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"Grace 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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## ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

THE Bishop of Norwich has become one of the Patrons of the Church Army.

A mixed vested choir has been introduced into St. Philip's Church, Philadelphia.

THE "turn-over" in its financial operations of the Church Army amounts to nearly £50,000 per annum.

REV. DR. RAINSFORD, of St. George's, New York, is expected to spend his vacation in New Brunswick.

SIR HUGH LOWE, G.C.M.G., has accepted the co-treasurership of the Church Army with Mr. Edward Clifford.

THE Curates' Augmentation Fund of London shows an increase in income during the past year of over £1,000.

THE consecration of the Bishop-elect of Massachusetts (Rev. Dr. Laurence) will take place in Trinity Church, Boston, on October 5th.

THE Bishop of Algoma was present and took part in the consecration of the four Bishops in St. Paul's on St. Peter's Day.

CANON Scott Holland delivered a series of lectures in St. Asaph Cathedral, during the second week in July, on "The Spiritual and Ethical Value of The Church."

THE Church Mission House, New York, is making rapid progress. The walls, floor and roof are built, and the imposing nature of the structure begins to be discernible.

AMONG the recent benefactions of the Rev. Dr. Charles F. Hoffman, of All Angels' Church, New York, is the enlargement at his own cost and care of St. James' chapel, Elberon, N.J.

ALL the Archbishops and Bishops of the Church of England and of Ireland, and most of the Colonial Episcopate, are on the list of Patrons of the Church of England Sunday School Institute.

ALL the seats in St. Chad's Church, Far Headingley, Leeds (600 in number), have, with the concurrence of the patron of the living (Lord Grimthorpe), been declared free and unappropriated.

THERE is a movement to bring about the amalgamation of the three principal Church of England societies for young men, in England.

A COPY of Queen Elizabeth's Prayer Book was sold lately for 1,220 guineas. This is the highest price ever paid for a relic of the kind.

THE perversion of two of the clergymen of the P. E. Church in the United States to the Church of Rome is announced in the daily papers, viz., Rev. Mr. Adams, of Buffalo, and Rev. E. B. Russell, of New York.

THE Bishop of Hereford, the Rt. Rev. James Athay, D.D., was presented by the clergy and laity of his diocese with an oil painting of himself and its replica to commemorate the completion of the twenty-fifth year of his Episcopate on June 24th last.

THE repugnance of the Ruthenian Uniate in Galicia to the efforts of Pope Leo XIII. to bring them into closer conformity with Roman usages, seems likely (a *Guardian* correspondent says) to result in a wholesale accession, partly to the Russo-Greek Church, partly to the Old Catholics.

So far as men abstain from discharging their political duties because that discharge involves annoyances or perhaps loss in business, or introduces some painful element into life, they are cowards. They are treacherous to Jesus Christ; they are deserting the post of duty.—*Rev. Hugh Price Hughes.*

THERE are now four African Bishops, or Bishops of African descent, belonging to the Anglican Church. They are Bishop Holly, of Haiti; Bishop Ferguson, of Cape Palmas; Bishop Oluwole and Bishop Phillips, Assistant Bishops for Western Equatorial Africa. The last two were consecrated on St. Peter's Day, 1893, in St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

THE Sunbeam Mission has made very rapid progress during the second year of its existence. It was started in Weston-super-Mare under the presidency of the Rector (Rev. Prebendary Salmon) and the Vicars of all the other parishes, on June 17th, 1891. It has now a membership of between 3000 and 4000, and twenty-five branches are already working, twenty-two of which are in England, one in Scotland, one in Ireland, and one in Poona, Bombay. The mission has received the approval of the Bishop of Bath and Wells, the

Bishops of Durham, Worcester, St. Andrews (Dr. G. H. Wilkinson), the Bishop of Bedford, Earl of Meath, Lord Aberdare, and also of several well-known clergymen. Its special object is to draw out the sympathies of upper and middle-class children towards the poor and suffering, or crippled children, in our large towns. Members are asked to send by post a magazine monthly to one such child, who name and address is supplied to them by the Hon. Secretary; and it is also suggested that with the approval of their parents they might occasionally send letters, toys, flowers, garments, etc. The Hon. Treasurer and Secretaries of the Central Branch are Admiral, Mrs., and Miss Battiscombe (Eastwood, Weston-super-Mare, Somerset), and Miss Evelyn Campbell (Higheroft, Weston-super-Mare).

On Thursday, the 29th ult., the Feast of St. Peter, the consecration took place in St. Paul's Cathedral of the Rev. John Sheepshanks to the Bishopric of Norwich, in succession to Bishop Pelham, resigned; of the Rev. Dr. J. S. Hill to the Bishopric of Western Equatorial Africa, in succession to the late Bishop Crowther; and of the Rev. Dr. Isaac Oluwole and Charles Phillips, to Assistant Bishoprics also in Western Equatorial Africa. The Archbishop of Canterbury, who took the Eastward position throughout, was the celebrant, the Bishop of Liverpool the epistoller, and the Bishop of London the gospeller. The music of the office was sung to Martin in C. A most striking sermon was preached by the Bishop of St. Andrews (Dr. Wilkinson, formerly Bishop of Truro), from Hebrews xiii: 8, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday and to-day, and for ever." In the course of it the preacher mentioned sympathetically the Evangelical, Catholic, and social movements, and directly addressed each of the new Bishops in a pointed appeal, very touching in its reference to their several careers and surroundings.

THE accommodation in Church schools in England increased during the year 1892 from 2,670,529 to 2,684,991; the average attendance has grown from 1,677,123 to 1,716,877, and the number on the registers exceeded that for the previous year by 68,561. Since 1870 5,831 new Church schools, with 7,886 departments, have been provided, and Church people have contributed towards the building and maintenance of Church schools and colleges more than £36,000,000. The Archbishop of Canterbury, in commending the appeal of the *National Society* for funds for its educational work, said The Church was maintaining a fight in this matter

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