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EXTRACTS FROM "NOTITIA PAROCHIALIS," ST. AR-MAND WEST.

(FOR THE " BOHO.") Dr. Young says,-

"At thirty man suspects himself a fool; Knows it at forty, and reforms his plan

And some one remarks, perhaps with more severity than good taste, " Every man is either a fool or a physician at forty." Be this as it may-though not one in a thousand can equal Jared Eliot, of Connecticut, who " was, at the same time, a Clergyman, a Physician, a Naturalist, a Philosopher, an Agriculturist, and also a member of the Royal Society of Lonon "-I have long been of opinion how estrable it is that every Divine should be a Physician, and every Physician a Divine, since both, professionally, visit the sick and dying, and may officiate re-ciprocally with good effect, as George III. when, separated by some means a the Royal hunting party, he met a poor girl in the forest, who, asking him for a cler yman to visit her dying mother, got her to lead him to the cottage, where, in the person of King, he acted the part of *Priest*, leaving the poor sufferer com-forted in mind by the blessed promises of the Gospel and suitable prayer, and a handsome present for her bodily wants. I have always lamented that I did not uniting themselves to the Church along with the dying wife and mother, who know more of diseases and their cure, in chow more of diseases and their cure, in order to greater usefulness among the people in the absence of a doctor. It so happened, however, that in the presence of four doctors in consultation on a case of Christ." It was a solemn and affectof obstinate continued constipation, which had resisted all means that could be thought of to afford relief. I solicited a private interview with the senior physian-Dr. Calvin May, a kind-hearted amiable man-and recommended the ex-hibition of quickelver, if his professional brethren, on consulting with them, should agree. He said, there is danger of its rining a sack-granted; but there is anger without it. I learn that you have destructive conflagration was devastating the city of Quebec, I was reading the exhausted pharmacology with no effect; and if the poor sufferer does not obtain relief soos, inflamation will increase to funeral service and preaching her funeral sermon in the M. Chapel, Pigeon Hill, to as serious and attentive a congregation as I ever beheld. Many were deeply affect-Prayers had been offered up for the sick, in the presence of his relations and a ed, some apparently alarmed, while a solemn awe was visibly on every coun-tenance. May the fruit of the service number of friends. The sick man also prayed most earnestly, and tarrying all "remain" to the glory of God through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen. night at his particular request, I was re-joiced to be told, in the morning, by one of his sisters, that the quicksilver had THE LABOURER'S PRAYER effected a passage. It was sufficient re-ward to be told by one of his brothers the next time we met, " Mr. W. you saved my brother's life." No, no, it was not I, but the blessing of God upon the mineral recommended; to Him, therefore, be all the praise, As the Church is established and furalahed with means for the purpose of sending forth her ministers of various "to turn sinners from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan un-to God," as well as " to build up saints on their most boly faith," it must afford pleasure to the friends of Christ to peruse, and prove a grateful task to the missionary to pen draw any such instances of the display of Divine Grace among the people of his spiritual charge. The pau-city of such records in the Venerable Society's Reports, may be readily ascribed to the backwardness of many to commu-nicate what the Lord has been pleased to work by their means, and not from a want of such proofs of their usefulness : neither from a desire in the Society to avoid expense by swelling the Report in size. Such testimony in favor of Mis-sions has, I believe, been of greater service to the cause, and brought over more converts from the ranks of opponents, than all the splendid speeches at Anni-versaries. What a blessed influence, for instance, had the success of our Mission-aries in the East Indies, several years ago, as given in the English "Ecclesiasti-cal Gazette," upon the minds of their brother Missionaries in this and other Colonies, as well as upon the thousands of our Clergy, yea, and dissenting anis-ters also at home ! cheering them on in their labors and exciting them to new against her hull, neither of which are zeal and activity in their Great Master's likely to sustain much damage from the Among the instances of success in my present charge. the only one I shall now refer to, among many others, occurred in the family of a farmer seven miles off. hich shows the necessity of ministerial being before the public a long while raising expectations of the most extravathich shows the necessity of ministerial His wife, an amiable but very timid wo-man, had been confined to her bed several days on the Sunday I. His wife, an amiable but very timid wo-man, had been confined to her bed several days on the Sunday I was requested to visit her at the conclusion of Divine Ser-vice in a neighbouring school-house. On arriving, I found her very low; and, conversing with her, as on former occa-alons, upon the subject of personal salva-tion. I found her mind upon the whole comferable with a sense of the Divine comfortable with a sense of the Divine favor and a hope in Christ, at the same time humble and child-like. Finding she sale: whether in the long run the result

had enjoyed for years a knowledge of will prove equally satisfactory, admits, salvation by the remission of her sins, I we think, of considerable doubt. The fact is, that after examining the

salvation by the remission of her sins, I expressed my suprise and regret that she had not come forward long before and confessed her Saviour before men by joining His Church. She replied, "I always intended to join your Church ever since you came to the parish, but was prevented, first, by a fear lest, after joining, I should disgrace my profession; and second, from, observing many who sic importance, was yet calculated to and second, from observing many who had gone forward not living as they ought to do afterwards." After admin-istering suitable advice and consolation, sic importance, was yet calculated to startle the world by its novelty, and to raise, in reference to the authority of Holy Scripture, questions which had never been raised before. Instead of this, we have nothing here but the crambe and offe 1 g up prayers and supplications with thanksgiving, concluding with the Lord's Prayer, in which she feebly joinbis repetita of the cavils of the crudest ed, I left her awhile to rest and quietude. I readily complied with an invitation to rationalism, the credit of which has long since sunk below zero in the country of stay over night, both from the lateness its birth. What is really extraordinary of the hour and the appearance of ap in the whole affair is, that any man should have risen to the position of a Bishop in the Church of England who proaching dissolution in the poor woman and an arrangement also, made for administering the Eucharist the next morn-ing, after a little wine should be procured. not only does not seem to be aware of the fact that attacks of this kind upon As there were no fewer than four families the truth and Divine Inspiration of the in the house, all connected, and two or Holy Scripture had been both made and three neighbours, they formed a little congregation, and the time, 1 hope, was profitably occupied. I held special con-versations with the afflicted husband and guardian, that on being confronted by guardian, that on being confronted by them he at once furled and hauled down one of his daughters on the subject of the flag of his faith.

