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Deeember $3-$ First Sunday in Advent.


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Appropriate Hymns for First and Second Sundays in Advent compiled by Dr. Albert Ham, F.R.C.O., organist and director of the choir of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. The numbers are taken from Hymns Ancient and Modern many of which may be found in other Modern

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT.
Holy Communion: 294, 309, 314, 315. Processional: 391, 392, 446, 53 Offertory: $293,522,536,539$.
Children's Hymns: $332,536,565,568$. General Hymns: 299, 306, 512, 537.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
Holy Communion: 203, $313,310,314$.
Processional: $46,49,217,268$.
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Offertory: $51,52,205,362$.
Offertory: 5I, 52, 205, 36
Children's Hymns: 281, 335, 345, 363.
General Hymns: 48, 50, 53, 477.

## Bountiful Goodness.

How wisely and graciously the Church leads her children on from season to season. With apt and moving phrase she gently teaches them her lesson appropriate for each eventful day in suggestively prepares the same time gradually and suggestively prepares their minds and hearts for Full well does the Collect for apporoach of the blessed fore approach of the blessed commemoration of the from their brought to believing men absolution goom their offences and disclosed the bountiful bonds of those sins, which by their frailty the have committed.

## Mild Weather

November has certainly smiled on us this year The mild and pleasant days have come and gon thankful a gleam of sunshine and many

Where, during the winter season, the frost king
rules and the winter snow so long abides, thin rules and the winter snow so long abides, this
charming respite has been most welcome. Most velcome it too has been to those who are sadly acking in the very necessaries of life, to say not so ill off. To one and all it has most agrece-
ably shortened the winter and the better prePut Yourself in
Put Yourself in His Place
One sometimes hears a person say, "What an
easy time a parson has." How little does the
casy time a parson has." How little does the speaker know the weight of the heavy, ever
pressing, and at times apparently insupportable pressing, and at times apparently insupportable upon the heart and mind responsibility that rests upon the heart and mind of the faithful clergy-
man. Not seldom straining nerve and spirit man. Not seldom straining nerve and spirit almost to the breaking point. We speak not of
the easy goer, the self-indulgent, the neglectful, the easy goer, the self-indulgent, the neglectful,
if such there be. Troubles without, trials within. it such there be. Troubles without, trials within.
The sacred character of the office; the solemnity of sacred character of the office; the solemnity
of its duties. The life of purity, self-denial, toil and devotion. The succourer of the poor and needy. The friend of the friendless. The visitor of the sick. The comforter of the sorrowing. The preacher and exemplar of truth, of righteousness, of gentleness, of goodness. Who is sufficient for all these things? And yet dear reader, knowing the tremendous test of life and character involved in the above requirements and that you have your own share of responsibility for the due performance by your clergyman of his high, arduous and most exacting duties as a fellow worshipper, member of, and coworker in the church with him and knowing too, as you do, that despite his high office he is a man with all that means of frailty, limitations and imperfections. May we ask how much true, loyal support, personal helpfulness, and heart-
felt sympathy are you giving him each day of ielt sympathy, are you giving him each day of
your life? How often in a word do you frankly, honestly and justly try to put yourself in his honestly and justly try to put yourself in his better, after perhaps many years of work in the same office, you would discharge all its varied exacting and onerous duties than he does. If you have turned the rough edge of your tongue on your clergyman and on his defects and shortcom ngs during the year now closing, try through he new year and the rest of the old, by way o preparation, the smooth edge of the unruly memer on his good points, and, what is more impor tant, lend him a helping hand, and take our word or it-the growth of the Church in membership, in efficiency, in cordiality and in all that goes to nake a Church what ill be phenomerral, and the is capable of being will be phenomertal, and the personal blessing which will come to each dis brotherly kindness will prove a rich and ample brotherly for the requisite self-suppression and per sonal self-sacrifice involve

## Blue Books.

It was wise, timely and public-spirited of Earl rey, in a recent address, to recommend some definite plan of instruction for all who choose to avail themselves of it, from our Parliamentar Blue Books. These books are the printed records of the reports of the various department of Government, which appear from year to year, and contain a vast depository of valuable and practical information, statistical and otherwise, relating to agriculture, trade, commerce, mand factures, mines, minerals, forests, industries, and, fact, everything that bears on pubic activic progress, and the status and standpoint. public man is efficiently equipped for his dut public man is efficiently equipped for his dut contents of the Blue Books; and no one who of the Blue Books; and no one who enables him to be in everything that relates to The Growth of Brotherhood
he Growth of Brotherhood.

By unmistakable signs we are convinced that he spirit of Brotherhood is more and more
rapidly, as the years go on, attracting the attenapidly, as the years go on, attracting the atten-
ion, enlisting the sympathy and rousing the and enlisting the sympathy and rousing the
active co-operation of men of divers countries and differing creeds and nationalities. To the reflective mind how strange yet impressive has been the drawing together of the two mighty sland Empires of Europe and Asia. Then again the notable access of friendship between England and France, and the marked improvement in the relations between the United States Republic and the British Empire. One might be pardoned in sayinls that the apostles of annexation are singularly silent these days on their one time favourite topic, the emigration of Canadians to the United States. The vast and uninto our fertile North-West sited States farmers up their ink bottles and worn out the nibs of their goose quill pens. Even those who have aspired to combine the office prophet and his torian seem to have stumbled on the threshold of our vigourous and expanding nationality. It would have been wiser to have played one role, then the historian would not have been called upon to record the facts which confuted the predictions of the seer. But we have digressed. It is certain that our relations with our neighbours have improved in friendliness with their growing realization of our great natural resources and with the gradual growth of a wholesome self-confidence and respect on our part. Even in poor war-worn, disrupted and bleeding Russia pain and tears, which will in due time sorrow, harvest a purer and truer spirit of Brotherhood for all within as well as withou brotherhood of the Czar. Surely the world is ripening for a great development of the Brotherhood of man along lines which indicate design, masterful, consummate superhuman.

National History.
At a recent meeting of the Scottish Historical Society, Lord Rosebery observed that Scottish history had for our purposes long ceased to put an end to the isolation of Scotland from the rest of the world-the isolation which really made Scotiand peculiar and interesting. The made Scotland peculiar and interesting. The land to all lovers of romance throughout the world. From the time which coincides pretty nearly also with the introduction of railways, the irruption into Seotland of other influences has been taking place, and we have lost those strong national characteristes which really make the ubject matter of the operations of the Scottish History Society." These remarks, clever as Lord Rosebery's always are, seem to be con-
tradictory The isolation of a nation is not in
itself either romantic or historical. Lovers of somance armenture can only apprehend of romance or adventure can only apprehend the
existence of suchit qualitics when the gates are existence of such, qualitics when the gates are
thrown open. Lord Rosebery continued: "It is a melanchory fact-some may think it is a very genial and delightful fact, but it is a fact, at any rate-that since those days we have become more like the rest of the world than we were before, and our peculiar history, our peculiar mational manners and customs, may be said to have come historically speaking, almost to an end. I do like other folk. I should be very sorry to think very sorry to think
peculiarities which peculiarities which

