURGLARS.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 29.—The police arrested three boys last night, who confessed to an astonishing series of nineteen burglaries worthy of professional criminals. They are Jack Walsh, Clyde Boullier and Harold Bowers. The trio operated with wonderful success and practically defied detection for over two months. Their performance embraced two distinct classes of work, sneaking in daylight and evening in the residential districts and burglary in the business district from 1 o'clock to 3 o'clock in the morning. The lads were cunning enough not to attempt to negotiate any stolen jewelry to furnish a clue. Latterly the vigilance of officers in plain clothing saved them from the centre of the city. They were run to earth yesterday when Walsh and Boullier were charged entering a house on Ruland street. The occupants of the dwelling were away. A lady who saw the youths go in telephoned the police station. Officers found one of the prisoners in the house and outside. A handkerchief was found in possession of one, which was the only thing missing from the building. The prisoners have been down in the police books of the police for some time. On being confronted with the evidence against them they made a confession of burglaries extending back to the first week of the exhibition.

WEALTHY HALIFAX MAN DEAD.

HALIFAX, Dec. 2.—John MacLachlan, a veteran tobacco manufacturer of this city, who has long been in the business, and whose estate is worth about \$100,000, died today. He was a native of Lochaber, Scotland, and was 87 years of age.

ALBERT E. FILMORE

—Shot a Large Lumber Co.

(From Our Own BOSTON, Nov. 22.)
The weather here is fine and still green and yet to make its ap- The war in the R- ently by no means and is becoming a seemingly ever-pe- the so-called rep- where business ar- reality are strang- been since tranq- protracted vacatio- political campaign- publican spell bin- lived the stereot- people of the Phil- were not opposing that the insurrect- "one small fractio- citizens are wond- two years has not- country 40,000,000- quell the fighting- small fraction of- long a time will- all the fractions- eral hundred tribe- of Malaya. There- erica solidly in- is now seriously- their number. The- does not seem to- present indicatio- trouble for the- sary at the least- cistrant Filipinos- latter word is a- used when they- own in Cuba and- during the recent- paid the United- either borrowed- gloriam. Even v- are eventually- will remain some- constitutional la- pro court to de- The kidnapping- eral former res- Westmorland Co- month, was three- dexes county su- the United States- Charles H. Ward, and his former t- The two were di- re-married. Each- of their ten-year- while staying- with her mother- out of school by- to Lowell. After- summed nearly tw- while sympathiz- pain of what had- Hazel, the child- disputed, testifi- to her grandfat- ford last spring- mother for a v- Afterwards, the- mother called he- Ward's presence- her sister; Mrs- mother of the ch- father of the fil- with the case. It- on August 28 th- child's mother w- questioned conce- ney, superintend- school at Sack- that he had not- with the case. It- called, informed- intended to mar- in two years, w- divorce permits- the court th- of Hazel being f- her mother's fo- case appeared o- ed. Although W- away from the- able times. Another West- is before the cou- B. Filmore is o- setting fire to h- witnesses. The- clothing soaked- property was in- For a time ye- thought they h- their hands in- case of George- alleged murder- North Saugus, formerly of Sa- grand jury. It- that Bailey's f- found in Pitta- various times- been dragging- oves gave him- Drawing up a

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

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RE THE KINGS COUNTY ELECTION CASE.

To the Editor of the Sun:
Sir—From the report of the proceedings on the recount in the Kings county election case I infer that neither the judge nor the counsel are aware of the reports of a long train of decisions by various county judges as to the real powers and duties in such cases published from time to time in the Canada Law Journal. I was under the impression that some of the points discussed in the Kings county case were considered settled. I refer especially to Judge (now senator) Gowans' decision in 18 Canada Law Journal, new series, page 204, and the case of Campbell v. Vall, vol. 23 of the Canada Law Journal, page 171, decided by Judge Savary of Digby. There are several other decisions by Judge McDonald of Brockville and others reported in the same periodical.

NOVA SCOTIA, Dec. 1, 1900.

GOLDEN GROVE CHURCH DEDICATED.

Friday was a red letter day for the members of the Church of England at Golden Grove. After years of patient labor and waiting, they had the satisfaction of seeing their very pretty little church completed, and its dedication by the name St. Andrew, by the bishop of the diocese.

The ceremony began at 11 o'clock, and consisted of morning prayer and holy communion, with special psalms, dedicatory prayers, and an excellent sermon by the bishop, which was listened to with rapt attention by the large congregation present. The prayers were said by the rector of Rothsay, and the lessons read by the rector of the parish. Four of the city clergy were also present. The building is very neat in appearance outside, substantially built and forms an interesting landmark. It is nicely finished and has a good organ. A little chime fountain is yet needed to complete the outfit, which will doubtless be presented by friends of the church, at an early date. There is a debt of about \$300, towards the reduction of which the offertory at the service was devoted. After service, the bishop, clergy and other visitors were entertained at luncheon, at the house of Mrs. Stevens by the ladies of the congregation in their usual sumptuous manner. It is in place to congratulate the rector and his little flock upon the success of their efforts so far, and trust they may have the satisfaction of seeing their pretty little church free of debt.

THE R. W. KINSMAN CO. FIRE.

Doubtless nearly everyone has heard of the destruction by fire of the magnificent barn of the R. W. Kinsman Co., Ltd., Canning, together with all it contained. We give below the actual cost as estimated by the owners, as far as lay in their power. A good deal of the stock was young and well bred, and so rather difficult to put a price on. The barn was valued at \$1,000; 83 head of cattle; \$140, 10 horses; \$1,000; 100 hogs; \$400; 750 bushels of potatoes; \$350; 6,000 bushels of potatoes; \$2,000; 1,500 bushels of turnips; \$500; 200 tons of hay; \$1,000; 735 dry barrels; \$136; harness, farming implements, etc., \$345, making a total loss of \$10,331, which was covered by insurance in the Imperial and London to the amount of \$9,000, thus leaving a loss of \$5,331. The company intend building again in the spring and will have the logs hauled and cut this winter, so that by this time next year we may expect to see another barn as good as the first, and the one just burned.

ENTIRE FLEET GONE.

Liberia has had the misfortune to lose its entire fleet, a time of peace. The gunboat Rockdown sank in the harbor of Monrovia in five and one-half fathoms of water. The gunboat, owned by the same government, the Goramonal, and the Liberator, a small schooner, were also lost. The case of the Liberator was held by the admiralty in Liberia, and the government has had to host the pending the attempt of the president of the republic to acquire another fleet.—Chilean Times.