That this is really Dr. Colenso's case herself requested they would. They finally concluded to take the solemn step. I had, therefore, the satisfaction of ad-we do not for a moment doubt. We cheerfully acquit him of all evil intent or mischievous design in the business. We mitting all three, by administering to them and six others "the most comfort-able Sacrament of the Body and Blood most distant idea of the results at which ing season. The parents were confirmed some years ago. The daughter will be presented at the next Confirmation, if God permit. The mother calmly breath-tashes to St. Paul's wise caution, in ed her last within three hours after I left selecting men for the responsible office of ed her last within three hours after I left selecting men for the responsible office of her, so that the same day she joined the Church militant, we humbly believe she also joined the Church triumphant. Her funeral took place on Wednesday, the 28th May, 1845, during a heavy thunder storm. At the very time the dreadfully when he was raised to the Episcopate, he when he was raised to the Episcopate, he would have been cognizant of the fact that objections such as those which he propounds in his book have long been tept in store in Satan's armoury for the purpose of supplying the enemies of the Church with weapons against the truth. He would have known, moreover, that these objections have been fully considered by men of undoubted piety, and love for the Truth quite as Dr. Colenso's own, and eminent, moreover, for their Biblical scholarship; and that these men, after bestowing on those objections a careful examination, have deemed them atterly unworthy to come into competition with the weighty evidences, in favour of the Divine origin and authority of the

Thus far we are prepared to make

every allowance for Dr. Colenso, and to

regard the book to which he has commit-

ted himself as his misfortune rather than

his fault. Nothing was further from his

thoughts, assuredly, than to constitute

Sacred Volume.

HOPE OF GLORY (By J. Mason, a poet of the 17th century

A SONG OF PRAISE FOR THE

I sojourn in a vale of tears; Alas, how can I sing? My harp doth on the willows hang, Distuned in every st ing, My music is a captive's chains. Harsh sounds my ears do fill; How shall I sing sweet Zion's song On this side Zion's hill !

Yet io, I hear a joyful sound, "Surely I quickly come;" Each word much sweetness doth distill, Like a full honey-comb,

And dost Thou cume, my dearest Lord ! And dost Thou surely come? And dost Thou surely uickly come? Methinks I am at home,

Come then, my dearest, dearest Lord, My sweetest, surest friend; Come, for I loathe these Kedar tents, The fiery chari.ts send. What have I here? My thoughts and joys Are all macked up, and come.

Are all packed up and gone; My eager soul would follow them To Thine eternal home; What have I in this barren land ?

What have I in this barren iand 7 My Jesus is not here; Mine eyes will ne'er be blest until My Jesus doth appear. My Jesus is gone up to heav'n, To get a place for me; For 'is His will that where He is,

There should His servants te. Canaan I view from Pisgah's top ;

Canaan I view from Pisgah's top; Of Canaan's grapes I taste; My Lord, who sends unto me here, Will send for me at last. I have a God that changeth not, Why should I be perplext? My God that owns me in this world, Will own me in the next.

Go fearless, then, my soul, with God, Into another room ; Thou, who hast walked with him here,

Go see thy God at home. View death with a believing eye,

It hath an angel's face ; And this kind angel will prefer Thee to an angel's place

The grave is but a fining pot Unto believing eyes; For there the flesh shall lose its dross. And like the sun shall rise. This world which I have known too well,

Hath mocked me with its lies; How gladly could 1 leave behind Its vexing vanities?

My dearest friends they dwell above Them will I go to see ; And all my friends in ' hrist below

Will soon come after me. Fear not the trump's earth rending sound,

Dread not the day of doom ; For He, that is to be thy Judge, Thy saviour is beco

Blest be my God that gives me light, Who in the dark did grope; Blest be my God, the God of love,

Who causeth me to hope Here's the Word', signet, Comfort's staff, And here is Grace's chain : By these Thy pledges, Lord, I know My hopes are not i vain.

which he thought so poor that he deter-mined not to preach it. But he felt that this was pride, and the thought came to him that here was a good opportunity to humble his pride. He therefore preached the poor sermon, though he had what he considered a far better one prepared. What was his surprise and gratitude, when he returned to the vestry-room, to have one of his congregation come to him, and tell him, with deep emotion, that the sermon had been greatly blessed him. The preacher says that it taught him a lesson which he never forgot. It was, indeed, a lesson of man's weskness, and of the power of God to use the most feeble human instrumentality in the con-version of souls and the upbuilding of the bar of souls and the upbuilding of his Church. How painfully would a de-preciating criticism upon the ability, or style, or manner of that sermon, have fallen upon the car of that sermon, nave fallen upon the car of that awakened man, while his only thought was of the momentous truth which the preacher had delivered !— Church Monthly.

"BURN YOUR NETS."

Two years ago there lived in the little village of S_____ a very wicked man-His lips were full of oaths and cursing; his passionate temper was the misery of his family ; while his understood occupation was that of a poacher.

