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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

We record the death of the Ven. Archdeacon Philpot, at the age of ninety eight, at his residence at Surbiton.

THE Right Rev Bishop Rawle, who last year resigned the Bishopric of Trinidad, has, it is announced, diel at Codrington College, Barbados.

A gentleman who declines to disclose his name has presented to the Vicar of St. George's, Cardiff, a sum sufficient to endow the church in perpetuity with £150 a year.

THE Emperor Wil iam of Germany has continued for five years the subscription which restored to Church Communion, and there made a missionary tour in Morocco, report

bis father and grandfather made to the London Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews.

THE oratorio of 'Elijah' was performed in Westminstor Abbey on the evening of Ascen sion Day. The choir and orchestra numbered 400. The proceeds were given to Westminster Hospital.

On the afternoon of Ascension Day, the Bishop of Darham publicly returned thanks to Almighty God in Durham Cathedral for his restoration to health, and being permitted to return to his home and diocese.

CHURCH EMIGRATION SOCIETY .- From the third Annual Report it appears that the num ber of emigrants sent out by the Society has risen from 395-in 1887 to 634 in 18 8 The Balance Sheet also shows that increased sup port has been given to the Society by, those interested in the important question of emigra-tion, the subscriptions and donations being £535 93, 1d. in 1888, as against £316 83. 5d. in 1887.

THE BISHOP ELECT OF MICHIGAN --- The election of the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D. D., rector of St. Peter's church, Philadelphia, to the Bishopric of Michigan, commands the commendation of every Churchman. His faithful ministry as a priest is the sure earnest of a faithful ministry as a Bishop. He has been thoroughly proved and not found wanting; rather, he has been found to possess in a marked and unusual degree those qualifications and graces that belong to the high office of a bishop in the Church of God .- The Church.

Dr. Leonard Bacon of New Haven, after his active pastorate had ceased, was accustomed to sit in the palpit, and if a stranger preached, to One Sunintroduce him to the congregation. day he said: "The first pastor of this Church was the Rev. John Davenport," and he proceeded to pronounce a brief eulogy upon him "The grandson of that pastor was the Rev. John Davenport of Stanford. The son of that pastor was the Rev. James Davenport of Southold, L.I. We are to day to be addressed by the lineal descendant of John Davenport, our first pastor." The minister thus introduced was observed to be blushing violently, and the occasion of his embarrassment became evident when he announced his text :--- "Visiting the iniquities of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation.'

THE LONDON CITY MISSION. Some idea may be obtained of the zeal and activity shown by the five hundred agents of this rociety, from the following facts concerning some of its work during the past year :-- Nearly three and a half millions of visits and calls were made by the missionaries, of which upwards of 277,-000 were to the sick and dying. Nearly five millions of tracts were distributed. More than 311,000 persons were conversed with in factories. 8650 out-door services were held, 1909 drunkards were reclaimed, 381 persons were

were upwards of 2400 new communicants; 5300 persons were induced to attend public worship, 896 families induced to commence family prayer, and 315 fallen women rescued and restored to their homes or admitted to asylums. The financial statement showed a considerable decrease in income as compared with the previous year and an increased expenditure of more than £1200 One hundred and five missionaries are entirely employed in visiting special classes, such as bakers, police. cabmen, foreigners, &c., also workhouses, hospitals, public-houses, and common-lodging houses.

It is proposed to appoint a Bishop for Chota Nagpore-a large dis'rict in the diocese of Calcutta The S.P.G. are prepared to gran. Calcutta. The S.P.G. are prepared to guar-autee a stipend of 6 000 rupees per annum for such a Bishop from the date of his consecration, pending the raising of a capital sum of $\pounds 12,000$ for the endownment of the see. The Bishopric will be almost purely a missionary one, and jurisdiction will be conferred by canonical consent. The Bishop's position will correspond with that of Bishop Caldwell. The district has an area of 44 000 square miles, and a population of about four and a half millions, mostly heathen.

Ar the last meeting of the Society of Antiquaries, the Rev. John Morris read a paper on the subject of the wall-painting recently dis-covered in St. Anselm's Chapel, in Canterbury Cathedral. Mr. Morris said the painting was worthy of attention, first, on account of its antiquity, and secondly on account of the singular fact that for seventy years it had been hidden from sight. The painting on the apse of St. Anselm's Chapel had recently been uncovered by the removal of a wall in the process of restoration of the chapel. The antiquity of the wall, and the fact that the subject of the painting represented St. Paul, one of the original co titulars of the chapel, were external proofs of the time when the painting was ex-ecuted. For its style was so free from the stiff. ness of the designs painted in the early part of the twelfth centary, and so different from the style of the well-known painting in the chapel immediately below it in the crypt, that, without such convincing proofs, antiquaries would probably have assigned it to a later date.

Tan painting in question, which is in the north-east corner of the chapel, represents St. Paul putting sticks on the fire, after his shipwreck, at Malta, when the viper fastened itself on his hand. The ground of the painting is altramarine; it was very bright when it was first uncovered. The tunic of St. Paul is white with the shades in cobalt. The mantle is whitish, shaded with vermilion and deepened with chocolate. The face is painted naturally, the hair dark, with lines and rings. This painting of St. Paul might fairly be claimed to be the finest work of its kind of the early part of the twelfth century, or, indeed, the end of the eleventh, if it be Ernulf's (Anselm's prior), who left Canterbury for Peterborough in 1100.

Two Christian missionaries who recently

that they were received and entertained in fifteen morgues, and in each cuse were allowed to preach to the worshippers.

Trinity parish, New York, has notified the Johnstown committee to send them seventy. five orphans. Wealth in the hands of such a Church corporation is truly a great blessing.

The laudable movement of the New York Central road to restrict the running of freight trains on Sunday is leading to similar action elsewhere The Grand Trank and the Boston and Maine, both large railroad systems, have ceased running Sunday freight trains except for live stock or perishable merchandise, which demand the most rapid transportation possible. The desire to restrict Sunday work to this basis is rapidly extending to other lines, and we may yet hope to see a general agreement to limit this class of Sunday labor. Pablic sentiment will eagerly welcome the change, because it is a step toward the proper observance of the Lord's Day. It cannot but work to the advantage of the laborer, physically and morally. No class of workmen, especially possibly seamen, are subject to so great exposure and hardship, especially in the winter season, as the employees on our freight trains, and in no calling is the actual danger to life greater.—Church Messenger.

HEROD'S TEMPLE.

By the Rev. J. G. Kitchen, Curator of the Biblical Museum.

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"Solomon's Porch" was the name by which the Eastern Cloister was known, probably because it occupied the site of the first cloister built for Solomon's Temple. Here Jesus walked at the winter feast of the Dedication (St. John x 22, 23). In this cloister the growd assembled after St. Peter had healed the lame man at the "Beautiful Gate." The Apostles were accustomed to meet here for conference (Aots v. 12).

The Royal Porch or Cloister.—On the south was a building of far grander dimensions, haveing three aisles divided by pillars; the centre aisle was 45 feet wide and 100 feet in height.* It was probably about 900 feet in length. Capt. Wilson says. "It is almost impossible to realize the effect which would be produced by a building longer and higher than York Cathe dral, standing on a solid mass of masonry, almost equal in height to the tallest of our church spires."

The Pinnacle of the Temple, from which our Lord was tempted to cast Himself down, was probably the eastern gable of the Royal Cloister † It must have been, as Josephus Cloistor † It must have been, as Josephus says, a giddy height, for the cloister extended to the edge of the platform wall, which des-cended boneath for 160 feet—the precipitous incline sloping rapidly toward the bed of the valley from its base.

The Pastophoria, or "Covert of the Sabbath. The Pastophoria, or "Covert of the Sabbath," was a tower at the opposite extremity of this cloister. From its shelter one of the priests announced the beginning and end of every Sabbath by the trumpet blast. This was, perhaps, a reproduction of the "covert of the Sabbath" from which Ahsz removed the gold plates when making up the present for the King of Assyria (2 Kings zvi. 18).

The Middle Wall of Partition was a low barrier of sculptured stone, and formed the inner limit of the outer court. It completely encircled the inner courts, and was placed there to prevent the Gentiles from intruding into the more sacred inclosure within.

At intervals there were gaps in the wall, by which the worshippers passed to the gateways, and on either hand, at every passage, were pillars with tablets, inscribed in Greek and Latin, threatening death to any Gentile who should venture to pass within the barrier. One of these tablets were discovered in 1872, near the site of the temple. It was built into the gateway of a small graveyard. The translation of the inscription is as follows :-

"No foreigner is to pass within the partition wall and enclosure around the Temple; whoso-ever is caught will be responsible to himself for his death, which will ensue."*

This wall was a symbol of the enmity existing between Jew and Gentile, and is referred to by St. Paul :-- "Christ hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of prrtition between us' (Eph. ii 14). The "Beautiful Gate" was reached by stops

and led into the inner courts. Its solid metal and led into the inner courts. Its solid metal doors, made of Corinthian brass, are said to have required the united strong h of twenty men to open and close them. On the steps were laid crippled and infirm persons, "to ask alms of them that entered into the Temple." St. Luke tells of a lame man, laid daily at this gate to b.g, who was healed by St Peter, and describes how the crowd, attracted by the miracle, descended the steps into the adjacent " porch, which is called Solomon's," where St. Peter addressed them, until the Temple authorities appeared upon the scene, and arrested the Apostles (Acts iii. iv.) The Court of the Women was so called, not

because it was set apart exclusively for their use, but because women were not allowed to go beyond it. They occupied the galleries erected on three sides of the court.

The Treasury was probably the space beneath the galleries, where thirteen trumpet shaped chosts were placed to receive the offerings of the worshippers. Here, in the court of the women, the poor widow was observed by our Lord "as He sat over against the treasury" (St. Mark xii. 41, 42.) In this court our Lord's discourses, spoken at the Feast of Tabernacles, were delivered (see St. John vii. 14; viii. 20). Four rooms or courts occupied the angles of

the court.

(1) The Nazarites' Room was at the southeast corner, and in it the Nazarite, on the completion of his vow, boiled his peace-offering in a caldron, and having out of his hair burned it in the fire (Num. vi. 13.21. (2) The Oil and Wine Room on the south

west. Oil was used in the meat offerings (Lov. ii. 1). Wine for the drink offering (Num. xv 5).

(3) The Leper's Room on the northwest was set apart for the ceremony appointed for the cleansing of the leper (Lev. xiv).

(4) The Wood Room on the northeast, where the fuel brought in for the Great Altar was sorted by the pricets. All that was decayed or worm eaten was rejected as unfit for the purpose. There were nine occasions in the year on which the Jews went forth to obtain wood for the Temple (Neh. x. 34; xiii. 31).

Four Golden Candelabra stood in this court. Esch had four golden bowls for oil, in which flaxen wicks rested. During the Feast of Tabernacles the lamps were lighted, and the glow from these great lights, together with that of the torches carried by the people, illuminated the whole Temple. "The light, shining out of the Temple into the darkness around, and lighting up every court in Jerusa-

Josephus describes the wall and tablets threatening death to the intruding foreigner. The accuracy of his statement was once doubted, but is now fully confirmed by the discovery of this stone. A cast of the inscription can be seen at the Biblical Museum, and photographs of the inscription can be had at the Institute, price is.

lem, must have been intended as a symbol, not only of the Shechinah which once filled the Temple, but of that ' great light' which ' the people that walked in darkness' were to see, and which was to shine ' upon them that dwell in the land of the shadow of death' (Isa. ix. 2). May it not be that such prophecies as Isa. ix. and ix were connected with this symbolism? At any rate it seems most probable that Jesus referred to this ceremony in the words spoken by Him at that very Feast of Tabernacles: 'I am the Light of the world; he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life' (St. John viii.12)." *

Fifteen semi-circular steps led to the Gate of Nicanor, by which the next court was reached. On the steps the Levites are supposed to have chanted the fifteen "songs of degrees" or steps (see Title of Ps. exx exxxiv).

