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"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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ECCLIASTICAL NOTES.

THE *City Press*, London, Eng., had a few weeks ago a long and able article advocating the claims of the CHURCH ARMY to support from wealthy citizens.

At the consecration of the present Bishop Suffragan of Nottingham, the Archbishop of Syria and Tenos acted as one of the consecrators, at the invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

THE Irish Church will hold a Congress after the English pattern at Armagh on September 7th and 8th. The Venerable Archbishop of Armagh will preside.

IN the Palace Chapel, Llandaff, recently, the Rev. B. R. Johns, late Baptist minister of Merthyr Tydfil, and his wife were formally received by the Bishop into the communion of the Church of England, and were immediately afterwards confirmed.

PROTESTANT HOLLAND.—The last census of Holland discloses the fact that the Roman Catholic population of that country has declined within the last ten years. The Protestants are decidedly in the majority.

THE *Athenaeum* announces the discovery by Mr. Rendel Harris of a new text of the old Syriac version of the Gospels (Curetonian Syriac). A copy of the text has already been made, and is under the examination of well-known English editors.

AN extraordinary number of young ladies are now turning missionaries. At the Church Missionary Society's headquarters, recently, no fewer than twenty, who have been accepted for service, were introduced to the committee. Never before, it is said, have so many recruits been welcomed in one body.

THE American Bible Society has issued a leaflet addressed to parents, Sunday school Superintendents and teachers calling attention to the direct neglect of Bible study in Sunday school and the consequent general ignorance of Sunday school teachers and children in the United States of the Bible as a whole or even of the New Testament or of the four Gospels.

THE Presbyterians of Scotland are coming round to the old paths. We take the following from the *English Churchman* of last week:—"At a service held in St. Giles's Cathedral, Edinburgh, lately, the officiating minister, Dr. Cooper, Aberdeen, assumed the Eastward position in the regular ritualistic fashion. To many of the congregation this was a surprise, even in St. Giles's."

CHURCH BELLS says that a good deal of acrimonious correspondence has been going on in England with reference to Mr. Booth's responsibility as to the funds and property of the Salvation Army. Objection and very strong objection has been made and is now felt by many business men as to the particular mode in which the finances of the Army are controlled and it has been urged more than once that some further check should be placed upon the administration of such large sums of money.

THE Archbishop of York, preaching in St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, before a large number of members of the British Association, on Sunday week, said that there was still need for much further light on evolution. He did not think science had spoken the last word on the question, and he thought it possible that the facts on which the conclusions of Evolutionists were based might have been in some measure hastily interpreted.

THE awful curse of religious divisions in the United States resulting as it does in confusion and apathy, is shown by a writer, in *Blackwood*, who says that 40,000,000 never enter a Church! In one year there were 64,434 divorces. In Chicago "An experienced lawyer" advertized to take Divorces "at reduced prices"; yet nowhere else is so much said for Education and for open Bibles. These are good, provided, liberty do not degenerate into license.

MR. C. H. BROOKS, formerly a Congregational minister and for sixteen years in Constantinople, is presently at Lennoxville, P. Q., awaiting the consecration of the Bishop Elect of Quebec in order to be admitted to Orders in The Church of England. He will probably act as lay reader at Barnston until his ordination. Mr. Brooks is the son of Mr. Charles Brooks, formerly of Lennoxville, P. Q., and in early life attended Bishop's College school during the rectorship of the late Bishop of Quebec, and then went to McGill College, graduating there and taking several medals, and from thence to Andover.

AN important step will, be taken at the forthcoming meeting of the Synods of the diocese of Dublin, Glendalough, and Kildare. The Diocesan Board of Religious Education purposes asking permission of the Synod to recommend a Catechism, now being drawn up, on the subject of Roman Controversy. The want of such a catechism is much felt, and if it is carefully drawn up it will doubtless quickly be in use throughout the country.—*Irish Eccl. Gazette*.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Indian Churchman* says: "Speaking of educational matters, it is much to be desired that Churchmen engaged in

education would do something to improve the histories that are taught, especially when they deal with religious matters. I was talking to two Indian gentlemen a few days ago; one occupies almost the highest position an Indian aspires to under the English Government, while the other lately occupied a similar position in a Native State. Both of them declared it was a new revelation to them to be told that there were Catholics who were not Roman Catholics; they had been taught to divide Christians into Roman Catholics and Protestants, and the position of the Church of England is one they cannot understand: If such educated men do not grasp our position, what of the common run of men?"

BISHOP ERNEST GRAHAM INGHAM, of Sierra Leone, who is, as we have previously announced, visiting England for a few months' rest, was consecrated in the Chapel Royal, Whitehall, by the late Archbishop Thomson and five other bishops on the 24th of February, 1883. He graduated from Oxford ten years previously, and in the interval did some excellent work as curate and incumbent at Liverpool, Rugby, and Leeds. The climate of West Africa makes his work difficult, and periods of change for recuperation are absolutely necessary. In addition to the colonies on the Gambia, of Sierra Leone, on the Gold Coast, at Lagos, and their dependencies, Bishop Ingham is spiritual superintendent of the Church of England congregations which have placed themselves voluntarily under his charge at Madeira, in the Canaries, Azores, and part of Morocco.

WE understand it is probable that Bishop John Horden, of Moosonee, the great Lone Land, will return to England about a year hence. The Bishop has well earned the right to rest. It is forty years since he was ordained by the late Bishop Anderson, of Rupert's Land. For twenty years he laboured alone at Moose Fort, and accomplished a remarkable work, which was recognised by his consecration as Bishop of Moosonee in Westminster Abbey, on December 15th, 1872. Among the eight bishops who took part in his consecration were Archbishop Tait and Bishop Anderson, who had admitted him to holy orders twenty years before. The jurisdiction of Bishop Horden extends over one of the most barren, inhospitable, snow and ice-bound regions in the world. It includes the whole of the coast of Hudson's Bay, and the inland country for about 500 miles on the south-east and west sides. This vast territory is inhabited by ten thousand Eskimo, Ojibway, and Cree Indians, among whom the Bishop has truly made his home. Their life has been his life, and their privations, have been his privations. His isolation is practically complete, as it takes many months for