

The new modes of locomotion are causing the destruction of one after another of the archaeological remains of the mother country. The new railway at Hythe requires for its completion the demolition of the ruins of Sandgate Castle. The value of the structure is estimated at £20,000, and an agreement has been entered into with the South Eastern company to substitute a work suitable for the defence of that part of the coast. Henry the 4th lived in it for a short time, Henry the 8th rebuilt and armed it, and Queen Elizabeth was entertained in it in 1558. It was restored and armed in 1806 at the time the French invasion was expected.

On the loss of Mr. Emerson by the United States, the *Guardian* says:—"By the death of Mr. Emerson, America loses not so much a profound thinker as a formerly brilliant essayist whose light has been gradually quenched. His friends have probably reason to rejoice that his genius went out calmly, instead of expiring in abrupt and startling convulsions. Mr. Emerson's temper, character, and opinions were in many respects so unlike those of Carlyle, that some wonder is now felt at the readiness with which resemblances were once traced between these remarkable men. But affinities exist which cannot easily be formulated; and perhaps Carlyle and Emerson differed as opposite poles of the same magnet."

MONEY FOR CHURCH PURPOSES.

HOW is money to be raised for Church purposes? Everybody acknowledges that there is an ever growing demand on the Church to strengthen her present positions, and to enlarge her borders. One of the great requisites she urges is—more money! Well, how is this money to be raised? Who is to raise it? The work of CHRIST'S Church in Canada and in the world at large demands more money. In many places it languishes for the means of grace because there no money to sustain the same. To whom is the Church to look to undertake the burden of raising the money? This question may be fairly answered by asking another question. To whom do people look for instruction and example? Is it not to the clergy? Let the clergy teach the people that they cannot be practically intelligent Christians unless they recognize God's work to be done by them through the sacrifice of their substance, and when they come down from the pulpit let them go from house to house and see that the people understand that "giving" is a "Divine grace" which is to be perfected in them and "to abound." But let the people feel that the clergy do not approach them on this question as a matter of business, but as a matter of grace, and let them see in their clergy the ambassadors of Christ, not begging friars.

GENERAL SYNOD OF THE CHURCH IN IRELAND.

AT the meeting of this body for the present year two subjects were introduced and discussed of considerable interest. One of them was the subject of general religious education, a subject which equally concerns us in Canada, and respecting which we have made no progress since the State renounced all recognition of religion in this country. Indeed nothing whatever has been done by the Church in Canada to unite religious education with secular. If we are mistaken in this particular, we shall be glad to learn where, when and how the thing has been attempted to be realized.

The Church in Ireland has a Board of Religious Education, and from the discussions carried on and the resolution ultimately arrived at, it is evident that the Church there is in earnest about the matter. We know of no diocesan Synod either in this ecclesiastical Province or in the Dominion of Canada which has even entertained the question, while the Church in Ireland has not only a Board of Education for securing the religious instruction of the youthful members of the Church, but has also a training college in which teachers can be trained for giving instruction in the principles of the Church as well as in imparting secular education; and the question arose at the meeting of the General Synod as to the formation of a scheme modifying the arrangements of the training schools, and that the Board of Religious Education should be empowered to carry such scheme into execution, if deemed desirable. Some objection was made as to entrusting a Board with the powers given to the Synod, and ultimately the following resolution was passed:—"That in view of the fact that many schools under the patronage of members of the Church of Ireland are now in connection with the Board of National Education, this Synod considers the maintenance of an institution or institutions for imparting religious education to those training for the situation of master in such schools to be absolutely necessary, and therefore hopes that the several diocesan synods will, at their next meeting, take the matter into their serious consideration, particularly as it appears that seven gentlemen are now personally responsible for all the expenses of the only institution now existing for religious training of schoolmasters and schoolmistresses belonging to the Church of Ireland."

It is to be hoped that the attention of our diocesan synods in Canada will be called to the same subject.

A considerable discussion also took place relative to assistance required for the support of several cathedrals, the most noted of which was that of St. Patrick's, declared by the legislation of the Synod to be the national cathedral. Large congregations attend this church, many of whom contribute nothing to its support or repair. It was very clearly shown in the course of the discussion that if they did not want the cathedral of St. Patrick's, the national cathedral of the Church in Ireland to fall absolutely into ruin the Synod must spend money upon it. It was finally agreed to allocate £1,000 for the repair of the cathedral in question.

