

clergy stipend. The Communicants have grown from 42 last year to 70 in the whole parish. The money raised in general collections and subscriptions, etc., has been nearly doubled, when the work of the Woman's Auxiliary is included. The offerings for the various Synodal objects amount to over \$60, as against only \$15 last year, and a new and much needed stable has been built at Estevan, and paid for within a few dollars, as well as a small temporary parsonage. There have been seventeen baptisms, and twelve marriages during the past fifteen months, and six burials. A few days ago, a beautiful portable font of electro plate, and enclosed in leather case, came to hand from the Girl's Guild of St. Stephen's, Toronto, and was gratefully acknowledged. It has been needed for a long time, for the Church has been without one for eleven years, and this gift can be taken also to outstations and used. The day after its receipt, it was called into requisition, as a baby was brought from the next town (seventeen miles away), Macoun, to be baptized.

Correspondence.

THE OUTSKIRTS OF CITIES.

Sir,—I see in our Toronto papers that a Church building society has been formed to increase our accommodation on a systematic plan. I don't know whether this includes the Township of York, if not it should do so. There are enormous numbers of lots laid out, shacks erecting, and a population living outside the city limits. There is to my knowledge a district running west of Yonge Street, where there are Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodist, Church of Christ and other bodies, with more or less substantial buildings, but so far as I know no Church Missions. We need a working Rural Dean to supervise and establish the Church in all these new settlements.

Onlooker.

THE NEW SECRETARY-TREASURER.

Sir,—It is understood that a new Secretary-Treasurer for the Diocese of Huron is to be elected at the next meeting of our Diocesan Synod. Consequently, through the columns of this paper I wish to urge on all concerned, the great necessity of selecting a good loyal, devoted son of the Church who would be willing to make a little self-sacrifice for the welfare of the Church, and not a man who wants the position for the sake of the salary. I for one cannot see why a layman cannot deny himself for the Church's sake just the same as scores of our country clergy are doing. Scores of country clergymen throughout this Diocese are living on very small salaries, denying themselves for the good of the Church, and the love of other men's souls, and in return beloved by their congregations because of their Christian simplicity. Now in a Diocese where there are scores of clergymen denying themselves daily for the Master's sake, surely there ought to be at least one layman that would be willing to follow their heroic example, and who will now come forward and offer his services to the Diocese without trying to bleed the dear old Church. We know that such a layman will have a great deal to contend with. In the first place there are a great many men in this Diocese with very poor discernment, and can only judge a man's application by the amount of salary he asks for. They think that if they want a good man they must pay a big salary, and if a man does not try to bleed them they put him down as an inferior man. But we hope that at the next meeting of our Synod there will at least be found a majority with better sense. Now in closing I would appeal to the men of consecrated common sense to hunt up a good, God-fearing, self-denying Churchman for this office, and save the Diocese a few hundred dollars a year.

H. J. Condell.

THANKS.

Sir,—The Rev. W. H. G. Battershill, incumbent of Somerset, desires to acknowledge the receipt of a book the gift from a friend, which is highly esteemed.

W. H. G. Battershill, Somerset, Man.

A SPECIAL ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

To encourage patriotism is a most laudable ambition and we cannot but rejoice at the efforts our public school authorities are making along these lines. There is, however, a danger to be avoided and we gladly, therefore, draw our readers' attention to a Special Order of Service, for the Sunday Schools, for Dominion Day, which this year falls on a Sunday. The advertisement, which appears in another column, sets out the particulars of the service prepared by the Church Record Sunday School Publishers, and we trust that their effort to bring before our Sunday School children the Christian ideal of a patriot may meet with much success.

REVIEWS.

Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi. By George Tyrrell. Longmans, Green & Co., London and New York. Each 5s., net.

