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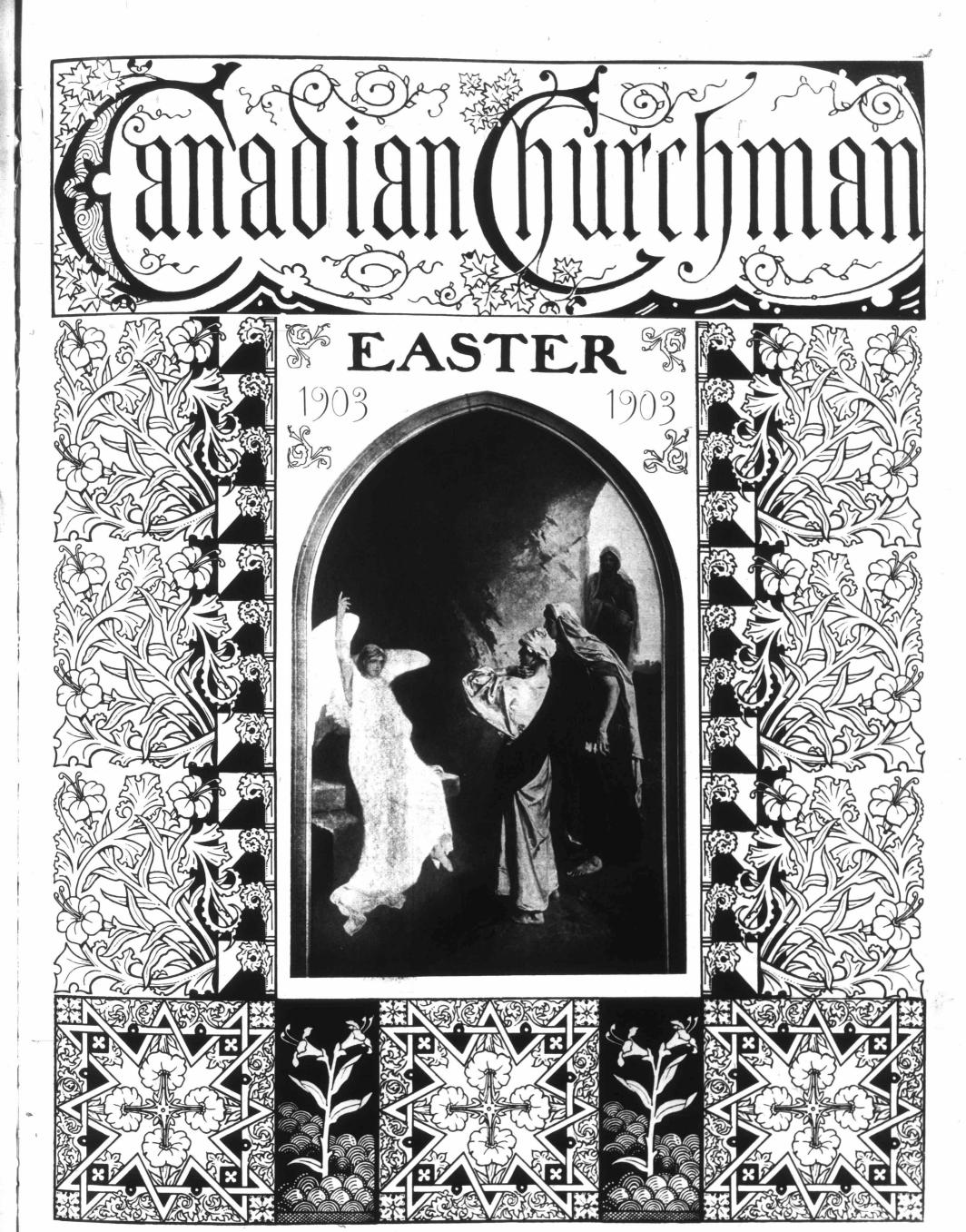


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English Denominations.

Harmsworth's London Magazine has a very illuminating short article on the number of sects registered in England. In that land of freedom any man who is dissatisfied with the teaching at his own church or chapel feels himself at liberty to promulgate his views in whatever manner he pleases, and if he is influential enough to secure a following, he is the potential founder of a new sect. The question at issue may be a serious one, in which case he will probably secure many adherents; or it may be some trivial matter that will die out with the originators. It may be a valid question of conscience, or it may be a mere point of personal pique. To this is due the fact that the Registrar-General announces that there are upwards of 200 creeds in the United Kingdom. Temperance and benefit societies and philanthropic bodies are all included. As a matter of fact, instead of two hundred, there are only about twenty bona fide Protestant sects, leaving out the Anglican, Roman and Greek churches.

Flotsam.

"T. P.," in his weekly, publishes the chance find of a correspondent. Reading it brought to mind a habit of an old friend who collected fugitive poetry, which took his fancy, and whose scrapbook contained much which was worth reprinting. "T. P.'s" correspondent writes: I picked up a second-hand copy of Bohn's "British Poets," and between the pages found the enclosed "Elegy." Can you or any of your readers tell me the author, also who was the subject of his lines?—

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Or placid stream, nor stirs one sleeping wave,
So men who deem man's life of little worth
May sink unheeded to the silent grave.

Their faces are as shadows on life's way,
Their deaths the ending of an idle dream;
True lives add lustre to the light of day,
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We mourn a man who lived; who filled his days
With loyal service to his Lord and race; ,
And loyal hands will deck with crown of bays
The tomb which hides his fine, familiar face.

Weave there a garland bright, of evergreen,
As fair and fadeless as his memory;
Let naught that speaks of death be heard or
seen;

Death waits the living dead—not such as he.

Freed from earth's fetters now, the soul that shone,

In the clear light of those deep, lustrous eyes, Follows where all the good and great are gone, To higher service in serener skies.

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O living Soul! I listen to thy voice; It steals as music; stills the troubled strife Of tongues that speak of Death. I do rejoice, As through my being throbs the Song of Life!

It lifts my heart from this sepulchral clod,
And sets my face towards the rising Day;
I learn to lean upon the love of God;
Then morning breaks, and darkness steals
away.

Sunday Observance.