The Gate of the Nicanor.-The remaining court was just twice as large as the court of the Tabornacle. Its eastern entrance, the Gate of Tabernacie. Its eastern entrance, the Gate of Nicanor, correspond to the "door of the Taber-nacle of the congregation," and whatever was commanded to be done at the latter door, in the days of the Tabernacle, was performed at the days of the Tabernacle, was performed at this gate of the Temple. Here the leper was "presented before the Lord" and pronounced clean by the priest (Lev. xiv. 11, 23). The sacrifices were "presented before the Lord" [Lev. i. 3; ii. 8; iii.2; iv. 4], and the first-born sons were dedicated to God. Here Mary brought the young child Jesus "to present Him to the Lord," [St. Luke ii. 22].

The Court of Israel to which this gate gave access, was surrounded by rooms set spart for various purposes connected with the services of the Temple.

The Hall Gazith at the southeast angle was the meeting-place of the Sanhedrim, before whom our Lord, Peter and John, Stephen and Paul were all arraigned (St. Matt. xxvi. 59; Acts v. 21; vi. 12-15; xxii. 30). Here the priests sat to receive the tidings of the new moon's appearance at the beginning of each month. It was also in this room that they gathered to cast the lots to determine which of them should be selected to offer incense, to cleanse the seven-branched candlestick and the altar, and to burn the sacrifice. To this custom of casting lots reference is made in the account of the vision of Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist. "His lot was to burn incense when he went into the Temple of the Lord," (St. Luke i. 9).

The Water Gate was near the Hall Gazith, and was one of seven gateways belonging to the court of Israel. Its name arose from the ceremony observed at the Feast of Tabernacles, when a procession descended to the Pool of Siloam, and filling a golden ewer with water returned by this gateway to the great altar, and poured it out before the Lord. This ceremony was an acknowledgment, at the autumn feast, that Go1 was the giver of the rains ; and a prayer that He would send the early rain for which all were looking, and without which the parched earth, hardened by the long drought of summer, could not possibly be plowed (Dent. xi. 10-17; Zech. xiv. 16-19; 1 Samuel vii. 6; Jer. xiv. 1-4). At this same feast our Lord drew a spiritual significance from the annual custom when He said, "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink," (St. John vii. 37.39.

• Dr. Edersheim.

(To be continued). ASCENSION DAY.

BY THE REV. J. ELLEBTON.

We all of us know the names of Christmas, Good Friday, and Easter. We understand why these days are kept. Even those who do not come to Church with us believe that the Birth,

This is the general height of St. Paul's Cathedral. t The Greek word for "pinnede" seems to have been applicable to any pointed roof or gable.

the Death, the Risur action of the Lord Je us, are three great events which His disciples ought always to remember as the three steps in their salvation. But far too many, even among Church people, forget the day on which our Lord went up to heaven, and do not see why this is a very great and glorious day for us all. The day is not observed in England like the others, as a day when work is suspended; and so, perhaps, busy people can only come to Church on Ascension Day, early in the morning or late at night, and this, I suppose, drives the day out of their minds. Yet if we love our Master as much, and

were as grateful to Him as we ought to be, should we not be glad to remember His Ascension Day, even for His own sake. Think of the rest and joy which it brought Him. He had humbled Himself for us, even to the death of the Cross. He had endured all those bitter sufferings of which we read on Good Friday. And no v came that which made up to Him for all. Pain and shame and doath were over for ever. The time was come when He could enter upon His glory ; when He could rejoice in having ended triumphantly His great work, and being welcomed Hom J What a change to Him from Good Friday! Instead of that fierce mob shouting and oursing around His cross, He had about Him to-day the countless multitudes of holy and loving ones to seceive Him. Instead of crying to Hus Father out of the darkuess and the loneliness, He found Himself at His Father's right hand for evermore in the fullness of joy. Ought we not to rejoice then in His joy ?

Bat Jesus passed into heaven just as much

for our sakes as for His own. He told us Himself that He was going to prepare a place for us. Of course we cannot understand all that He meant by those words. What our place will be in the life of the world to come we cannot tell. Bat the Ascension of our Lord teaches as that there is a place for man in that blessed life. For He Who "is gone into heaven" is not merely the God who "came down from Heaven to take upon Him our flesh." It is the Man Jesus Christ. It is He whom the Apostles touched, He Who showed Himself alive to them after His Passion. It is One in our flesh, with a body, soul and spirit like ours. He has opened the Kingdom of heaven to all believers. He who is the first fraits of our Resurrection is the first fruits of our Ascension too.

Then, again, our Lord is gone to appear in the presence of God for us. Bat when that offering was firished upon the Cross, He did not cease to be our Priest He "bath an un-changeable Priesthood." And for this very reason it is that he is able to save us to the uttermost, as much as we need, and as long as we need. For He 'ever liveth to make intercession for" us. For every fresh sin of ours, He is able to obtain forgiveness by pleading His own sacrifice. Ascension Day assures us of an unceasing prayer going up for us, of a forgiveness which we can have continually as we need it.

A third great blessing which we gain from our Lord's Ascension, as we learn from His own words, is the Presence of the Holy Ghost the Comforter. This was the main reason why, as He told His disciples, it was expedient for them that He should go away. It is hard for us to understand how this is. Bat at least we can see, I think, that the spirit of God speak ing to our spirits is a greater and more blessed gift even than the Human Presence of Jesus as a Teacher and Friend. And it is one which all men, in all ages, and in all lands, may possess. We have no need to cross the sea to Palestine to hear the words of Him who spake as never man spake, or to tell Him our troubles and wants; because He is gone up on high, He is ever with us, a Living Word speaking to us, a Living Master and Lord to whom we can ever speak.—American Church Times.

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD. DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

AMHEBST.-Trinity Sunday of -89 will long

be memoriable in the annals of this parish as a day of more than usual interest. His Lordship the Bishop having expressed his willingness to hold his Trinity ordination in "Chris' Church" arrived in the parish on Saturday the 15th inst. accompanied by the Ven. Archdeacon Kuul back, Rev. Prof. Vroom, Rev. A. W. Bent and Rev. H. G. Lancaster, Bishop's Chaplain and the candidates for Holy Orders, nine in number. On Sunday the services commenced with a celebration of the Blessed Sucrament at 8 o'clock; Matins at 9.30, and at 11 o'clock. The procession was formed in the schoolroom as follows :--- Vestrymen, Wardens, Choirmen (vested), Candidates for Diaconate, Candidates for Priesthood, Clergy in order of Ordination, Preacher. Assistant Clergymen of the Parish. Vicar, Ven. Archdeacon, Bishop's Chaplain, Bishop. Immediately at the close of the pro-cessional hymn, the sermon by Rev. Prof. Vroom was delivered, and was most earnest and heart-searching, the words to the candi-dates being thoughtfully and feelingly giver. The candidates were then presented by the Archdeacon. The Litany was said by the Bishop, and the Communion office to the end of the Epistle the Archdeacon being the Epis-tolor. The examination and ordination of the following persons to the Diaconate then took place :--- H. H. Pitman for Amherst, G. Forbes for Alberton, P. E. I., Thos. Loyd for Port Hawksbury, C.B., D. P. Allison and E. D. Parry, not located.

The Communion Service was then proceeded with D. P. Allison being Gospeller. After the examination for priests and silent prayer for a few moments the Veni Creator was sung and then the following were raised to the Priesthood :--Rev. Chas. H. Fallerton for Falmonth, E. T. Woollard for New Ross, Chas. P. Mellor for New Dablin, Wm. Crawford-Frost for New Glasgow. the Ven. Arobdeacon, the Vicar, Rev. Prof. Vroom, and Rev. A. M. Bent taking part with the Bishop in the ordination of the priests. The rest of the Communion office followed the Bishop being celebrant, the Vicar server. The congregation remained in their places until the benediction had been pronounced, and the procession had passed out in reverse order.

An open air service was held on the grounds of the proposed new church at Fort Lawrence at 3.30 o'clock which was largely attended, many coming from quite a d'stance. After a shortened service, addresses were delivered by the Vicar, the Ven. Archdeacon and Rev. Prof. Vroom.

At 7 o'clock the Church was again packed with a reverent and dcvout congregation. The procession was in the same order as in the morning preceded by the Cross bearer. After Evensong had been said his Lordship delivered a most masterly and eloquent sermon from Rev. 4th last part of the 8th verse, dwelling most forcibly upon the necessity of holiness and purity of life. The music for the day was of an exceedingly high order. The offertory being large. The laying of the corner stone of the new church at Fort Lawrence on Monday (the Festival of St. Alban the Martyr the name for the proposed church) was a most interesting ceremony, performed by His Lord-ship who in his usual happy and genial manship who in his usual happy and genial manner addressed those present, referring particularly to the erection of this building and the substantial aids that had already been secured. Judge Moire also gave an interesting address, ubcurding with historical facts in connection with the place, and alluded in a graceful way to the presence of Mrs. Chandler aged 57, widow of the late Lieut Governor of New Brunswick, who had come from Dorchester to attend the services which she did and heartily enjoyed,

and belonging to a family that has been conneeded with the Church for generations.

The weather on Saturday was perfect and ve ything passed off most satisfactorily,

The Bishop has endeared himself to us all, by his loving and sympathic nature, and we are already looking forward to another visit.

His Lordship and Clergy were hospitably entertained by the parishioners.

HALIFAX.-St. Paul's -At a mooting of the male members of St. Paul's congregation beld lately and at which reporters were excluded, the resignation of the rector was freely discussed, and it was resolved to accept the Doctor's resignation, to take effect three months hence, the congregation agreeing to give him \$2,000 in lieu of any claim he might have on the parish; and to take the Rectory. off his hands,

MAITLAND -Eimhurst, Maitland, was lately the festive scene of the nuptials of Dr. J. A. Byers, of Springhill, and Miss Frances Cochran, of Maitland. The happy couple left immediately after the ceremony for St. John A large number of very valuable presents were sent from friends of the bride in the United States and Canada. The brotherin-law of the bride, Rov. W. Chas. Wilson, per-formed the marriage ceremony assisted by the rector of Maitland and future New Ross. Miss Cochran is the daughter of our late energetic layman, Hon. A. M. Cochran, M.L.C.

NEW GLASGOW - Rev. W. Crawford Frost, late of Charlottetown, P.E.I., has been named rector of St. George's Church, to take effect after he is priested.

A number of Rev. Mr. Crawford-Frost's friends on Tuesday afternoon, prior to his leaving the Island for ordination, presented him with an address, accompanied by a purse containing \$183.

ALBION MINES.—Daily morning prayer has been said when the Rector was at home, since the beginning of the month : whether we shall be able to continue the services daily in winter

be able to continue the services daily in winter has to be considered. On St. Barnabas Day there was an early celebration in the Parish Church, with special intention for a blessing on St. Bees' Church in the Westville part of this parish, the corner stone of which was to be laid in the afternoon.

The Church will be very similar to that in New Glasgow—minus a chancel at present.

A fancy sale and Picnic for the Church Im-provement Fand of the Parish Church was held on July 16th.

WESTVILLE.-St. Barnabas' Day saw the corner stone of our little Church laid. The Grand Lodge of Freemasons attended and assisted the M.W. Grand Master to perform the ceremony-the said G. M. being our Rec-The building is so planned that when tor. need arises a chancel can easily be added.

The corner stone bears the words " St. Beza (cross) A. D. 1089," on the eastern face, and "compass and square" on the north side. The Rector having asked to be allowed to name the Ohurch after St. Bees', his alma mater in England.

