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Every single book of the New Testament is written for those who have received the primary teaching of the Church, and presupposes that the rudiments of Christian teaching have been given by the Catechism.—Bishop of Birmingham.

The Rev. Thomas Smith, vicar of St. Helen's Church, York, who a few months ago celebrated his fiftieth year in Orders, has been presented with a purse of gold and an album containing the names of the subscribers.

The new rector of Marston Moreteyne, the Rev. H. J. Sharpe, received some valuable gifts on leaving Marham, in Norfolk. The gifts included a solid silver tea-tray, silver rose bowl, and an oak clock with interchangeable chimes on silver bells capable of playing melodies.

The Bishop of Winchester has appointed one of his suffragans, Dr. Macarthur, Bishop of Southampton, to be Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight, in the place of the late Rev. Canon Haigh. This appointment, Dr. Macarthur will hold in conjunction with his suffragan bishopric.

It is the duty of children to be obedient to their parents. Of all the creatures we are acquainted with, mankind are the longest before they become capable of shifting for themselves, and it seems to be the design of Providence in keeping them so many years in a state of dependence upon their parents to train them up in obedience.

The contract for the erection of the super-structure of the cathedral at Liverpool, has been allotted to Messrs. Morrison, of Waverley, Liverpool. The terms have not been divulged, but it is understood that they are inclusive of the complete erection of the building, and that, as the whole work will take a prolonged time, there are arrangements for terminating the agreement at intermediate times, if desired by either party to

the contract. The foundations are now practically finished, and inquiries in Liverpool are met with the satisfactory assurance that the work of erecting the main building will proceed forthwith.

The beautiful old parish church at Tysoe, which was built in the twelfth century, and parts of which date back to before the Norman Conquest, is seated throughout with old oak, some of the pews being handsomely carved. The woodwork had not been cleaned for over forty years, and now through the energy and voluntary help of several ladies of the congregation it is in excellent condition, having been thoroughly washed, cleaned, oiled and beeswaxed.

A reception was tendered lately to the Rev. Dr. R. F., and Mrs. Alsop, by the members of the congregation of St. Ann's, Brooklyn, who has just completed twenty years' ministry in that parish. During the evening a silver loving cup was presented to him, the presentation address being made by the Hon. Seth Low, a former Mayor of New York. The Bishop of the Diocese (the Right Rev. Dr. Burgess), was present, as were also a number of the Brooklyn clergy.

More gifts to the Cathedral. Lately the Committee announced letters from Mr. Hardman Earle, offering a window to the memory of the late Sir Thomas and Lady Earle; and from Mr. Moon, offering a marble pavement for the choir in memory of his father, the late Sir Richard Moon, Bart. A letter was also read from a prominent Liverpool citizen saying that he had made arrangements in his will for a sum of money (about £2,000), to pay the cost for the provision of a peal of bells for the new cathedral.

On Sunday, May 13th, a special service of thanksgiving was held in Westminster Abbey, for the safe return of the Prince and Princess of Wales to England from their tour in India. All the members of the Royal Family at that time in England were present, besides a large number of distinguished persons, including His Grace, the Archbishop of Canterbury. The Dean of Westminster preached from the text, St. Luke 22:27. Some 300 bluejackets from the "Renown" and the "Terrible" were also present at the service.

On a recent Sunday morning for the first time in the history of Norwich Cathedral, banns of marriage were published in the cathedral itself between Mr. Samuel Wilberforce, of Woodmacate, Surrey, and Miss Katharine Sheepshanks, daughter of the Bishop of Norwich. The Bishop has granted a license for this purpose, and has also given consent for the publication of banns in future in the case of special residents within the precincts of the cathedral close. Hitherto banns had been published in St. Luke's Chapel attached to the cathedral.

The American season is in full swing at Westminster Abbey, and its purlieus, and very quaint are some of the remarks heard from our visitors. A little group—father and daughters—approached the bust of Archbishop Tait. "Come here, girls," says the father, "this is the founder of that gallery we have just been to." A patriotic New Englander passes before the monument of the standard-bearer of Henry V., on whose shield is an eagle. "Ah, I see you have the American eagle here!" Two ladies from Chicago are looking at the statue of Sir Robert Peel. "Peel, who was he?" asks one. "Oh, don't you know, he was a famous policeman!"

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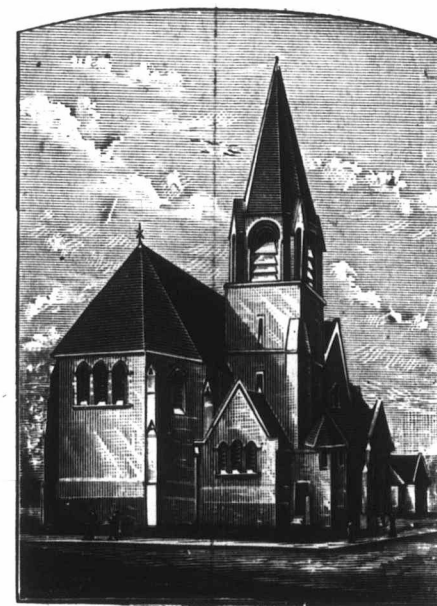
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A PAUSE IN THE PRAYER.

"If I should die 'fore I wake," said Donny, kneeling at grandmother's knee, "if I should die 'fore I wake."

"I pray," prompted the gentle voice. "Go on Donny."

"Wait a minute," interposed the

small boy, scrambling to his feet and hurrying away downstairs. In a brief space he was back again and, dropping down in his place, took up his petition where he had left it. But when the little white-gowried form was safely tucked in bed, the grandmother questioned him with loving rebuke concerning the interruption.

"But I did think what I was sayin', grandmother; that's why I had to stop. You see I'd upset Ted's menagerie and all his wooden soldiers on

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