The subject is attracting much attention in Scotland, and Canon Ellis, in the first of a series at his church, St. Paul's, York Place, dealt thus with the present outlook: "The first thing," he said," which would strike the exile from Scotland on returning to his native land would be the marked difference between the Sunday of the past and the Sunday of the present. The preacher could not help thinking that the laxity of the present was to a very large extent a reaction from the over-strictness of the past. The old Scottish Sunday was, without question, if one was to believe all that was said and written, a very severe routine. All brightness and joyousness were banished from it; rules and regulations were laid down with regard to the most minute details of the age. It was a day of dullness and gloom. A day when the Sunday look and the Sunday gait were put on with the Sunday clothes. There were the Sunday books, the Sunday lessons, the Sunday conversation, the Sunday solemnity. It was a day given up altogether from beginning to end to religious exercises. Would they say that the old Sabbatarian view was altogether wrong; that there was nothing in it? If he was not mistaken, it helped in no small degree to develop the sturdy Scottish character. which they all admired." The preacher might have quoted from "The Sabbath." by Grahame, which was mentioned last week. The first line of the poem is an epitome of the practice of 100 years ago: Hushed the Ploughboy's Whistle, and the Milkmaid's Song. Dr. Robertson Nicoll states that the change began about thirty years ago, and we found that it is a thorough one, when the chaplain of the Scottish Curlers replied to the remonstrances of Dr. Milligan and the Presbytery of Toronto in language which need not be characterized. But it is strange that when leading people in all religious bodies on this continent are striving after a better kept Sunday, Scotland, which never had to contend with our difficulties, should throw off all restraint. Canon Ellis continued: "The present outlook was one which they could not contemplate with equanimity. A large portion of the people of this country did not observe the Lord's Day at all. All restraint was thrown off. God's claims were cast to the winds. Men followed their own wills and went their own way. Perhaps the worst offenders of all were the leisurely classes, those who had no excuse; who, having all the other six days for following their own devices, must needs also throw the Sunday into the same whirligig of excitement. Then there was the increased means of locomotion carrying men away to spend their week-ends from home. There was no rest, no calm, no quiet. Surely if ever there was a time when a prophet's voice was needed to arouse the careless it was in view of this widespread desecration of the Lord's Day. "Britain without Sunday would sooner or later be Britain without God," with a loss of all that made life worth living and a total collapse of all moral obligation-a state of things they could not contemplate without a shudder."

Congregationalism.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, in his speech at the meeting to which we referred at length in our leading article of last week, gave much information. On one point he referred at considerable length and that was the tendency in large towns to drift into Congregationalism. This is the rule on this side of the Atlantic, and one is rather suprised to find that the exaggerations which cause trouble, can be traced to the influence of the laity. The Archbishop said: "And the significance of that is great because this occurs, that if in large towns it becomes practically the general custom for married men, instead of attending their own parish church with their families, to choose a church somewhere in the neighbrhood to which they can go, you gradually get a congregation consisting of people entirely of one way of thinking about these matters, and they to the great detriment of the Church, are apt to press things forward, just because there is lacking in that congregation the steadying. staying influence which belongs to a community containing a large variety of opinion with it. It is undoubtedly true that the growth of that system has itself tended to increase the very difficulties which perhaps in the first instance brought about the habit of choosing the churches at all. Perhaps it is just fair to say that in proportion as people universally adopt a congregational rather than a parochial attendance at Divine worship, the grievance is to a certain extent diminished to the parishioners. That is to say, if a man has chosen the church to which he goes, his grievance is a little less as regards what takes place within it. But I do not press that point, except that I am trying to be fair all round in dealing with the difficulties which one

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Lay Rule.

Following up this point in a later portion of his address, the Archbishop gives a concrete example. To reflecting people it is another illustration of the result of majority government which becomes a class, or mass, tyranny without some counterbalancing authority with power and ability to rule and see justice done. "It is the laymen in certain parishes who cause us far more difficulty in these matters than the clergy themselves. There is nothing like a concrete instance, and I have one which I shall be able to give, which happened within the last fortyeight hours. It is in a parish where I have an opportunity of knowing all the facts. In that parish a very, very modified use of incense had been going on outside the services of the Church. The vicar of the parish writes to his bishop to say that in thinking it over he is not at all sure that he was justified in carrying on even this modified fumigatory use, as you may call it, outside the services, and that, if the Bishop so directed, he is ready at once to drop it altogether. That letter comes in by the morning post. By the evening post comes a letter from the churchwardens to say that they had suddenly heard to their dismay that the vicar had written this letter to the bishop, and that, speaking in the name of the united people, they begged that the bishop will do nothing of the kind. There is a case which I give you, a practical concrete case which has happened yesterday or the day before. It is a kind of case which shows the difficulties which the Bishop has in dealing with these matters, and once more appealing to you as those who can form some reasonable judgment about these matters, I ask you whereth it does not require careful steering and wise handling to deal with difficulties of that kind. But of course it is not because some of the laymen want it, or because the congregations are desiring it, that the thing is to be allowed to go on if it is wrong. I do not for a moment say that. I am merely pointing out to you that it would be a fittle hard to say that it was entirely the fault of the clergy and of the bishops.

Our Missions.

From the cable we learn that an appeal has been made in London for ten thousand pounds for British Columbia, which is supported by the Archbishop of Rupert's Land and Sir Gilbert Parker. By the same unfriendly correspondent we are told that there is great public opposition. Why? Surely if Canada gives all it can and does all it can for the material welfare of immigrants, it is only reasonable that Britain should contribute a small amount for their spiritual welfare. There are in all about 700,000 Church people in Canada, and 100,000 immigrants are expected this year, how can we meet this annual incrrease? It is strange how the British sympathy is withheld from the immigrant, his own kith and kin, bis brother, who leaves the old parish church. But for "natives" the purse-strings are loosened; why is the lamp of life denied to their own people?

The S.P.G. Ideas.

At the Chapter House of St. Paul's Cathedral a very suggestive lecture was given to the London Diocesan Lay Helpers' Association by Bishop Montgomery, the secretary of the S.P.G. The subject was "Some Mission Problems of the World." The Bishop urged the primary importance of studying the racial characteristics of the different non-Christian peoples. Too often this was forgotten; and the result has been, on the one hand, much unfair criticism, and, on the other, many misapplied efforts. A striking instance of the need for this careful study could be found in the diocese of Keewatin, on the west side of Hudson Bay, stretching northward "to the other side of nowhere," and claiming episco-

pal jurisdiction over the North Pole. In this diocese there live large numbers of Esquimaux and Red Indians. Perhaps no single diocese contains people so different in character. The Esquimaux are a vivacious, almost "happy-go-lucky" folk, who will lightly face any amount of privation, and take death itself with a laugh. The Red Indians are grave, dignified, silent. It was obvious how different must be the methods employed to commend Christianity to them. The same principle held throughout the whole mission field. Not only love, but imagination, and real intelligent sympathy were needed if Christianity was to be brought to the various peoples of the world as they could best understand it.

Man's Place in the Universe.

Despite the adverse criticism it has called forth, Dr. Russell Wallace's paper in the Fortnightly Review-"Man's Place in the Universe" -can hardly fail to interest the ordinary reader, both from the boldness of its theories and the clearness with which they are stated. Dr. Wallace's contention is briefly: "That the supreme end and purpose of this vast universe was the production and development of the living soul in the perishable body of man." In support of this, he cites the following views, accepted already, he claims, by scientists, but presented now for the first time in their relation to one another: (1) That the stellar universe is finite, its outer bounds being within conceivable limits. (2) That there is little or no relation between the brightness or magnitude and the distance of stars-the true relation being between proper motion and distance, those which apparently move fastest being nearest to us. (3) That we are not situated in any part of the Milky Way, but at or near the very central point in the nebulous ring which it forms, nearly equally distant from every part of it. (4) That our sun is one of the central orbs of globular starcluster, occupying a nearly central position in the exact plane of the Milky Way. Five of the conditions necessary for the development of the higher forms of life, present upon our earth for countless ages, temperature, atmosphere, ocean tides and currents, ocean depths, and atmospheric dust are known not to have co-existed upon any other planet. The possible behaviour of the forces of nature upon the outer confines of the universe, and of those wonderful "radiant forces," so comparatively little known to us, is touched upon, but may not be compressed into so brief a notice as this. The summing up of the whole is: "That the three startling facts-that we are in the centre of a cluster of suns, and that that cluster is situated, not only precisely in the plane of the Galaxy, but also centrally in that plane." can no longer be regarded as a chance coin-