BOOK NOTICES.

RED LETTER DAYS: A Memorial and Birthday book, with a Birthday Index, by FRANCES RIDLEY HAVERGAL. New York: Anson D. F. Randolph & Company. Toronto: N. Ure & Company. Price 85 cents. Handsomely bound in cloth, 820 pages.

CHARACTER BUILDING: Talks to Young Men, by the Rev. R. S. BARRETT. New York: Thomas Whittaker. Neatly bound in cloth. Price 50 cents. This is a work we can strongly recommend as worthy the attention of our rising generation.

"ONLY A TRAMP," or the Golden Links. By GRACE STEBBING. Cloth, pp. 222. New York: Thomas Whittaker. Price \$1.

We took up this book with considerable diffidence, but having once commenced the reading, it was impossible to lay it down until we came to the end. We feel that we can well recommend all who have it in their power to journey with "Our Tramp," and assure those who do will be the bet-

ter and happier for it. Parents who desire to place in the hands of their young folks a good, instructive, and at the same time entertaining work, will not fail to at once put "Our Tramp" on their library table.

JOHN INGLESANT: a Romance. By J. S. SHORRHOUSE. Macmillan & Co., Publishers, New York. Willing and Williamson, Toronto. Price \$1.10.

It is something refreshing to meet with a story, true or fiction, so entirely unlike, in style and matter, the ordinary run of narrative literature in the present day, as this very peculiar and singular book certainly is. It is a *melange* of romance, history, and philosophy: exceedingly well composed for such a difficult piece of mosaic. The body of the tale lies in the reign of the first and second Charles, in England, France, and Italy; and the hero, in search of the "greatest good," travels through the experiences of schoolboy, pupil of the Jesuits, royal page, confidential agent of Rome, Italian chevaliere, concluding as an attached member of the Church in England, with a taste for Italian-violin music only! The vein of romance is interesting, the history of the period absorbing, and the philosophical and religious speculations attractive; the whole drift of the reasoning and moral, sufficiently sound. If there be one weak point in the book, it is a shallow knowledge of the historical position of the Church of England; a leaning in favour of its utilitarian advantages; a fuller appreciation of the former point would have prevented such slips as calling the Roman schismatics (in Elizabeth's reign) "Catholics," or their brand-new organization "the older Church." The spirit, however, is good; though the letter fails sometimes. It is, as far as it goes, a good dissuasion from Romanism.

Diocesan Intelligence.

MONTREAL.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MONTREAL.—Trinity Church in the city, has been closed for these few Sundays back.

Rev. R. Irwin, has accepted, it is said, an appointment to Rougement.

The Rev. Mr. Thicke will be inducted into his charge by the Bishop on Sunday.

THE Bishop-elect for Algoma has sent in his resignation as rector of St. George's. It takes effect 1st August.

ADAMSVILLE.—This week, May 13, witnesses two interesting ecclesiastical rites performed by our Bishop. The first which, (D.V.) ere you receive this will have been performed, is the consecration of a church in this place. It is not exactly a new church for it has been in use for some years, but its builder, or owner, was Mr. Adams, who primarily erected it for a sort of union meeting-house, but has deemed it wiser and the more proper thing to have it solemnly consecrated to the worship of God according to the rites of the Church of England. The second is the laying of the corner-stone, or as the Freemasons put it, the superincumbent corner-stone, of St. John's church, West Sheffield, the Quebec Grand Lodge of F. and A. Masons being present to lay the under-stone. We have heard it said that his lordship the Bishop would personally prefer that on such occasions the religious rites of the Church should alone distinguish the occasion. But the Masonic assembly will draw a greater crowd, and possibly augment considerably the offerings generally made at such times. Of one thing we may be certain, it will be the Masonic ritual, its ceremonies, symbols, regalia, that will be regarded with the utmost attention and remembered when the religious ceremonies will be forgotten.

ONTARIO.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SHANNONVILLE.—Consecration and Confirmation.—The Bishop of Ontario visited this parish on Saturday, 6th ult., the day following the Confirmation held in St. Thomas's church, Belleville, noticed in our last issue. The day was fine and pleasant, and a good congregation was assembled and took an earnest interest in the services. The present church

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