Some eighteen months ago, the sexton of the parish being ill, this man was emof the parish being ill, this man was em-ployed to dig a grave. It was that of a young lady, cut off suddenly, though not unprepared. Often had she spoken to this man of his sins, and of the sinner's Friend—often fiad she longed and prayed that the hearts of many in that village might be touched by the Spirit's power. Whilet diagrams the spoken to the house of feasting,' says the wise man, for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better.' At one of the great meetings in Home Evangelization, lately held in Edinburgh, Rev. Mr. Rob-ertson said, 'He would tell the most re-That the nearts of many in that village might be touched by the Spirit's power. Whilst digging the grave the thought crossed his mind—" She is safe, I know; but what am I? If my grave were being dug this day, where should I be?—in heaven or in hell?" The thought which came to him thus suddenly, was a nail in a sure place; the man could not escape fron it; and a dangerous illness which followed, made him feel still more his sin and danger. Nothing for a time could give him comfort—he feared that his sins and danger. Nothing for a time could give him comfort—he feared that his sins were beyond pardon. Could such a one as he ever be saved? By and by the light dawned. The promise "Him that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out "—brought him in faith to Jesus; and now his very look told of the peace out "-brought him in faith to Jesus; and now his very look told of the peace he had found. For a time his life hung in the balance; but in answer to prayer, God restored him to health, that he might bear witness by a new life, to the grace which had sought and found him. His former practices he can no longer follow. He becomes an emistle read and known He becomes an epistle read and known in selfish pleasures-in the luxuries and of all men. Morning and evening he has superfluities of the table or prayer in his family. He loves the pub-

VISITING THE POOR.

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Many good Christians neglect an important Christian Duty---visiting the poor. They excuse themselves by the plea of a great pressure of duties and cares, or by their regular contributions to societies by their regular contributions to societies which have in view the relief of the wretched and suffering. But they lose much by their neglect, in their own spi-ritual enjoyment, in their love of the poor, and in the favour of God. A lady contributor to one of our exchanges, says :--

"Go amongst them. See their misery condescension; but go as a simple and sympathising woman among her poor un-fortunate sisters. As Lord Shaftesbury (who is intimately acquainted with the character and wants of the poor) said, in a speech in Parliament, last Winter, 'What the people want is sympathy—is that heart should be brought to heart; and that persons of all conditions and off and that persons of all conditions and off all degrees of wealth should show that they regard the poor as persons of like passions, like feelings, like hopes with themselves. If this sympathy were shown, the difficulties of governing the masses of society would be materially

lessened.' "And the rich need such intercourse as well as the poor. 'It is better to go to the house of mourning than to the lic means of grace, and is now a regular Men wrangle in assertion and argument; and quiet truth disappears amid the noise and confusion. communicant. The change in his home. WATER INSTEAD OF WINE IN THE LORD'S SUPPER.—The following extract from a letter of the Bishop of Nelson, New Zealand, is published as having been New Zealand, is published as naving ocen read at a Meeting of his friends lately at Merton College, Oxford :----' I came pur-posely to administer the Holy Commu-What should he do with them? Should he sell them? He resolved not to do this. lest others should use them as he had nion (to a dying native), but I looked round in vain for the means—there was no wine ner any bread, but I could not go away without an endeavour to show: Though but a poor man, with seven children dependent upon him, he burned the nets which had been the inthe Lord's death ' in some way as year but to the Lord's own appointed way as cir-cumstances permitted. I, therefore, made vessels of the beautiful muscle 1. The sight, by anticipation, of our own grave may be of use to us. In the shells, which abound on the sea beach, case of this man, it was the first step to filling one with water, and laying on the other a piece of travelling biscuit, soften-ed with water, and in this way I proceed-ed to celebrate the Holy Sacrament of the Body and Blood of our crucified Savcross your mind " where shall I be when my grave is being dug ? When my body lies cold and still within the chamber of death, will my spirit be at peace, or eniour, not doubting, but earnestly believ ing, that He was pleased to grant to shat truthful partaker as full a share in all the benefits of His Passion as if a Cathedral had been over our heads, and golden vessels on the altar." Gleanings. abqu busareb asi "The witness of the Spirit is a thing that we cannot express ; a certain inex of pressible assurance that we are the ohildren of God; a certain secret manifesta-tion that God hath received us and put away our sins. No one knows but they that have it. I confess it is a wondrous Why thing, and if there were not some Christ-ians that did feel it, and know it, you might believe there was no such a thing ; but it is certain there is a generation of men that know what the seal of the Lord is."-Preston.

One whom Thou needest not.

Make use of me, may God ! Let me be not forgot ;

I am thy creature, Lord, And made by hands divine ; And I am part, however mean, Of this great world of Thue.

Thou usest all Thy works The weakest things that be; Each has a service of its own, For all things wait on Thee.

Thou usest the high stars. The tiny drops of dew, The giant peak and little hill ; My God, O use me too.

Thou usest tree and flower. The rivers vast and small; The cagle great, the little bird That sings upon the wall.

Thou usest the wide sea, The little hidden lake The pine upon the Alpine cliff, The lily in the brake.

The huge rock in the vale, The sand grain by the sea, The thunder of the rolling cloud, The murmur of the bee.

All things do serve Thee here, All creatures, great and small; Make use of me, of me, my God, Though weakest of them all.

BISHOP COLENSO'S BOOK.