The Pionic in the afternoon realized a nice little sam.

Avon.-The 51st meeting of the Chapter of

Mr. Follerton; Mr. Hind reading the lesson. The Dean gave an introductory address, followed by Mr. Hind, on worship; Canon Brock. on the Prayer Book; Mr Axford supplement ing the previous addresses.

The Chapter assembled on the following morning, the festival of St. Philip and St. James, in the vestry. After robing they formed in procession, entering the chancel by the west door marched to their appointed places in the chapcel. Mutins was said by Mr. Hind; first lesson being read by Mr. Wade; second by Mr. Fullerton. The sermon, an able and forcible discourse was preached by Mr. Fullerton from St. John xiv. : "Ism the way, the truth and the life."

A celebration of the Holy Eucharist followed Matins, in which the Rural Dean was celebrant; Mr. Axford, Gospeler; and Canon Brock, Epistoler. Nearly all present received. The offer-tories at the services were in aid of the Superannuation and W. & O. Fands.

At the business meeting, which was held at the Rectory in the afternoon, the Rev. W J. Ancient, the newly a pointed Raral Dean was in the chair, giving the members of the Chap-ter every satisfaction in their election, by his pleasant and systematic way of presiding. The chief matter discussed was a revision in the order of basiness. It was proposed and mutually agreed to, that each member of the Deanery should send to the Dean, questions respect- mid day the visiting friends were invited to ing difficulties that may have arisen in their join in a social lunch at the St. Jacob's hotel, respective parishes to be discussed at the next meeting in the order of their reception.

The thanks of the clergy are due to the Rec-tor and Mrs. Axford, Mr. Wm. Smith and Dr. Fallerton for their kind hospitality.

The next meeting of the Chapter is to be held in Rawdon, Oct. 1st and 2nd.

[We regret that the above report only reached us on the 19th inst.-ED.]

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON.—At the Cathedral on Sunday morning, 16th June, Mr. Wm. Eatough, a gradu-ate of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, England, was ordained Deacon by the Most Rev. the Metropolitan.

PERSONAL .- The Rev. Finlow Alexander, Sub-Dean of the Cathedral, has sailed for England.

LOWER JEMSEG .- St James' Church here, Rev C. H. Hatheway, incumbent will be con-secrated on the 25th June by the Bishop Coadjutor, Dr. Kingdon.

ST. JOHN.-A very pleasant gathering of the congregation of St Mary's Church was held on Wednesday evening June 12th, to welcome home Rev. Mr. Raymond and Mrs. Raymond from a visit to New York. After a varied programme of vocal and instrumental music, in which Mrs. A. W. Golding and Messrs. Wheeler, Williams, A. P. Tippet; C. H. Williams, jr.; David Betts; and Jas. Myers took part. Mr. Tippet on behalf of the congregation read an address expressing the warm feelings entertained by the congregation toward Mr. and Mrs. Raymond. Accompanying the address was a purse of \$75. After Mr. Raymond had thanked the congregation an adjournment was made to the new rooms in the basement of the schoolhouse, where refreshments were served by a committee of ladies.

RINGSTON .- The centennial of the founding of Trinity Church, Kingston, Kings Co., will be celebrated on the 27 inst., when services in commemoration of its erection by the Loyalists in 1789 will be held. It is the oldest church in the province. A special service at 11 a.m. will he conducted by a descendant of the founders of the church. After the service a social gathering will be held on the neighboring grounds, and every where I find health and peace and

where luncheon will be served and orations de-livered. Among the speakers will be, it is exlivered. Among the speakers will be, it is expected, Joseph W. Lawrence and G. Herbert Lee.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

RICHMOND .- The second Sunday-school Conference in this district was held here on the 14th inst. Papers were read by the Venerable Dr. Roe, of Bishop's College; Dr. Heneker and C. D. Lawrence, Esq, of Sherbrooke; the Rev. A. Stevens, of Halley, and the Rev. W. For-sythe, of Stanstead. There was a large attend ance of teachers and others interested. In addition to the clergy mentioned, the Revs. Hepburn, Rector of the parish; Blaylock, of Dan-ville; Robertson, of Darham, and Ball, of Windsor, took part in the discussion, together with several laymen, and last but not least, one of the ladies, whose well known interest and zeal made her facile princeps in expressing with The leading tone and dignity her opinion. The leading feature was more to make our Sunday-schools effective in their working, and all present went away with the impression that the Conference had not failed to deepen the interest in this important work. The day was delightful, and the country always charming here at this season was particularly beautiful. Divine service in church began and closed the Conference. At and it is unnecessary to say the well known popularity of the house was fully sustained. In the evening the clergy, &c., were invited to dinner at the residence of Thos. Hart, E.q., where they met the Lord Bishop, who had just arrived for his round of Confirmation services in the St. Francis district. All were delighted to hear of Mrs. Williams improved health, and to see their Bishop after his stay in Europe. The day will be long remembered as one fraught with happy memories, and heartily enjoyed both by the kind people of Richmond and their visiting friends.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

PERSONAL.-Rev. Geo. Johnson has been appointed to the Rectory of Danham.

The Rev. W. P. Chambers has entered into office as Rector of Knowlton.

The Rev. W. Ross Brown, M.A., of Mansonville, has been appointed Rural Dean of Brome, in successio 1 to Rev. J. Smith, deceased.

SYNOD MEETING.

The thirtieth annual session of the Synod of the Diocese of Montreal opened Tuesday morning 18th June with divine service and the cele bration of the Holy Communion in Christ Church Cathedral, at 10:30.

The preacher was the Rev. Canon Mills, who took for his text John xvii., 19-" For their sakes I sanctify myself."

The Bishop was celebrant, being assisted by Canon Mills, Canon Mussen, Archdeacon Lons. dale, and Raral Dean Naylor.

THE BUSINESS SESSION.

At two o'clock in the afternoon the Synod assembled for business in the Synod house, the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the diocese presiding. His Lordship having offered up prayer, the roll was called by the Very Rev. Canon Empson, olerical secretary, after which the election of officers was proceeded with Canon Empson and officers was proceeded with, Canon Empson and Mr. Richard White being re-elected clerical and lay secretary respectively. Mr. James Hutton was re-appointed treasurer, and Messrs. G. W. Simpson and S. C. Fatt were re-elected auditors

His Lordship then delivered his charge in a hich referring to his diocese, the Bishop said:—I have my usual report to make of mis-sions visited and episcopal functions discharged,

quiet progress in religious life. In other words. our Church is doing its work on behalf of eouls of men under circumstances of outward happi-

ness. The year has been free from epidemic sickness, from famine, from great public loss rnd trial of every kind. I have visited, apart from the city, ninety five parishes, missions and mission stations, and administered the rite of confirmation in seventy four churches to 828 persons, of whom 321 were men and 507 were I have ordained eight deacons and six women. priests. It is with great satisfaction that I report the donsecration of six churches and one burying ground. Four of the churches and the burying ground are in the district of Bedford, namely, St. Philip, South Roxton; St. John, West Shefford; St. John, Eastman; and St. Augustine, East Farnham. This progress in things material speaks well for the earnest-This progress ness and carefulness of Church people in Bedford district. One mission there has been raised to the rank and independency of a rectory, namely, West Shefford, and another, in the deanery of Hochelaga, has reached the same position. Of the two churches consecrated besides, one was at Leslie, in the mission of Thorne, the generous gift of R. A. A. Jones, Esq., and called St. James, the other was at Lacadie, and called Grace Church. The temporalities of the country churches do not in all cases receive quite the attention which is due. I should like to see a greater sense of responsi-bility on the part of incumbents and church wardens, to whom is committed the care of churches, parsonages and other real estate. It would be well, I think, to appoint a committee on "dilapidations" whose business it would be to enquire into the whole matter, and advise as to the best means for awakening trustees and others to the duty of maintaining the church property in at least as good a condition as they receive it. The Archdeacon is the church officer to whom the oversight in general appertains, but he needs some machinery of Synod to enable him to make practical use of his powers. Church property raised and set apart with devoting and self nenial by one generation must not be neglected and squandered by another. That which comes to us easily we are too apt to treat lightly, and I fear that in some instances a little longer neglect will result in the loss of things substantial, necessary to the progress of the Church's external life.

The Bishop referred at considerable length to the LAMBETH CONFERENCE remarking that since our last meeting the result of the Lamb-eth Conference have been published, to the edification of the Church throughout the world. The tone of the Encyclical Letter is eminently practical, and claims our reverent and intelligent attention.

His Lordship then quoted at length from the Encyclical Letter in regard to the observance of the Lord's Day; Temperance and Parity; Care of Immigrants; Mutual Relations of the several branches of the Anglican Communion to one another; the Reunion of Christendom; In referring to the care of Immigrants, the Bishop said:—An enormous responsibility lies upon the church in this matter, and it is her duty, so far as in her lies, to prevent es-trangement or any loss of spiritual life in her children, through the accident of their removal from one branch of the Anglican Church to another. Within the last ten years 3,195 660 persons have emigrated from the British Isles, of whom North America has received about 11 per cent., our own share of the work of reception goes slowly. Perhaps Lower Canada does not offer the most inviting field. Our emigration chaplain, Rev. R. Acton, complains that he does not receive all the encouragement from the clergy, to send immigrants into the country parts which one would naturally expect. The reasons for this luke-warmness are not apparant. Mr. Acton reports seventyfive families and about 350 single men to have been forwarded to country parts during the

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past year. He says "they have been visited by representatives of English the emigration societies, and, according to their published reports, are doing well and are grateful for the change." He adds : "Another very satisfactory feature is the renewed applications I am getting almost daily from farmers and others who have had immigrant help regularly for the last three or four seasons."

In speaking of the "Mutual Relations" recommendations, of the Lambeth Conference, his Lordship said :- The Lambeth Conference has dealt with the relations which one branch of the Anglican Communion holds to another. It points out clearly that the Book of Common Prayer "is not the possession of one diocese or province, but of all; that a revision in one portion of the Anglican Communion must, therefore, be extensively felt, and that it is not just that any particular portion should undertake revision without consultation with other portions, and especially with the Church at home." It urges on each Church in the meantime the duty of precise teaching, especially to the young, of the doctrines of The Church as set forth in its formularies. It does not claim infallibility for these formularies, bat it does declare that it would be hard to find many improvements which would be failed to find many heartily accepted as such. In these days of scientific doubt and scepticism we find the advice of the Encyclical to the Bishops and the clergy sound and practical. The words of the Encyclical are:--We must recommend to the clergy cautious and industrious treatment of these points of controversy, and most earnest-ly press upon them the importance of taking, as the central thought of their teaching, our Lord Jesus Christ, as the sacrifice for our sins, as the healer of our sinfulness, the source of all our spiritual life, and the revelation to our consciences of the law and motive of all moral virtue. To Him and to His work all the teachings of the Old Testament converge, and from Him all the teachings of the New Testament D flow, in spirit, in force, and in form." I can-not do better than quote directly the result of the deliberation of the conference upon the important question, "What steps (if any) can be rightly taken on behalf of the Anglican communion towards the reunion of the various bodies into which the Christianity of the English speaking races is divided." "After anxious discussion we have resolved to content ourselves with laying down certain articles as a basis on which approach may be, by God's blessing, made towards home reunion. These articles, four in number, will be found in the appended resolutions. The attitude of the Anglican Communion towards the religious bodies now separated from it by unhappy divisions would appear to be this: We hold ourselves in readinoss to enter into brotherly conference with any of those who may desire intercommunion with us in a more or less perfect form. We lay down conditions on which such intercommunion is, in our opinion, and according to our conviction possible.

