

# The Church Guardian

UPHOLDS THE DOCTRINES AND RUBRICS OF THE PRAYER BOOK.

"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—Eph. vi., 21.  
"Earnestly contend for the Faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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## ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

THE widow of the late Bishop Kip, of California, died on Sept. 18 at the age of 81.

THE Archbishop of York has been applied to for two clergymen for South America.

MR. J. N. WHITE, J.P., has just presented a splendid organ to the Abbey church, Waterford.

CANON FARRAR says there are now four thousand clergymen of the Church of England without employment.

THE Dean has received 60 applications for admission to the Junior Class of the General Theological Seminary, New York.

THE Sunday schools of the Diocese of Massachusetts are asked to make special offerings during *Advent* for Diocesan Missions.

THE Missionary Council of the P. E. Church in the U. S. is to meet in Chicago on the 22nd October, instead of in San Francisco, as proposed.

DURING *one month* recently the Bishop of Maryland (Dr. Paret) confirmed *thirty* persons who had been members of the Church of Rome.

IT is stated that within the last 50 years no fewer than *ten* Nonconformist places of worship in the town of Sunderland, Eng., have been transferred to the Church of England.

AFTER consultation with his Suffragans of the Southern Province, the Archbishop of Canterbury has fixed Sunday, November 12, as Temperance Sunday for the entire province.

THE sum of £2000 has been contributed towards the restoration of St. Wilfrid's church, Moberley, Cheshire, by members of the family of the late Mr. S. Hargraves, of Hazlehurst, Moberley.

THE consecration of the Rev. W. E. Smyth, M.A., M.B., to be Bishop for the Lebombo country, will take place in the cathedral of Grahamstown on Sunday, Nov. 5, the Sunday within the octave of All Saints.

A clergyman of the Diocese of Vermont estimates that the supporters of Father Hall as Bishop of the diocese comprised, besides the very large majority of the votes cast in the Convention and its final unanimity in the choice made, *three-fourths* of all in official position in the diocese.

AT the close of the fiscal year there was a deficiency in the funds of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the

U. S. of \$32,000. A zealous Churchman, in view of this, has offered a special gift of \$5,000, which he will increase to \$10,000 in case the balance of the deficit be made up by Oct. 1.

THE *National Reformer* is dead. The remarkable personality of the late Mr. Bradlaugh for some years made its publication profitable, but it has now ceased to pay its way. This is one more proof that the type of Atheism of which Mr. Bradlaugh was so tireless a propagandist is losing ground.

PETITIONS against the Suspensory Bill for Wales, already presented, now number no less than 5,158, of which 5,122 have been actually presented to the House of Commons. The total number of signatures to these petitions amounts to over a million and a quarter, the actual number being 1,255,441.

A correspondent of the *Church Review* sends the following definition of "Undenominationalism," which he heard in the course of a sermon: "Undenominationalism" is the religion in which everybody believes what everybody else believes, because nobody believes anything in particular." He adds that it is the most exact definition he has met with.

THE Primate of the American Church, the Right Rev. Dr. Williams, of Connecticut, will preside at the consecration of Rev. Dr. Lawrence as Bishop of Massachusetts on the 5th October inst. The sermon will be preached by Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota. Bishops Clarke and Potter will be the presenters, and Bishops Doane and Courtney (Nova Scotia) will act as co-consecrators with Bishop Williams. Eight other bishops are expected also.

HARD TIMES, financially, develop some interesting instances of devotion and self-sacrifice. The late Mrs. Merritt, of Mt. Holly, N.J., told Bishop Scarborough that two or three years ago when there was an earnest appeal for money for missions, and, as at present, prospect of a large deficiency at the end of the year, she was anxious to give a contribution, but being unable to command the money, had her family silver melted down, and gave the proceeds to missions. She spoke of the great satisfaction it afforded her to be able in that way to relieve the necessity. It is reported of a Methodist minister in Colorado that he has requested that his salary be reduced from \$5,000 to \$1,000, in order to relieve the stringency among his people. We have personal knowledge of a lawyer in Chicago who recently doubled his usual contribution (not a small one) to a missionary enterprise in behalf of the colored people, stating that as Divine Providence had prospered him, he felt desirous of helping in this way to meet the emergency produced by the financial situation. "It is an ill wind that blows nobody any good," and the times are not wholly dark that have such deeds of generosity to brighten them.

## REMEMBER THE 15th and 16th OCT.,

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### Days of Intercession for Sunday Schools,

Generally accepted in England and the United States, and suggested by The Church of England Sunday School Institute.

The means suggested for observing the same are:

1. A Special celebration of the Holy Communion for the teachers, with an address.
2. A Devotional Meeting for the Teachers on Sunday, and on Monday a similar meeting, to which the parents of Sunday-School Scholars, and the congregation generally, may be invited.
3. Sermons by the Clergy, showing the importance of Sunday-School work, inviting parochial interest in it, and the personal help of all duly qualified persons (especially young men of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew) as teachers, and pointing out to the parents of scholars how they may further the teacher's efforts.

The first of the days might be observed as "*Sunday-School Sunday*," and a "*Special Children's Service*" made one of the features of the proceedings.

## A GLANCE AT THE COLLECTS.

(From the *American Church S. S. Magazine for October.*)

The Collects for the Nineteenth and Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity are translations from those in the Sacramentary of Gelasius. That for the Eighteenth Sunday is adapted from one, and that for the Twentieth Sunday expanded from one in same Sacramentary; while that for the Twenty-second Sunday is from the Sacramentary of Gregory. Thus these special Sunday prayers for the present month, if not in their direct words, at least in their substance, all carry us back to a period previous to the Reformation. In the original Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday, and as literally translated by Cramer, we read "Grant thy people grace to avoid the contagions of the Devil." Cosin wrote "to withstand the temptations of"; and instead of mentioning only "the devil," he inserted by name the two other spiritual enemies of mankind, "the world and the flesh." For "pure heart" in the latter clause, Cramer wrote "pure heart and mind." Cosin put both in the plural; and thus the Collects given us in the *Prayer Book of 1662*, and which is before us to-day, is a prayer for grace (1) To withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil; (2) To follow God with pure hearts and minds. The Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday consists of (1) A declaration of our inability to please God without His aid; (2) A prayer for the guidance of the Holy spirit. In the original form, we read "Lord we beseech thee, let the working of *thy mercy* direct our hearts; for without thee we are not able to please thee." Thus it will be