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

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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

BRISTOL BISHOPRIC.—At a meeting of the Bristol Bishopric Committee lately, it was reported that the subscription list laid on the table amounted to £40,058, nearly two-thirds of the amount required.

SUGGESTED ADDITION.—The idea of making an addition to Westminster Abbey is again mooted. Mr. Shaw Lefevre is credited with the laudable enterprise of raising a voluntary subscription to add a new cloister near Palacevard.

PRESENTATION.—Canon Harrison, vicar of St. James', Bury St. Edmunds', has been presented by his parishioners with an address, a writing table, and a purse of £112, on his appointment to the Bishopric of Glasgow and Galloway.

Discovery.—Some brautiful carving in Church stone has been discovered in a buttress against the north-east corner of the north transept of Peterborough Cathedral. This probably belonged to the Lady chapel, built about 1272, by Prior Paris, and demolished in 1670 to mend dilapidations in some parts of the building. It mainly consists of arcading, bracketed pinnacles, caps, mouldings, &c., and formed a portion of some extensive interior ornament, probably of a shrine to St. Oswald.

GRATIFYING.—It appears, from a paper recently issued by the National Society, that from the date of the passing of the Education Act to August 1887, the latest date for which returns are issued, the accommodation provided by the Church in her efficient schools increased from 1,365,080 to 2,579,565, i.e., 1,214,485 additional school places were provided; whilst during the same period all the other religious bodies, together with School Boards, provided accommodation fer 2,185,923 children; also that during the past eighteen years the Church contributed for education in schools connected with the Education Department over £10,000,000, as against less than £3,000,000 from all the other religious bodies combined.

REPEOPLING PARESTINE. Dr. Sivartha, of Chicago, is organising a movement for the resettlement of Palestine. He is working in England as well as in America. He is making many converts to his views, and he expects that there will soon be an extensive migration to the Holy Land from both Europe and America. The new colony, although the produet of deep religious convictions, is to be formed on strictly business principles. Cap tain Condor, who has made an official survey of Palestine, reports that its agricultural capabilities are very great, and that it can be easily made to rival in fertility the most productive countries of Southern Europe. Plans have been formed to rebuild Jerusalem in harmony with the prophetic descriptions of the Bible. It is proposed to be made a centre of learning and political influence as well as of religion. Dr. Sivartha's scheme is extensive and farreaching. He says that he has long made it his study to develop not only all Palestine, but in securing them?

all the great Euphrates Valley, "which is capable of sustaining 100,000,000 people, and of again being the centre of the world's activities." He expects aid from Jews and Gentiles. According to his expectations the Jews will form but one-sixth of the population of the reinhabited and revived Holy Land. Dr. Sivartha is evidently an enthusiast, who has the faculty of inoculating others with his enthusiasm.

THE NEW BISHOP OF CHESTER.—The Rev. Canon Francis John Jayne, who since 1886 has been the Vicar of Leeds in succession to the Rev. Dr. Gott, transferred to the Deanery of Worcester, has been nominated to the See of Chester rendered vacant by the translation of Dr. Stubbs to the See of Oxford. The Vicar of Leeds, who has consented to the nomination, will have spent but a short time among the people of that town. Born in or about 1844, he was educated at Wadham College, Oxford, of which he was a scholar. He took a first class in Moderations, and a first-class in Literæ Humaniores and in Law and History in 1868, in which year he was elected a fellow of Jesus College. He was Senior Hall Houghton Greek Testament Prizeman in 1870. He was ordained in 1870, and became Curate at St. Clement's, Oxford, and from 1871 to 1879 was tutor of Keble College. He was then appointed Principal of St. David's College, Lampeter. He was Whitehall Preacher in 1875-77, and Select Preacher at Oxford in 1884.

The new Bishop is (says the English Churchman Evangelical) an advanced High Churchman. His appointment has given great satisfaction to the Ritualists. The Church Times says that it is "in every way an admirable appointment," and that Mr. Jayne is a "sound Churchman."

THE CHURCH HOUSE, LONDON.—Since the formal opening of the Church House, about two months ago, considerable progress has been made in its interior arrangement, and nearly £5,000 received in donations. At present only one-half of the house is occupied, the rooms which were used for committee meetings during the Lambeth Conference; but it is intended to remove the partition, and throw many of the rooms into one. By this means, on the ground and first floor, rooms will be found which will accommodate close upon a thousand persons each, while the upper rooms will be utilised for committee meetings and such like. The number of volumes in the library is increasing, but there is still a great dearth of works bearing on ancient ecclesiastical history, relating either to the mother country or the colonies. Gifts of books of this kind are earnestly sought for, and it is expected that foreign ecclesiastics will do their best to make it a centre in this respect for the Anglican Church throughout the world.

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND SUNDAY-SCHOOL IN-STITUTE.

The days of INTERCESSION for SUNDAY-SCHOOLS for 1888, will take place on Sunday, October 21st, and Monday, October 22nd, and in view of this the following circular has been issued:—

To the Clergy, Superintendents, Teachers, and Friends of Sunday-Schools:—

The Committee of the Church of England Sunday-School Institute, so far as it is within their province to do so, venture once again to invite the Clergy, Teachers, and Friends of Sunday schools, to unite in observing the days suggested for Special Intercession on behalf of Sunday-schools. The days proposed are: Sunday, October 21st, and Monday, October 22nd.

This invitation is addressed to the Colonies, the United States, and the Continent, no less than to all those in Great Britain who are willing to receive it.

In the previous year during which the observance of Special Days for Prayer and Thanksgiving in reference to the important branch of Church Work carried on in the Sunday-school has been customary, the approval of the Archbishops and of many of the Bishops has been freely given. The Committee are glad to state that the Archbishop of Canterbury has expressed his personal interest in the movement, and recommends the Clergy of his own diocese to observe the Days appointed. The movement has also received the support of the Archbishop of

The Committee feel that it is hardly necessary for them to refer to the need of Special Prayer on behalf of Sunday-schools, and of the manifest advantages which result from united and simultaneous action wherever such action is practicable. If Missionary work and, (in some Dioceses). Temperance work receive the recognition and prayers of the Church on fixed occasions in the year, the Sunday-school, as the Church's agency for carrying out the Saviour's charge, "Feed my Lambs," is anxious not to be denied a like position and benefit, Topics for Prayer.—The following Topics for

Topics for Prayer.—The following Topics for Prayer are suggested, together with appropriate Collects from the Book of Common Prayer, for use where it is thought desirable. A Litany for use on the Days of Intercession has been prepared by the Institute, and copies can be had, price 6s. per 100.

1. Confession of shortcoming and sin; want of faith, zeal, devotion; neglect of opportunities; self-seeking, pride, vainglory, in past work.

Thanksgiving, for being allowed to engage in the work; and for success and blessing vouchsafed, notwithstanding human imperfection.

Prayer for the Sunday-School as a pastoral agency: that its importance may be more and more recognised, and its usefulness developed, by the Church.

Appropriate Prayers.—Collects for Advent, Easter-day, Whit-Sunday, 22nd, 23rd, and 25th Sundays after Trinity, and from the Communion Service.

2. Prayer for those now engaged in, or prepar-