For, however we may long to embrace those now alienated from us, so that the ideal of the one flock under the one Shepherd may be realized, we must not be unfaithful stewards of the great deposit entrusted to us. We cannot desert our position either as to faith or discipline. That concord would, in our judgment, be neither true nor desirable which should be produced by such surrender. But we gladly and thankfully recognize the real religious work which is carried on by Christian bodies not of our commun. ion. We cannot close our eyes to the visible blessing which has been vouchsafed to their labours for Christ's sake. Let us not be mis-understood on this point. We are not insensible to the strong ties, the rooted convictions, which attach them to their present position. These we respect, as we wish that on our side our own principles and feelings may be respected. Com-petent observers, indeed, assert that not in G. G. Wood, James Scott, G. C. Roper. to the strong ties, the rooted convictions, which attach them to their present position. These

England only, but in all parts of the Christian world, there is a real yearning for unity-that men's hearts are moved more than heretofore towards Christian fellowship The Conference has shown in its discussions as well as its resolutions that it is deeply penetrated with this feeling. May the Spirit of Love move on the troubled waters of religious differences. "These are but short extracts from a letter embodying matters of world wide interest. The Bishops of the Anglican Communion form one of the most enlightened and experienced religious houses to be found in Christendom, and all members of the Communion must receive their advice with reverence and thankfulness. The number of Colonial Bishoprics has increased from 7 to 77 sinc, the accession of her Majesty Queen Victoria : add these to the Bishops of the Mother country, and you have a college of learned men representing every place and circumstance of interest to English speaking people,-North America, as a whole, Australia, and many places and portions of the earth, in other parts of the world. Their practical saga city, as well as the moderation of their declarations are the result, no doubt, of the width of

their united experience and judgment. The Bishop then referred to the Educational work of his Diocese, including the Theological College, and to those who had died daring the past year, but to this portion of his charge we shall have to refer in another number.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

SYNOD MEETING.

After routine proceedings on the 12th June, the report of the Mission Board for the year ended 30th April was presented, from which it it appears that the total received during the years 1888 and 1889 for Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions was: -

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After some discussion as to the causes of the decrease, and suggestions as to improving the condition of affairs, the report was adopted.

The members of the Mission Board for the present year are :- The Lord Bishop of Toronto, the Venerable the Archdeacon of York, the Ven. the Archueacon of Peterborough; Rural Deanthe Archdeacon of Peterborougn; Rural Daal-ery of Toronto, Rev. J. Langtry, M.A., R.D., J. W. G. Whitney; Rural Deanery of West York, Rural Dean Osler, Alfred Hoskin, Q.C.; Rural Deanery of East York, Rural Dean Dr. Carry, John Cowan; Rural Deanery of Peel, Rural Dean Swallow, Judge Scott; Rural Deanery of East Simeac Bread Dean Stawert Peel, Rural Dean Swallow, Judge Scott; Rural Deanery of East Simcoe, Rural Dean Stewart, M.A., Basil R. Rowe; Rural Deanery of West Simcoe, Rural Dean Kirby, W. A. Hamilton; Rural Deanery of South Simcoe, Rural Dean Ball, Hon. G. W. Allan, D.C.L; Rural Dean-ery of Darham, Rural Dean Allan, B.A., His Honour Judge Benson; Rural Deanery of North-umberland, Rural Dean Beck, M.A., His Honor Judge Weller; Rural Deanery of Haliburton, Rural Dean P. Harding, J. H. Delamere, Rural Dean J. D. Cayley, M.A., N. W. Howells. Dean J. D. Cayley, M.A., N. W. Howells.

At the afternoon session the report of the committee on the communication received from the Prisons Reform Association was brought in and in accordance with the recommendations of the committee that the Synod actively co-operate with the Prisoners' Aid Association in their efforts to effect the reforms referred to in their circular letter, and with that end in view that a committee should be appointed by the Synod, the following names were suggested: Rev. S.

The report of the Committee on the Widow: and Orphans' Fund showed a balance of \$142 15 instead of, as last year, a defivit of \$348.87. The attention of the Synod was drawn to the fact that, while the necessary expenditure fo. the year was \$5,379 08, the total amount received from collections was only \$5,320 76, or a deficiency between income and expenditure of \$58.32, or a total deficiency of \$404.19 The Theological Students' Fund owing to a refund from the Diocese of Oatario of \$200, together with the collections which have come in, and those due from the last April offertories, will enable it to meet its liabilities, but no further aid can at present be given to divinity students.

The Synod then adjourned to the 13th inst.

A missionary meeting was held at eight o'clock in the evening to discuss practical points in connection with the missions of the diocese. The matter was discussed under several heads: the first, "Needs of the Church as to Extension in City and Country," was introduced by Row. John Langtry, who held that a greater spirit of devotion should be manifested by the people and that more time should be given to intercession with God. There were certain special occasions in the Church when the people should offer up fervent prayers for the success of missions. The spirit of complaining ought to be dispensed with. Beaconsfield had said that he never complained, and on his observance of this rule depended much of his success. "Trust in God" should be the motto of those who wish to do the best they could.

Rev. Mr. Inglis, Mr. A. M. Dymond, Dr. Hodgins, Provost Body and Mr. McClure having spoken on the subject, the Bishop alluded to the very manificst lack of interest, (although there were some laudable exceptions), in missions in the country districts. Prayer alone was not effective, for God expected that It would be well, he all men should work. urged, to have a travelling missionary to visit the stations,

Rural Dean Allen spoke on the second topic, viz :--- "Hindrances to success in the past, and how to remedy them." With 40 years' experience he thought the hindrances arose from the want of elasticity in the methods of the Church. Long addresses and disquisitions discouraged the people. Missionaries from the Old Country were annoyed by the diffi ulties of a new conntry, and, moreover, the immigrants were accustomed to an established Church, and never paid voluntarily. The different sections and divisions among the members of the diocese were a great impediment. The clergy should unite, the laity should unite, and a march would be made onward.

Dr. Carry maintained that though the root of success was grounded in the spiritual life, absence of religious spirit was not the only impediment to success. Clergymen became physically and mentally incapable and therefore the Saperanuation Fand should be in-creased. Then men who had become useless through loss of vigour or through crankiness could be provided for, and the people would not be provoked.

Other members having made valuable sug-gestions the meeting closed. The collection taken up during the proceedings amounted to \$84.1I.

A Garden Party. -- At the close of the afternoon session, which occured about four o'clock, the members of the Synod attended an "At Home" and "Garden party" at the See house. St. Alban's Cathedral was also visited by many

of the clerical and lay representatives. On the morning of the 13th of Jane, the scrutineers on the vote for the election of lay delegates to the Provincial Synod reported the following elected :--Hon. G. W. Allan, C. J. Campbell, A. H. Camptell, R. H. Bethune, Wm. Ince, A. McLean Howard, J. A. Worell, Dr. Hodgins, Judge Benson, Clarkson Jones, N. W. Hoyles, Thos. Hodgins, J. Mason. Substitutes: -G M. Evans, Jadge Scott, T. D. Delemere, Bisil R. Rowe, John Cowan, Kivas Tally, G. E Gillispie, J. K. Kerr, Marcellus Cromb e. D. Sabling, Jas. Headerson, O. W. R Biggar.

The scrutineers of the clorical vote reported the following elected : -Rev. J Langtry, Rev. Provost Body, Rev. Dr. Carry, Rev. Dr. Bethune, Rev. A J. Broughall, Rev. Prof. Clarke, Rev. A. W. Spragge. Ven. Archdeacon Boddy, Rev. John Pearson, Rev. J. D. Cayley, Rev. Rural Dean Allen, Rev. Canon Da-Moulin.

Sabstitutes :- Rev A. H. Baldwin, Rev. J P. Lewis, Rev. Septimus Jones, Rev. R Harrison, Rev. G E Thompson, Rev. H Kirby, Rev J. C. Roper, Rev. W. F. Swallow, Rev. W. H. Clarke, Rev. C. C. Johnson, Rev. A. Williams, Rev. Dr. Davies.

The committee on the JUBILEE celebration reported that Rev Dr. Scadding and Dr. Hodgins had b.en appointed historiographers. Rev. A. J. Broughall secretary of the committee The following resolutions were passed unanimously:--

1. That the secretary be instructed at once to communicate with the secretaries of the several Synods, and also with the Bishops of the several dioceses forming part of the original Diocese of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, requesting them to lay before such Synod the request of this committee to cooperate towards the great object—the jubilee celebration.

2. That the first Sunday in October be suggested as the proper day for such celebra tion.

3. That the offerings of the people throughout the Diocese of Toronto be applied towards the building fund of St. Alban's Cathedral. That the secretary be instructed to communicate this fact to the other dioceses for their information.

4. That the week commencing the first San day in October be spent in a united manner in the city of Toronto by some special preachers in some central church; and that a mass mosting should if poszible be held during that week, in all of which the other dioceses should be asked to co operate.

5. That the Synod be asked to instruct the General Purposes Committee to meet the neccssary expenses to be incurred by this committee in carrying out the arrangements adopted by it.

6. That this comittee, in presenting their report to the Synod, suggest that they be continued in office.

7. That the secretary be instructed to request the Synods to appoint one or two more representatives to meet with this committee on some day in the last week of June.

Executive Committee.—The elected members were reported as follows:—Clorgy Rev. Rural Dean Langtry, Rev. John Pearson, Rural Dean Kirby, Rev. Septimus Jones, Rev. J. P. Lewis. Luy:—James Henderson, J. G. Hodgins, LL D, Wm. Ince, J. C. Kemp, Robert Birmingham. The Bishop's appointees were: Clergy—Archdeaeon Boddy, Canon DaMonlin, Provost Body, T. W. Allan, C. C. Johnston. Laymen—Hon. G. W. Allen, Hon. Jadge Bonson, Dr. Snelling, J. A. Worrell,

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

HILLIER.—The Rev. J. Helliwell has been appointed to the Mission of Vankleek Hill, and the Rev. William Fleming, M.A., of Vankleek Hill, has been appointed to the endowed parish of Hillier We fully expect that Hillier, under the new Rector will take a new lease of life and once more assume its proper position among the more important of the rural parishes of the Diouese.

DESEBONTO.—The Rev. H B. Patton has been letter appointed by the Bishop curate of St. Mark's 24th.

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BROCKVILLE — Rev. E. P. Crawford, of Brockville, was presented with a purse of \$200 on leaving that town for Hamilton.

QUEENSBOLO. -- Rev. W. W. Barton was presented with a buggy and set of harness by his Millbridge congregation. There are some other missions where, if the people were equally liberal, much better work could and would be done.

EAST C INWALL.—The Rev. S. G. Poole, of Osnabruck, has been appointed incumbent of the Mountain Memorial Church vice Rev Jos. Elliott, who has assumed charge of Billing's Bridge.

TAMWOBTH — The Rev J. R Lerson has been offered the important parish of Osnabruck, but may not take it. His people here will not willingly part with him. On the 6th June he opened a new church at Millbank. It is a frame structure, painted white, of gothic design, tastefully finished inside and out. It has nave, chancel, vestry, and south porch. The windows are of figured and colored glass, that in the chancel being a triplet of stained glass of beautiful design. Mr. Lerson has always been most successful in his church work at Tamworth.

