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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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ECCLIASTICAL NOTES.

A LARGE Altar Cross has been ordered for St. Paul's Church, Dedham, Mass.

No. 1, Joy St., Boston, Mass., has been purchased for \$40,000 as the Diocesan house, \$10,000 being paid cash.

IN A large majority of the churches and chapels in Philadelphia, the musical services of Easter Day were repeated on Low Sunday.

CANON JACOB states that a sum of 29,000*l.* has been given to the parish of Portsona, Eng., by Mr. W. H. Smith since 1879.

THE total sum received by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the P. E. Church in the United States during the last year, for its general work, was \$393,369.35.

THE parishioners of the Rev. C. B. Smith, rector of St. James' Church, New York, marked the twenty fifth anniversary of his rectorship by subscribing \$1500 to enable him to take an extended vacation.

THE Rev. B. D. Johns, who until recently, was pastor of a Welsh chapel at Merthyr, has been received into the Church of England. He was ordained to the Baptist ministry in 1864.

THE Episcopal Club, Boston, at their last meeting discussed the topic "Method of Missionary work in large cities," and held a banquet at the Hotel Vendome, when some admirable addresses were delivered.

BISHOP THOMAS of Kansas has been obliged to cancel a number of his appointments in consequence of being laid up through the bite of a dog, which was at first disregarded but has begun to give him trouble.

ON Easter Day at Kansas City, Trinity Church was beautifully decorated and at the mid day service over 1000 persons were present. A new vested choir of 60 voices rendered the music. The processional cross used on the occasion was made of white flowers.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury laid the foundation-stone of St. Mark's Church, Salisbury, on 27th April last. The parish of St. Mark is the only parish formed in the city of Salisbury since the 13th century.

A VESTED choir of twenty boys and eight men was introduced on Easter Day into St. Paul's Church, Brockton, Mass.; it is also proposed to build a new church which will cost \$27,000 and a Parish House \$13,000.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has presented Bishop John Martindale Speechly, formerly Bishop of Travancore and Cochin, and Assistant Bishop in the diocese of Truro, to the Vicarage of St. Michael, Herne Hill, near Faversham, Kent.

MRS. PEREY has given £4000 towards the rebuilding of the church at Barmouth, England. The corner stone was placed by Princess Henry of Battenberg during the Queen's visit to North Wales, but the edifice collapsed as soon as the roof was put on.

A MONUMENT erected by national subscriptions in memory of Bishop Morgan, the translator of the Bible into Welsh, was unveiled at St. Asaph by the Bishop of St. Asaph last April, the occasion being the tercentenary of the accomplishment of his work.

ON Easter Day in St. Paul's, Vergennes, Vt., a pair of Eucharistic Candle-sticks were presented in memory of the late John Henry Hopkins, at one time rector of the parish. Each Candle-stick contains eleven jewels, viz: five carbuncles, four topazes and two amethysts.

THE first meeting of the House of Laymen in connection with Convocation of the Northern Province took place last month at York. The election of the House took place many months ago, but, owing principally to the lamented death of Archbishop Magee, it has been unable to meet earlier. As at present constituted, the House consists of 107 members.

ACCORDING to an official return just issued, it appears that since 1873 there have been in the diocese of Chester 9 churches restored at an outlay of £276,232, and 53 new churches built at a cost of £226,101. The £502,333 has been thus raised:—Voluntary subscriptions, £497,717; other sources, £4,616.

A PLAN for lay work is about to come into operation in the diocese of Ely. Lay *coadjutors*, as distinguished from lay *readers*, are henceforth to be single men, and they will continue to belong to the society only so long as they remain single. They will observe a rule of life sanctioned by the Bishop, and will receive a uniform salary of 1*l.* a week.

ST. MARTIN'S Church, New Bedford, Mass., is the outcome of the Olive Mission, begun only about five years ago, in the southern portion of the city. A Sunday-school was the nucleus from which has sprung the present beautiful and substantial granite building, capable, with its adjoining Chantry, of seating three hundred

persons. Service was held for the first time in the new church on Easter Evening. The cost to the present time has been about \$20,000.

THE largest class in the diocese of Louisiana was confirmed in St. Anna's Church, New Orleans, by Bishop Sessums on Passion Sunday. The class consisted of seventy-eight, of whom twenty five were adults, some of whom were over fifty years of age. They presented the Bishop with an elegant brass mantel ornament with cross on top, and engraved across its face a fac simile of his Episcopal seal.

HYMNS ANCIENT AND MODERN.—It appears in answer to a return made by a number of Rural Deans in England, as to the Hymn Books used in their deaneries, that in 12,050 parishes heard from, 8530 use hymns A. and M., 1170 use Church Hymns, 1135 Hymnal Companion. The desirability of adopting hymns ancient and modern, in the American Church, is strongly urged by the *Trinity Record*, New York.

THE Bishop of Newcastle preached the sermon at the festival service in St. Paul's Cathedral on Monday in connection with the *thirtieth* anniversary of the CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY. The Archbishop of Canterbury presided at the annual general meeting in Lambeth Palace. The list of speakers at the meeting included the name of the Bishops of London and Newcastle, Duke of Westminster, and Marquis of Northampton.

DR. BARDSEY has been enthroned as Bishop of Carlisle. The Dean, in the name of the clergy and laity, warmly welcomed him as the *fiftieth* bishop of the diocese since it was formed 762 years ago, and expressed a hope that he would be able to administer the diocese firmly, kindly, and wisely, and that, when the time came, he would hand it over to his successor not less united, not less full of good works, than he had received it himself from his illustrious predecessor.

THE Bishop of London (Dr. Temple) thus spoke of Church schools at his Diocesan Conference in April last. "The Church schools were distinctly better than the Board schools, because their tone and character was distinctively very much more religious. Church schools provided the great bulwark against indifference and infidelity, and if they should ever go, religious education in Board Schools would soon die out. As it was, a considerable number of the children educated in their schools remained faithful to the Church, and the proportion was much larger now than it was forty-five years ago. In this matter, if the Church suffered the nation would