#### THE RESURRECTION.

The Church leads us by successive steps in the Christian year from the Incarnation, through our blessed Lord's earthly life and death to His glorious resurrection, which she makes the subject of the Queen of Festivals. The contrast is striking from the gloom of Good Friday to the joy of Easter Day, and speaks to us of that final triumph, which through Christ, we shall have over death and hell. Nothing is more clearly emphasized in the Gospel by eye witnesses, or by St. Paul also, who was the last witness of the risen Jesus, than the truth that the resurrection was a fact, a veritable and demonstratable occurrence. It was not an invention, or a myth, or an afterthought, but an event confirmed by many infallible proofs, and as such the Church has believed it and all that results from it, and in her Creed says: "The third day He rose again from the dead," and in virtue of it bids the faithful add: "I believe in the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting." So upon its verity he built the Christian religion, saying: "If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching in vain, and your faith is also Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God." The effect of faith in this great fact is to strengthen our confidence in all that pertains to the claims of Jesus Christ upon our love and loyalty, to realize His divinity, to exclaim with Thomas: "My Lord and my God," and also to inspire comfort and hope in the presence of such powerful and disturbing realities as sin, sorrow and death. Faith has its mysteries, and our faith has its trials, but blessed are they who overcome them, and who are content to walk by faith and not by sight. Latterly, there have been questionings in unexpected quarters of the Virgin birth of Christ, and that natural tendency to get rid of mystery in religion, which masks some minds, has been manifested by some leaders of religious thought. Canon Henson, who is so ready to relax the Church's order. shows a similar readiness to weaken and tone down the faith, and in a book entitled: "Cross Bench Views of Church Questions," advocated a free interpretation of existing formularies. If we can by "free interpretation" allow men to be ordained who deny the Virgin birth of Christ, and are doubtful of His Resurrection, then we may tremble indeed for the ark of God, and need to look well to the foundations of the Church and of the faith. In respect of the discussion going on in England in regard to the Incarnation and Resurrection, we commend the following utterance by Canon MacColl (Ripon), in the Convocation of York, for perusal, as illustrating its scope and its tendency: "They must not be misled by the use of such words as Trinity, Incarnation, the Divinity of Christ, and the like. Arius and other leaders of revolt against the creed of Christendom used such terms, but in a sense contradictory to the Christian faith. He differed from the Dean of Ripon with regard to the separability of the Incarnation and the Virgin Birth of Christ. He held emphatically that the Divinity of Christ was indissolubly connected with His Virgin Birth. For if He was not born of a Virgin, He had a human father; if He had a human father He was Himself a human person; if He was a human person, He could not be a Divine Person at the same time-in other words, He could not be God. The two things were inseparable from each other. Both stood or fell together. He agreed with the Dean that there had been too much of crude theories as regards the doctrine of the Resurrection, but let them be careful not to discard the truth in get ting rid of error. Let them not confound the continued existence of the soul with the resurrection of the body. True, the identity of the body did not rest on the survival of its material particles, which were in a state of perpetual flux. The identity of the body resided in what Aristotle would call its form-that organizing germ or principle which remained unchanged amid the changes of its material integument, and it was this principle that gathered round itself a new, a spiritual, body at the Resurrection. Taking St. Paul for our guide, we saw that our Lord's Body on Easter morning underwent that change which the Apostle said the bodies of the living would undergo at the Second Advent. It was "changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," from a "natural" to a "spiritual" Body, and thus passed through the undisturbed grave-clothes, and the rock tomb, and the closed doors. And as to the question of evidence, the demand for mathematical and demonstrative proof was unreasonable. How could it be supplied in the case of the Virgin Birth? In the last resort it must depend on the word of the mother. But so it was in all succession, and the demand for rigorous proof in such cases would be fatal to other things than the Christian Creed. It would undermine the institutions under which we lived, from our Monarchy downw was the guid which moral in the case of evidence was. The truth was to the proud pure in hear appealed to reason. It as spirit on the and without tellect were

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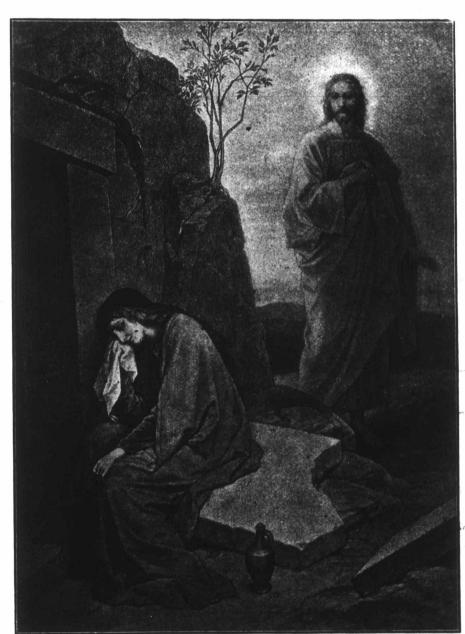
#### THE EASTER VESTRIES.

Throughout the Church, in accordance with immemorial custom, on Easter Monday the parishioners of the various parishes of the land will meet to consider parochial affairs, to receive the reports of Churchwardens and other officials.

to elect officers, and generally to take counsel for the maintenance and upbuilding of the Church in their midst. To these local assemblies too much importance cannot be attached, for upon the united action of congregations, and a proper consideration of past work and future plans, and also of ways and means depend very largely the success, or failure, of the Church in every community. Every parishioner should deem it his duty and make it his business to be present at these meetings, not only to show his interest in the Church's work in his own meighborhood, but also to give practical aid by his counsel and assistance, as far as his time and means will permit. At these meetings the Churchwardens and other officers and committees are appointed, and on the selection of good and capable men very much depends. The office of Churchwarden, especially, is an ancient and honourable one, and men of character and ability should be ready to fill it, and to accept a position at once so responsible, and so ueful. The financial condition of parishes this Easter should generally be prosperous, for business is good, the people are making money, there is growth and expansion in all directions, and we should witness a corresponding growth and prosperity in the Church. Now when times are good, we should hear of new and improved churches, suitable residences for the clergy, parish houses

to facilitate Church work, and a sharing by the Church of the increased wealth, which the people generally are, beyond question, amassing. There is one subject which, we are sure, in nearly every parish should be given attention, and which is loudly called for, and that is an increase in the stipends of the clergy. It is admitted for the most part, that they are miserably small and inadequate, and that the incomes of a great majority of the clergy are such that they cannot with the strictest economy live in decency. The Church suffers from a poorly paid ministry. It destroys a man's self-respect to live in penury, to be unable to pay just obligations, to be compelled to go without helpful literature wherewith to feed his mind, and in turn to feed the flock committed to his care. Not only do those now in orders suffer, and their families as well, and their influence becomes circumscribed, but others, who might under other conditions take orders, are deterred by seeing the wretched condition of many already engaged in the work. With prosperity there has come an increase in the

price of living, amounting in many cases to twenty-five per cent. or more than it was a few years ago; is it just under these circumstances to leave the incomes of the clergy at what they were formerly, especially when all other classes of the people are in receipt of either larger wages or larger profits? We trust this subject will be taken up in earnest by our just and liberal-minded laity, and that we shall hear from many parishes that they have taken action in this supremely important matter. We trust, also that our mission parishes, that have clung so long to missionary aid, and all dependent on the Mission Fund of the diocese, will make an effort to become self-supporting and independent. It is a scandal almost the lack of interest and of spirit which exists in many quarters, and we see Church of England congregations remaining paupers on diocesan funds, while the congrega-. tions of other bodies no more numerous, or able, quickly becoming self-supporting. We