The tremendous explosive shell, of which we have heard so much as being about to be fired against the sides of the Church, has at last descended; not, ind deed, upon the Church's deck, nor yet against her hull, neither of which are operation, but into the water, where it has burst, and is making a horrible hiss-Guardian.

ing noise. In its character and effects it bears a strong resemblance to Captain Werner's famous long range ; which after

SCRIPTURE WRITERS .- The rhetori-SCRIPTURE WRITERS.—The rhetori-cal aud poetical beauties of Scripture are preached ! nerely incidental. Its authors wrote, not The most brilliant or the most able

amaze their brethren—but to instruct them, and make them better. They wrote for God's glory, not their own; they wrote for fad's advantage, not to aggrandize themselves. Demosthenes composed his most splendid oration in or-der to win the crown of eloquence; and the most elaborate effort of ancient orato-ry—the panegyric to which isocrates de

HOW TO HEAR.

Much is said and written of the importoo, is very apparent-his children are tance of preparation for public worship. sent regularly to school-his wife attends for taking our part in the prayers and praises of the sanctuary. We can say no less of the importance of preparation church, and declares she has now a happy home. One incident deserves specia nention. As a poacher, he had nets to hear the sermon.

Whoever may preach, Christ is to speak to me. Some portion of Divine truth is to be brought before me; and needing, as I do, " line upon line, precept done. apon precept, here a little and there a little," I am to have another opportunity to receive the Savionr's message, by the hands of one of that order of men to struments of his unlawful gains. whom he has said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." It is not to hear a particular preaches that I enter the house of God. I see the white-robed priest in the chancel and I inquire not whether he be one upor whether he be among the weakest of Christ's ministers. Enough for me that he is Christ's minister. Enough for me

that this is the house of God, and that the Holy Spirit has some message to be delivered by the preacher, by which my soul may be awakened, or nurtured and strengthened ! Oh ! were this the pre-paration of heart with which we were into honest and good hearts, and bring forth fruit to the glory and praise of God. And unless there be this preparation of heart, unless there be this correct for the sake of his Master, in how many ases must a sermon fail to accomplish

tering an eternity of woe!" "Set thine house in order, for thou shalt die, and not live" (2 Kings xx. 1) "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge in the grave whither thou goest " (Eccles. ix. 10.) paration of heart with which we were wont to enter God's holy temple, how would the seed sown in weakness drop into honest and good hearts, and bring man tried it and it did not fail him.

worth some thirty shillings.

Reader ! learn from this simple

rue story two or three lessons.

should not you ? Oast yourself estirely tion of heart, unless there be this correct understanding and appreciation of the divine authority of the preacher, and of the attention which is due him simply for the ask of his Merter in simply thus to thy self: —

Ah, wherefore do I ever doubt ! Thou wilt in no wise cast me ont, A helpless soul that comes to thee, With only sin and misery.

HUMAN LIFE .- Hope writes the poetry

If you wouldn't have affliction make you a second visit, listen to its teaching

"It is the office of the Holy Ghost to ssure us of our adoption as sons, to create within us a sense of the paternal love of God towards us. and to give us an earner of our everlasting inheritance. As, there fore, we are born again of the Spirit, an fore, we are born again of the Spirit, and receive from Him our regeneration, so we are also assured by the same Spirit of any adoption, and because, being sons, we are also heirs, heirs with God, and joint beirs with Christ by the same Spirit, we have the pledge; or rather the carnest of our fu-heritance."—Bistop Pearson.

himself an Apostle of Infidelity. He be came so unconsciously, imperceptibly to himself, through the want in his own

mind of a solid foundation for his faith. He was overpowered by arguments which he did not know how to meet or to handle. What he really deserves to be blamed for, is the overweening self-confidence which led him to look upon the conclu-sions of his own mind as unanswerable

and to cast upon the die of opinions which he had scarcely given himself sufficien time to form, much less to consider them in all their bearings, the fearful stake of his own future usefulness, and, more than that, the tremendous responsibility of with delight at the beauty of his diction shaking the faith of thousands, and becoming a stumbling block in the Church

of God. Viewing the matter in this aspect. must say, and we say it with regret, he is altogether without excuse. He might surely have given himself time to recon sider his conclusions,—some of then most hastily formed, and on most insuf ficient grounds; he might, before blurting out his anbelief before the whole world n a tone of unbecoming triumph and defiance, have sought for advice and instruction at the hands of men better in formed and more competent than himself and he might have thus spared the Church a great scandal and himself an indelible disgrace.---Nottinghamshire

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The Proprietor of the Echo has, during the past year, received many letters from subscribers, expressing their approval of the paper. The following have lately been received :---

From Diocese of Huron :--- " I am getting more attached to the Echo, and look with pleasure for its re-appearance every week. 'I hose pieces on practical religious subjects are especially acceptable for family reading on the Sabbath. I have been much benefitted by them."

From the same Diocese :-- " I shall endeavour, as much as possible, to extend the circulation of the Echo in my mission, as I consider it a true exponent, like of the doctrines of our Church, and of Christ's everlasting Gospel."

From a Dean of the Church in Scotland :- " I highly approve of, and appreciate, the Echo. We are here contend. ing for the truth in opposition to our ultra high Churchmen, and at present the battle is undecided, and, I am sorry to say, very uncertain."

From Diocese of Ontario :- "The Behe is not afraid of grappling with the mentions of the day-this stamps your

NOTICES.

Owing to the high price of paper, and the large accumulation of arrears, the Proprietor of the ECHO will have to remove from the list all those subscribers, who are indebted for more than one year, and use means to collect the accounts.

The next year's volume will commence on January 8.

