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A very handsome oak credence table has been specially executed for the fine old Collegiate Church of St. Michael, Coventry. It is in the perpendicular style, and consists of two panels flanking a central niche containing a figure of St. Michael, representing the Church militant, and the patron Saint of the church. The canopy over the figure is richly carved, and the side panels are handsomely worked with crocketed ogee arches with fine tracery above. It deserves close attention, and is a proof that really good work can now be done in the way of wood carving, as in the past. Messrs. Jones and Willis, of Birmingham, were specially commissioned to execute the work, which combines both excellence of design and craftsmanship.

On Tuesday, 21st November, Dean Wiley, of the Diocese of Tuam, was presented with an address, silver salver, and purse of sovereigns by his many friends in and around Crossmolina, who regret exceedingly his leaving the district. A large number of the people of town and neighbourhood were present in the Courthouse, where the presentation took place. J. Pratt, Esq., D.L., presided. On Saturday, 19th November, Miss Wiley was the recipient of a purse of sovereigns, subscribed by parishioners and friends, as a slight token of the good work she has done in connection with the Church music and Sunday School.

**THE "MESSIAH" AT MASSEY HALL.**

All Toronto Church-going people should try to hear the usual December performance of this, the greatest Oratorio, in Massey Hall, Dec. 29th. From latest reports, Dr. Torrington will conduct the best presentation yet, and that is saying a great deal from an artistic standpoint.

and to mark the appreciation of the interest she has always taken in their welfare. The presentation was made by Mrs. Knox of Greenwood, at Knockglass.

The death of the Rev. William Adamson, vicar of Old Ford, London E., took place lately. Mr. Ford was for 32 years the vicar of this parish which has a present population of over 11,000 people. The Rev. R. I. Seton Adamson, the rector of St. Paul's, Shelburne, Ontario, is a son of the deceased clergyman. One of his daughters is the wife of the Rev. Norman Veitch Scorer, C.M.S. missionary in Persia. She was well-known before her marriage as "Nurse Martha," working as a trained nurse in connection with the Mission. Another daughter is Mrs. Sidney Gould, the wife of Canon Gould, successor to Canon Tucker.

The Ven. Archdeacon and Mrs. Moule, who have completed fifty years' self-sacrificing service in China as missionaries, have recently retired. The Archdeacon is a brother of the Bishop of Durham, and at least five other clerical members of the family are or have been missionaries in China or Japan. The Archdeacon was ordained in 1850, and two years later joined the staff of the Church Missionary Society in Mid-China. At that time there were only two stations occupied by the C.M.S. in Mid-China with a staff of five, and the Chinese Christians numbered 140. Now there are 103 congregations with 4,257 Christians, of whom 2,182 are communicants and in all the Provinces the opportunities for extension are enormous. When the Archdeacon first

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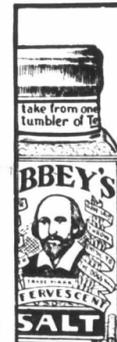
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went out he was warned that his wife would live only a year, and that he himself could not expect to stand the climate more than three years!

The two famous Strand churches—St. Mary's and St. Clement Danes—as architectural adornments of the metropolis now stand fully vindicated. They were discussed at the Town Planning Conference recently, when Professor Baldwin Brown reminded Londoners of the peripatetic attacks that used to be made in the name of public safety, convenience, and the other gods of the utilitarian pantheon on these churches. Over and over again it was demonstrated that they must necessarily be demolished in view of the exigencies of the traffic, and the defence of them on aesthetic and historical grounds was only just strong enough to keep public opinion from sanctioning their destruction. What had been the result? These two long-threatened monuments had not only ceased to be obstructions, but were now the centres—the very eyes, so to say—of a grand architectural scheme, of which they might be regarded as the generating foci.

An important proposal came before the Executive Committee of Liverpool Cathedral at its last meeting, Sir William Forwood presiding. A suggestion was submitted by Mr. Gilbert Scott, the architect, to alter the original design of the cathedral in a manner which he thought would add to the architectural effect of the building, and would also provide a larger central space for great popular services. It has always been the feeling of the Bishop of Liverpool and the

committee that a larger space would be needed than that provided, evening services in the naves of our cathedrals being exceedingly popular and largely attended. The alteration in the scheme will involve a great central tower in place of the twin towers in the original design, and some other modifications. Mr. Scott was instructed to prepare a perspective drawing carrying out his suggestions, which very much commended themselves to



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the executive committee; and the consideration of the scheme was postponed to a special meeting.

The list of vicars at Eastbourne parish church, Sussex, dates back to 1244, one of Canon Goodwyn's predecessors being the Rev. Henry Lushington, D.D., a representative of the family of which the late Sir Godfrey Lushington was a member. This Dr. Lushington, of whom there is a memorial in the church, had a son

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