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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.

ARKANSAS and Iowa desire the election of Assistant Bishops for their respective Dioceses.

It has been decided that the organ of Westminster Abbey shall be enlarged and repaired.

THE Duke of Northumberland contributes no less a sum than £3,000 a year to Church Schools.

THE fortieth anniversary of the consecration of Bishop Clark, of Rhode Island, will be celebrated on Dec. 6.

Canon Hoare, who, as our readers know, was a member of the wealthy banker's family, has left personalty valued at £26,993.

The Dean of St. Andrews, Scotland, has received an anonymous gift of £105 to pay off the debt on the organ of St. Ninian's Cathedral.

THE 100th anniversary of the opening of the first Church building erected for coloured Churchmen will be celebrated in St. Thomas' church, Philadelphia, next month.

MRS. WEED, wife of Bishop Weed, of Florida, met with quite a serious accident a short time ago by the overturning of the carriage in which she was driving out, near Norwalk, Conn.

BISHOP THOMPSON (Mississippi) on the thirteenth Sunday after Trinity held a special Ordination, when Mr. J. H. Woodward, formerly a Methodist minister, was admitted to the Diaconate.

During 1893 the number of candidates for Confirmation in the Diocese of Tasmania was 761, which is the largest in the history of the Diocese; while the church collections exceeded those of 1892 by £345.

It is stated that the Bishop of Nyassaland (Dr. Hornby) having been advised by medical men not to return to Africa, has tendered his resignation of the Bishopric to the Committee of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa.

THE missionary of St. Andrew's Brotherhood in the U.S., whose departure for work in Japan took place Aug. 27th, is sent with the proceeds of the Self-denial week undertaken by Brotherhood men throughout the United States last autumn.

Sr. Paul's church, Mt. Vernon, in the suburbs of N.Y., has received two altar vases of pnlished brass from Mr. Chas. Drake, of New York. A short time since Mr. Lawrence Drake presented the church with a marble figure of St. John.

A new and handsome church edifice is to be erected by St. Peter's parish, Chicago, on the

ground immediately adjoining the present chapel. The handsome structure is designed by Wm. A. Otis, in the fifteenth century style of architecture.

The two hundredth anniversary of the founding of St. James' parish, the most southern in Anne Arundel county, lying between the Patuxent river and Chesapeake bay, Md., was celebrated on 4th Sept. inst. The parish records have been well preserved.

THE Rev. John Bernard M'Govern, who has been appointed rector of St. Stephen's church, Chorlton (Manchester), was formerly a Roman Catholic priest, and was ordained in 1875 by the Roman Catholic Bishop, Dr. O'Reilly. He was, not long since, in Dublin, speaking for the work of the Society.

Episcopacy was never "adopted" by any council or councils. When the earliest Synods, provincial or general, began, Episcopacy was in existence. It was a universal feature of that Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church which was not formed or constituted by councils, and which could not be changed by them.—Living Church.

THE offerings of the Sunday schools of the P.E. Church in the U.S. for Missions, from September 1, '93, to June 15, 94, amounted to \$60,495.32. The Diocese of Pennsylvania, with 101 schools, headed the list with \$7,866.60; New York, with 109, came second, \$4,905; Connecticut with 116, third, \$3,621; Massachusetts with 106, fourth, \$2,295.

THE Rev. Canon Lloyd, of Newcastle, has lately been appointed Bishop Suffragan of Norwich. He has done a great work at the Tyneside, and won the love of all, whether Churchmen or Dissenters. He has held a unique position among the rugged Northerners, and his unostentatious goodness has opened all hearts to him and enabled him to do a marvelous work.

THE Very Rev. Dr. William Charles Lake will resign the Deanery of Durham, England, early in the ensuing October. The announcement will be received with deep regret by most Church people, and this will not be lessened when it is understood that it is Dr. Lake's health which makes such a stop necessary. He was appointed in 1869, having held many important positions in the Church before. He is in his 77th year.

THE year's statistics of the Church of England Sunday School Institute shows that the Dioceses vary in the most curious way in the proportion of Sunday-school teachers to the whole population. Durham stands very high with 8,400 teachers to just over a million people. St. Albans has only about 5,200 for nearly the same population; Ripon only 4,600 for a few more; York 5,300 for considerably

more; and Loudon only 11.200 for three times as many. The proportion is good in Manchester; poor in most of the rural dioceses. Of course, many incumbents make no returns, but the Institute is able to count 55,467 male and 137,544 female teachers. Judged by the figures, the Sunday-schools are more than holding their own.

Work on the new Episcopal residence at Rock Point, Burlington, Vermont, is progressing well, and it is expected the building will be enclosed by the first of October and completed for Bishop Hall's occupancy in December. Of the sum expended in its construction, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wells, of St. Paul's, Burlington, gave \$7,500, and Mr. Frederick H. Wells gave \$3,500. The remainder was realized from the sale of the residence given to the diocese some years ago and occupied by Bishop Bissell, at the corner of Main and William streets, in Burlington.

THE Church of the Transfiguration, New York, the Rev. Dr. Houghton, rector, has just received a most generous gift from a parishioner in the shape of a piece of property, which will add much to its beauty and usefulness. The property adjoins the church, and has long been desired by the parish, but has been held at too high a figure by the owners. On Thursday, the first, it passed into the possession of the rector and vestry, the purchase having been completed at a cost of \$70,000. The giver of the house is a lady, whose name is, at her own request, withheld for the time being.

A Nonconformist on the Prayer Book. -Mr. W. T. Stead testifies as follows to the beauty and value of the Book of Common Prayer: "All over England on Sabbath, and also in all the colonies, dependencies, and republics where men speak with the English tongue, the same service goes on, the same psalms chanted, the same prayers prayed, and the same simple creed said or sung. It is one of the great unifying elements of our world-scattered race. In the midst of lives sordid with constant care and dark with the impending shadow of want and the darker gloom of death, this service, attuned to the note of 'Our Father,' makes for one brief hour music and melody, with gladness and joy, in the hearts of miserable men. It is the constant renewed affirmation of 'God's English speaking men' of their faith in their Father, God. For hundreds of years these solemn words have embodied all the highest and best thought of the greatest and noblest, and for many hundred years to come the English-speaking race will find the expression of their hopes and their aspirations in the simple but stately words of the Book of Common Prayer."

A TELEGRAM from Athens announces the death of Monsignor Latas Trchbishop of Zante, whose visit to the United States last year, and his presence at services and synods of the Church there, aroused considerable interest.