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should prefer to see local action, but if local authorities refuse to act, their dioceses should move in the matter, and see that aid be given only to those who are unable, and not to those who are unwilling to give, and who are content to impose upon others burdens which they themselves should bear. We are of opinion that no clergyman of five years' standing, especially if he need a horse to enable him to accomplish his work, should have a smaller stipend than \$1,000 per annum, and it would be much more satisfactory to give Mission Fund money to augment incomes to an amount a man could live on, than merely, as at present, to make up the starvation minimum of \$600 or \$700. We are confident, that unless wise and energetic action is promptly taken by parishes and dioceses, our Church is bound to suffer, both in the quality and quantity of those who will seek to serve her in the sacred ministry. Another matter, which needs attention at the Easter meetings, is the election of lay delegates to Synod. There is a notable decrease

in the attendance of laymen at synods, not onefourth of the representatives in some cases being present. Attendance at synod means both time and money, as well as intelligent interest and enthusiasm. It is because the latter is lacking, we fear, that so few laymen are present at synod meetings. Time and money, especially time, are valuable to busy men in a country where we have no leisured class, and it may be worth considering whether annual synods are necessary now that the Church is organized, and whether once in two years would not in some dioceses, at any rate, be sufficient. Whilst laymen in England are clamouring for representation in ecclesiastical assemblies and a voice in Church affairs, the laity here are largely indifferent, though given great influence and power, and seem quite willing to leave the work of the Church to the clergy, and to what has been not unhappily called the ecclesiastically-minded layman. We shall expect to publish many reports of parish meetings, and

we fully anticipate that they will be marked by harmony, by progress in the past year, and by wise plans and energetic action for the extension and edification of that pure and ancient branch of the Catholic Church of which it is our privilege and happiness to be members.

#### SELKIRK DIOCESE.

By the Bishop.

This diocese is not a very large one. Its extent may be about 200,000 miles. Nor is it very populous. The inhabitants may be from 15,000 to 20,ooo. The climate is not inviting, being severe, but dry and healthy. The soil is not adapted to much agriculture, though common vegetables, such as cabbage, potatoes and turnips, may be grown in many places. The attraction to the country lies in its mineral wealth, that is mostly gold, but also copper and coal. A large river runs through the country, namely, the Lever and Yukon river. which swells into several lakes, in the upper part of its course. The mountain scenery is bold and picturesque. There are few industries besides mining, but trade is active. The diocese is nearly coterminous with the Yukon Territory, which is governed by a Commissioner and Consul and is well regulated by mounted police. Probably nearly half the residents hail from the United States, though many nationalities are represented.

More than half the people live in Dawson, our chief town, and at the neighbouring Klondyke mines. The next most important place is White Horse, with under 1,000 people. Next comes Forty Mile, with mining properties in the neighbourhood, and there are other villages or settlements in the country as Selkirk, Stewart River, Caribou Crossing, etc. At Dawson, the church of St. Paul has been re-erected last year on a liberal scale, costing \$10,000. That parish now supports its own minister and church expenses. At Whitehorse there is also a good church (Christ Church), and a parsonage, and that parish is also nearly independent. Another church (St. Luke's), is in course of erection at the Klondyke mines (Bonanza), and there are schools and churches at Forty Mile and Selkirk. The chief needs of the diocese are just an income for the Bishop, as the diocese has no endowment and the Church Missionary Society of England wish to retire from the support of the See. Next, incomes for two additional clergy are required, besides those supported by their

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congregations. Then funds for church building, parsonages and schools are wanted, besides various miscellaneous church expenses. There are four missions in the diocese for the native Indians. These are provided for at present by the Church Missionary Society of England. This dioce'se forms the extreme northwestern limit of the Chnadian Dominion, extending from the Rocky Mountains westward to the American territory of Alaska, and north of British Columbia. Mission work was begun in this district when the diocese was founded twelve years ago, but for about five years it was entirely confined to the native Indians, there being no other inhabitants. Since the rush of the gold-seekers to the Klondyke, the Church work has lain in forming and organizing new missions, and this is not yet completed. The work of the clergy is somewhat embarrassed by the shifting and migratory character of the population, but it does not differ essentially from Church work elsewhere. The following is a list of our missions: St. James', Forty Mile, Rev. J. and Mrs. Hawksley; St. John's School, Forty Mile, Miss Mary Ellis, Miss Mary Mellish; St. Barnabas', Moosehide, Rev. B. and Mrs. Totty; St. Paul's, Dawson, Rev. J. R. H. Warren, M.A.; St. Luke's, Bonanza, Rev. Christopher Reed; St. Andrew's, Selkirk, Ven. Archdeacon and Mrs. Canham; Christ Church, Whitehorse, Rev. R. J. and Mrs. Bowen; St. Saviour's, Caribou Crossing, the Bishop and Mrs. Bompas. Unfortunately, two of our leading clergy, viz., the Rev. J. R. H. Warren, of Dawson, and Rev. R. J. Bowen, of Whitehorse, are likely to leave this spring, the latter sick, and the former homesick, and their places are not yet supplied. It is hoped that the new Missionary Society of Canada may be able to help in the improvement and extension of the Church work in this diocese among the miners, and also to take in hand the mission work among the native Indians, according as this is relinquished by the Missionary Society in England.