PBE-COTT -- During Whitsuntide a superb oak reredos was placed in St. John's Church, Prescott. This and a fine oak altar were the gift of W. J. Jones, Esq. M. D. of Prescott, and were erceted in loving memory of his parents and of his wife lately decased. This fine reredos occupies the whole space at the back of the chancel. Over the re-table on which is carved the words "Holy, Holy, Holy," ' is some fine carving, cut out in the oak, of a chalice, the vine with bunches of grapes, and also ears of wheat. The altar has in front three panels on which are carved respectively the sacred mon ogram and the symbols Alpha and Omega, on each side of the panels are abatments in the centre of each of which is carved a Greek cross. The abutments rest on lonic pillare finely carved. The reredos is surmounted in the centre by a gohtic arch in keeping with the style of the church. The opening of the arch shows the pictured window beyond. Rising high above the centre of the arch is a pinnacle having as its finale a Greek cross floriated, and on each side of the arch are pinnacles with fleur-de lis as finals. Similar arches at a lower elevation stand on each side of the storied window having pinnacles with fleur de us as finials, beyond these on each side are panels of beautifully grained oak, extend-ing to the chancel walls. On one side of these panels, on the north side of the altar, is a brass plate, stating that the reredos and altar were erected by the donor in memoriam. On the south side of the altar is a credence table, also of oak, and like the rest of the work, beautifully grained. This fine work was executed by Mr. B. H. Carmouski, of Kingston, and is highly oreditable to that gentleman's taste as an artist, and skill as a workman. We must congrata late Dr. Jones the liberal donor of this munificient gift to this parish church on his good sense and deep religious feeling when determining to erect a monument to the memory of the dear departed ones, he should also make it the occasion of beautitying the House of God.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

SAULT STE. MARIE.—The Bishop of Algoma begs to acknowledge very gratefully, the receipt of \$40 from "A.F," New Brunswick, by letter dated the 3rd instant, and received on the 24th. The Church Bells, London, Ebgland, says of the St. Paul's reredos case :--

We confess to a feeling of no little curiosity as to the reason why the jadgment of the Queen's Bench, delivered last Saturday, should have been so long delayed. There is absolutely nothing in it which the ordinary mind can suppose to have required an incubation of six months. Possibly the fact that not the least hard-headed and clear minded of the three judges dissents from the conclusion of his brethren may have something to do with it. A refractory juryman, we know, is sometimes convirced by the arguments of his colleagues. Possibly, even in the exalted region of the judicial bench, a similar process may occasionally be attempted in the case of a ' non-conforming' indge

ing' judge. Of one thing all parties may be absolutely certain : Mr. Justice Manisty's advice that further litigation should be avoided will not be accepted. The Bishop of London, who has some previous experience of legal battles over a cathedral reredos, is understood to be prepared to carry the matter through all the stages, if it should be necessary. The question of the legality of the structure in St. Paul's has not yet been before the Courts. The question de-cided by the Queen's Bench is merely whether it ought to go before the Courts. The Bishop of London thought not, and vetoed the prosecution. The Queen's Bench, or a majority of the Court, thought it ought, and unless an appeal is entered, their mandamus will issue to compel the Bishop to send the case for trial. The Bishop, it may be taken for granted, will appeal; and in all probability the highest tribunals will ultimately be called upon to decide the preliminary point, whether the case shal or shall not be tried upon its merits. Assuming that the final decision confirms the Queen's Bench judgment, then the whole process begins again de novo.

We can scarcely congratulate the Church Association upon their success. In each of the two great pending cases, the promoters have scored 'first blood.' But the result of the one is to invest the Archbishop of Canterbury with the powers of something like an Anglican Pope. The result of the other is to open out the cheerful prospect of almost interminable litigation. We cannot believe that the higher Courts

We cannot believe that the higher Courts will hold with Lord Coleridge, that the Bishop's 'discretion,' under the Public Worship Regulation Act, is not discretion at all, in any ordinary signification. Baron Pollock's common sense view of the matter seems to us far more in accordance with the general spirit and tendency of English jurisprudence. Nor can we imagine that if the 'merits' ever do come before the Courts, the highest triburals will so far stultify themselves as to order the removal of so noble a work of art as the reredos in St. Paul's.

We would add that we do not quite appreciate the interesting information as to Lord Coleridge's personal tastes and private opinions, which make up no small part of the Chief Justice's judgment. It is undoubtedly information of a valuable character, expressed in clear and vigorous English, but whether a judicial tribunal is the proper p^+ ce for its delivery may fairly be doubted, if only as a matter of taste.

Church Bells asks:

"For whom is it good that schisms and heresies do exist? Schisms and heresies begun, and continued too, by good meaning, praying, and pious people; by some who distinctly assert that there are no divisions or heresies, but that all are loving the same (Father, God, and) Saviour, and they are all aiming at the same thing. Such forget altogether St. Paul's dicta on these subjects, and ignore the command to speak the same thing, and to be perfectly join-

ed together of the same mind and of the same heart. And, when questioned, they cannot deny (though they express regret as they cenfees it) that in many meeting houses and upon very many Sundays (to say nothing of political meetings held at other times in these places of sacred worship) there is often heard the expression of many erroneous statements concerning the Church, and the utterance of many bitter speeches tending to stir up an angry feeling against her. Is it not time that such a state of things ceased? If unity existed throughout Christendom, would war amongst Christians be possible ? If Christians were one united body, would the sceptio, and the unbeliever, and the agnostic, and the indifferent be so numerous as they are ?'

The Pacific Churchman says:

A quick, cheap way into the Holy Ministry is too often sought for. Sometimes the motive may be a good one. There are special cases where men should have the way into the ministry made easy for them. Now and then there is a man of mature age, skilled in a knowledge of human nature and the art of reaching and influencing men's minds and hearts, ripened through years of holy living, for whom a place is all ready for his ministry. Such a man could not possibly get through a classical and theo-logical course, and would be little better for it if he did. Bat just as he is, he is particularly fitted for a certain line of ministerial work, where there is a crying need of humble, faithfal laborers. But such cases are rare. The general fact is that there are needed in the ministry men who are well equipped for teaching-thoroughly instructed in the Word of God, and in all the learning —and the foolish-ishness too —of the day. It is not enough that they be able to read the lessons and the prayers in church-or even to celebrate at the altarthough it should be seen to that they can do these parts decently and reverently-bat as the English Church Times says lately : "The broad fact is that the primary function - not the only one, but the chief and principal - of the Gospel Ministry is to teach. That is put by our Lord Himself in the very forefront of His mandate to the twelve Apostles": "Go ye and teach (by teaching make disciples of) all nations, baptizing," &c. St. Paul requires among the very first qualifications for the office of the ministry, aptness to teach. It is his own work as a teacher that St. Paul speaks of oftenest and with most stress when he refers to his ministering labors. "Do the work of an evangelist,"

he says to Timothy. Too often has the Church been put to shame by displays of ignorance in the pulpit and in other places where opportunity is given to men to speak without knowledge. If a young man who happens to have a good voice, and be a good reader and likes to "officiate" is to be made a deacon in order to use these gifts, --- well enough; but for the sake of all that is merciful keep him at the lectern and prayer desk ; don't let him get into the pulpit-or on to the floor of the Convention |

As a matter of fact there is very little need in the Church at present for an order of readersor for priests who can do nothing well except to act as celebrant or assistant at the altar. But there is great need and a boundless field for able teachers and preachers. And there may be learning without preaching or teaching ability. A generation or so ago, in a rebound from too extreme a dependence upon preaching, especially in the way of exhortation, it became the fashion to belittle the place and importance of preaching as compared with worship in our public services, till there became a ground for the charge that was made against us of an "imbecile palpit." For though there were still giants in those days, yet the average priest of, say, thirty-five years ago, was far from being a vigorous or interesting or effective preacher. No doubt good came from what led to that

depreciation of the pulpit, but it was at a heavy cost to the Church. A recognition of the high place of worship, and sacraments and reverence has been secured, and now let us see to it that the great and primary importance of preaching is realized and insisted upon, especially in the training of candidates for the ministry. A man who is not at least a fairly effective preacher has a very rarrow range of usefulness in the ministry.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.

Nothing is more plainly proved by experience than the need of forethought and preparation to successful work. A man not only needs general preparation as to methods and ways, but his mind needs to be in sympathy with what he does. One cannot pass instantly from one frame of mind into another. He who never thinks of his friends, will not be apt to enjoy their companionship when he chances to meet them. He was never thinks of God, except at the hour set for communion with Him, will not usually receive much profit from that hour of communion itself. If a man's family worship be thought of only when the hour for it comes, it will be a very dull and irksome duty. So

any religious duty will be formal and dry if it be not preceded by a religious frame. This is notably true of the service of the Lord's Day. To a great many Christians Sun-day is a heavy day. They try to speed it in day is a heavy day. They try to spend it in Divine worship, but it is a task rather than a joy. It is a wearisome task, holding their minds in an unaccustomed frame. So it often happens that the day is gone before they come into a proper frame for worship.

The way of the Lord should be prepared in our hearts. If we would have the Lord come to us in our Sunday worship, we must think of Him in our week day work. As it often is now, when Sunday comes, the gathered rubbish of a whole week must be cleared away. The way of the Lord is blocked up by the remembrance of the week's cares. A man brings his business right up to the borders of Sunday, and, of course, the day itself is fall of it. Boxos and barrels, bales, dry goods, groceries and hard-ware, remain over in the mind from the week's work and work? work and worry.

Now, a man has no more right to take these things with him in his thoughts, than to leave his goods exposed for display and sale in his store. If it were not for disturbing others, he might just as well take his ledgers and invoices with him to church, and be making out his bills and checking off his goods while there, as to be doing these things in his thought all day. He might just as well wheel his boxes and bales right into the aisle, as to have them present to mental vision all the time. Jesus drove out the traders from the temple with a scourge of cords. But if he should come into our modern churches and drive out all who in their thoughts have brought money, and merchandise, and trade into the house of God, He would leave some very small congregations. If all the business that is planned in church were really transacted there, it would make that a busier place than ever the Jewish Temple was in the days of the Passover. If we would enjoy Sunday as a day of rest and communion with God, we must drive these money changers of our thought out from the sacred temple of our hearts, and let those hearts be again the temples of the Holy Ghost. We must prepare for the day, not merely by laying aside our work, but by excluding it from our hearts, that God may come and dwell there.

Thus, in all things, we must prepare for God's We must lay our plans for it and shape work. work. We must lay our plans to the constant our affairs for it. The Lord comes to reign, if He comes at all. We must so prepare the way that He can come and can reign. There must that He can come and can reign. There must be forethought as well as good will; prepara-tion as well as diligence. It is true the Lord sometimes comes suddenly to His temple. But when He thus comes, "Who shall abide the day

of His coming ? for He shall be like a refiner's fire."-The Church Messenger.

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A SUMMER RESORT FOR CLERGY.

To the Editor of the Church Guardian:

SIE,—The object of my former letter, elicited by the proposal of E.C.P., was mainly to give our Diocese credit for what had already been done and what is being done towards providing a rest and change for our clergy. and next, to suggest that the object aimed at by E.C.P., would be better met by trying to do more in the direction in which something at least has already been accomplished. By organizing regular services and building small uncostly churches at the chief points of summer resort a double advantage is gained; not only is a valuable and needed change secured for the clergy, but, what is more, both the ministra-tion of the word and sacraments is provided for the members of the Church while absent from home and a golden opportunity is won of setting our principles before and influencing for good many who are outside. I am personally aware that beneficial results have been obtained in this way both among ourselves and in the American Church.

But after all, on further consideration one sees that there is no inconsistency between this plan and what E.C.P., proposes. Rather, his suggestion forms a very desirable supplement to what has been already done. A small plainly furnished cottage at each water. ing place where there is a church and a summer chaptaincy would be a valuable addition. This, as I mentioned in my last letter, is what Professor Allnattt is aiming to provide at Cap a L'aigle and I hope that E.C.P.'s intervention may help to extend the movement to other places.

