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LESSONS for SUNDAYS and HOLY-DAYS.

- April 2 SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT—
Morning Exodus 9. St. Matthew 26.
Even Exod. 10, or 11. St. Luke 19, v. 28, or 20, 9-21
3 Mon bef. East, Morn Lam. 1, to v. 15. St. John 14 to 15
Evening Lam. 3 v. 13. St. John 14, verse 15.
4 Tue bef. East, Morn Lam. 3, to v. 34. St. John 15, to v. 14
Evening Lam. 2, v. 34. St. John 15, verse 14.
5 Wed bef. East, Morn Lam. 4, to v. 21. St. John 16, to v. 16
Evening Daniel 9, v. 20. St. John 16, verse 16.
6 Thur bef. East, Morn Hos. 13, to v. 15. St. John 17.
Evening Hosea 14. St. John 13 to v. 36.
7 GOOD FRIDAY—Proper Pass. M. 22, 49, 54. E. 69, 88.
Morning Genesis 22 to v. 20. St. John 18.
Evening Isaiah 53, v. 13 and 23. 1 St. Peter 2.
8 Easter Even Morning Zech 9. St. Luke 23, v. 50.
Evening Hosea 5, v. 8, to 6, v. 4. Rom. 6, to v. 14.

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 1882.

EASTER Day will fall this year on the anniversary of the actual date, April 9th, A.D. 30.

Great distress prevails in Sweden in consequence of the unusual mildness of the weather preventing the transport of timber and ore across the usually frozen rivers and snow covered fields. Their harvest of 1881 was also a bad one.

Canon Gregory has been collated by the Bishop of London to the Treasurership of St. Paul's; and the Rev. Benjamin Webb, vicar of St. Andrew's, Wells-street, to the Prebend of Portpool, formerly held by Dean Plumtree.

Bishop Ryle has issued a circular with regard to Confirmation, in which he deprecates the idea of the clergy sending their candidates oftener than once in two years; and he announces his intention of being a law-breaker by administering the rite to two persons at once.

Bishop Coxe suggests to the presiding Bishop, in the United States the advisability of calling a special session of the House of Bishops for next October to consider the subject of Theological education, and the canons bearing upon candidates and examinations.

A missionary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Ahmednagar, India, says that on a visit to Kukane recently he saw at the Government school three Mahar boys, with books and slates, sitting outside the door of the school, listening and looking in, to learn all they could of what the teacher was saying. This, he says, is not an infrequent sight. He could not but be affected to think how these despised boys were content to be treated like dogs if they could only gather up a few scraps of knowledge. The teacher, a Brahman was willing to take the boys inside, and did so at the request of the missionary; but in two or three days they were turned out again, because the

people of the village would not permit Mahars to sit with their children.

War between Russia and Austria is considered probable.

In a museum in New York the Lord's Prayer may be found written in eighty-seven different languages, and not one of the copies is like the Prayer in the miserable, revised version.

The church of St. Saviour, Moscow, represents a value of fifteen million dollars, and the Isaac cathedral, St. Petersburg, forty-five million dollars. The domes of the great churches in St. Petersburg, Moscow, and some other towns are said to be plated with gold nearly a quarter of an inch thick.

One of the most remarkable manifestations of opinion that ever proceeded from Oxford is said to be the signing of a memorial, protesting against the treatment of the Jews in Russia, by two hundred and forty-five resident graduates of the University; among whom are Dr. Pusey, Dean Liddell, and Canons Liddon and Bright. The memorial was presented to Dr. Adler, Chief Rabbi.

The society connected with the Church in the United States which has for its object the Promotion of Christianity among the Jews is working actively throughout that country, having branches in twenty-six dioceses and five missionary institutions. Last year the Society issued 20,000 copies of publications besides distributing the Scriptures and Prayer Book, in various languages. The income for the year was \$8,618.

The timid people of the United States seem to become thoroughly imbued with the notion that the entire Empire of China will empty its enormous population into their country. The Senate has consequently found it necessary to prepare a bill that is intended to preserve the United States from being overrun by the celestials of the middle kingdom for the next twenty years. It provides that not a single Chinese labourer shall land on their shores for that period of time.

The prospects of the recent New Testament revision, says the New York Churchman, are becoming small by degrees, and beautifully less. "On no principle does it commend itself to the approbation of any one who prefers adhesion to what is venerable and universal, until something so indisputably superior is presented that a fair prospect may be recognized of wuniting the suffrages of intelligent Christians in its favour." "We await the Old Testament revision, not without hopes that its merits may be such as to command enthusiastic respect. In that case a New Testament revision will become a logical necessity." "It is said that one of the best of the American company admits the fatal mistake that is involved in the Lord's Prayer of the revision, which begins with 'Our Father,' but winds up with the devil—the evil one—omitting the doxology. A writer in the New York Independent says—"So far from the revisions being the work of forty of the best scholars in the world, there is not a thing in it, which may not have been the work of a small minority of them, and these the least qualified to say anything about it." This record,

says the Churchman, is true, and coming from such a quarter it adds strength to the daily increasing conviction of sober judges that neither to the cautious and conservative temper of Churchmen nor to the over-confident and somewhat reckless spirit of popular impatience is the revision satisfactory."

The Archbishop of Armagh, Primate of all Ireland entered upon his eighty-first year on February 14.

A petition is in circulation to be presented to the Archbishop of Canterbury in favour of the appointment of an English bishop for the chaplaincies and missions in northern and central Europe.

The Church of England Temperance societies have resolved to observe Wednesday, March 29, as a day of humiliation on account of the sin of intemperance and its immediate results, and of intercessory prayer for the Divine blessing upon the work of temperance reformation.

At a rural-decanal conference held February 6th, at Truro, the bishop introduced the subject of discussion in three parts: 1st, That the utterly godless are committed to the pastors of the Church individually and collectively at ordination; 2nd, That the spiritual condition around us demands increased action, which can only be taken in concert with the laity; 3rd, That such action should repair errors of omission among ourselves, and avoid popular errors of excess.

The Rev. W. M. C. Clarke, formerly incumbent of Alliston, diocese of Toronto, has been presented by the Archbishop of Canterbury to the vicarage of St. Michael's, near Ashford, Kent. It is valued at £300 sterling, per annum. The church was built about twenty-one years ago and has a substantial stone exterior with a fine spire. The interior is handsome with a good organ and some beautiful stained glass windows. There is a good surpliced choir and a large congregation who sing and respond heartily.

The tenth anniversary of the founding of the Old Catholic congregation at Cologne was celebrated on February 2nd, the festival of the Purification. Bishop Reinkens preached on the occasion. A banquet was also held in a large hall, followed by speeches from Counsellor Wilfing, Justirrauh Elven, Bishop Reinkens and others. In the evening Professor Von Schulte delivered an address. After surveying the progress and condition of the Old Catholic congregations in Germany, Herr von Schulte expressed his confidence with regard to the future of the movement—a future which Romanism cannot have.

The Pastoral Aid Society held its anniversary in Liverpool on February the 18th, and was made the occasion of a demonstration not only to quicken interest in this home missionary society, but also to reassert the principles of which the organization is the exponent. The Bishop of Liverpool was not present. An address to the clergy was given by the Rev. Dr. Flavel Cook, at which there were present among others Bishop Alford, Canons Taylor, Jones, Fergie, Hume, Anderson, and Lefroy,