Testerday being Christmas, the publication of this issue was delayed till to-day, (Friday). and yages young of not not it

dreamed of such a thing as possible, the dream has been rather rudely dissipated by the experience of the past year. Still it is our purpose and desire to adopt such a moderate and Christian-like tone in any remarks we have to offer on controverted topics as may conciliate rather then repel. Controversy may be admitted, even into a professedly religious and family paper, when the general good of the Church demands it. and in such cases there ought to be a free

and unmistakeable expression of opinion; but for ourselves we utterly abominate that petty, vexatious, and uncharitable sort of puted questions which form the subject hing which under the name of religious controversy (?) has been too often admitted into Church papers, and we completely mis-

take the existing tone of feeling, among the Lay members of our Church in Canada if we have not among them especially, many who sympathise with us in this dislike. Not that we design for a moment to impute to our brethren of the clergy any want of charity or an excessive hankering after controversy. We only think that the latter are more influenced by professional bias to regard questions of doctrine and discipline as of greater importance than the former, and hence are more ready to stand up for what seems a principle in their eyes. The clergy, as a body, are men of books and of the closet, and for this very reason are, more apt to dwell upon abstractions than the laity whom the urgent activities of every day life impel to take more homely and practical views of what concerns the faith of the Church, and the well-being of her members. We have on the whole no great reason to complain, in this behalf, of either class among our subscribers ; and we are thankful for the increasing patronage which has resulted from our well-intentioned though, doubtless, imperfect efforts. Our purpose has been to benefit, as far as possible, all our subscribers-to promote peace rather than strife-to be a "watchman on the walls of Zion " whilst we did not lower ourselves to the position of the boy who heed-

lessly cried "wolf" among the shepherds, We cannot conclude this article without endeavouring to impress upon our readers the value of such a paper as we have wished to make the Echo-its value in the family where it comes a welcome guest, alike to young and old, supplying the former with reading adapted to their capacities, and of a high moral tendency ; and furnishing the latter with articles and paragraphs suitable for stimulating thought, awakening religious impressions, and promoting spiritual improvement. Indeed, we can hardly imagine a religious family, in this age, without their religious paper. Do we not, as Christians, look forward prayerially and hopeful-

y to the advancement of Our Redeemer's

Kingdom in the world, and shall we slight

those modes of intelligence by which we

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work, which is said to be of a semi-scientific and theological character, is understood to be one of our bishops. The friends of the author, apprehensive of the results to his sacredotal position and character from such untoward revelations of opinion, have, it is understood, earnestly endeavoured, but in vain, to dissuade the Right Rev. Prelate from its publication. It is, moreover, asserted that so conscious is the Episcopal writer that his work is not in harmony with his declarations on assuming his spiritual functions, that he is prepared to resign his See rather than forego the privilege of disburdening his conscience on the dis

matter of his lucubrations. The Bishop of London has delivered charge to his clergy, which will attract attention. We purpose to give extracts from it in our next.

To OUR CORRESPONDENTS .- We feel perhaps, had not taken pains enough to obliged to state that we are unable to admit contributions in future numbers of the ECHO, which come to us in the shape of addresses to Clergymen or Sabbath School Superintendents. These documents have doubtless a certain value ; but they can, generally speaking, be inserted in local journals. Besides the pressure upon our limited space compels us to decline them unless the circumstances be entirely peculiar.

PERIODICALS RECEIVED.

The London Quarterly Review for October, 1862, contains the following :-"Les Misérables "-an admirable cri tique on Victor Hugo's work; the Platonic Dialogues-a review of Professor Whewell's translation for English read. er's; Modern Political Memoirs; Bel gium ; the Waterloo of Thier's and Victor Hugo-the last three articles chiefly interesting to students of history; Aids to Faith-an able and timely digest of the controversy which has arisen from the publication of the "Essays and Reviews." Articles entitled "China "-" The Taeping Rebellion," and the " Copfederate Struggle and Recognition," close the present number.

We have also recived from the publishers, E. P. Dutton & Co., Boston, the Church Monthly for December. Its contents, as usual, are varied and, for the mest part, interesting to readers of our Communion. They are as follows :--"Rev. John Cotton, Vicar of Old Bos ton," (England) -an instructive page in the history of Nonconformity ; Rosalinda -a Christmas Myth; "On the alleged narrowing influence of Theolog; "; " Faith :" " Not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ ;" " Rest "-this last is the continuation of a story of which we do not yet see the object in a Church periodical; "A Morning am ag the Thousand Is-

lands ;" Literary Notices &c.

bis mind. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." With-allow you to go from amongst us, where in yesterday's paper, that the annual meeting of the Trinity College Associa-meeting of the Trinity College Associa-

ing of his soul. This legitimate rendering of the text is vastly important in conducting souls to heaven. How often does the faithful expressing our deep sense of the loss we house to-house-going pastor, in persuading sinners to be reconciled to God, to repent and believe the Gospel, and unite ance of a slight token, which will, we themselves with the Church of Christ. receive for answer this among others,-"I cannot join the Church, I cannot believe, because God has not given me faith." "Yes," says Arc1deacon Gilson when here on a visit, "the very answer preach, may your preaching of it be a gentleman gave me not long ago when conversing with him no the subject." And what wonder when they have been bringing many to Christ ; and while that

so instructed by their ministers ? Such word must ever be of inestimable value objectors go on from month to month, to you, as being the beacon light to which to guide the erring and the lost, and from year to year in bondage to a may it prove of no less value, as your false doctrine, because their ministers, own guide in trouble, your own comfort ascertain the meaning of the text in the in distress, strength in time of need, and a guide to that Saviour through whom original, or omitted examining its gramwe all look for a happy future in the matical construction. world to come.

