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RECORD FOR BUSINESS YEAR ENDING 30th NOVEMBER, 1911

CAPITAL.....	\$4,608,050
Increase for year	608,050
REST.....	5,608,050
Increase for year	858,050
DEPOSITS.....	41,126,664
Increase for year	4,140,944
LOANS AND INVESTMENTS	45,609,222
Increase for year	5,003,692
TOTAL ASSETS.....	57,067,664
Increase for year	6,753,267

INTEREST PAID ON SAVINGS DEPOSITS

The Rev. John Erskine Clarke, Hon. Canon of Southwark Cathedral, and vicar of St. Luke's, Battersea, lately kept his eighty-fourth birthday. Besides being for over forty years vicar of the populous mother parish of Battersea, which he only lately relinquished, Canon Erskine Clarke has been a busy writer. In 1859 he started parish magazines, then regarded as a novelty and an innovation; in 1867, he began editing *Chat-terbox* for children, and from 1871 till 1896 he was editor of *Church Bells*. He was also for many years Proctor in Convocation for Rochester Diocese, and in 1880 he founded the Bolingbroke Hospital on Wandsworth-common.

The funeral of the late Bishop of Pennsylvania, Dr. Mackay-Smith, took place on the 18th ult. The service was held in the church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, and it was very largely attended, the clergy of the diocese almost without exception being present in their robes. Besides these, there were many other bishops and priests present. The service was conducted by the rector of the church and Bishops Garland and Rhinelander. The funeral took place in Woodlawn Cemetery, New York, the body being accompanied thither by a large number of leading Churchmen and the two bishops. The Bishop of New York participated in the service at the grave.

A most interesting event took place recently in the village of Aston-Tir-rord in Berkshire, when all the inhabitants gathered together to do honour to their rector and his wife, the Rev. Sir John Hoskyns, Bart., and Lady

Hoskyns, each of whom are now in their 95th year and each one of them bearing the brunt of time without any sign of impending surrender. Two trees were planted on the village recreation ground in honour. Sir John Hoskyns has been rector of the parish for 66 years. He was at school at Rugby with the late Deans Stanley and Vaughan when the famous Dr. Arnold was the Headmaster. One of their sons is the present Bishop of Southwell and another is the vicar of Brighton in Sussex.

The Rev. Dr. T. C. Yarnall, rector emeritus of St. Mary's, Hamilton Village, and the senior priest in the diocese of Pennsylvania, died recently, within a fortnight of his 96th birthday. He was born just six months after the Battle of Waterloo was fought, and he has been in Holy Orders since 1843. He was, so far as is known, the oldest priest in the American Church. In his early youth he was a member of the Society of Friends, but was confirmed in 1836. Except for the first six months of his diaconate, when he was stationed at Christ Church, Williamsport, Pa., the whole of his ministry was spent in one parish. Since 1893 he has been rector emeritus, but until his 94th year he was able to attend the services and sometimes to take some part in them. Many of the clergy of the diocese attended his funeral at which the Bishop of the diocese officiated, assisted by several of his clergy.

The Rev. Cyril Bardsley, honorary secretary of the Church Missionary

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Society, at the monthly meeting of the committee, announced that Bishop Tucker's resignation of the Bishopric of Uganda, on account of ill-health, has been accepted by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The committee, in placing on record their sense of profound gratitude to God for all that the Bishop has been enabled to accomplish during an episcopate of over twenty years, could recall no instance in the history of missions where, in such a period, there has been so wide a preaching of the Gospel and so substantial a building up of the Church. The number of native converts had increased from 1,000 to 74,000, and whereas when Bishop Tucker was appointed there were no native clergy, now there are 38 Africans in Holy Orders and over 2,364 licensed lay teachers entirely maintained by their own people.

The sanctuary of the Lady-Chapel of St. Luke's Church, Evanston, near Chicago, has just received another generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. George G. Wilcox, the five east windows to be "richly dignified" with the "Five Joyful Mysteries" of the Faith, together with their contexts and their Old Testament prototypes. Thus each window will bear four medallions, or a total of twenty scenes in all. The outline studies proposed by the rector are as follows: 1. The Annunciation. St. Joseph's Vision. Eve's Disobedience. Abraham's Assurance. 2. The Visitation. Zachariah's Vision. Ruth and Naomi. Elijah and Ahab. 3. The Holy Nativity. Adoration of Magi. The Creation of Adam. Isaiah's Vision. 4. The Purification. St. Simeon's Nunc Dimittis. Hannah and Samuel. The Prophet Malachi. 5. The Divine Youth Among Doctors. The Home in Nazareth. King Solomon and Queen of Sheba. David in Bethlehem. It will probably take a year to execute this work, but it is hoped that the windows may be dedicated on next St. Luke's Day.

A processional cross has recently been presented to Ely Cathedral as a memorial to the late Bishop Macrorie, who, on his return to England, after twenty-three years' work in South Africa as Bishop of Maritzburg, was appointed by Bishop Alwyne Compton in 1893 to a Canonry, which he held until his death in 1905. The cross is of copper, entirely gilt, built up on a foundation of wood, of a very simple and somewhat archaic form, but exceedingly rich in the detail of the gilt copper work, which entirely covers the wood foundation throughout. In the centre of the cross is an enamel representing the Agnus Dei. The circle is embellished with four rock crystals, held in gilded mounts, placed between the roots of the arms

of the cross, which radiate from the Agnus Dei. The cross is of unusual proportions and size, and undoubtedly the largest processional cross in use in England, being about 3-ft. 9½-in. from the under side of the knob to the top of the topmost finial, and about 3-ft. across the two side arms. Such large crosses, though seldom, if ever, carried in procession in England in ancient times, were not uncommon in Italy even for smaller churches than the Cathedral of Ely. But the vast proportions and great length of Ely Cathedral doubtless warrant the use of a processional cross of this magnitude, so that it may be conspicuous when seen from long distances.

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