

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.

St. Barnabas, Newark, N.J., has received a further gift of \$5,000 from John Ballantine, of that city.

BISHOP JACKSON, assistant Bishop of Alabama, was married to Miss Carrie Cochran on the Wednesday after Easter.

THE Rev. Dr. Dame, of Danville, Virginia, retired from a rectorship in the church of the Epiphany of 56 years, on April 21st last.

At the church of the Good Shepherd, Colorado city, two girls of the Confirmation class were baptized by immersion at their own request.

It is significant that at the London Diocesan Conference held the last week in April a resolution in defence of pew rents in churches was adopted almost without a dissident.

BISHOP LEONARD, of Nevada and Utah, has been placed in charge of the missionary jurisdiction of Western Colorado, Bishop Barker having resigned the charge thereof.

THE Primate of All England has approved of the observance of Whitsunday as a day of special prayer for the promotion of Christian unity, and that sermons should be preached on the subject.

Crito freely will rehearse,
Forms of prayer and praise in verse;
Why should Crito then suppose
Forms are sinful when in prose?
Must my form be deemed a crime
Merely for the want of rhyme?

THE Brothers of Nazareth, of New York, have met with a serious loss in the destruction by fire of the boys' training school building at Priory Farm. The structure was recently presented to them by G. J. H. Watts DePeyster at a cost of \$59,000, and it was only insured for \$30,000.

THE Bishop of Milwaukee has personally received 32 persons into the Church from the Roman Communion; in the case of six of them, they had been perverts from the Church, hoping to find a higher spirituality and more peace in the Roman Church, but they have gladly returned.

THE Protestant Episcopal Church Home, of Richmond, Virginia, has received \$5,000 as a legacy from the late Mrs. Chas. Fry, of New York, and the church of the Holy Communion, New York, received \$6,000, and the Home for Aged Women of the same parish, \$5,000, under the same will.

CANON BROWNE, B.D., D.C.L., was consecrated as Bishop Suffragan of Stepney in St.

Paul's Cathedral, London, on April 21st last, by the Lord Bishop of London—acting for the Primate—assisted by the Bishops of Wakefield, St. Alban's, Peterborough, Hereford, and Colchester, and Bishop Barry.

THE report of the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland for the year 1894 shows a decrease in the voluntary contributions, but an increase in the receipts from investments. The total assets of the Church at the end of the year amounted to £7,776,000, as against £7,714,000 at the close of 1893. The total of the voluntary contributions received since the Disestablishment has been £4,500,000.

THE Queen has approved the appointment of the Rev. Robert Eyton, Rector of Holy Trinity, Chelsea, to be a Canon of Westminster, in succession to Archdeacon Farrar. Mr. Eyton—formerly Curate of St. Paul's, Knightsbridge,—is a decided High Churchman, and in his time has been connected with some of the most advanced Ritualistic Societies, including the Holy Cross, the C.B.S., and the E.C.U.—*English Churchman*.

THE habit of talking in church, before and after service, is not conducive to devotion, does not promote reverence for sacred places, and is fatal to the retention of good impressions, however earnest the sermon may have been. The sentence with which divine service commences in the American Church is one which should have a prominent place assigned to it, on which eye and mind could rest: "The Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him."—*Dr. Pigou*.

THE consecration of the Rev. John Hazen White, D.D., as fourth Bishop of Indiana, took place in St. Paul's, Indianapolis, on St. Phillip and St. James' day. Most of the clergy of the diocese were present, and delegations from Minneapolis, Chicago, Springfield, Southern Ohio, and Kentucky. The Chancel was elaborately and very tastefully decorated with flowers. The preacher was the Bishop of Chicago, the Right Rev. Dr. McLaren. Bishop Tuttle was the Consecrator, assisted by the Bishops of Ohio and Minnesota.

UNTIL this year in the Cathedral church at Hereford, England, there had not been more than one celebration of Holy Communion on Sunday, and that at mid-day. Since the appointment of the new Dean a step has been taken in advance; on Easter Day last there was a celebration at 8 a.m., as well as at mid-day. The Eastward position has also been adopted by the Dean and Residentiary Canons. On Good Friday the "Three Hour's Service" was used for the first time, and was very well attended. During the Communion the hymn "O Saving Victim" was sung.

It will, we think, surprise some people to hear of Unitarians observing Good Friday with a re-

ligious service. Last Good Friday, however, some members in the North of London of that curious body had a united service and communion. The preacher took for his text the words, 'Certainly this was a righteous man.' The words are significant of the attitude of some at least of that religious body who hold the theory that our Lord Jesus Christ was the best and holiest and wisest of men, but utterly deny His Divine nature. Their strange views seemed to have found a congenial home for a time in Massachusetts, but they have in recent years lost their influence there. In England the body has been for some years a dwindling community, but there is, unfortunately, only too good reason for believing that their insidious doctrines have so affected some of the Dissenting religious bodies that their hold on the central truths of Christianity is in danger of being altogether lost.—*Church Bells*.

THE Rev. C. M. Grant (Presbyterian), St. Mark's parish church, Dundee, Scotland, recently in his pulpit protested strongly against the Dundee Church Office-bearers' Union, having held a *conversazione* on the evening before Easter. He said it was indecent and unbecoming to hold festivities on that evening. The objections that some people had to keeping holy days were just the old resources of weak minds, that the use might come to an abuse. Another objection was one made by those who called themselves sound Protestants, but were actually the best recruiting sergeants that Rome had, that such celebrations were Popish. By such as these Protestantism was simply made ridiculous. There was a certain class of men whose first instinct was to cry out against every one who differed from themselves and their petty prejudices. Sensible people only laughed at them, and they were doing Rome's work very effectively.

A correspondent of the *Southern Cross* says that in a book called a "Guide to the Oratory," written by the Rev. H. S. Bowden, "Priest to the Oratory" at Brompton, the following statement is made: "At the Council of Jerusalem, after there had been disputing (Acts xv, 7) St. Peter gave sentence, authoritatively, on which the multitude held their peace, St. James, though Bishop of Jerusalem, also assenting to his decision." If any one will take the trouble to turn to the *Acts of the Apostles* he will find that, subsequently to St. Peter having spoken, "all the multitude kept silence and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul. . . . After they had held their peace, James answered, saying, 'Men and brethren hearken unto me;' and St. James ends thus, 'Wherefore my sentence is that,' etc. In order to make the Scriptures square with the Roman teaching about St. Peter, we are requested to hold that 'St. Peter gave sentence.' Are we not justified in thinking that the past and the present afford ground for apprehension as to the future. The instance given above is on a par with that of a copy of the New Testament, specimens of which are in the libraries of the British Museum, Lambeth, and the Chapter at Durham. In this, I Tim. iv-i, is rendered,