Convince a man that He, " who would have all men to believe, and come to the knowledge of the truth." commands him to believe, as well as to repent ; and that trust we may yet see you a bright f he believe not he will certainly perish, for "he that believeth not shall be damned," let him feel in his conscience that if he refuse to believe and die without saving faith in Christ, he has no one to blame but himself for his damnation : and surely he will be excited to the momentous "work" of believing on the Son of one hand, heal and comfort with the God that he may have "life everlasting." other.

" It is very important that erroneous Georgetown, Dec. 8, 1862. statements should not go forth to the To which the Rev. gentleman, in tones ublic uncontradicted; and the more of deep feeling, replied as follows :--ighly the work which contains is es-My dear Fellow- Teachers .-- I feel deep teemed, the more it is regarded as reliay grateful for the kind expression of ble authority, the more important that your friendship and sympathy which your address and the accompanying preit should be pointed out. (Journal of Sacred Literature and Biblical Record, ent testify.

January, 1858, p. 266.) With much respect, I am, Rev. and dear sir, yours faithfully and fraternally, RICHD. WHITEWELL.

Phillipsburgh, C. E 8th Dec., 1862.

Church Intelligence.

Canada.

TRINITY COLLEGE CONVOCATION. The annual convocation of Trinity College took place on Thursday last. There was, as usual, a large attendance of the friends of the students, many ladies being present. The platform was occupied by the members of the Council and other centlemen connected with the University. In the absence of the Chancellor, Sir J B. Robinson, occasioned by indisposition, the Rev. Provost Whitaker presided, and conferred the degrees on the matriculants. The Bishop of Toronto presented the prizes. The following degrees were conerred :-HONORARY D. C. L .- James Alex-

Rev. James Godfrey, Rev. Arthur John

Rev. and Dear Sir,-We feel that we | publish :-

There is also a copy of the Liturgy

In taking our leave of you, we would

not form any extravagant wishes on your

how to temper the wind to the shorn

life, would, while he layeth on with the

Whatever good may have resulted, or

for whom He shed His precious blood.

and Lessons of our Church, of which we

ornament.

the work of the Lord, in connection with tion will be held on Wednesday next in our Sabbath School, not even to enter the College Buildings, and with much upon that far more extended and useful surprise that a full Choral Service, in. work to which you are called, without connection therewith, is to take place the

are about to sustain, and our esteem and ville. respect ; we therefore beg your accept-It is due to a number of the members of that congregation to state, publicly, hope, ever be a pleasing memento of the that a service for such purpose is highly many warm-hearted friends you leave bedispleasing, reflecting on the Incumbent hind you in Georgetown. There you will for countenancing or inviting, as the case find a copy of that Blessed Word it is | may be, this display in the church therehenceforth to be your high privilege to by identifying, in the most public man-preach, may your preaching of it be ner, the congregation with Trinity Colas seed sown in good ground, that you lege, to whose teachings it is most decimay be, under God, the instrument in dedly opposed.

same evening in St. Paul's Church, York-

I am Yours, A MEMBER OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

OFFICIAL NOTICES .- The Lord Bishop of the Diocese has been pleased to make the following appointments :--

The Ven. the Archdeacon of Ontario. to be Rector of Kingston, and Dean of Ontario. .

His Lordship has re-constructed the Archdeaconries so that there shall be but one Archieaconry, co-extensive with the Diocese, to be called the Archdeaconry of Ontario, and his Lordship has appointed thereto the Ven. Henry Patton, D. C. behalf, but pray that God, who knoweth L., and Rector of Cornwall.

The Rev. T. H. M. Bartlett, M. A. lamb, would smooth your path through Oxon, to be examining Chaplain, vice the Dean of Ontario resigned.

The Rev. T. Bedford Jones, M. A. Trinity College, Dublin, has been licensed to the Mission of Kitley.

The Rev. F. R. Tane has been ap pointed to the Rectory of S. Peter's Church, Brockville.

The Rev. Wm. Henderson. M. A. Trinity College, Dublin, has been licensed to the Mission of Pembroke.

The Rev. Henry E. Nye has been licensed to the Mission of Mountain

KINGSTON AFFAIRS.

may yet result from my humble efforts It has become known that there was a in the Sunday-schools of the Parish of Georgetown during the five and a half meeting of the executive committee of Synod in this city last week ; and the subyears of my residence amongst you. I ject which was brought up for ac ion is desire to ascribe to Him, who is the auunderstood to have been how to defray the thor and giver of all good, and humbly rent of the Bishop's residence at Alwington pray that a larger increase of His Holy House. When the Bishop took up his re-Spirit may be poured out upon you, while engaged in the all-important work vidence here some few in ividual Churchof " feeding those lambs of Christ's flock men become surety for the payment of the rent, on the supposition that it would be def ayed by a congregational subscription. The supposition has turned out unwarranted, no doubt owing to recent events, and the executive committee have been asked to earnestness in the prosecution of this improvide the amount which has fallen due. portant work, will an increase in the Rather than allow the burden t. fall upon the gentlemen who fent their names to the promi sory notes, the committee decided to But we must not forget that in order borrow the sum for the time being from the o expect a blessing on our efforts, they Prayer Book and Student's funds. Sucha must proceed from that love of Christ course, however, was protested against by a mino ity of six of the members pre-ent, which we have ourselves experienced. and be watered by frequent believing both lay and clerical, and in con-equence of prayer, relying on God's gracious promthe protest the difficulty has since been se that His word shall not return unto overcome by obtaining an extension of time upon nearly all the promissory notes that were given at the outset. The in the And while we who labour with an eve

