

THE DIOCESE OF SIERRA LEONE.—From Bishop Cheetham's second charge we learn that there are forty-six clergy in the Diocese (which includes Yoruba, Rio Pongas, &c.) of whom ten are Europeans, four West Indians, and thirty-two natives. There are in the whole Diocese 17,829 "ordinary attendants on public worship," of whom 6,740 are communicants. In the last six years the Bishop has confirmed 4817 persons. During the last five years the local contributions to Church purposes in Sierra Leone have averaged £2650 a year.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—A new church was opened and dedicated at Brigus on the 10th of last month, nine clergy taking part in the service. The vacancy in the See alone prevented consecration.

A Missionary Society has been formed by the clergy of Conception Bay, and interesting meetings have been held.

THE Rev. Dr. Angus, preaching at Glasgow recently, referred to the Revision of the Authorized Version of the New Testament, Dr. Angus being one of the Revisers. He said that when the work was done they would find the same Testament that they had been using from their childhood; and although there had been many changes, chapter after chapter would be read without their observing the changes, unless by comparison. They would have substantially the same text and the same translation; and he held that in these speculative times it was worth while for fifty men to spend ten years of their lives simply to obtain this negative result.

INDIA.—The English Church has recently consented to the consecration of the eighth Bishop for India. In the Diocese of Calcutta, however, there is still a population of 116,000,000, in Madras 31,000,000, in Lahore 20,000,000, and in Bombay 16,000,000. The other Dioceses are smaller. Among this vast population the Church of

England is represented by about 75,000 resident British, and a nearly equal number of the Army; by the Eurasians 63,685, and by 115,386 native Christians. Besides the Bishops there is 1160 government chaplains, 147 European missionaries, and 105 native clergymen. This is the leaven which is to leaven the lump.

THE Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr., D. D., is responsible for the following anecdote to illustrate the doctrine of election. In the early days of Methodism a young Methodist preacher held forth at one of the workhouses in Great Britain. He vigorously denounced the doctrines of foreordination and election. A pious old woman, brought up in the Calvinistic faith of the Presbyterian Church, was asked what she thought of the sermon. She shook her head vigorously, "I don't believe a word on't," said she; "at all events I know the Lord chose me afore ever He saw me; for He never would ha' chose me arterward."

THE Christian Union, in noticing the withdrawal of the Rev. Mr. Abbott from the Congregationalists and his reception into the Episcopal Church says: "If catholicity retains the control which it now possesses in the Episcopal Church, and narrowness obtains the control which it does not now possess in the Congregational churches, Mr. Abbott's departure will be but one of many. The roomiest Church will have eventually the greatest strength in men as well as in numbers."

THE Rev. W. W. Fellows, late of the Methodist Episcopal church at Zanesville, O., who has been conducting lay readings at Emmanuel church, in this city, for some weeks, will be ordained by Bishop Jaggard on the 22nd of February, and called immediately thereafter to the charge of Emmanuel church. Mr. Fellows is spoken of as a young man of great ability, a brilliant preacher, and one capable of doing good work in the parish to which he will be called.—*Cincinnati Gazette*.