"A Country Clergyman" thinks that I am mistaken in my estimate of the number of the rural clergy to whom in any one year it would be practicable, if it were offered, to spend a month at the seaside. Well, I have tried the experiment, and I feel quite certain that the years would be exceptional in which one would find in this Dioce e anything like that number. This year certainly is not such an exception. If your correspondent has knowledge of any such clergyman in this Diocese, let him make their cases known confidentially to the Bishop and I venture to say that the needed change will be provided. "A Country Clergyman" reproaches me because Riviere du Loup was not offered as a summer resort to any of our rural clergy this year. The reason of that was because negociations were going on ever since the removal of the late incumbent with various clergymen, which it was hoped would result in the vacancy being filled. It was actually ac-cepted by one conditionally upon his charge not being left vacant, and it was only within a few days that he finally declined it. At the last moment, when it became possible to fill it for the summer, it was not offered to any of our clergy because no one of them could be found to accept a more lucrative and attractive summer chaplaincy. However, it is not yet too late; and if "A Country Clergyman" can succeed where I have failed, and can name to the Bishop of Qaebec one or more of our clergy desirous of taking charge of Riviere du Loup for either or both of the summer months, the post is still open, as it is only held until au incumbent can be found.

This matter of chaplaincies for summer resorts requires a more and very careful organi-zation, and that in many directions. I may return to the subject in a fature number. HENRY ROE.

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CALENDAR FOR JUNE.

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- " 9th-Whitsun Day. (Pr. Pss. M. 48, 69, E. 104, 145. Athanasian Creed: Pr. Pref. in Com. Ser. till 15th inclusive. Notice of Monday and Tuesday : St. Barnabas and Ember Days: Ember Collect daily.
- " 10th-Monday in Whitsun week.
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- " 12th-} Ember Days
- " 15th--
- " 16th-Trinity Sunday.
- " 20th-Queen's Accession, 1837.
- " 23rd-1st Sunday after Trinity. (Notices of St. John Baptist and St. Peter.
- " 24th-St. John Baptist. (Athanasian Creed).
- " 29th-ST. PETER. A. & M.
- " 30th-2nd Sunday after Trinity.

THE BISHOP OF NORWICH ON LAY HELP.

The Bishop of Norwich, presiding at the annual meeting of the Diocesan Church Defence Association, said that a great deal, but not too much, had been said about the importance of enlisting the help of their lay brethren. It was stated that laymen were not accessible for the work, and were not ready to come forward; on the other side it was asserted that the clergy were not zealous enough in the way in which they sought to enlist the services of laymen. As was generally found in cases of this kind, there was probably a little fault of human nature on both sides, and what was wanted was to look more out of themselves and more up to their common Lord and master-to seek rather what was His will that they should do, rather than what they particularly wished to plan and carry out. The more they looked to Him for guidance and direction, the more likely were they to come together, and to carry out His laws of life. If there is anything I am con

were very often held back from undertaking work because they had all their several callings and pursuits, and would not be able to carry out special duties and give special time to any direct calling, such as that of lay reader. If clergymen and laymen would do more to re alize that every living member of Christ's Church was a responsible steward for what they had received from Him, and that they were responsible for communicating it, as well as be-ing thankful for receiving it, that would stir up their inquiry. "In what way can I, as a member of Christ's Church, in my home, in my parish, and in connection with my clergyman, help forward the work? It may be that I have noither time nor gifts to hold any particular office as lay reader; perhaps I have not the gift of being an efficient Sunday school teacher; and, therefore, I should not be of much help if I went into it. But, as a communicant, I look around me, and having endeavored to do what I can in my own family, I must be aware that there are many who are, perhaps, unable to attend on the ordinances of the Church from sickness and infirmity. Would it not be a Christ-like work if I were to take to them some of the crumbs from the feast that I have had in he house of God, and tell them something that I have felt in His House of prayer, something of the praise that was offered, something of the instruction that was given ?" He believed it would also be a very useful thing on the part of the clergyman if he would devote a little time on Saturday afternoon to making such visits, and preparing some sick people who could not attend church, but who loved it and valued its ordinances, by telling them a little of what the services would be, what he was going to preach about, and thereby help them to be more in spirit, though they could not be in body, with the congregation that worshipped. He had often found, as a pastor, that sick people had been very thankful for such visits. Ī communicants could not give a certain portion of their time to definite work, yet, as a rule, they might do a real work among the sick and others. There were other ways in which, without taking a definite office upon themselves, they might be very helpful as a leaven and a light to those around them. If there were any in their own rank of life, in the society in which they moved, in their own homes, or others that were more or less connected with them and whom they come in contact with, who were negligent of the means of grace, they could look out for the opportunity of trying to persuade them and draw them in the cords of love mentioned by one of the speakers, and use that very great and very old argument, "Come thou with us and we will do thee good." If they were approached in that spirit, he thought that laymen, even without having any particular office, would be of immense service. It wa some advantage to the clergy to hear that the laity were ready and willing to come forward and help them in their work, and only needed to be invited; and it was a great encouragement to the laity, who were willing and ready to help, to be told by the clergy that they would only be too thankful to have their as sistance. If these two feelings were real, and existed on the part of the clergy and laity, there ought to be very little difficulty in solving the question and making them all fellowworkers with their church for the good of those around them.-The American Church Times.

MIRAOLES.

Is the suspension of physical and material laws by a Spiritual Being inconceivable? We reply, that however inconceivable this kind of suspension of physical law is, it is a fact. Physical laws are suspended any time an animate being moves any part of its body; the will. Laymon, as far as his experience went, scious of, it is that I am a spiritual being, that

no part of my tangible body is myself, and that matter and I are distinct ideas, Yet I move matter, i.e., my body, and every time I do so I suspend the laws of matter. The arm that would otherwise hang down by its own weight, is lifted up by this spiritual being-myself. It is true that my spirit is connected with the matter which it moves in a mode in which the Great Spirit who sets upon matter in a miracle is not; but to what purpose is this difference so long as any action of spirit upon matter is in-comprehensible? The action of God's Spirit in the miracle of walking on the water is no more inconceivable than the action of my own spirit in holding up my own hand. Anteced-ently one step on the ground and an ascent to heaven are like incredible. But this appearance of incredibility is answered in one case literally ambulando. How can I place any reliance apon it in the other?

The constitution of nature, then, disproves the incredibility of the Divine suspension of physical law; but more than this it creates a presumption for it. For the laws of which we have experience are themselves in an ascending scale. First comes the laws which regulate unorganized matter; next the laws of vegetation; then, by an enormous leap, the laws of animal life, with its voluntary motion, desire, expectation, fear; and above these, again, the laws of moral being which regulate a totally different order of creatures. Now suppose an intelligent being, whose experience was limited to one or more lower classes in this ascending scale of laws, he would be totally incapable of conceiving the action of the higher classes. A think-ing piece of granite would be totally incapable of conceiving the action of chemical laws, which produce explosions, contacts, repulsions. A thinking mineral would be totally incap able of conceiving the laws of vegetable growth; a thinking vegetable could not form an idea of the laws of animal life; a thinking animal could not form an idea of moral and intellectual truth. All this progressive succession of laws is perfectly conceivable backward, and an ab. solute mystery forward; and therefore when in the ascending series we arrive at man, we ask, Is there no higher sphere of law as much above him as he is above the lower natures ir the scale? The analogy would lead us to ex. peot that there was, and supplies a presumption in favor of such a belief.

And so we arrive again by another route at the old turning question; for the question whether man is or is not the vertex of nature, is the question whether there is or is not a God. Does free agency stop at the human stage, or is there a sphere of free will above the human, in which, as in the human, not physical law but spirit moves matter? And does that free will penetrate the universal frame invisibly to us, an omnipresent agent? If so, every miracle in Scripture is as natural an event in the universe as any chemical experiment in the physical world; if not, the seat of the Great Presiding Will is empty, and nature has no Personal Head; man is her highest point; he finishes her ascent; though by this very supremacy he falls, for under fate he is not free himself ; all nature either ascends to God or descends to law. Is there above the level of material can es a region of Providence? If there is, nature is moved by the Supreme Free Agent; and of such a realm a miracle is the natural production .--- J. B. MOZLEY, Bampton Lectures, 1865.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST DAY.

Where is the love the Baptist taught, The soul unswerving and the fearless tongue?

- The much enduring wisdom sought, By lonely prayer the haunted rocks among?
- Who counts it gain His light should wane, So the whole world to Jesus throng?

-Keble.

THE EVILS OF DIVISIONS [SECTAR. IAN INTHE MISSION FIELD.

[From Earl'Nelson's Home Ruunion Notes in Church Bells]

THE EVILS OF DIVISION IN THE FORBIGN MISSION FIELD.

Love and order should be the chief character istics of Christianity; but our miserable divisions have gone far to destroy the witness either to the one or to the other which Christianity should show forth to the world. It is sad enough that in attacks upon heathendom Protestant and Roman Catholic should magnify their differences before the heathen, but it is a parody on Christianity when churches calling themselves Protestant cannot learn from the Roman Catholics some principles of organization, and for their own sakes, as well as for the success of the Christianity which they seek to propagate, cannot come to some understanding which will prevent them from concentrating their home antagonisms in the same districts of heathendom, instead of dividing the vast tracts of heathendom, as the Romans do among the different orders and nationalities.

The important article on the Protestant mis sionary work in China, which the Times published from a correspondent on May 25th, very forcibly exposes the present state of things, and shows that very earnest, and self-denying work, not only of the more direct Missionary kind, but by translations of important works into different dialects, is hindered by this woe ful waste of power.

I append a cutting from the article above referred to, which demands the prayerful consideration of all Christians.

NELSON

"These forty Protestant missionary bodies, it has been said, work, almost without exception, in total independence of each other. There is scarcely any division of labour, geographical or otherwise; each works in its own chosen field. The different Roman Catholic orders are most carefully distributed-the Franciscans in one district the Dominions in another, the Belgians in one province, the Germans in another, the Spaniards in a third, and so on. The whole of the Chincse empire, as well as the eighteen provinces and the vast districts lying outside them, are divided into bishoprics and carefully organized. so that the work of no man or order overlaps that of another.

'Seeing, then, the terrible waste of force involved in forty different bodies attacking the vast mass of Chinese heathendom, each for itself, without regard to the others, Dr. Alex. Williamson, an eminent and vetern missionary, whose Travels in North China, published many years ago, has already almost reached the dignity of a classic, has addressed an earnest appeal to his fellow-missionaries for union. Looking out on the state of Protestant missionary enterprise in China, he exclaims, "What a waste of strength !" It is desirable to repro-duce his own words here. Their weight, coming from a man in his position, is as undoubted as their sincerity is evident:-

"To begin with, we have the Church of England with her thirty-nine Articles, her Prayer book, and her formularies all translated, and she is striving and hoping to impose them all in their entirety upon China. Again, we have the Presbyterians with the Westminster Confession, their longer and shorter catechisms, their system of Church govern-ment, also translated, equally zealous and sanguine in their endeavour to lead the Chinese to adopt their system. Further, we have the Methodists, with their elaborate organizations; There may be among this number m the Congregationalists, with their form of stragglers, and many deserters; but they government; the Baptists, with theirs; the all soldiers of the army, sworn, if not true.

Lutheran Church, seeking to produce in China a facsimile of itsel', nothing less or more; the American Episcopal Church with a like aim. What a And so with other denominations. spectacle to thoughtful Chinamen! And there are many such. No wonder they say to us-'Agree among yourselves, and then we will listen to you.' But this is not the worst of our listen to you. divisions. We have three branches of the Episcopal Church, eight different sects of Presbyterians, six sects of Methodists, two Congregationalists, two Baptists, besides several other minor bodies, all acting independently of each other; and in addition to these we have the Inland Mission, many of whose members belong to our own denomination, but the bulk of whom disclaims creeds and systems; and unless the leaders of that mission receive special guidance from God it will become neither more or less than another sect."