who protested, we hear, dwelt warming upon single to His glory, and with no less an object before us than the promotion of the difficulties which have led to the lukethat glory in the salvation of the souls of warmness of the Kingston laity, and said that had it not been for these differences of feling, the required amount would have been to theoming with the greatest a acrity. One of the lay gentlemen who spoke to this effect, chuched his iemaik most effectu ly by stating that by a few hours effort he and others had collected a sum of \$200, which was intended to be handed to the Key. Mr. Loosemore, Assistant Minister of St. George's, as a Christmas present, the circomstances developed at this meeting are a striking commentary on the popularity of two individuals. Mr. Loosemore, an eloquent, hard-working cleigyman, stands well with the people, wailst the Bishop by his stretch of power has fallen from the high position in which he was held by the people here when that he came to Kingston .---King ton News. THE KINGSTON RECTORY Case .- An article in the Ottawa Union encouraging he idea of Bishop Lewis's removal to Ottawa, and the establishment of the See of the Diocese in that city, has produced the following letter from "a Churchman," which appears in the Ottawa Citizen :--Sin,-The unfortunate troubles now existing between His Lordship the Bishop of this Diocese and the congregation of St, George's Kingston, have received a fair share of attention in the l'rovincial work of God may abundantly prosper in Press, and it must be admitted that the subject in dispute has generally been handled cautiously. 1 am sorry, however, to notice in the last number of the Union an article on the subject, which must convince most people that the writer of it possesses less prodence then should characterize those who touch such matters in the public press. Without stopping to question the reasons given for the action of the congregation of St. George's, or the good taste which would encourage the idea of taking advantage of the troubles of our fellow charchmen of Kingston to deprive them of the See, I would merely state my conviction that the less we in Ottawa, and such writers in particular, by word or act mix ourselves up in this unfortunate dispute, the better it will be for the peace of the Church in this city. I am, Mr. Editor, yours, A CHURCHMAN.

DIOCLSE OF TORONTO. The Sanday-school is, or ought to be the nursery of the Church; and I believe that in proportion to our diligefice and

number of those "added to the Church" in the highest sense of the term, be youchsafed by the Great Shepherd.

ander Henderson. B. A.-Archibald George Lister Trew,

The-FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1862.

Ecclematical /Calendar. Dec. 27-St. John the Evangelist. Dec. 28-First Sunday after Christmas.

OUR PAPER.

A year has transpired since the removal the Echo to Montreal. In what manner cese of our Church in Canada, and to Clerthey who who took charge of it, at that date, in an editorial capacity, have since acguitted themselves must be left for the publie to judge. For ourselves, we may say that our aim has been to furnish a good family paper containing the Church news at home and abroad, with such matter selected from our numerous exchanges as might be ed both to please and to profit, That we have out inlied and intended to have done is the fault of many of our subscribers who, re-serving the paper regularly, have failed to remit the price of it. It is obvious that the Echo ought to be enforged, as the increas-ing demand upon our limited space precludes the possibility of our inserting many things, in the form of correspondence and selected articles, which would be interesting to ribers throughout the Province. We re olten been obliged to curtail our own to be enlarged if a large portion of subper to be en illers will not pay to Our own editorial work has been, as yet, a "labour of love"; of that, however, we say nothing. We speak for the publisher and for the general speak for the publisher and for the general interasts of the subscribers themselves when we unge defaulters to "pay up." And this duty, always incambent, becomes now imperative from the fact that the paper on we print has so largely increased in Of the spirit in which we purposed to con-

informed of the facts tending toward a consummation so glorious ? Again, as Churchmen, we are surely in'erested in what relates to the prosperity of our own Communion, now known in almost every region of the globe. Such intelligence it is our aim to furnish. Shall we not, then ask our friends to aid us in sustaining this paper? Will they not co-operate with us in the effort to make it still more worthy of their support ? In fine, we want more subscribers and-remember-puying subscribers, and for these we look to every Dio

gy and Laity alike.

MONTREAL MIRACLES .- We have not before noticed the absurd stories that have been lately circulated on the subject of certain miraculous cures in this city, as we understood that statements were likely to be made on competent authority, shewing that unwarrantable degree f credulity had had been exercised in certain quarters Whilst we trust that such statements wil yet appear, we may as well say that it is denied by a highly respectable physician here that one of the parties, stated to have been cuted, ever applied to him for advice, as alleged by her. Another physician, also of high standing in this city, assured us the other day that he had been informed by a other day that he had been informed by a third medical gentleman who has, by the way, an excellent opportunity of ascertain-ing the truth, that no rure had in reality been effected in the case of Mrs. Connolly, We expect to hear of similar misstatements and inconsistencies in the other reported cases of the miraculous agency of saintly only ain and mer spines to the bones.

THE SPREAD OF RATIONALISM. Th following extraordinary announcement says the London Record, has appeared in the Daily Telegraph :--- 1 910

Heterodozy in the Church A new work is now passing through the press, which, in the boldness and startling uathere the Echo it is, perhaps, not out of its views, goes, it is said, even be-yond the cetebrated "Essays and Re-views." It will enhance the interest attaching to such an abhouncement to

CORRESPONDENCE. The Editor of the Echo is not to be held respons ble for all the opin SALVATION. "THE GIFT OF GOD" To the Editor of the Echo :