W. C. BOMPAS, D.D., Bishop. Caribou Crossing, 18th March, 1903.

#### THE BIBLE AND MODERN INVESTIGA-TION.

The Rev. Dr. Wace, in the first of three lectures published in the Record and delivered to the clergy at the request of the Bishop of Norwich on the above subject, spoke as, follows: "It may be worth while to illustrate in one or two instances the nature and scope of these critical investigations. That branch of them, which, at the moment, arouses the greatest interest, is called the Higher Criticism; but its function may be very well illustrated by the Lower Criticism, which is that of the text of the Scriptures. Take, for example, the work of scholars like Dr. Westcott and Dr. Hort, or the revisers. Their work mainly consisted in ascertaining what is the true text of the Sacred books. The facts brought to light since the time of the Reformation have made it clear that such a position as that practically assumed by the Roman Church at the Council of Trent, that any existing text of the New Testament could be accepted without enquiry, as an authentic representation, is wholly inadmissible. The opportunities afforded us for the collation of manuscripts, and for reading the Fathers of the Eastern, as well as of the Western Church, have made us aware of the fact that there are a larger number of variations in the texts which have been handed down to us, and that careful enquiry is necessary in order to get as near as we can to the originals. Take, for instance, the text respecting the three witnesses in the First Epistle of St. John. It is now generally recognized that important words in that text are not part of the original composition, and criticism has rendered the Church a valuable service in establishing that fact. Everyone would desire to avoid treating as a part of the Word of God words which were not written by its inspired authors. Or take the conclusion of St. Mark's Gospel. Whether we agree with the view of the revisers, that those concluding verses were not part of St. Mark's own Gospel, or whether with Dean Burgon and Dr. Salmon, we think, as I confess I do myself, that there is no sufficient reason for rejecting them, no one can doubt that their authenticity, in view of the difficulties connected with them, is a proper subject of enquiry, and that the lower criticism is doing a valuable work in carefully investigating the subject. What it is doing for us in all such cases is to render us more sure than we otherwise could be of what is the actual inspired revelation on which our faith relies. The Higher Criticism aims at performing the same service in a higher sphere of investigation. We know what has been the result of such criticism during the last half-century respecting the New Testament. When I entered the ministry, more than forty years ago, the air was full of vague rumours that the German critics had undermined the authenticity of the Gospels and of St. Paul's Epistles; and I remember a very eminent Oriental scholar, a late professor of Arabic at Oxford, telling me that two German laymen, Baur and Ewald, had done more to elucidate the Bible than all the clergymen in England. The result, however, has been a strange comment on such an observation. German and English scholars and divines have, by purely critical methods, dispersed these doubts, and the books of the New Testament now stand on firmer ground, as authentic productions of the persons to whom the Church has always attributed them, than they did before; their text has been purified and rendered more exact; and our faith that we can use them as the Word of God, spoken by His inspired evangelists and apostles, has received an invaluable confirmation."

#### BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW.

The office of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been moved from 24 Adelaide St. E., Toronto, to the Imperial Bank Building. Leader Lane, Toronto. All communications should in future be addressed to William Walklate, general secretary, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Imperial Bank Building, Leader Lane,

The Toronto Local Assembly held a devotional meeting in St. Philip's church, on Wednesday evening, March 25th. The church was well filled, a large number of Brotherhood men being present. The Rev. Canon Sweeny read the prayers; the Rev. Dr. Hare read the first lesson, and the Rev. Canon Welch the second. Several well known Brotherhood hymns were heartily sung by the choir, composed entirely of Brotherhood men. The Right Rev. J. P. Du Moulin, D.D., Lord Bishop of Niagara, preached a powerful sermon, and the Right Rev. A. Sweatman, D.D., Lord Bishop of Toronto, pronounced the Bene-

Address by Right Rev. Bishop Du Moulin, of Niagara, to Brotherhood of St. Andrew in St. Philip's church, March 25th, 1903:

His Lordship spoke from the text: 1st Samuel, 17th chapter, 45th verse: "Then said David to the Philistine, thou comest to me with a sword and with a spear and with a shield; but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of Hosts, the God of Israel, whom thou hast defied" The Bishop commenced by saying that this story was as living and forceful to-day as it was when first written and delivered to mankind and that it could never become obsolete. The Philistines had chosen their champion and had chosen him well. He was strong and well armed and his language was important and proud. He came rested on the Israelites. Then David makes his apearance, a man of humble pursuits, unknown amongst the warriors of Israel, yet he came forward and volunteered to meet the champion of the Philistines, and received his commission from the king to do so. He was not arrayed like Goliath, but in armour and with weapons of his own special choosing, and as he came forward, the taunts and sneers of the Philistines were met by the champion of Israel in the words of the text: "Thou camest to me with a sword and with a spear and with a shield; but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of Hosts, the God of Israel, whom thou has defied." Shortly after the boastful Philistine was brought down by the sling of the one who later received honour and lands and led the king's armies and lived to become the renowned hero, king and law-giver, and to give to all the ages those hymns and Psalms and spiritual songs. This is all a living and not a dead story. The conditions now are practically the same. Society is still governed by the same relations very extensively. There is an organized army against the living God, and to oppose these conditions we must form ourselves into an army and, as in the words of the hymn: "Like a Mighty Army, Moves the Church of God," let us move forward and onward and upward. The Church was founded that it might throw all its forces against this army of sin and wickedness. We need now numerous champions for God's cause. We are living in times of very startling and serious happenings. Our duty must be to obey and honour those who have the rule and government over us. Not to be as party politicians to take sides one against the other. We cannot help but feel deeply the humiliation that lies over this province and this affair having happened may possibly urge and endeavour to discover that some system is required to prevent such a state of things occurring again. People cannot live without being members of God's most holy religion, and without God's judgments that He has given to His people, who seem now to lack a sound, moral code and nothing worse can happen than to be in this way. We have the result of children growing up without a knowledge of God. There is evidence of a lack of meral sense among the people in the land. There is growing discontent on every hand. Enormous wealth is hoarded up and mighty corporations are formed who are almost irresponsible bodies. Then there is the expression of the populace against these trusts and combinations of capital in strikes and ill-feelings, the sad features and results of such a state of society. In bygone days in the early history of our country, people loved their Church and good men gave for its advancement and good women were the light of those days. But these conditions are largely and painfully diminished. The heads of families are not in their places in church, but are to be found out on horseback or on bicycles, using God's day as their day. Children brought up under this example could not help following it, and when the time came that they were to take their places as fathers and mothers they would do the same. Nowadays the husbands remain down town at their clubs and play cards and gamble, while at home the wife gathers a party, and with closed blinds and electric lights burning brightly plays at bridge whist. In England this state of affairs became so noticeable that the clergy of the West End of London organized against these growing evils of social life and in their pulpits laid before their people the sin and danger to the very life of the country. We remember the introduction of a bill in England to create a Divorce Court, and we have lately seen, the lamentable conditions brought out before the presiding judge. We must, therefore, deprecate the introduction of such a court in Canada. We

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#### The Churchwoman.

INDIAN FAMINE ORPHAN WORK.

