

The Church Guardian.

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.

A LARGE SYNOD.—On the 31st Oct., a Synod of Clergy of the Diocese of Salisbury was held in the Chapter-house of the Cathedral, and more than 400 clergy attended.

INDIGNATION.—It is stated that great indignation is felt in Russia at the action of Theodosius, the Servian Metropolitan, in having taken upon himself to pronounce a decree of divorcement against Queen Natalie, of Servia. The Servian Church being, however, in an independent position, is not liable to interference from without.

RECTOR CHOSEN.—A new rector has been found for the Church of the Advent, Boston. Rev. W. B. Frisby, assistant minister at Trinity chapel, New York city, has been called and has accepted; he begins his duties at the Advent on the first Sunday in Advent. The whole parish is full of hopefulness; the numbers at the services increase every Sunday. The excellent music is kept at a high standard by that experienced director, Mr. S. B. Whitney. There is every prospect of the coming year being one of the brightest in the history of the parish.

WHAT HAS MY BODY TO DO WITH WORSHIP?—Do you want to pray and praise with your might? Then take care of your body as well as of your mind. Reverence of posture, such as kneeling on your knees in prayer, standing in praise, bowing the head at appropriate points, &c., &c., are not intended to take the place of the heart's devotion, but to accompany, encourage, and increase it. The same may be said of hearty responses. We can best give the heart to God if every member and every faculty are made to help. St. Paul says, "present your bodies a living sacrifice."

A BISHOP'S ESTIMATE.—Bishop Tuttle, in reviewing his experience in the mother Church, says: "My memories of England are those of warm gratitude for the unceasing kindness shown to us and of admiration for the stability, order, honesty and power everywhere apparent. The reverence of the people for the Church, the care they take to attend and join in public worship, the hearty and affectionate loyalty with which men and women and children stand up for the Church, and profess themselves of her, and guide themselves by her, are refreshingly invigorating."

MAGNIFICENT CHURCH.—Canon Edgar Jacob is rebuilding Portsea parish Church on a scale of magnificence which it would be difficult to surpass. It is to cost £42,000, and when completed will seat 2,000 persons in the nave and aisles. On the south a Memorial chapel to Archdeacon Jacob will form a prominent and useful addition to the Cathedral-like building, and in this chapel matins and evensong will be said. The Church, to which an anonymous donor contributed £22,000, will be consecrated about Michaelmas next; meanwhile the number of worshippers is so large that the commodious temporary iron building, which at present does service for the parish Church, is

altogether inadequate for their accommodation, and evening service has to be rendered twice every Sunday. The new Church will be the largest modern parish Church in England.

A MISSIONARY.—On Sunday morning, the 23rd after Trinity, the Rev. Yaroo M. Neesan was advanced to the Priesthood by Bishop Potter in Trinity, which was well filled by an appreciative congregation. The day was one of autumn's loveliest, and the sermon so full of beautiful and striking thoughts, was worthy of the unusual occasion, when a native of Persia and a member of the Nestorian Church, was sent forth by the Church in America to join the English missionaries who had gone out to revive and strengthen those among his own countrymen, of that ancient Church, who are languishing and oppressed. Six years of earnest prayerful work has well fitted him for his high calling.

HOW MANY LIKE IT?—Of St. Luke's, Baltimore, free church, on the supposition that each coin represents the contribution of one person, we find that on a given Sunday—

2 persons gave \$1.00 each.....	\$2.00
14 " " 25 cents each.....	3.50
57 " " 10 " ".....	5.70
112 " " 5 " ".....	5.60
5 " " 3 " ".....	15
2 " " 2 " ".....	4
176 " " 1 " ".....	1.76
81 " " nothing	

451 persons gave..... \$18.75

In other words, the average offering was 4 1-16 cents each. Comment would hardly do justice to this.—*The Church Year, Florida.*

REQUESTS.—Bishop Tuttle in *Church News*, the organ of his Diocese, says: "May I not earnestly ask of the clergy that they will painstakingly use the *ipsissima verba* of Holy Scripture and the Prayer-Book in their conduct of public services? For us to do otherwise is to set an unbecoming example in license of self-will, and to assume grave responsibility. Yet I have heard more than once clerical lipssaying in the chancel, "Let your light so shine before men that seeing your good works," &c.; and "shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, but manfully to fight," &c.