REV. AND DEAR SIR, -Before attempting to make good the above scriptural doctrine, allow me to remark how great! disappointed I was, after reading several times over the letter of "A Former Fel-low of Trin. Coll., Cam.," copied from the London Record, in your paper of the 27th ultimo, under the caption " Faith, the Gift of God," not to find a single argument, or one solitary passage of Surip-ture, to prove the truth of his proposition. The learned letter, as a whole, may be taken, in part, as an illustration of the words of St. Paul, I. Cor., 1., 21, "For that, in the wisdom of God, the after that, in the wisdom of God, the world, by wisdom, knew not God, it pleas-ed God, by the foolishness of preaching, to save them that believe." I congratu-late the writer on his belief of having found the way of salvation through faith in Christ, and pray that the Holy Spirit may lead him into all-saving truths respe-cially this : that Salvation is the Gift of God, according to that famous but genes. God, according to that famous, but generally misunderstood passage. Ephs. 11, 8, "By grace are ye saved through faith ; not of yourssives ; it is the gift of God." Many ministers and professing chris-tians, either from having been so instructed, or from a wish to maintain their pecu

faith are nouns feminine, neither of which can be antecedent to the neuter relative Now, though grace is the gift of "it." God, it is not so stated here, no more than faith. Neither in the above important passage, nor in any other in the Holy Scriptures, is the faith which justifies the sinner, said to be the gift of God. The grammatical construction of the passage reads thus: "By grace ye are saved, through faith, and that not of yourselves, it, i.e., your being thus "sared," or this saleation is "the Gift of God." The first serves as antecedeat to the relative "it," and reconciles the whole with the admirable scheme of human redemption. Eaith, then, is the act of man-

Fidler, Richard Sykes Forneri, Walter Taylor Briggs, Abraham Bedford Cooke, and Malcolm Morgan MacMartin.

M. A .- Rev. Stewart Houston, Rev. John McNeely, Rev. Maurice Scollard Baldwin, Rev. Charles James Stewart Bethune, Rev. George Thomas Carruthers. Rev. John Gilbert Armstrong, Rev. Henry Brent, Rev. George Armstrong Bull Rev. William Logan, Rev. Elam Rush Stimson, Rev. John Wilson, and Rev. John Bell Worrell.

The following students were matriculated :

Joseph Fletcher, (First Foundation-Scholar); Daniel Spedding Twining, Second Foundation Scholar); Salter Mountain Jarvis. (Third Foundation Scholar); Charles Henry Mockridge. (Cameron Scholar); Charles Albert Matheson, (Fourth Foundation Scholar); John McLean Ballard, William Bond, G. Shirely Denison, Jas. Forneri, Ralph W. Hindes, and A. J. Matheson. The names of the following gentlemen

were announced as prizemen in the June Examination, 1862 :--

DIVINITY CLASS .-- (The Bishop's Prize), Harrison. ARTS .- Third year, prize in Classics,

Frew ; second year, prize in Mathematics, Givins.

PROFESSOR HIND'S DEPARTMENT.-Third year, prize, MacMartin; second year, prize, Bogert; first year, prize in Experimental Phil sophy, Cleary.

The following prizes were also lared :-

KENT PRIZES .- First. Houston ; seond, Harrison ; English Essay Prize, L'rew ; the Archdeacon of York's Prize, for English Verse, Trew.

Bishop of Toronto. Mr. Trew recited his essay and psalm, and the proceedings of the convocation were closed by the benediction pronounced by the Bishop. Globe.

GLENWILLIAMS .- It will be gratifying o the many friends of the Rev. J. W. Sims, to know that his fellow teachers in St. George's Sabbath School, Georgetown, have taken advantage of his approaching departure from amongst them. to express their esteem for him, and their high sense of his invaluable services as a teacher, by presenting him with a copy -his of the Holy Scriptures, and the Service "work," as the Saviour himself calls it- of the Church of Engiand, accompanied he believes, by the power and grace of with the following Address ;-

the children committed to our care, we are warranted by God's own pledged word in believing that in due season we shall reap if we faint not.

Him void.

I trust, my dear fellow-teachers that your fervent prayers on my behalf may ndeed be realized, that I may be enabled in some humble measure to further the interests of that cause so dear to the Saviour's heart, namely the salvation of perishing souls, and I desire to ask a continued interest in your supplications. to the throne of the heavenly grace, that I may be made a faithful and able minis

ter of the Gospel of the grace of God. I shall ever remember with delight the many opportunities of social intercourse and profitable discussion of Scriptural subjects, and of matters relative to the wellbeing and efficiency of our Sunday. schools which I have enjoyed with you at our monthly meetings under the Presidency of our much loved pastor the Rev. Dr. O'Meara, who, together with his excellent and devoted lady have been indefatigable in the promotion of all works of faith and labours of love amongst us, and to whom 1 owe a debt of gratitude which I feel I can never discharge ; and I humbly pray that they with you may be blessed with Heaven's choicest gifts both temporal and spiritual, and that the

your hands. And now, dear fellow-teachers, farewell; and if we meet no more, may we all meet in glory, is the earnest prayer of your most affectionate fellow-teacher and brother in the Lord,

JABEZ W. SIMS. Georgetown, Dec. 8, 1862.

TESTIMONIAL .- It affords us much leasure to record that the Congregation of the Anglican Church at Lakefield, North Douro, in testimony of the appre ciative sense they entertain of the efficient services performed by Mrs. Leigh, who, for a considerable period, has oth ciated at the Melodeon with equal cheerfulness and skill, have presented that lady with a handsome ice pail and salver. There are few churches, even in Towns of considerable pretensions, possessed of so effective a choir as the church at Lakefield, and we may venture to affirm that none in villages containing an equally small population can produce one to compare with it .- Peterborg Review.

The following letter which appeared in

Oitawa, December 15, 1862.

FIBST GENERAL ORDINATION BY THE LORD BISHOP OF ONTARIO .- Ou -unday. the 21st inst., the Lord Bishop of Ontario the Toronto Leader, we are requested to held his first general Ordination, in the

The prizes were distributed by the