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"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—Eph. vi., 21.  
Earnestly contend for the Faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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## ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

IN the early summer the 75th anniversary of the consecration of St. Paul's church, Boston, is to be observed with fitting services.

THE *Churchman* of April 6th, of New York, contains a flattering picture of His Grace the Archbishop of Ontario, with a slight sketch of his life.

THE Easter number of our esteemed contemporary, *The New York Churchman*, is very beautifully designed, surpassing, we think, that of any previous year.

THE D. & F.M.S. of the P.E. Church in the United States has made a grant for the publication of Holy Scriptures in the Wenh, the classical language of China.

THE 10th anniversary of the White Cross Army was observed in Association Hall, New York city, in the last week in March. There are over 3,900 men now enrolled in the Army.

IN the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States the Baptisms from 1883 to 1892 numbered 510,528; in the 18 years, from 1874 to 1892, the Confirmations numbered 563,975.

THE Dean of Rochester states that, as a result of his late lecturing tour in America, he expects to be able to hand over a sum of £500 towards the restoration fund of his cathedral.

A beautiful memorial window to the late beloved Bishop Knight, of Milwaukee, has been erected in Trinity church, Wauwatosa. It is in three panels representing the Nativity, the Baptism, and the Ascension of our Lord.

THE sum of \$93,000 has come to the Diocese of Maryland from the estate of Mrs. C. S. Keerl. This will remove the difficulties in the way of the desired division of the Diocese and provides for the endowment of the new one being now formed.

LORD NORTHBOURNE, who from 1874 until his succession to the peerage in 1893, sat as a Radical member for Gateshead, has joined the Central Church Committee for the defence of the Church against the Welsh Disestablishment Bill now before Parliament.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has expressed his deep sympathy with the Church in Newfoundland in its present distress, and has promised a subscription to the special fund now being raised. The Bishop of London is also taking an active interest in the appeal.

IN the parish of Christ Church, Portsmouth, N.H., the number of communicants has increased since four years ago from 19 to over 100, and the offerings have averaged \$2,000 a

year. There are four active parochial Societies, three of which have been started within the four years last past.

OF 18 churches in the town of Derby, Eng., no fewer than ten have Evening Communion, and of this number only one gives its parishioners the opportunity of communicating at an early service every Sunday. Such a state of things is not only deplorable, it is disgraceful.—*Family Churchman*, London, Eng.

AN anonymous donor has sent a cheque for £5 000 to the building fund of the new St. Peter's church, Eastbourne, for the building of the chancel. The Duke of Devonshire gave the site and £5,000 towards the erection, but owing to the want of funds the Committee had decided, until this gift came to hand, not to proceed with the erection of the chancel.

ONE of the surprises of the latest Census in India was the rapid increase of the native Christians. Between 1872 and 1881 the Christians increased by more than 30 per cent.; the general population of British India by less than 7 per cent.; between 1881 and 1891 the Christians in British India increased by nearly 28 per cent., and the general population by less than 10 per cent.

LARGE Confirmations are reported in Baltimore and other evidences of Church progress are given. For instance, in St. Michael's and All Angel's parish (the Rev. C. Ernest Smith, rector,) the Communicants have risen in number from 471 to 751 within the past three years, and the Sunday school from 20 teachers and 200 scholars to 48 teachers and 376 scholars.

THE death is announced of the Right Rev. J. B. Pearson, ordained Bishop of Newcastle, Australia, May, 1880, and recently Vicar of Leek, Kirby Lonsdale, Carnforth. After his long illness and subsequent resignation of his see, Dr. Pearson took up his residence in the Manchester diocese two years ago, when he was instituted to the vicarage of Leek in succession to the Rev. G. I. Turner.

THE statistics published in the official year book of the Church of England just out yield some noteworthy figures. The numbers confirmed and also ordained for 1894 show a falling off. There has been a steady decline in the number of adult total abstainers, but an increase of moderates and juveniles. Foreign missions show an increase. Voluntary contributions for all Church purposes show a grand total for the year of £5,650,490.

"VESTED choirs, which were formerly unknown in Virginia, will very soon be common there," says the correspondent of the *New York Churchman*. The Rev. Hartley Carmichael, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's church (brother of the Very Rev. Dean Carmichael, of Montreal,)

has had a boy's choir under training which will hereafter form a part of the surpliced choir of the church. This change was introduced on Easter day. The Rev. J. J. Gravatt, of Holy Trinity church, also had a mixed vested choir on Easter day.

CANON BRAMLEY, who has been appointed Precentor of Lincoln Cathedral in the place of the late Canon Venables, was in 1875 appointed examining chaplain to the Bishop of Lincoln, and two years later was allocated to a prebendal stall in the cathedral, while in 1889 he relinquished the vicarage of Horspath, which he had held since 1862, to become resident chaplain to the Bishop of Lincoln. He is joint author with Sir John Stainer of "Christmas Carols, New and Old."

"BROTHERHOOD Tracts for the Times," No. 2, issued by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the States, contains three of the addresses delivered at the 9th annual convention in Washington last fall in answer to the queries: "Why do Episcopalians have Bishops, use the Prayer Book, and build Cathedrals?" Two of these addresses have already appeared in THE GUARDIAN. In tract form they ought to have wide circulation and may be had from the Church Mission House, New York city.

ON the fourth Sunday in Lent at St. Peter's church, Brooklyn, (the Rev. Lindsay Parker, rector,) the Bishop of East Carolina confirmed 57 persons, regarding whom the following notes are of interest: Male, 23; female, 24; average age, 23½; range of ages, 14 to 54; there came from the Sunday School, 32. Of the 57 persons confirmed 31 persons had been brought up in the Church, 13 were formerly Methodists, 2 Presbyterians, 4 Dutch Reformed, 2 Lutheran, 4 Congregationalist, 1 Baptist.

THE *Menomonee Times* of Wisconsin says: At the ceremony of ordination of priests at All Saints' Cathedral in Milwaukee last Sunday morning Bishop Nicholson, in addition to the eucharistic vestments, the alb and the purple chasuble, wore an additional insignia of his ecclesiastical rank—the miter. It was the first time in the history of the Episcopal Church in this diocese that the miter has been worn in Milwaukee, although it is not an unusual custom elsewhere. The one worn by Bishop Nicholson at the ceremony Sunday was very handsome, being made of cloth of gold, and was presented to him by an aged Philadelphia layman, after his ordination as Bishop. Bishop Nicholson has worn it several times at Nashotah Seminary, but never before in the Cathedral. Bishop Grafton of the Fond du Lac diocese wears the miter on all occasions in which it would not be out of place.

AT a meeting of the Aberdeen Presbytery of the Established Church of Scotland, a motion was on the Agenda paper, ordering an overture to the General Assembly on the following