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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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## A CHRISTMAS HYMN.

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Through the still air o'er Bethlehem's plain  
And moonlit hills, one night,  
There sweetly came a heavenly strain,  
And shone a glorious light.

In radiant sheen the angels stood  
Before a shepherd band,  
Their bright wings flashing as they sang  
Of joy throughout the land.

Such joy the world had never known;  
The portals of the sky  
Were opening wide and from His Throne  
The heavenly King drew nigh.

A virgin mother's happy face  
Bent o'er a manger bed,  
Where slept the royal Child whose grace,  
Peace on the world hath shed.

O Israel, break forth and sing,  
Thy glory crowned that night!  
O Gentile race, there lay thy King,  
There slept the world's great Light!

Before His Presence stars grew dim,  
And pale the moon's soft rays,  
And cherubim and seraphim  
Joined with the heavens in praise.

"Glory to God and peace on earth!"  
Their music filled the sky,  
For that great gift, thy Saviour's birth,  
O earth, make glad reply!

—Newark, N.J., December, 1890.

## A HYMN OF ADORATION.

When from the depth of Thine Eternal Being,  
O Lord of Pow'r, the Word went forth abroad,  
Life, light, and love in Thy Creation seeing,  
Glory to Thee! sang all the sons of God.

When once again, for us and our salvation,  
O Lord of Wisdom, Thine Incarnate Word  
Shone thro' the night; the song of exultation,  
Glory to Thee! o'er Bethlehem's fold was heard.

And now to us that Word Incarnate bringing,  
O Lord of Love, thy Spirit here outpours:  
Therefore with Angels and Archangels singing  
Glory to Thee! the Church in faith adores.

Glory to God the Father all excelling!  
And peace on earth from Thee, Incarnate  
Son;  
Goodwill from Thee, O Comforter indwelling;  
Glory to Thee! Eternal Three in One!

A. B. O.

## EMMANUEL, GOD WITH US.

O Christ, who art enthroned above  
Mid all things bright and blest,  
Come to our hearts with peace and love  
And be our Holy Christmas Guest.

O Thou, who at this Holy-tide  
Wast born of Virgin fair,  
Our thankful hearts we'll open wide  
If Thou wilt come our joy to share.

Without Thy presence all is dross  
We need Thee day by day,  
And will not fear to bear our cross  
If Thou, O Holy One, wilt stay.

O Jesu, Thy Bless'd Birth we greet,  
Our hearts are brimming o'er  
With love, and joy, and friendship sweet,  
Emmanuel, Lord, we Thee adore.  
Belfast. A. A. H. B.

## ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, Buffalo, has replaced the quartette choir with the crucifer and vested choir.

GRACE CHURCH, N.Y., is to have a vested boy choir, placed, as in other churches, in choir stalls.

THE English Church Congress next year will be held at Exeter, in the week commencing Sunday, Oct. 7th.

SUNDAY, the 10th December, was fixed for the consecration of the Rev. Canon Wynne, Bishop Designate of Killalee.

REV. GEORGE HODGES, D.D., has accepted the office of Dean of the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, Mass.

A WINDOW has been placed in St. Augustine's Church, Haggerstone, London, as a memorial of the late Rev. A. H. Mackonochie.

THE first edition of the interesting "Digest of the S.P.G. Reports" has run out in six months, and a second is to be issued at once.

THE death is announced of the Right Rev. Henry Hatton Parry, D.D., Bishop of Perth, Australia. Bishop Parry was consecrated in 1876.

MORE than 100 men of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew met in the early morning of St. Andrew's Day at the church of the Heavenly Rest, N.Y., for Holy Communion.

THE Bishop of Mississippi has admitted as a postulant, and licensed as a lay reader, Mr. Merritt Linton, lately a Methodist Episcopal preacher. He will shortly be ordained Deacon.

ON Sunday, Nov. 12, the Bishop of Mississippi admitted to the diaconate Mr. Thos. E. Winscott, lately a prominent minister and educator amongst the Methodists. He is an M.A. of Vanderbilt University.

BISHOP TUCKER, of Eastern Equatorial Africa, has left his diocese for the purpose of consulting with the Committee of the C.M.S. on the position of affairs in Uganda, and with regard to matters relating to the coast stations. We understand that the Bishop is visiting England at the invitation of the C.M.S. Committee.

THE Rev. G. A. Ormsby, Bishop-designate of British Honduras, will, we understand, be consecrated in St. Mary's, Newington, on the 28th inst.—Innocents' Day—and will shortly afterwards start for his diocese.

DR. SWETE announces that a course of theological lectures for the clergy, upon the general lines of the Oxford Clergy Lectures Scheme of 1893, will be provided at Cambridge during the second fortnight of July, 1894.

WILLIAM BOBERT WALKER, Presbyter of the Diocese of Vermont, having renounced the ministry of the Church, has been formally deposed by the Bishop of Quincy, acting at the request of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

BISHOP MCKIM, after conference with the Clerical members of the Japan Mission of the P.E. Church in the U.S., and acting upon the unanimous advice of the Standing Committee of the Church in Japan, has—with concurrence of the General Convention—changed his title from Missionary Bishop "of Yedo" to that "of Tokio."

A HANDSOME altar Cross and a pair of vases have been presented to Christ Church, Lucerne, Switzerland, by Mrs. Conrad, in memory of her husband, Rev. Thos. Conrad, D.D., who loved Lucerne greatly. Christ church is the new church built a little over a year ago by the Americans conjointly with the Swiss "Old Catholics."

CARDINAL GIBBONS, United States, in a recent interview, sees hopes of the reunion of Christendom, not only in the astonishing growth of Ritualism, but in such signs of the times as the establishment of Sisterhoods among the Methodists, and declares that "a very large number of Protestant ministers are good Catholics at heart!"

A MISSIONARY in Georgetown, Demerara, was visited recently by about twenty aboriginal Indians, led by a converted Portuguese. They had travelled over 1,000 miles, and it had taken them seven weeks to make the journey. They came seeking Baptism, and pleading hard for a missionary, guaranteeing a congregation of 1,000 persons every Sunday.

REV. DR. ROBERT MCKAY, pastor of the 18th Street Methodist Church, Philadelphia, announced to his congregation on Sunday evening, 28th Nov., that he had determined to leave that body. He received Confirmation at the hands of Bishop Whitaker on Advent Sunday. He has been 14 years in the Methodist ministry, and was very highly esteemed. He is a graduate of Dickinson College and the Drew Seminary.

AN important new departure in defence of Church interests has been inaugurated at the English House of Commons. Between 30 and