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ce be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—Eph. vi. 24.  
earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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### ECCLIASTICAL NOTES.

It is proposed to revive the Irish Church Society, and establish a branch in every diocese in Ireland.

THE Bishop of Liverpool (Dr. Ryle) objects to and forbids laymen preaching, or even reading prayers in the churches of her diocese.

AN anonymous donor has given the sum of £5,000 to the special fund which the National Society is raising for the assistance of poor and necessitous Church schools.

THE 125th anniversary of the organization of the parishes of Christ church, Poughkeepsie, and Trinity church, Fishkill, was celebrated in Christ church, on St. Thomas' Day.

FOR ALL.—At Trinity church, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, on the first Sunday in Advent, Bishop Whitehead, administered confirmation to six deafmutes, presented by Rev. A. W. Mann.

THE Merchant Taylors' Company have given a donation of five hundred guineas, payable in five annual instalments, to the Bishop of London's Fund.

BISHOP Whipple, of Minnesota, was so frail in health that he has been forced to cancel a number of appointments. He left for Florida on the 16th of November, and will remain there until about the middle of April.

UNSATISFACTORY.—A perusal of the Huron Synod Journal for the year 1891 reveals the deplorable fact that in only four out of the 246 churches of the diocese is there a weekly Eucharist, that is to say, that in less than two per cent. of the churches in that diocese is the Lord's service on the Lord's Day celebrated.—*Living Church.*

ANOTHER BISHOP GONE.—On Wednesday, December 2nd, Rt. Rev. Bishop Perry died in England, at the advanced age of eighty-four. He was consecrated in 1847, Bishop of Melbourne, Victoria, New South Wales, but had been living in England for many years. He found Victoria a pastoral colony with only three clergymen. In 1876 he left the church in his diocese well developed and with no fewer than 90 clergy. He retired in 1878 and devoted the remainder of his life to talking as active apart as his age wants allow in Church work at home; being constant in attendance at the committee meetings of the S.P.G. etc., in S. & S.P.C.K. His funeral service was full choral.

THE *London Diocesan Magazine* announces that a legacy of £10,000, free of duty, has been bequeathed to the Bishop of London's Fund under the will of the late Rev. John Buck, formerly rector of St. George-the-Martyr, Holborn. It is not, however, as yet ascertained whether the legacy will yield the full amount stated.

TOO MUCH CONCERN.—Christmas, telling how Christ was born of humble parents, and in a stable, of whose birth the great men of the earth knew nothing, may show us, as Maurice said, "that the concern about our reputation is the great hindrance to usefulness; that if we desire to be useful we must struggle against it night and day."

THE PERSON.—"No such word as Christianity is found in the New Testament. For what a vague phrase it is! How continually it stands for a hundred different meanings, or does duty for a meaning that is absent altogether. It is not Christianity of which the beloved Apostle and all the Apostles speak to us; it is Christ. It is not a collection of notions, habits, practices; it is a PERSON."—*Maurice.*

BISHOP OF WINCHESTER DEAD.—The death is announced of the Rt. Rev. Edward Harold Browne, late Bishop of Winchester, at the age of eighty. He was consecrated Bishop of Ely in 1864. At the death of Dr. Wilberforce in 1873, he was translated to Winchester and held that see until last year, when he resigned. He was a voluminous writer, his chief work being an Exposition of the Thirty-nine Articles.

THE *Church Times* says that the Rev. Father Benson, who has spent the past year visiting the mission stations in India, left Bombay for Colombo on November 19th. He is expected to spend a fortnight in Ceylon and then to proceed to Yokohama, probably spending New Year's Day with Bishop Bickersteth. After a fortnight's stay with the Corean Mission, he will go to Vancouver, thence to Manitoba, and finally expects to reach Boston for Septuagesima, where he will take up the work of Father Hall now in England.

THE *New York Independent* remarks:

"In an interesting article a few weeks ago President Robinson spoke of the large number of clergymen of other denominations who go into the Episcopal Church. Last Sunday three such were ordained as deacons or priests in this city, of whom two have been well-known men; Dr. Bridgman, of this city, who thought the Baptist body too narrow for him, and ex-President H. O. Ladd, whose connection with the defunct Congregational College in Santa Fe may be remembered. They are both men of ability."

A CLERGYMAN and one of his elderly parishioners were walking home from church one frosty day, when the old gentleman slipped and fell on his back. The minister looking at him for a moment, and being assured that he was not much hurt, said to him—"Friend, sinners stand on slippery places." The old gentleman looked up, as if to assure himself of the fact, and said—"I see they do—but I can't."

HOPES FULFILLED.—The Advent mission at Calgary church, New York, has more than fulfilled the hopes of its projectors. The services—and there were many of them every day—were well attended and devoutly followed. The evening services were especially successful. The Rev. George H. Bottome, of Grace church, read the service every evening and Bishop Dudley preached. His discourses were models of hortatory preaching, concise, pointed, eloquent. He spoke without notes. It is estimated that over 5,000 persons attended the evening services alone.

THE Roman Catholics throughout the State are devoting all their energies towards capturing the secular schools, with a view to bringing them under the control of their appointed teachers. In order to disarm opposition, they are willing to remove all pictures, statues, and emblems of Romanism from the walls of school houses, and the distinctive dress of the teachers, if insisted upon, their school books to be subject to the approval of the State Board of Education; and they agree not to teach their religion, except before or after school hours. Protestants are excited over this solution of the school question and are denouncing it vigorously from their pulpits.—*Living Church Cor.*

REV. DR. E. EDWARD BEARDSLEY, for forty-three years rector of St. Thomas' Church, New Haven, Conn., died Tuesday morning, December 22nd, 1891, from bronchial pneumonia. Besides the cares of his parish, Dr. Beardsley had given much time to historical studies relating to the Episcopal Church and a number of valuable historical works written by him besides sermons and addresses have been published. In the councils of the Church Dr. Beardsley had long been prominent and influential. Since 1869 he had been a deputy to the General Convention from Connecticut. He was the president of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the conventions of 1880 and 1883 in New York and Philadelphia. In his own Diocese of Connecticut he had been for many years the most influential presbyter. From 1850 he had been a member of the Standing Committee, and for many years the president. At the time of his death he was the senior presbyter of the Diocese in term of service, from 1835.