Miss Caroline Macklem, Sylvan Towers, Rosedale, Toronto, gratefully acknowledges the fol-

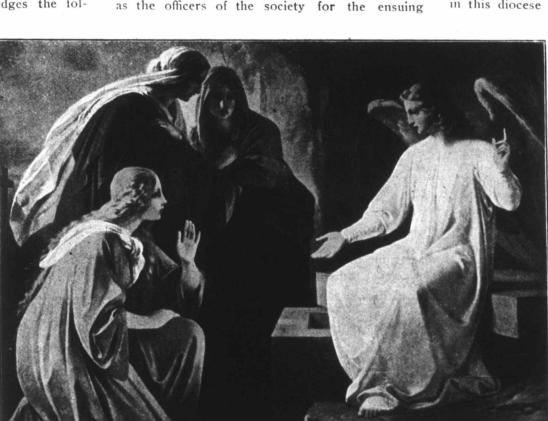
lowing contributions: "We two," Niagara, \$15; "Adanac," Toronto, second year's support of child, \$15; Anon., Durham, \$1; Edward Farquhoun, Man., \$1; Anon., H., \$2; Forest, \$2; Anon., \$2; L. J. M., Bancroft, \$1; Mrs. J. L. Morrison, \$10; "In His Name," Deeside, for orphan work, \$2. Still the army of little ones in India pleads for our help. Many must still be supported for some years. They are being taught trades and various occupations, so that when old enough they can support themselves and live as Christians as well, I trust, but while still so young we must care for them, give them loving attention and a home. The missionaries in charge only ask \$15 a year for each child, and

each little one seems to be dear to them. They seem to prove intelligent, affectionate, and grateful, I am sure in many, if not in most cases. Poor little things, some of them may know what kind of lives they are saved from. Who can think, without a pang, of the hard, cruel bondage some of the little girl widows of India are subjected to, debarred from the innocent pleasure that children of such tender years should enjoy, and shut up to do all the hard work that can be wrung from them, while fed with barely enough to sustain life. Thank God, some at least are being saved from this. May His blessing be upon the work we do for them, and may they, when they have learned to know and love the Saviour of mankind, bring the glad tidings to their sisters, and cheer them with the knowledge of a God who loves them. Those who prefer helping the actual famine sufferers can send contributions for the sufferers in Sweden. The famine has been very terrible there, and the "Christian Herald," of New York, will gladly send our contributions. Please address, Miss Caroline Macklem, Sylvan Towers, Rosedale, Toronto.

Bishop Clark, of Rhode Island, is now 90 years old. He is presiding bishop of the American Church, was consecrated in 1854, and is the oldest Bishop of the Anglican Communion in the world.

OTTAWA.

Ottawa.-St. John's.-The Bishop of the diocese was present at the annual meeting of the parochial branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, held in St. John's Hall, on the 31st ult. His Lordship gave a helpful and inspiring talk on the work of auxiliary, pointing out the needs of the diocese and offering some valuable suggestions as to methods. His address was very optimistic as was that of Mrs. Tilton, provisional president of the auxiliary, who was present and told of its advance during the last few years. The reports of St. John's branch were very satisfactory. A bale valued at \$12.19 had been sent to Fort Vermilion, Athabasca, and another, valued at \$21.31, to the Sarcee Reserve, Calgary. The receipts of the year had been \$128.40, and the disbursements \$125.19, leaving a balance of \$3.21. The treasurer of the Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund reported receipts during the year of \$11.92. Mrs. George E. Perley, Miss Bogert, Miss Greene, Miss Yeilding, were members of the Diocesan Board pres-The Rev. Canon Pollard, who presided, made some brief and interesting remarks. The Rev. F. W. Steacy was also present. At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served by the ladies. The following ladies were elected



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year: Honorary president, Mrs. Pollard; president, Mrs. J. R. Armstrong; vice-presidents, Mrs. Grist and Mrs. Cuzner; secretary, Mrs. Doney; box secretary, Mrs. Thompson; Leaflet secretary, Mrs. Popham; Dorcas' secretary, Mrs. Chandler; literature secretary, Miss Whiteaves; treasurer, Miss Grist; Extra-Cent-a-Day treasurer, Mrs. Code; delegates to annual meeting, Mrs. Cuzner and Mrs. Doney; representative on Diocesan Board, Mrs. Cuzner.

#### ONTARIO.

Kingston.—St. George's.—The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Cathedral was held on Tuesday, March 31st. The reports for the year were very satisfactory indeed, showing progress in nearly every particular, and what is most pleasing, the growing interest taken in the work, as shown by the large attendance at the monthly meetings, the average having increased about fifty per cent. The same officers were reelected: President, Mrs. Buxton Smith; vice-presidents, Mrs. Waldron and Miss Macauley; secretary, Mrs. Noel Kent; treasurer, Miss Annie Muckleston. The delegate elected to attend the annual meeting in Prescott was Mrs.

Grover, with Mrs. Herbert Robinson as substitute. The Very Rev. Dean Smith made a short address. The president announced that the Cathedral branch had presented Mrs. Edward Smythe with a life membership, "in loving appreciation of her years of faithful service, and in grateful memory of her husband, who ever evinced a warm interest in the work." The J.W.A., wishing to unite with the auxiliary, asked to be allowed to present the gold badge. The diocesan branches will all feel pleased at this recognition of Mrs. Smythe's work, as they have long appreciated her untiring energy as recording secretary for the diocesan W.A. It has been decided to hold the annual meeting of the diocesan branch of the Ontario W.A. in Prescott in the second week in June.

## Home & Foreign Church Aews

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

L. L. Jones, D.D., Bishop, St. John's, Nfld.

Harbour Grace.—The church at this place and in this diocese has suffered a severe loss in the

> deaths of the Revs. John Godden and Thomas P. Quinton, who died recently in this place within 24 hours of one another. Both clergymen were born in the town, and both were universally respected and beloved. The Rev. J. Godden was aged 78 years, and the Rev. T. P. Quinton, 47. The funerals of both the deceased clergymen took place on the same day, the funeral of the former taking place at Christ Church, and that of the latter from St. Paul's. The date of the funerals was the 23rd ult. Both sacred edifices were thronged to their utmost capacity, many persons being unable to gain admittance. On the arrival of the train from St. John's, which conveyed, amongst others, Rev. Canon Colley, Revs.

W. R. Smith and G. R. Godden, in addition to a large number of friends from other places along the line, the service commenced at St. Paul's church at 3.30. The clergy present were: Rev. Canons Colley and Noel, Revs. W. R. Smith, W. C. Shears, G. H. Bolt, W. C. White, F. Smart, F. Colley, J. Bull, W. A. Haynes, D. W. Blackall, H. Cramp and J. Bell. The Psalms and lessons were read, and appropriate hymns sung, after which the clergy proceeded to Christ Church, where a similar service was conducted. The congregation tarried in St. Paul's for a space, during which hymns were sung, and then they left the church and joined the other mourners from Christ Church. The hearses containing the coffins proceeded side by side, and the clergy and mourners followed them to the cemetery, where the bodies were committed to their last restingplaces, being laid side by side. No such solemn scene has ever been witnessed in this place previously. Business was suspended, bunting fluttered at half mast, blinds were drawn, and the town presented all the evidences of mourning for loved ones lost. From all the adjacent settlements came hundreds of stalwart fishermen to pay their tribute of respect to the memory of former pastors, a notable deputation coming from Spaniard's Bay, where for some years both the deceased had laboured. The chief mourners fol-

Toronto.-St. Alban's Cathedral.-The Lord Bishop of the diocese will D.V. hold a General Ordination in this cathedral church on Trinity

Sunday next, June 7. All candidates for the Diaconate or Priesthood are requested to communicate to the examining chaplain before the 1st of May their intention of presenting themselves for the examination, which will commence on June 2 at 10 a.m. Copies of the St. Quis and Letters Testimonial will be furnished on application to the Rev. A. J. Broughall, examining

chaplain, 99 Bellevue avenue, Toronto.

