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UPHOLDS THE DOCTRINES AND RUBRICS OF THE PRAYER BOOK.

"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—Eph. vi., 24.
"Earnestly contend for the Faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

IRELAND gave last year £10,031 to the C. M. S.

THE Rev. Dr. Hodges, elected Assistant Bishop of Oregon, has declined.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury's youngest brother, Mr. Charles Benson, died on the 14th June last.

THE Church of England has at least 2,500,000 Sunday School scholars in England and Wales, and 220,000 teachers.

THE funeral of Mrs. Sarah Paine Cleveland, a sister of Bishop Doane, and well known for her great philanthropy, took place on 30th June last.

THE Bishop of Liverpool, speaking at the consecration of St. Andrew's church, Liverpool, condemned the modern idea that one religion was as good as another.

"UNSECTARIANISM fast becoming a sect" is a *bon mot* of Archbishop Benson, dropped in the debate in the House of Lords on the Bishop of Salisbury's Education Bill.

THE progress of Sunday Schools in the Church of England may be said to have been co-extensive with the progress of the "Church of England Sunday School Institute."

As a result of the Presbyterian troubles, the famous old Lane Seminary, Cincinnati, may be abandoned entirely. The institution is now threatened with early dissolution.

THE Rev. Professor Samuel Hart, D.D., of Trinity College, who was elected Bishop of Vermont, has declined the election, thinking it his duty to remain with the college.

THE two hundredth anniversary of the charter of William and Mary College, Virginia, was celebrated June 21st, and a number of distinguished visitors were in attendance.

THE *Sunday School* blesses the family, enriches and strengthens the Church, and provides for the Community a guarantee for the protection of law and the maintenance of order.

THE late Miss Green, of Bushbury, Staffordshire, has bequeathed the sum of £15,000 for the augmentation of several benefices, mostly in the mining districts of the Diocese of Lichfield.

THE movement of the Swedes in the United States towards the P. E. Church has assumed such proportions as to alarm the Augustana Synod, who have been severe in their animadversions.

THE total number of signatures to petitions against the Welsh Suspensory Bill reached (6th June) *nine hundred thousand*, of which 360,000 came from Wales, representing only persons over 16 years of age.

A CLERGYMAN of wide experience, speaking at the York Church Congress, said that seventy per cent. of the operatives who were communicants were brought to the Church entirely through the instrumentality of the Sunday Schools.

THE Wesleyan Conference in England, from a return made in 1888, found that the increase of ordinary members during ten years preceding had been 20 per cent., whilst that of members received from the Sunday Schools was 50 per cent.

NORTH CAROLINA has elected the Rev. Dr. Cheshire, jr., as Bishop Coadjutor of Bishop Lyman, who has nearly completed the twentieth year of episcopal service. Dr. Cheshire is 43 years of age, studied law and practised with success for several years before taking Orders.

THE credit of starting *Training or Model Lessons*—now common amongst Church people and dissenters—belongs entirely to the Church of England S. S. Institute; the Rev. Dr. Meynell Whittemore gave the first training lesson in St. Dunstan's school-room, Fleet street, London, Eng.

THE Rev. John Ellerton, the well-known hymn writer, died last month aged 60. He was the author of (amongst others) the hymns beginning "Now the labourer's task is o'er," "This is the day of light," "Saviour again to Thy dear Name we raise," "Throned upon the awful tree."

THE Archbishop of Canterbury lately made reference to the fact that it was computed that a million of money was spent yearly on one pastime alone—football,—mostly collected in very small sums by the secretaries and treasurers of the clubs, and his Grace remarked that it was this club work which was wanted for the Church.

DURING the past year the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society has given away 4,216 Bibles and Testaments, 49,824 Prayer Books and Hymnals, in all 54,040 volumes. The number of grants were over 800, showing that the society has not been negligent in its work, which covers all sections of the country.

THE Buffalo *Christian Advocate* (Methodist) says:

"From various sources we learn that the Protestant Episcopal Church is doing a noble work among the poor and the outcast in our large cities. The Rev. Dr. J. M. King, of New York, says that the great power for practical

religious work is the Episcopal Church. While other denominations and societies are paying evangelists and brass bands to evangelize the people, the Episcopalians are doing the effective work and constantly gaining in numbers and strength."

THE Lord Primate of Ireland, the revered and Most Rev. Dr. Knox, was presented last month by the Diocese of Armagh with a most loving address accompanied by an excellent portrait of himself to be hung up in the Palace, so that the next generation might see the features of him, "the great Primate," whom they honoured and loved.

THE old English Prayer-book was revised by Rev. John Wesley for the Methodists; in England it has been used by them, in the U. S. not at all used. But recently the Methodist Bishop Newman says there is a tendency on the part of the Methodists to use the liturgy prepared by John Wesley, taken mainly from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer, and adds, among other things, "I shall greatly rejoice if I live to see it."

JOHN WESLEY, rector of Savannah (1736), established a Sunday school after the good old English model, trained by a layman, but carefully catechised by a parish priest on Sunday afternoons before evening service. "He heard the children recite their catechism, questioned them as to what they had heard from the pulpit, instructed them still farther in the Bible, endeavouring to fix the truth on their understandings as well as their memories." This was nearly fifty years before Robert Ruikes!

NONCONFORMISTS made a great mistake when they altogether rejected Liturgical aid in public prayer. A recent writer has said, "Sermon-worship instead of service-worship appears to control our congregations." The *Christian* remarks: "So far as this is true, one great secret of powerlessness in Christian instrumentality is revealed. To wait upon man, even the best of men, is a poor substitute for waiting upon God. Saintly George Herbert hit the mark when he said:

Resort to sermons, but to prayers most:
Praying's the end of preaching."

—The News.

THE Bishop of Bangor, says *The Church Times*, has pricked one or two Liberationist bubbles. In answer to the calumny that no Welsh services are held in the Welsh cathedrals, his Lordship stated that in his own cathedral there is one every morning, and another every Sunday evening throughout the year. As to the Church being an alien Church, she had preserved the *Fisteddfodan*, the most national of all the Welsh institutions. Calvinistic Methodism largely prevails; yet Calvin was a Frenchman, and Methodism is English. The churches in every parish are called *Llan*, and are dedi-