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EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE fifth annual report of the Jerusalem and the East Fund has been sent us. Its motto is "Beginning at Jerusalem." It gives an account of the work done, which, to some extent, is encouraging. Besides the bishop (Dr. Blyth) and an archdeacon, there is a clergyman at Jerusalem, one at Suez, one at Cairo, one at Haifa, one at Larnaca, and one at Beyrout. It shows total receipts from all sources, for the year, to be £6,151.

A.L.O.E. is dead! Every parent had implicit confidence in her. A book written by A.L.O.E. could always be put into the hands of a child with perfect safety. Miss Tucker (her real name), when over fifty years of age, went to India as a missionary to Indian women. For about twenty years she was allowed to carry on the work, and then death called her away.

RAISED to the episcopate only to die! Such may be said of Right Rev. Joseph S. Hill, D.D., lately sent, with two colored bishops, to labor in the Niger territory, where Bishop Crowther had been. The simple announcement was telegraphed to the Church Missionary Society: "Bishop Hill and Mrs. Hill at rest." The cause, as yet, is unknown.

THE death is announced of the Right Rev. Walter Chambers, D.D., formerly Bishop of Labuan and Sarawak. Dr. Chambers became the first S.P.G. missionary to the Dyaks of Borneo in 1850, and, on the resignation of Bishop M'Dougall, in 1869, was appointed to the bishopric, a position which he held for twelve years.

MANY a country clergyman who has gone to Montreal for the last quarter of a century has reason to know the kind-hearted liberality of Mr. A. F. Gault of that city, and the diocese of Montreal itself has, in many ways, felt the effects of his continued munificence. The news comes now that he has presented the Montreal Diocesan Theological College with a hundred thousand dollars. Mr. Gault, by giving in this way, avoids the danger of a disputed will, and has the pleasure of seeing the good results of his own kind deeds.

THE Church in the United States shows many marks of prosperity. The most recent is that, in one year, ending last Advent, forty-one ministers of various bodies (Methodists, Congregationalists, Presbyterians, Baptists, Romanists, Universalists, etc.) sought admission into her fold.

THREE hundred and fourteen years ago the English navigator, Sir Francis Drake, made a landing from his ship, the "Golden Hinde," at what has since been known as Drake's Bay, and Francis Fletcher, a priest of the Church of England, and chaplain of the "Golden Hinde," conducted the first service and preached the first sermon in the English tongue on the Pacific coast. To commemorate this event, a large stone cross has been erected, to be known as the "Prayer Book Cross," through the munificence of George W. Childs, Esq., of Philadelphia.

THE Synod of Montreal assembled for its thirty-fifth annual session on Tuesday, January 16th. Great satisfaction was expressed at the fact that the beloved bishop of the diocese was able to take his place as its president. It was his lordship's first appearance in public since his recent illness. In his charge, the bishop referred, in warm terms, to the good work done by the Woman's Auxiliary to Missions.

GREAT results were expected by many from the "Parliament of Religions," held at the recent World's Fair at Chicago. Now, even some of the promoters of the scheme pronounce the movement a mistake. It now seems to be pretty well felt that, as expressed by one "Bishop Campbell" who attended the conference, the answer of the Archbishop of Canterbury to the invitation was the one which all Christian ministers should have made, viz., that the Christian religion is the one religion, and "I do not understand how that religion can be regarded as a member of a Parliament of Religions without assuming the equality of the other intended members, and the purity of their position and claims." It was on these lines that the apostles attacked and conquered the old Roman Empire, and no other policy will answer for Christ's workers of the