St. James' Cathedral.—A conference on the education question will be held in the schoolhouse on Monday and Tuesday, 27th and 28th insts., for which the following programme has been arranged: Monday, April 27th, 3 p.m., organization and appointment of conference committee; 3.15 p.m., "The Duty of the State in Relation to Education," paper by W. H. Hoyle, Esq., M.P.P., Cannington; 3.45 p.m., Questions; 4 p.m., "The Duty of the Church in Relation to Education," paper by Rev. Canon Brown, Paris; 4.30 p.m., Questions; 4.45 p.m., "The Duty of the Parent in Relation to Education," paper by F. H. Gisborne, Esq., Ottawa; 5.15 p.m., Questions; Toronto Sunday School Association annual service, St. Alban's Cathedral, 8 p.m., sermon, "A Christian Education," Rev. Canon Welch, Toronto. Tuesday, April 28th, 10 a.m., "How may the Duties of the State, the Church, and the Parent be harmonized," paper by Lawrence Baldwin, Esq., Toronto; 10.30 a.m., Questions; 10.45 a.m., "Our Difficulties, and How they may be Overcome," paper by F. E. Hodgins, Esq., K.C., Toronto; 11.15 a.m., Questions; 11.30 a.m., General discussion, opened by Rev. C. E. Whitcombe, Hamilton and Rev. Professor Clark, Toronto; I p.m., lunch; 2.30 p.m., "What Policy shall we adopt"; report by Conference Committee; consideration of report. Lawrence Baldwin, Deer Park P.O., Secretary Toronto Special Committee; Ven. Archdeacon Allen, Chairman Toronto

from Spaniard's Bay, who a few weeks ago were obliged to suffer their beloved clergyman to leave them, as he went home to die. Citizens of every creed, class, and station attended the tunerals, the Sunday school children preceding the clergy and hearses. The funeral arrangements were conducted by Mr. Edward Parsons, and were perfectly managed. The floral offerings were choice and beautiful, and as the unprecedently large procession moved along the street, strong men wept as for their dearest friend, and sympathetic tribute was paid on all sides to the faith and zeal of the two deceased clergymen. It is difficult to adequately portray the scene witnessed by the good people of Harbour Grace, but its memory cannot soon fade from their recollection. A pathetic feature of the sad occurrence was the birth of a son to Mrs. Quinton on Sun-

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was uttered that God would watch over and guard

them in the years to come, giving the widow

grace and strength to bear the burden which

Wm. Bennett Bond, D.D., Archbishop, Montreal. James Carmichael, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor.

Montreal.—L'Eglise du Redempteur.—The rite of confirmation was administered to a number of candidates in this church on Sunday afternoon, the 29th ult., the service beginning at four o'clock. There were present: His Grace, the Archbishop of Montreal, the Rev. Principal Hackett, the Rev. Canon Dixon, the Rev. Prof. Abbott-Smith, the Rev. H. Gomery, and the Rev. H. E. Benoit, pastor of the church. Addresses were delivered by the Archbishop, and by Principal Hackett. Among the candidates for confirmation was a young man who had been a monk of the Franciscan order. The Archbishop expressed his gratitude to all who were connected with the work of the Sabrevois mission. The church has been renovated by the ladies' committee, of which Mrs. M. H. Gault is president.

#### ONTARIO.

William Lennox Mills, D.D., Bishop, Kingston.

Kingston.—St. James'.—On Thursday, March 26th, the Rev. Canon Macmorine gave a most interesting lecture on "How We Get Our Surnames." He gave the meaning and derivation of many well-known names, such as Ross, Brook, Townshend, Shaw, Smith and Snooks, and told many amusing stories in illustration. Incidentally he remarked that, while some of the early baptismal names recorded sounded strangely to us, modern parents were also singularly inconsiderate of the feelings of their offspring, one heedless Irishman naming his son Amicus Humani Generis. 1 fancy most clergymen could give other instances of extraordinary names they have been called upon to give to some unfortunate children The lecture was much appreciated, and combined a great deal of useful instruction with just enough wit and humour to keep the audience in the best of tempers. The proceeds of the lecture, added to the sum of \$112, which had been collected by the W.A. and the J. W.A., will clear off the last of the debt on the rectory.

St. George's—A choir has been organized in the Sunday School with Mr. Fred Tighe as organist. This will no doubt prove an excellent feeder to the splendid choir of the Cathedral, which, under Mr. Harvey, has reached such proficiency.

The Lord Bishop of the diocese was expected

home last Tuesday. His short holiday has thoroughly restored him to health and he has already mapped out vast plans of work. The committee meetings this spring will begin on May 25th and Synod will be held the first week in June.

An attractive leature of the Victoria Day celebration in this city will be a competition between all local companies of the Boys' Brigades. Prizes amounting to \$75 are to be offered for proficiency

Sharbot Lake.—The Rev. Rural Dean Young, the energetic missionary in this large parish, is holding most successful services during Lent. The church at Lealand is being sheeted with good ash lumber and made attractive in appearance. If any clergyman is puzzled to know just how to improve the interior of his church, I would suggest that he make enquiries as to iron sheeting. He will find it both cheap and lasting. There is nothing neater and easier to adapt to any circumstances. The church at Newburgh is a good example of the work, and I have no doubt the rector or wardens of that parish will gladly give all needful information.

On Sunday, March 20th, the Rev. G. L. Starr preached in the Convocation Hall, at Queen's University. His subject was "The Power of the Holy Ghost," and he spoke of its need in the universities that they might have greater influence in protecting the nation from the effects of the growing spirit of irreligion. He referred to the tendency of the age to minimize religion and yield everything to the commercial spirit. A crisis seems to have come, and in that crisis the universities must guide the nation. University men must be the strong men, imbued with the Holy Ghost, and so exerting an immeasurable power in the land.

Belleville.—The ruri-decanal chapter of Hastings deanery will meet in this city on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 15th and 16th insts. This chapter meetings will be unique in one respect. The Sunday schools of the rural deanery have been invited to send representatives, and a meeting for organization will take place immediately after the service on Tuesday evening.

Trenton.—The Prince Edward rural deanery will meet here shortly, and the rural deanery of Lennox and Addington will meet on May 6th at Yarker.

Brockville. — Trinity. — Confirmation services wil be held in this church on Sunday, May 10th, and a large number of candidates will be pre-

Oxford Mills.—Several names have been mentioned in connection with the vacancy in this parish, caused by the promotion of the Rev. W. P. Reeve to Kemptville, but, at the meeting of the congregation, held last week, the three names selected were those of Rev. W. G. Swayne, of Kitley; Rev. George Code, of Queensboro, and Rev. J. H. Coleman, of Stirling. All these are good men and would fill the rectorship well. But, as the first choice of the people falls on Mr. Swayne, the probability is that he will be appointed. Mr. Swayne has been most successful in his former parishes, and, if he now removes, he will leave the affairs of Kitley in good order for his successor. He has enough money already collected for building a new church at Newbliss, and in all stations of the parish there are ample signs of life and prosperity. Oxford Mills may be congratulated if it secures Mr. Swayne as its rector.

The Church Missionary Society has received an anonymous donation of £2,000.

#### NIAGARA.

Special Committee.

Maurice Scollard Baldwin, D.D., Bishop, London.