'Dr. Williamson describes the Protestant army in China at the present time as going "to war at a woeful, shattered, tattered, sorry disadvantage." Each sect is trying hard to keep its own little heap of embers alive, and refuses to throw them altogether, so that they may "blaze of themselves and set us free to kindle other fires in different parts." He looks forward to the time when all these little sep-arate heaps shall be formed into "one great, living fire, which shall illumine, and warm, and comfort, and purify the whole nation." O one point he is clear. Here are his own words-On "Something must be done. In our present divided state we will never Christianize China. Never !"'

THE FAITH ONCE DELIVERED TO THE SAINTS

BY THE REV. J. D. HERBON.

The Apostolic Succession.

The first point to be noted about the Church, which the Lord founded upon the earth for the salvation of men, is that it is a visible Church, Certain religionists, who have broken with the Apostolic order, in which alone the Church inheres, have liked to talk of an invisible Church. What thought any one can have of an invisible Church, is not clear, except it be the number of the elect which is known only to God.

But with this, certainly, man has nothing whatever to do; and if he has to do with a Church at all, it must be with an organization as real and tangible as himself. As long as man is visible, the Church into which God calls him must also be visible.

So we find it in the charter of its organiza tion : The Sacred Scripture. We find it composed of visible men; with visible officers, who are ordained and endowed with visible author. ity by visible ceremonies; with visible sacra-ments by which alone members are admitted and preserved in their membership; and we find this Church continuing down through the ages as visible and tangible as a masonic lodge continues to day. There is one scene in which we may speak of the invisible Church, and that is when we mean the Church at rest, the Church in Paradise. Yet here the word invisible does not mean that which cannot be seen; but simply that which at present is not seen.

But the Church Catholic on earth, the Church which is set for the salvation of men, is the Church militant, the military Church, the fighting Church, the visible army of the Lord throughout the world.

The members of this Church are all the baptized.

There may be among this number many stragglers, and many deserters; but they are

The chief officers of this army are the Bishops of the Apostolic Succession throughout the world. Many have broken from the main column, and are fighting a guerilla warfare.

Yet notwithstanding the fact that they are fighting for the great Commander in Chief, the Ascended Christ, this main column is still the Church, and the only Church which the Lord founded

This fact does not unchurch the denominations around in their membership; but it does unchurch them as organizations.

As organizations they are religious societies which ought to be under the supervision of the

Apostolic Ministry that our Lord founded. This is the plain meaning of the fourth declaration of the House of Bishops on the subject of Church Unity.

No offence shoud be taken at this, for none of these organizations claim a history any older than the Reformation. It is probable, however, that the offence is that the Episcopal Church sh uld claim a history any older.

But we cannot help but claim that which has been given to us. We cannot see that the English Reformation made any break in the Church, either in its government or in its membership.

The answer to the question, "Where was your Church before Henry VIII?" is answered fully and completely in the responding query, "Where was your face before it was washed ?"

It is therefore no disparagement to the religious bodies around us, other than must come from the nature of the case, when we keep the fact before our minds, and press it upon our children, that the Church into which we are baptized is a true branch of the Church which went out from Jorusalem.

That Church was Episcopal. This Church is Episcopal, and there has been no break in the Episcopal succession of her ministry. To hold this fact as a precious truth, close to our own hearts, and to teach it to our children, is simply our duty as churchmen. If any do not clearly see this duty, they should seek for light in the diligent study of the New Testament and of Church History.

During the great forty days, as mentioned in the 1st Chapter of the Acts, our Lord gave special directions to His Apostles concerning his Church. Those directions are not written: but in what the Apostles afterward did, we may know what they were. Study the Church, her government, her sacramonts, her sacramental rites, and her worship in the light of the Acts of the Apostles; then study the Acts of the Apostles with the Church before you, and you will not long debate in your mind where to find the true Church. And by the true Church I mean the Church which claims the office and newer which the Lord man the the office and power which the Lord gave to it, the power of joining the soul to Christ, and of preserving it as His lively member.

I doubt if any other religious body claims this power. They admit that the Apostolic Church had this power; but they think, or try to think, that it was limited to Apostolic times.

But the "Lol I am with you alway," was given with the command, "Baptize all na-tions." That command is still in force; for all nations are not yet babtized.

Therefore we believe that the Apostolic Church, endued with every power which the Lord imparted to her, has not failed from the earth.

* Other religious bodies teach that a man is joined to Christ simply by faith in His Word, and that he becomes a member of a Church merely for convenience, merely to aid him in

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his religious life. This Church teaches, that which plainly the Apostles of our Lord taught, that Baptism, or grafting into the Body of Christ's Church joins us to Christ, and that feeding upon Christ' by means of the Church's second great saorament, preserves our membership in Him.

This fact needs particular emphasis in this age of self-choice and self-pleasing; and the little ones, whom God has entrusted to our care, need to be guarded from the heresy which makes a mere convenience of the Church, and not a heaven ordained necessity.

In short, IT IS GOSPEL TRUTH that to reject the Church's ministrations of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion, is to reject the Lord Himself. — The American Church Times.

FAMILY DEPARTMENT

GOD'S LOVE AND MINE.

BY WILLIAM HALE, M.D.

God's love is like a lighthouse tower. My love is like the sea

By day, by night, that faithful tower Looks patiently down on me.

By day the stately shaft looms high, By night its strong lights born To warn, to comfort, and to tell

The way that I should turn. God's love is like a lighthouse tower,

My love is like the sea

He, strong, unshaken as the rock-I, chafing restlessly.

God's love and my love, O, how sweet That such should be my joy ! God's love and mine are one to day ;

No longer doubts annoy.

By day or night the gazer on My bitter, brackish ses, For ever tends it with his grace, Tho' smooth or rough it be,

So, singing at its base it rolls And leaps toward that tower

That all my life illuminates, And brightens every hour.

God's love is like a lighthouse tower, My love is like the sea;

I, peevish, changeful, moaning much, Stoadfast-eternal He.

-Morning Star,

Daddy's Boy.

(By L. T. MHADE.)

CHAPTER VI.-[Continued]

"I'm glad you like this summer house Uncle Ben," said Ronald.-" Daddy and I did not often sit here; we found it too hot except on snowy days. Those glass walls were put in for mother, you know; mother used to feel the cold dreadfully the year before she went to God, father said. She has not felt the cold for a long time now, and that's a great comfort. I never thought that men could feel cold, but I 'm beginning to see that there are two sorts of men in the world. Oh, you said you wanted little ambitious to expect to be a commander-inyour foot rest. I'll run and fetch it for you if you like."

"Thank you, Ronald," said the Major, "you may bring it, and my plaid rug as well; and may bring it, and my plaid rug as well; and hark you, boy," as the little boy was darting away, "you tell your Aunt Eleanor that I am resting comfortably here, and she need not trouble her head about me. 1'm all right; see Bonald sighed, but would not quite relinquish you tell her so, Ronald."

The Major's intention was to have a comfortable nap in the summer house, with his swol-

with his eyes shining and bright, came back in an incredibly short space of time with the foot rest and the rag.

"I met Aunt Eleanor," he exclaimed, "and she's not coming; so you won't have any woman about you for a little, and that will be a comfort. Now let me fix your foot rest so, and I'll put the rug over you as gently as possible. No, I won't hart your swollen leg. know at last what it means."

Uncle Ben, who earnestly desired to succumb to the sweet influences of slamber, thanked R>nald for his attentions in a less graff voice than usual; but his irascible old face darkened when he saw that the boy had no intention of going away, but had seated himself on the edge of the rustic table, with his legs in dangerous prox-imity to the Major's swollen limb.

"Sit a little further off, boy, if you must stay," said Major Frere. "Ab, thanks, that's better. Young boys are so abominably careless, and a kick from that boot of yours would put me to torture. Now, you have made mu vory comfortable. and I'm obliged to you; you can run and have a game of ball if you fancy it. I expect Violet is wanting a game of ball and you had better find her.

"I want to have a little talk with you first, Uncle Ben," said Ronald. "I think when a man is as feeble as you are it is not right to leave him alone, and I made up my mind when you sent that message to Aunt Eleanor that I'd stay with you. Of course you must want me, for I never saw any one so feeble and shaky as you are. I was dreadfully puzzled for a long time; I could not account for it, nor make out what it meant, but I think I know now. I respect you, Uncle Ben, immensely, for I am sure I have found out what is the matter with you.

"There are lots of gnats about," said the Major, "but the place-yes, the place is comfortable. What were you saying, boy? I'm a bit drowsy and not inclined to conversation."

"I was only saying. Uncle Ben, that I've found out what is the matter with you."

"Well, you must be a smart little chap, for I believe I've baffled the doctors. Let's hear your opinion, sir, and then you may be off."

"You are spent with many battles,' said Ronald, speaking very earnestly. "I have studied the subject, and I'm sure of it. You are so old that you must have been in many great fights. I should not be surprised if you carried the colors at Waterloo, and got your first wound there; and then afterwards, when you were in full command of a regiment, you were shot at and injured badly at Sebastopol, and no doubt took a turn in India-that time the great mutiny was. That's mary, many years ago, and you were quite strong still, and most likely it was there you stood on the drawbridge. I am sure you did stand on the drawbridge, and it was very grand of you and I love to think of it; and atterwards you went to Egypt and fought against the Zulus in Africa. You were wounded many times, and no wonder you are spent now. I'm not a bit surprised. The only thing that puzzles me is why you stopped short at being a major; why, such a man as you should, of course, have been a full general, if not a commander in chief. I suppose it is a chief; but at least they might have made you

a full general." "What are you driving at?" said Major Frere; you're the queerest boy I ever heard of,

his castle in the air.

"Then you were very, very badly wounded on the drawbridge in India," he said, " and on the drawbridge in India," he said, " and ever since you have suffered. I understand;

drawbridge-it's most likely in the new history books.—And oh, Uncle Ben, you are so brave, and I know you'll understand me, and I do want to ask you a great favor."

It was impossible for the Major not to be more or less amused, and even gratified by these constant allusions to his heroic exploits. . dim sort of wish even began to arise in his orabbed and withered old heart that he had stood on a drawbridge and faced enemies, and been, in any sense of the word, the hero the boy represented him. He was still earnestly desiring his nap; but he could not quite resist the shining blue eyes nor the earnest words nor the eager, speaking, beautiful little face; so he roused himself and pushed back his soft hat, and said, still very gruffly, but not quite so gruffly as he spoke to most people:

"I'll grant you a favor if I can, little chap, for though I don't at all take to boys; even my own worry me immensely, yet I'd a great re-spect for that good father of yours, and now that you are clean and not covered with smoke, as you were the night you played me that nasty trick with the bonfire, you have a great look of him: 'pon my word, you have a wonder-ful look of him. You are talking a lot of rub-bish about me, you know, ridiculous rubbish, not worth answering; but if I can grant you a favor, why I will, so there."

The Major had worked himself into quite a good humor, and Ronald regarded him with de light. "He's as humble as he's brave," he said to himself. "He does not like to talk about his exploits; that's always the way with real heroes. How silly of me to think that heroes must be tall and have flashing eyes and com-manding figures! Uccle Ben's a hero, and he does not belong to the other sort of men. It's great comfort to me to know that after all there is a hero, a spent soldier, living at Summerleigh."

"Uncle Ben," said the quick childish voice, "you know what Aunt Eleanor said the other day about a woman coming to teach me. The woman is coming to morrow, and -and-I'm very low about it; but I'm trying to be brave. It's a great degradation to me, you know, Uncle Ben, to be put under a woman when I was accustomed to a man like father. Aunt Eleanor won't see it, because she's a woman herself; but I have come to you about it."

