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Upholds the Doctrines and Rubrics of the Prayer Book.

"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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BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENT.

From and after the 1st JULY NEXT, (1889) the rebate of FIFTY cents offered for payment strictly in advance will be withdrawn; and the subscription to this paper, when paid IN ADVANCE will be One Dollar and a Half; and if not so paid Two DOLLARS. Payments made within three months of the commencement of the subscription year will be accounted "in advance." After such delay the Two Dollar rate will apply, and the rule will be strictly enforced.

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We make this change with regret, but we are forced to do so: (1) because we have not met with an adequate response in the way of increased interest and increased subscriptions, which we hoped would follow the liberal offer made; (2) because that many subscribers persistently misunderstand, or refuse to understand the conditions on which the rebate was offered, viz.: payment strictly in advance; and claim the benefit when in arrears; leading to increased work in correspondence, and loss to ourselves; (3) because we find that though seeking and obtaining no monetary return for our own labour in connection with this work, we cannot continue the former rate without loss. We trust that our present subscribers will continue to us their own support and aid by securing additional names.

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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

We record the death of the Ven. Archdeacon Philpot, at the age of ninety-eight, at his residence at Surbiton.

THE Right Rev Bishop Rawle, who last year resigned the Bishopric of Trinidad, has, it is announced, died at Codrington College, Barbados.

A gentleman who declines to disclose his name has presented to the Vicar of St. George's, Cardiff, a sum sufficient to endow the church in perpetuity with £150 a year.

THE Emperor Wil iam of Germany has continued for five years the subscription which

his father and grandfather made to the London Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews.

THE oratorio of 'Elijah' was performed in Westminster Abbey on the evening of Ascension Day. The choir and orchestra numbered 400. The proceeds were given to Westminster Hospital.

ON the afternoon of Ascension Day, the Bishop of Durham publicly returned thanks to Almighty God in Durham Cathedral for his restoration to health, and being permitted to return to his home and diocese.

CHURCH EMIGRATION SOCIETY.—From the third Annual Report it appears that the number of emigrants sent out by the Society has risen from 395 in 1887 to 634 in 1888. The Balance Sheet also shows that increased support has been given to the Society by those interested in the important question of emigration, the subscriptions and donations being £535 9s. 1d. in 1888, as against £316 8s. 5d. in 1887.

THE BISHOP ELECT OF MICHIGAN.—The election of the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D. D., rector of St. Peter's church, Philadelphia, to the Bishopric of Michigan, commands the commendation of every Churchman. His faithful ministry as a priest is the sure earnest of a faithful ministry as a Bishop. He has been thoroughly proved and not found wanting; rather, he has been found to possess in a marked and unusual degree those qualifications and graces that belong to the high office of a bishop in the Church of God.—*The Churchman*

Dr. Leonard Bacon of New Haven, after his active pastorate had ceased, was accustomed to sit in the pulpit, and if a stranger preached, to introduce him to the congregation. One Sunday he said: "The first pastor of this Church was the Rev. John Davenport," and he proceeded to pronounce a brief eulogy upon him "The grandson of that pastor was the Rev. John Davenport of Stanford. The son of that pastor was the Rev. James Davenport of Southold, L.I. We are to day to be addressed by the lineal descendant of John Davenport, our first pastor." The minister thus introduced was observed to be blushing violently, and the occasion of his embarrassment became evident when he announced his text:—"Visiting the iniquities of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation."

THE LONDON CITY MISSION. Some idea may be obtained of the zeal and activity shown by the five hundred agents of this society, from the following facts concerning some of its work during the past year:—Nearly three and a half millions of visits and calls were made by the missionaries, of which upwards of 277,000 were to the sick and dying. Nearly five millions of tracts were distributed. More than 311,000 persons were conversed with in factories. 8650 outdoor services were held, 1909 drunkards were reclaimed, 381 persons were restored to Church Communion, and there

were upwards of 2400 new communicants; 5300 persons were induced to attend public worship, 896 families induced to commence family prayer, and 315 fallen women rescued and restored to their homes or admitted to asylums. The financial statement showed a considerable decrease in income as compared with the previous year and an increased expenditure of more than £1200. One hundred and five missionaries are entirely employed in visiting special classes, such as bakers, police, cabmen, foreigners, &c., also workhouses, hospitals, public-houses, and common-lodging houses.

It is proposed to appoint a Bishop for Chota Nagpore—a large district in the diocese of Calcutta. The S.P.G. are prepared to guarantee a stipend of 6000 rupees per annum for such a Bishop from the date of his consecration, pending the raising of a capital sum of £12,000 for the endowment of the see. The Bishopric will be almost purely a missionary one, and jurisdiction will be conferred by canonical consent. The Bishop's position will correspond with that of Bishop Caldwell. The district has an area of 44,000 square miles, and a population of about four and a half millions, mostly heathen.

At the last meeting of the Society of Antiquaries, the Rev. John Morris read a paper on the subject of the wall-painting recently discovered in St. Anselm's Chapel, in Canterbury Cathedral. Mr. Morris said the painting was worthy of attention, first, on account of its antiquity, and secondly on account of the singular fact that for seventy years it had been hidden from sight. The painting on the apex of St. Anselm's Chapel had recently been uncovered by the removal of a wall in the process of restoration of the chapel. The antiquity of the wall, and the fact that the subject of the painting represented St. Paul, one of the original co-titulars of the chapel, were external proofs of the time when the painting was executed. For its style was so free from the stiffness of the designs painted in the early part of the twelfth century, and so different from the style of the well-known painting in the chapel immediately below it in the crypt, that, without such convincing proofs, antiquaries would probably have assigned it to a later date.

THE painting in question, which is in the north-east corner of the chapel, represents St. Paul putting sticks on the fire, after his shipwreck, at Malta, when the viper fastened itself on his hand. The ground of the painting is ultramarine; it was very bright when it was first uncovered. The tunic of St. Paul is white with the shades in cobalt. The mantle is whitish, shaded with vermilion and deepened with chocolate. The face is painted naturally, the hair dark, with lines and rings. This painting of St. Paul might fairly be claimed to be the finest work of its kind of the early part of the twelfth century, or, indeed, the end of the eleventh, if it be Ernulf's (Anselm's prior), who left Canterbury for Peterborough in 1100.

Two Christian missionaries who recently made a missionary tour in Morocco, report