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ECCLIASTICAL NOTES.

THE two Archbishops and thirty-two Bishops held ordination the fourth Sunday in Advent, St. Thomas' Day, those in Ripon, St. David's, and St. Asaph being for deacons only. The large number of 330 candidates received deacon's orders, while 500 deacons were advanced to the priesthood. The Rochester ordination was the largest. In Ely and Bath and Wells Dioceses all were graduates, in Oxford, Peterborough, Rochester, and Chester all but one. Of those ordained, 184 were graduates of Cambridge, 145 of Oxford, 39 of Durham, 27 of London, 20 of Dublin, 15 of Lampeter, 2 of Edinburgh, and 2 of Aberdeen; making a total of 433 graduates. The remainder received their education as follows:—23 at St. Bees; 18 at the London College of Divinity; 15 at Lichfield; 14 at King's College, London; 6 at Chichester; 7 at the Manx Theological College; 2 at Gloucester; 3 at Salisbury; and 1 each at St. John's, Highbury; St. Boniface, Warminster; Queen's College, Birmingham; Bishop's College, Lennoxville; and Bala University; and one was an M. A., of Lambeth (Canterbury degree).

THE Committee of the Church Missionary Society invited their friends to join them in a Whole-Day Devotional Gathering on Wednesday, January 11, 1888. The present seems to the Committee to be a time when the members of the society are specially called to approach the Throne of Grace in solemn supplication, confession, intercession, dedication, and praise. Several considerations have led them to this conviction.

INNOCENTS' DAY at Westminster Abbey was celebrated as usual by a choral service and sermon for children. Dean Bradly preached. It was noticed that he wore the Jubilee badge presented by the Queen. Innocents' Day is the birthday of Westminster Abbey, for on that day 800 years ago the edifice was finished by King Edward the Confessor. The Dean's sermon was based upon the words, "And yet there is room," from Luke xiv. His theme was that amid the tombs of many kings, rulers, wise men, statesmen, soldiers, sailors, poets, and preachers, and the great men of the nation, "yet there is room" for a resting place for those children who, though too young to serve their country, were not too young to die. The Dean was very eloquent on the "children of the Abbey."

THE Church in New South Wales proposes to raise £200,000 as a centennial fund, to be devoted to Church purposes. A very considerable development of mission work in the interior is contemplated.

THE *Church Review* understands that the Deanery of Perth, West Australia, has been offered to and accepted by the Rev. F. Goldsmith, vicar of Halling, near Rochester. Mr. Goldsmith, who graduated at St. John's College, Oxford, in 1876, had done good work at Old Charlton and Chem Common before he was appointed, in 1885, to the vicarage of Halling by the Dean and Chapter of Rochester. During the two years that he has been there he has worked won-

THE Keeper of the MSS. in the British Museum has added some interesting volumes to the existing exhibitions of early manuscripts. Among the most important works special notice should be taken of the "Codex Alexandrinus," containing the Greek text of the Holy Scriptures written in uncial letters on very thin vellum, probably in the middle of the fifth century. The MS. was presented to King Charles I. by Cyril, Patriarch of Constantinople. In the same showcase stand books of Genesis and Exodus according to the Syriac version, written at Arnid by a deacon, named Johns, in the year 756 of the Seleucian era, A. D. 464, believed to be the earliest dated MS. extant of any entire books of the Scriptures.

THE Right Rev. James Colquhoun Campbell, D. D., Lord Bishop of Bangor, has just completed his 74th year, having been born on December 27th, 1813. He is the seventieth Bishop of Bangor, which see was founded before the year 516, and he was consecrated to the episcopal office in 1859.

THE scheme for building a new parish Church for Hornsey is receiving general approbation and support, and about £7,000 has been subscribed to the £12,500 necessary to complete the main fabric of the Church. The committee have approved of a design, and hope soon to commence building. The existing Church is the mother Church of a parish which in 1847 numbered only 6,000 souls, but which to-day numbers over 50,000 the district of the parish Church alone numbering 8,000. The new Church will provide accommodation for 1,260 persons.

A CORRESPONDENT says that Bishop King, of Lincoln, makes the sign of the cross in administering the rite of ordination. The sign of the cross in ordination is the practice of the Greek and Latin Churches and with the Orientals, the Copts, the Syrians, the Nestorians and Arminians.

THE Church Emigration Society is about to send out thirty-five girls of a superior class as nursery governesses or domestic helps to Australia, in charge of a matron.

SOME Welsh young ladies, employed in a place of business in the West of London, went out carol-singing in the public thoroughfares at Christmastide, with the view of helping some poor children. The proceeds, amounting in all to £2 10s., they handed to a benevolent work carried on in Clerkenwell by Rev. H. C. Shuttleworth and his congregation.

ELECTRICITY has now been utilized to pump a cathedral organ. The Church of Ste. Clotilde, Faubourg St. Germain, is the fortunate possessor of an instrument at which the organist does not finger the keyboard at all, but may sit in the choir and play upon an apparatus connected by electric current with the keyboards, pedals, and stops.

A SPECIAL Convention of the Diocese of Ohio will be held in Trinity Church, Cleveland, March 14th, 1888, beginning at 7.30 p.m., for the pur-

pose of electing an Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio.

At the Special Convention the following programme will be followed.

Wednesday, 7.30 p.m., Organization; Thursday, 6 a.m., Holy Communion; Thursday, 9 a.m., Nominations.

REFERRING to the above, *Church Life*, of Cleveland, Ohio, says:

Party fences in Ohio are down in most of the pastures. There is little to fear from the bitter partisanship of a few years back. There will probably be an emphatic demand for a Missionary Bishop. There are very many of us who firmly believe that the Bishop is not only the chief pastor but the chief missionary. He who comes must be possessed of strong physique and able to stand long journeys in a trying climate. He cannot be too particular as to his accommodations or his diet *en route*.

Executive ability will count for more than eloquence, and character will be more appreciated than culture. Earnestness and energy we hope for, and a well-developed element of 'backbone.' The new Bishop will find a united Diocese ready to respond to every good word and work.

THE Rev. W. W. Mix, a Presbyterian minister, has become a candidate for Holy Order in the Church, and has entered Faribault Divinity School.

THE *Young Churchman Co.*, with characteristic enterprise, have added to the attractions of "Little's Reasons" a fine engraving of "The Consecration of Archbishop Parker," from the celebrated painting by W. Dyce, R. A. *The Church Times* says of this picture: "If hung in every vestry and school in the kingdom, it would suggest much useful thought and teaching."

BISHOP Boone in China and Bishop Williams in Japan need competent teachers for their girls' schools.

THE Christ Church, Cincinnati, branch of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood, is said to have worked a revolution in the parish. During the past year it has distributed between nine and ten thousand cards of invitation to Church and Bible class, besides numerous other invitations, and thousands of young men have been brought to Church. The Bible class meet every Sunday. It has also organized the St. Andrew's Social Club where men go and enjoy themselves without evil surroundings.

ANYONE sick in the parish should acquaint the rector with the fact, that he may call. Don't neglect this and then complain of your rector and accuse him of neglect and indifference because he does not visit you.

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