These are two wonderful books, but they are not easy reading. Yet the study of them will abundantly repay the brain labour of striving to think out all their profound suggestions. They are designed, as the author hints to us, to serve as a guide in the perplexity felt by many minds to-day, created, both inside the Church and out of it, by what has been shallowly termed "reaction against dogmatism." Some writers say "theology," in favour of what is quite as shallowly termed "practical religion." One form this mistake assumes is to bend all sight upon the Gospels, taking them as the consolidated teaching of one who may be considered the very Prince of Ethical Masters, both as regards teaching and consistent example, but who is nothing, or at least very little more. Such epistles of the New Testament as are not, really speaking, forgeries, are thought to derogate from the purer teaching of Christ's own words and life. Mr. Tyrrell has written two books which well serve to set in a proper light the outward and inward value of the Creed and Lord's Prayer. His "introductions" are extremely valuable. We have not space to give examples of his method. Perhaps his own words will partially convey an idea of his aim: "In 'Lex Orandi' I endeavoured to show how the Christian Creed had been principally shaped by the exigencies of the devout life; and how it ought, therefore, to be viewed primarily as a law of prayer, or of practical devotion, and only secondarily as a theology. My intention was far more practical than apologetic." "Again, as I called the former book, 'Lex Orandi,' because it dealt with the Creed under its aspect of a rule of prayer, so I may call this book 'Lex Credendi,' for in substance it is a treatment of the Lord's Prayer viewed as the rule and criterion of pure doctrine, as the living expression of that Christian spirit, whereof faith in God and His Kingdom, together with hope and charity, is a constituent factor." Apart altogether from their very great controversial value these two books will be found to be of very great value to all who can "think" as they read, and "think out" afterward what they have read. To all such readers we heartily commend these excellent and timely books.

Dynamic Factors in Education. By M. V. O'Shea, Professor of the Science and Art of Education in University of Wisconsin. Author of "Education as Adjustment," etc. New York: The Macmillan Co. Price, \$1.40.

This is one of a host of German-American books, and booklets, of pedagogical literature. Certainly the United States boy and girl now growing up must surely eventuate in perfect prodigies of humanity. We use the term humanity advisedly for no account is taken of their spirit nature. Evidently religion is not a quantity to be taken as a factor in American pedagogy. We notice that the teacher is always "she," men do not seem to be in it. The book before us has very many good things in it, we are sure it would speak to the heart of Inspector Hughes of Toronto. It will, no doubt, be eagerly read by Normal School pupils. It will prove of great value to public school teachers.

Bishop Westcott. By Joseph Clayton. A. R. Mowbray Co., London. Price, 3s. 6d.

This is one of the series "Leaders of the Church 1800-1900." Edited by S. W. E. Russell. To all who have known Bishop Westcott from his books this life will come as a welcome in-

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sight into his character from a layman's point of view; it gives an account of the man rather than the Bishop. There is a good sketch of his opinions on theological matters; of his dealing with those who came under his influence; and especially of the act that made him famous, his success in reconciling the parties to the great coal strike in the north. The account of the Bishop's earlier life is especially interesting. There is a good portrait of the Bishop given at the front of the life.

A New Book for Churchmen.—Church of England people in Canada need to read more good Church literature. A new and cheap 10,000 edition of a work by a well-known English Churchman has just come out; it is entitled "The Catholic Faith," a manual of instruction for members of the Church of England, and it discusses seriatim two questions. First, what is the Church of England? Second, what does the Church of England teach? And the work is an attempt to vindicate the fundamental principles of the Church of England along the lines of the historical interpretation of the Prayer Book and the Thirty-nine Articles. It is a work of real value, and its author, Principal Griffith Thomas, is the new principal of Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, the successor of the scholarly and liberal-minded Bishop Chavasse, of Liverpool. It can be got at the Church Book Room, 23 Richmond Street West, Toronto, for thirty-five cents, a book of 462 pages.

Scribner's Magazine.—A delightful article, dealing with the things of nature and written by F. M. Chapman, appears in the June number of this magazine. It deals with Bird Life in England and is illustrated with pictures from photographs taken by himself. E. S. Curtis has taken a large number of pictures, illustrative of the Red Indian and his mode of life and a number of these appear in this issue. He has spent six years in taking these pictures and he writes an article descriptive of them, entitled "The Tribes of the North-West Plains." Capt. Bentley Mo't, of the United States Army, writes an article in this magazine on "The Larger Training of the American Army" in which he advocates the establishing by the Federal Government of a number of large permanent concentration camps, such as those existing at Aldershot and on Salisbury Plain in England. This article is in line with recent recommendations of the President. There are also to be found within a number of short stories and pieces of poetry and a further instalment of G. G. Smith's story, "The Tides of Barnegat," chapters XVII.-XVIII. The whole number is well illustrated throughout.

TACT.

Some people have a happy faculty of always calling out the best that is in others. There is that in their whole being which encourages and stimulates expression. A shy person is made to feel at home in their presence, and loses his shyness. A bashful child is drawn out of his self-consciousness at once and becomes interested in things outside of himself. An awkward person grows graceful in the sunny presence. One who scarcely ever talks finds himself engaged in animated conversation. The secret of this enviable power lies in loving tact which makes others altogether forget themselves and interests them in something they understand. It is a gift we should all seek to acquire. It would add immensely to our power of helpfulness.

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