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### LESSONS for SUNDAYS and HOLY-DAYS.

- March 20. THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT:  
Morning. Genesis 37. St. Mark 14, verse 54.  
Evening. Genesis 39, or 40. 1 Cor. 11, v. 17.
- March 25. Annunciation of the Virgin Mary:  
Morning. Genesis 3, to v. 16. St. Luke 1, v. 46.  
Evening. Isaiah 52, v. 7 to 13. 1 Cor. 13, to v. 37.
- March 27. FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT:  
Morning. Genesis 42. St. Luke 2, verse 21.  
Evening. Genesis 43, or 45. 1 Cor. 16.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1881.

THE Bishop of London has completed his seventieth year.

The Queen has appointed the Rev. Dr. Barry, Canon of Worcester, to the vacant canonry of Westminster.

We recently noticed the retirement of Dr. Mit- chinson, a young man, who has been Bishop of Barbadoes for seven years. He has accepted a rich College living in England. The *Church Review* has put the fact in a different light from that in which we announced it. The *Review* says: "If his health is so bad, we should like to know why he undertakes the charge of a fat benefice at home; and we venture to ask: Will he resign that after seven years? Really the Primate ought not to consecrate any more Colonial Bishops without previous medical certificates as to bodily health and physical fitness for the particular see to which each priest is consecrated. The fact is that people look on all these ill-health excuses as shams; for they see 'returned Colonials' stumping the country in every direction, and conducting themselves very unlike persons in infirm health. We have some twenty returned Colonial Bishops now in England, eating the bread of the priests, and often not doing the priests' work, while they have one and all deserted their dioceses. How long is this scandal to continue?"

There can be no greater scandal in the Church (not even the sale of rectories) than that to which the writer of this paragraph refers—whatever may be the nature of its application to the case of the Bishop of Barbadoes.

The Earl of Eldon has subscribed £500 towards the Newcastle Bishopric Fund.

A total of 1,382 ordinations took place in Eng- land in 1880: the priests numbering 679, and the deacons 703.

At the Capenhurst tithes-rent audit, the Rev. F. Glover returned ten per cent. to the farmers, in consideration of the agricultural depression.

The Bishop of Winchester consecrated the new church of St. Paul's, Bournemouth, on the 15th ultimo. It is in the Early English style, and will accommodate 700 worshippers.

On Sunday morning, February 20th, about nine o'clock, the parish church of Northaw, near Barnet, Herts, was destroyed by fire. It was built about 1450, and a few years ago was restored at a cost of £3,000. A new organ, costing several hundred pounds, was erected about three months ago.

The deaths are announced of the Rev. William Edward Scudamore, Rector of Ditchingham, Nor- folk, the author of several High Church publica- tions; Mrs. Bickersteth, wife of the Dean of Lich- field, aged 84; and Mr. D. Moultrie Coleridge, only son of the Prebendary of St. Paul's, and grandson of Samuel Taylor Coleridge, the poet.

It is stated that within three years no less than one thousand miles of the Canada Pacific Railway will be in working order. This will carry goods and passengers through from Halifax and Quebec to the Rocky Mountains; and in three short years give to the great North-West that certainty and facility of communication, the absence of which is one great drag on the rapid development of new areas of fertile soil.

At a meeting of the board of management of the Bishop of London's Fund, the seventeenth report was read. It stated that in consequence of the continued commercial depression, and also in consequence of the great demands made on the public for domestic and foreign objects, the receipts last year only amounted to £15,453. The sum of £20,000 at least had been expected. It was resolved to appropriate two-fifths of the income during the present year to living agents, and the remaining three-fifths to material objects.

The Bishop of Manchester consecrated the new church of St. Clement, Broughton, on the 16th ultimo. It will accommodate 732 persons, and has cost £6,000, towards which Mr. Wm. Clowes has contributed £3,000 and the site. Bishop Fraser said in his sermon on the occasion, that he did wish the people would try to realize to what extent the foolish controversies of the day were tying the hands of the Church, weakening their powers, and preventing them from going as one united phalanx to battle against sin, the world, and the evil one. "It was the party organizations, the unions on one hand and the associations on the other, which were helping to tear the Church to pieces, and divide its members into hostile bands.

On the 21st of February, the Bishop of Exeter received his clergy for a day of retirement and devotion.

The judgment in the "Gorham Case" is said to have been written by Archbishop Sumner. The then Bishop of London did not concur therein.

Since the lay address to the Archbishop of Can- terbury was presented, he has received letters from Lord Lothian and Lord Caernarvon request- ing their names to be added.

The signatures to the Dean of St. Paul's petition for toleration amount to about four thousand; those appended to the counter address for a continuance of persecution and prosecution are near three thousand.

The Queen has contributed £100 to the Afghan War Relief Fund. Applications have already been receive from eighty-four widows with 156 children. The total amount subscribed is less than £3,000. The war has not been a popular one, but that is no reason why the widows and orphans of the sol- diers should not receive the same sympathetic aid as they would have received had the war been re- garded a just one.

By way of showing how utterly inadequate pre- vious revivals of religion in the Church were to accomplish their object, before that of half a cen- tury ago, the *Saturday Review* has reproduced the following account which the Rev. Thomas Scott, the Commentator, gives of the parish when he succeeded the famous John Newton, the author of the Olney Hymns:—"Olney, when Mr. Newton left it, swarmed with Antinomians; and when I, a year after, became curate of the parish, most of the professors of the Gospel were Dissenters, and I had to attempt raising a new congregation in opposition to Antinomianism and Anti-Churchism which prevailed. In a population of 2,500 people, often not one hundred got together on a Sunday morning till nearly the end of the service, and half of these from other places." Comment on so deplora- ble a state of things after the labours of so emi- nent a man as John Newton, is needless.

With the death of Mariette-Bey comes the an- nouncement that two pyramids have been discovered and opened near Sukkarah, to the north of Mem- phis. They were erected by two kings during the sixth dynasty. Thousands of inscriptions cover the rooms and passages of these monuments, and are of the first importance to the students of Egyp- tian language and history. It is regarded as grievous that this accomplished archæologist, this greatest of Egyptologists, should pass away just at the moment when floods of light are being shed upon the history of the ancient dwellers by the Nile. He died in Cairo January 19th, at the age of sixty years. He came from a distinguished French literary family. It was he who laid the Sphinx bare, who discovered the precious antiqui- ties of Memphis, and brought to light the treasures of the Necropolis at Meydoom, after a repose of several thousand years.