"No, no," said the Major, shuffling on his seat uneasily, " if that's your request, I can't grant it; no interfering in your Aunt Eleanor's arrangements. She's absolute in her department, sir, absolute in her department. I recommend-ed school, but she said a maiden lady would be best, and she must have her way, Ronald ; so there's an end to that.'

"Yes," said Ronald, rather sadly, "I didn't suppose Miss Green could be put off now, for perhaps she's poor and wants her salary; and maybe, she's very poor and wants nice things to eat, and, of course, it would be a great disappointment to her after she thought she was coming to Sammerleigh to find she was not wanted there. I would not disappoint a woman for the world; it would be most cowardly, and, of course, when she comes, I'll take the greatest care of her. But what puzzles me is why she should have to take care of me. She can't teach me about guns, nor about cricket, nor about fishing. She can't show me how to build huts; I'd want to know that if I was a pioneer. And she can't put me through sword exercise; I'd want that in the army, wouldn't I, Uncle Ben? Now what puzzles me is why Miss Green is coming, unless it is because she is poor and wants a salary,"

"Oh, there are lots of other things you must learn," said the Major, who was really aroused at last, and was not nearly so sleepy as he had been ten minutes ago. "You are a queer lit-tle chap, and no mistake.—You are not in the least like my two lads, Guy and Walter, and I len leg supported on the foot rest, and his large, you have not been like other men since. But am always told by their mother that they are thick travelling rug thrown over him. Ronald, never mind ; you did a splendid deed on the uncommonly fine boys; but as I was saying,

there are heaps of other things you must learn. Building huts and shooting and fishing are all very well, but you don't suppose your father for instance, stopped short at these amusements. You have got to read and write, and you must get into algebra and Latin and Greek. Oh, they are all very tire some things, my lal, but you must do them; you must work at them and master them, or you'll never be a man like your father. Miss Green can teach you these things, and I suppose that is why she is coming."

"I see," said Ronald; "but you do not suppose, Uncle Ben, that father did not teach me to read and write; I was in my Latin grammar, though I did not care for it.-Oh. yes, it may be well for me to go on with these lessons with Miss Green, but Aunt Eleanor said she was coming to teach me different thingsshe was coming to toach me things that father had —had neglected. It was very stupid of Aunt Eleanor to say that about father, for he never did neglect a thing that a boy should really know; and what vexes me about Miss Green is that she will never understand the way father taught me; and perhaps she too will say like Aunt Eleanor that he neglected me, and I don't think I could quite bear that. Of course, if a man were coming to teach me, a man like you, for instance, Uncle Ben, a man who was a hero and very brave, he would understand father's way at once. Of course you can't expect me to like to have a woman to teach me if she quotes proveries about little boys being seen and not heard, and if she runs down father's way, I'm afraid I shall get into a passion if she does, and I don't want to, for Dad used always to say that it was not at all brave to lose one's temper."

"I lose mine sometimes," said the Major; then he added, with a sort of sigh, "you are quite right, Ronald, women are kittle cattle and hard to deal with. I daresay it will try you a good bit having that old maid about you, but I see noth ing for it but for you to put up with it as best you can."

"Yes, Uncle Ben," said Ronald in a cheerful tone, "I'll certainly do my best; and I'm very glad to to see things in the same way as I do. It's the greatest comfort to me to have you in the house with me, and if you'll only grant me my favor I'll get on very well with Miss Green."

"Well, my boy, you're a queer little chap, but what's the favor; out with it. I can't interfore with Miss Green nor your sunt; you un-derstand that?"

"Oh, yes, Uncle Ben, I quite understand I'll soon tell you what I want you to do. I want you to go on preparing me for the time when God will send for me to go up to heaven to be with Dad and mother. You don't know, perhaps, Uncle Ben, that my father has promised to go to the gates every day with mother, and to look out for me. It is not likely that God will keep father and mother long waiting. He will soon see that I have had enough of being alone,

and he will send for me; and what I am so anxious about is that Dad should not be disappointed when he sees me I mean that I should not have gone back in anything. You see my father was so very brave, Uncle Ben, and he had such a splen did way of doing things, and he was always trying to teach me to be brave and to do splendid things too. I could not talk about this to any one but you, Uncle Ben, but you have led such a grand life, you will quite understand. Some of the brave things of course no one can help me with but God. I mean keeping my temper, you know, and being unselfish, and trying to be a gentleman all round; but there are other things that Miss Green can't help me in-fishing for instance. Can you fish, Uncle Ben?"

"I abominate the sport," said the Major.

"Oh, well, I can land a trout all right, and I could manage a salmon if he were not so very strong that he would be much more likely to land me; but I know the way the things is done. And I can get on with my cricket when Guy and Walter come home, unless you would like to take a turn some fine

day." "No, I'm obliged to you," said the Major; "cricket was never prescribed yet for rheumatic gout such as mine."

"Well, Guy and Walter will be coming back at Christmas," said Roland, still cheerfully, " so I must not fret too much about that. Then there's my riding. Bob is rather frisky sometimes; bat he must be very lively to throw me. Don't you like galloping as fast as ever you can across country, Uncle Ben? Isn't it grand to feel just the same as if the horse was run-

ning away with you ?" "It may be to you, boy, but not to a orippled old soldier who was never much of a rider in his best days."

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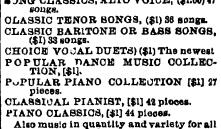
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Now comes the question of unity. If the Catholic Charch, not only in its beliefs and the personal life of its members, but in its corporate life as the universal society, is to be brought as part of the essence of the faith before the Indian people, surely her unity must be not only a leading characteristics, but would appear to be of the essence of her being. I am writing now, not of that wide unity which, alas | lies for the present beyond our reach, but of the unity of the Anglo Catholic Church within the bounds of any one country. To consider this now is a matter of no mere theory, but of present importance, because many are inquiring whether Indian Christianity be not a thing so wholly sui generis as to be in danger of losing its characteristics it brought up in the same fold as English Churchmen; that the habits of mind, thought, and life of the two races are so widely divergent as to be mutually repellant; and whether, therefore, the Indian Church should not be organized apart from the Christianity of the European and semi European part of the population.

This, I venture to submit, seems contrary to all historic precedent It is true that Christian people have most miserably separated from one another, but this has been because on one point or another they have differed from the main body of the Church; but do we find that the Church in any one country has deliberately divided her one body, and said, "I will cease to be one, and will now become two"?

What do we see in Italy and Gaul of the fifth and following centurics? What a babel of rival races in Italy after the fall of the Western Empire-Roman and Greek; Gaul and Goth; Lombard and Norman, all gathered within one narrow penin sula. And again, what do we find in France? The Roman of the oities, the Gaul of the country districts, the invading Visigoth, Bar gundian and Frank. Where could we find more widely divergent racial characteristics ? Yet did the Church say to the Southern Ital an, "You are so different from these high-handed Lombards of the North we are suro you will never develop your own line of thought or bring out your subile characteristics, which, if left to grow, will throw so much light on Christian doc-trine; we will, therefore, give you a separate organization, that you may grow, after a friendly fashion, indeed, side by side with your neighbors, but you shall not have your obaracteristic thoughts, ways, and theories interfered with"? Again, could wider divergence be found than beween the Latin of Southern Gaul, not yet made France, and the Teutonie Frank of France, and the Teutonic Frank of unity, would say: "Lere is no in-the North? Yet do we find diver-gence in religious organization? and race, no difference between a Abundance of confusion, it is true, Western and an Eastern brother;

everywhere, but no separation. We see Catholic unity everywhere asserted in the midst of varying races and warring nationalities; while all without was a chaos of languages, jealousies, and varying laws, in many ways akin to the present position of India, yet the one place of peace and union was the Church, which in the progress of genera-tions lessened divergencies, smoothed jealousies, assimilated laws, till all could be brought within the bounds of one nation. Would the hard-working, plodding, down-trodden English of the soil, and the ruling, cultured, domineering Roman have ever been accentuated by he presence of two parallel Church organizations? Let me quote part of Guizot's 12th Lecture on the His. tory of Civilization in France. There is one fact which dominates "

over all, which characterizes the Christian Church in general . . this fact is the unity of the Church, the unity of the Christian Society, despite all the diversities of time, place, domination, language or origin. Singular phenomenon | it was at the very time that the Roman empire fell to pieces and disappear. ed that the Christian Church rallied and definitely formed herself. Political unity perished, religious unity arose. I know not how many nations of various origins, manners, language, and destiny are thrown upon the scene; all becomes partial and local; every extended idea, every general institution, every great social combination vanishes, and at this very moment the Christian Church proclaims the unity of her doctrine, the universality of her right. This fact . . . has rendered immense services to human. ity; the mere fact of the unity of the Church maintained, gave tie between countries and nations which everything also tended to separate; and from the heart of the most frightful confusion arose per-haps the most extensive and the purest idea that has ever rallied mankind—the idea of spiritual society."

Let us now look at this question of a separate Church for the Indians with reference to the other great, strictly organized, and ever active exponent of Western Christianity. There is an abundant crop, of post-Reformation sects in India who do not pretend to care for unity; our phase of Protestant Christianity is much the same to them as another. These scattered fragments, good and noble work though they are doing as pioneers, will as times moves on present but little attraction to the people of India, wanting as these bodies are in antiquity, authority, and cohe-sion; but is this the case with the Church of Rome? She knows wisely how to adapt herself to widely differing wants of race and temperament, yet Rome will never give up her unity. At what a dis-advantage then shall we of the Anglo Catholio side of the Church be placed ! Rome pointing to the antiquity and continuity of her unity, would say: "Here is no in-

with us there is one bishop, one rule, one organic whole." I believe she would win hand over hand against us, and we should be left in a corner-the best-intentioned people in the world, still lamenting over our anhappy divisions. In spite of much Indian jeslousy at the present time of English interference, what they really fear is not influence or union, but domination; and I believe the more ignorant would be amazed, and the bet-ter educated deeply offended, if told there could not be one Church for the ruled and the ruling race.

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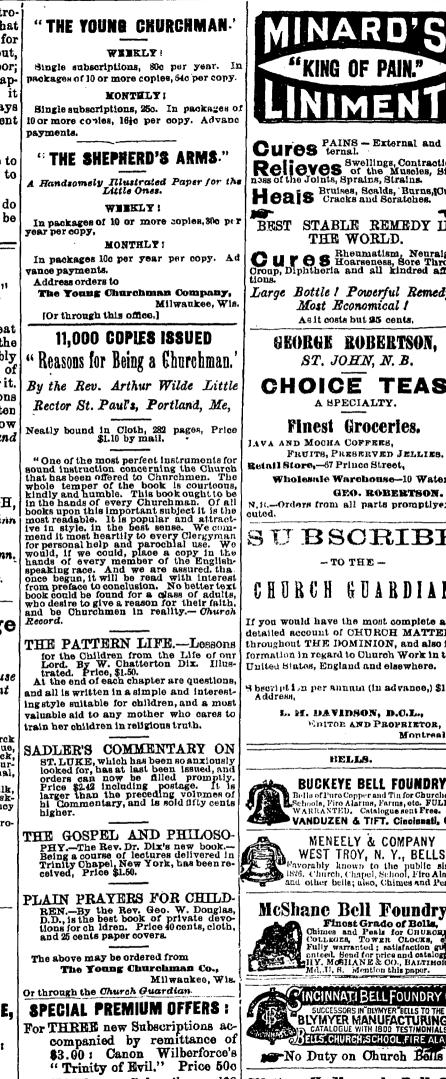
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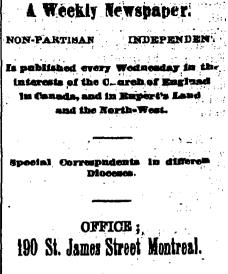
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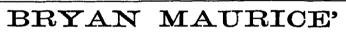
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