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2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Morning—Isaiah V.; 1 John I. Evening—Isaiah XI to 11 or XXIV; John XVI to 16.

Appropriate Hymns for the Second and Third Sundays in Advent, compiled by Dr. Albert Ham, F.R.C.O., organist and director of the choir of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. The numbers are taken from Hymns Ancient and Modern, many of which may be found in other fhymnals:

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

for the priesthood from his earliest youth, he fulfilled their fondest hopes. In his early manhood, during the latter years of the reign of Louis Phillipe, the better class of French religious thought more strongly influenced society than it has done since the revolution of 1848, and this society was strongly stirred by the belief that Newman and his friends were leading the Church of England back to Rome. Animated by a desire to aid this crusade, young Miel went to London, learned English, and threw himself with all his eloquence and ardour into the discussion. One of his opponents, after writing in vain, called on him, and assuring him of his belief in his honesty, begged him to go to the British Museum, inspect the works from which he quoted, and satisfy himself that he was doing so erroneously. He did so, then went to Rome itself, and after a time of great mental agony left the Church of Rome. He came to Boston in 1854, and supported himself by literary work. After some years he was received into the Church. In 1870, under Bishop Stevens, he organized in Philadelphia the little French church of St. Sauveur, of which he continued rector until his death. He was the author of several books, notably The New World, an autobiography called A Soul's Pilgrimage; The Pope and Holy Scripture, The Pope and Primititve Church, and others.

The Pilot.

It is a matter of regret that the "Pilot" has been unable to weather the storm that

ming district the Ontario Government is building a railway and inviting settlement to depend on agriculture, without the adventitious and precarious aid of industrial markets, while Manitoba and the Territories are being settled faster than ever by a natural influx. But in addition to these agencies, we have in Ontario two United States societies, promising in verv "tall" language to wake us up and direct two additional streams of immigration into New Ontario. A railway is coming into Fort Francis from the south, its water power is to be developed, and the Rainy River District to participate in an influx of population. Above all, our North-West is promised more immigrants than ever. We feel we ought to sound a note of warning. Are we not going too fast? Are there sufficient reserves behind this army of pioneers? What precautions are being taken to prevent disaster? Suppose, what is quite possible, what is probable, that instead of another overflowing wheat crop, the dreaded frost should come too soon next fall, what will be done? Are we not trusting too much to King Wheat and forgetting that the only safe farming is mixed farming? Nations, as well as individuals, suffer from too great haste to be rich.

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Despondency.

In our short review last week of Canon Newbolt's book on priestly blemishes, we suggested its use from time to time at morning private devotions, as pointing out things to be avoided, faults to be amended. As an example of the style of book, we extract a short paragraph, which is of value at this Advent season: "If we get out of heart with the times, if we despair of our parish, we most certainly also become despondent about the state of our own soul. We have already considered the peculiar malice of the devil, which exhibits itself in annoyance and disquieting influences, even when he cannot succeed in successfully lodging his temptations. The depressing effect of evil suggestions, the haunting imputation of motives either evil or short of the highest, the suggested consent in evil where really no consent has been given, the general impression that the devil sometimes contrives to leave of failure and evil desire, all these can very easily set up a spiritual despondency which is a fruitful seed-bed of all manner of evil. We are apt to forget that our spiritual life needs to be treated in a serious and business-like fashion. . . We are apt, on a cursory examination of conscience, either to take the estimate which the devil wishes to establish, and think ourselves worse than we are; or take a casual, insincere glance into our state, and imagine ourselves advancing when we are really going back. A careful record of our sins will then help us to have a just

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Holy Communion: 309, 318, 558, 559. Processional: 47, 50, 220, 270. Offertory: 226, 243, 258, 362. Children's Hymns: 48, 346, 567, 570. General Hymns: 51, 204, 478, 527.

A French Priest.

Old memories are revived by reading that the Rev. Dr. Charles F. B. Miel, aged eightyfive, for thirty-two years rector of the French church of St. Sauveur, Philadelphia, died Thursday, November 13th, at his home in Wayne. Dr. Miel was born near Dijon, France, in 1818, and as a student at the seminary, at Besancon, he became a novice of the Society of Jesus. Going to Paris later, he became a protege of Pere de Ravignan, the Lenten preacher of Notre Dame, and the great Lacordaire. A few years ago Dr. Miel published a short but deeply interesting autobiography. Destined by his beats against ambitious journalism. The founders left the English "Guardian" and began its publication under favourable auspices. It became, under Mr. Lathbury, a power in the world of religious journalism. Its ideals were high, and well sustained; in may be, indeed, that its aims and aspirations were too lofty. Be that as it may, it failed to receive support, and its last number appeared last month.

Hasten Slowly.

It has been a standing grievance among newspaper men that Canada was overlooked or treated as non-existent, so that our natural resources were slowly developed. Certainly at present such a complaint could not be made, in fact, fault-finders, for we are all fault-finders, are more likely to object to the exaggerated notice our country is receiving. Of the two evils, it is the greater, slow, steady progress is better than Gladstonian leaps and bounds. The enterprise of the Clergues at the Sault has established industrial works there, is building a railway and settling a population on the lands adjacent to it. In the Temiska-

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