I remark also that the rubrics require the Minister to ask as the first thing concerning both infants and adults presented, "Hath any one of these been already baptized or no"? Yet I have known clergymen omit this altogether, thus failing to emphasize the care the Church takes against permitting the sacrilege of re-baptism. And many a time have I observed the clergyman fail to "ask the God-fathers and God-mothers the Name," or say to them, "Name this child."

DIocese of DUBLIN.—There are 90 parishes or churches, with a Church population of 72,898 and 7,270 registered vestrymen, containing 104 churches and licensed places for Divine worship, worked by 154 clergymen, including 53 curates. Number of Sunday-schools 126, with an average attendance of 9,247, and 116

day schools with an average attendance of 5,367. Number of glebe houses 44, with 277a. 2r. 13p. of land attached, the rent payable by the occupying incumbents being £827 5s. 11d. Stipends secured under the Financial Plan for incumbents, £12,771; for curates, £3,996; from other sources for incumbents, £10,765; for curates, £2,218. The amount raised during the year 1887 by offertory, subscriptions, donations, &c., was £19,319 5s. 5d. for Sustentation; £13,080 19s. 2d. for Church expenses; £4,427 15s. 11d., £388 3s., and £743 12s. 10d. for parochial, diocesan, and extra-diocesan education respectively; £4,974 9s. 7d. for foreign missions; and for other parochial and extra-parochial objects, £11,131 13s. 2d., and £8,995 5s. 1d. respectively. The total amount of these several contributions, £63,061 4s. 2d. divided by the number of Church members, gives an average contribution per head in the diocese of 17s. 3½d. for Church purposes.

THE GREATEST—A CANADIAN.—The greatest tutor of the day, Dr. Routh, is retiring at the comparatively early age of 57. Born in Quebec, he came to England, became a member of Peterhouse at Cambridge, and graduated as Senior Wrangler in 1854. He has since then 'turned out,' as the phrase goes, no fewer than twenty-seven Senior Wranglers, of whom as many as thirteen were present on a recent Saturday at the Combination-room of St. Peter's College, to witness the presentation to Mrs. Routh of a portrait of her husband by Herkomer. A considerable number of the well-known 'coach's' old pupils were to be seen, and indeed such a muster of mathematicians is, we imagine, altogether unprecedented. Three 'giants' were there, viz., Professors Cayley, Stokes, and Adams; also Lord Rayleigh (who presided), Justice Stirling (who made the presentation), and Mr. Webb, who is regarded as his successor.

A SUGGESTION.—By the way, the Clergy and teachers of all classes might derive much benefit from the study of George Herbert's chapter, 'The Clergy Catechizing.' Herbert would expect from the younger catechumens 'the very words,' of the Catechism; from the elder 'the substance.' When the words were mastered he would go over the ground again in other words, asking the questions of the Catechism in his own language, as thus: In the Creed, How came this world to be as it is? Was it made, or came it by chance? Who made it? &c. He recommends the 'helping and cherishing the answerer by making the questions very plain with comparisons, and making much even of a word of truth from him.'

THE House of Bishops of the P. E. Church of the U. S., has nominated as the Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, the Rev. J. Mills Kendrick, D. D., of Columbus, O. Dr. Kendrick has been for some years the general missionary of the diocese of Southern Ohio. His zeal and efficiency in that sphere have for some time marked him as one who has won a good degree. It is no ordinary tribute to his abilities that he has been selected for what is, in many respects, a most difficult field of work.