Georgetown.—The parishioners of Bishopsnympton in the diocese of Exeter have taken a kindly interest in the building of St. Alban's Chapel at Glenwilliams. At a special service which was held in the parish church there some time ago the offertories were devoted to the St. Alban's Building Fund. The preacher at this service was the Rev. Canon Woodman, who passed through the siege of Kimberley in the late Boer War.

Guelph.—St. George's.—A Young Men's Club was organized in this parish on Tuesday the 31st ult. There was a large attendance and much interest was manifested in the proceedings. The formal opening will take place on Thursday evening, April 16th, and the rooms will be open every night except Sundays thereafter. It was decided to have the membership divided into two classes, junior and senior. At the meeting a report was presented from the committee appointed to draft the constitution and by-laws for the club. The officers and committees were elected: Hon. president, Rev. G. F. Davidson, M.A.; president, H. Westoby; 1st vice-pres., C. A. Beam; 2nd vice-pres., Dr. Wells; secretary, F. Burgess; treasurer, W. W. Duncan; librarian, W. P. Howard; Executive Committee, officers of the club, H. C. Scholfield, B. G. Gummer, A. Mosley, Rev. V. E. F. Morgan. Room Committee.-E. G. J. Mil-

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#### HURON.

John Philip DuMoulin, D.D., Bishop, Hamilton.

The Lord Bishop of the diocese will hold a visitation of the Rural Deanery of Huron from May 5 to 10, inclusive, for the purpose of holding Confirmations. Clergy having candidates for presentation are requested to send notice at once to the rural dean.

to Christ church, Vancouver, in succession to Rev. L. N. Tucker. The congregation express the deepest regret at this decision. His stay in London has not been long, but it has been long enough to lift the Memorial church to a position of remarkable progress and prosperity hitherto unattained. Mr. Owen has announced that the date of his departure is yet indefinite.

Listowel.—The Rev. A. P. Moore, formerly of this place, met with a sudden death recently at Detroit. He was attending the medical college there and also doing duty as rector of St. George's, Detroit. He underwent an operation for appendicitis, and five days later died at the Hospital. His body was brought to Princeton, his wife's home. He was well known in the county of Bruce where he was rector of Paisley for years. Then he became rector of Listowel which he left only in September last. He was of a bright, merry disposition, which won many friends, and the utmost grief and regret was felt at the startling announcement of his death. Few

run down when he went there, and he has laboured there with steady perseverance and gratifying success until his present appointment at Granton. He is an earnest, practical, self-denying and faithful pastor, and the parish of Granton is to be congratulated on securing him.

#### SASKATCHEWAN AND CALGARY.

William Cyprian Pinkham, D.D., Bishop, Calgary Strathcona.—Holy Trinity.—On the evening of March 22nd the Lord Bishop of the diocese held a Confirmation in this church when four persons received the rite of laying on of hands. The church was crowded to the doors with an attentive and reverent congregation.

Colchester.—St. Stephen's.—March 22nd was a Red Letter Day in the history of this parish, as it witnessed the completing act in the process of providing a "House of God" for the use of the parishioners. It was a perfect morning when the



THE RESURRECTION MORN.

Bayfield.—Trinity.—The annual missionary meeting was held in this church on Thursday evening, the 31st ult., when an earnest and practical address on the object of the General Missionary Association was given by the Rev. Rural Dean Hodgins, of Seaforth. The meeting was also taken advantage of to administer the Sacrament of Baptism to the incumbent's infant daughter. A good congregation was present. Good work is being done in this parish.

London.—St. James.—On Sunday evening, the 29th ult., the Bishop of the diocese held a Confirmation service in this church when he laid hands on thirty candidates. After the rite had been administered the Bishop delivered an impressive address. There was a very large congregation present, and the sacred edifice was crowded.

London.—Memorial Church.—The Rev. C. C. Owen, rector of this church, has accepted a call

of his brother clergy knew of the time or place of his burial, and were thus prevented from paying their last respects to one who will be much missed.

Granton.—The Rev. W. R. George leaves in the course of a few months for the diocese of Saskatchewan. He will be greatly missed in this parish and by very many of the clergy of the diocese. In his first parish (Charing Cross) and in this, he has endeared himself to a wide circle of friends. He is remarkably successful in dealing with young people, and this quality will prove a valuable one in the west. The younger clergy of Huron diocese especially, will greatly regret Mr. George's departure from their ranks. The Bishop has appointed the Rev. G. M. Kilty in his place. Mr. Kilty was for years a public school teacher, and then a merchant in the county of Huron, and entered the ministry with an exceptionally good business training. His first appointment was Delhi, which was very much Lord Bishop of the Diocese, 'accompanied by the rector and his wife, drove from Strathcona to Colchester, arriving in good time for the first service at 11 a.m. By this hour the church building was well filled, and the service for the consecration of the church was commenced. The petition for consecration was read by the rector, the Rev. G. H. Webb, and was signed by him and W. F. McLeod Hawkins and George McAllister, churchwardens, as well as by J. C. Andrews, B. Andrews and A. Stannard, on behalf of the congregation. The churchwardens and rector then preceded the bishops to the sanctuary steps, reading the 24th Psalm, after which the Bishop proceeded to the act of consecrating the church as a whole. Then followed the benediction of the Font, Altar, Choir, Lectern, Prayer Desk, each to their several offices in Divine worship, and the Sacraments and Rites of the Church. The Bishop then read the act of consecration, declaring the building to be set apart forever from all profane and common uses, and dedicated and consecrated to the worship of Almighty God under the name

of St. Stephen. This service was completed by

the celebration of the Holy Communion, of which

a large number of communicants partook. At

3,30 p.m. the congregation again assembled for

a double service, viz., that of Holy Baptism and

Holy Confirmation. At this service it was im-

possible for all to find seating accommodation,

and many had to stand throughout the entire ser-

vice. The Font, which had been blessed at the

morning service was now used for the first time

for the purpose of baptizing the grandson of the

donors of the Font, Stuart McLeod Hawkins,

son of William F. McLeod and Alice Elizabeth

Hawkins. The Apostolic Rite of Confirmation

was then administered by the Lord Bishop of the

diocese to four candidates who were presented by

the rector. The Bishop's addresses were very

earnest and practical, urging especially the real-

ization of the value of the gift of the Holy

Ghost as bestowed through the "Laying on of

Hands," and how best to make use of the gift re-

ceived. They were listened to with the keenest

attention by the large congregation present. At

the close of the service the Bishop returned to

Strathcona for the evening service. The Bishop,

the rector and his wife, the churchwardens, and

several friends were entertained at luncheon by

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Andrews of "City View" farm.

The Font, used for the first time at the afternoon

service, was given by the Rev. and Mrs. R. M.

Hawkins, of Heauton Rectory, England, who are

the parents of the present rectors warden. It

is a memorial to their daughter, the late Mrs.

George McAllister, who was so deeply interested

in the work of erecting the church, but who was

suddenly "called home" in the midst of an active

life of service, and whose body now rests be-

neath the shadow of the church she loved so well.

The Font is of Caen stone with a black marble

centre column and Portland stone footstep. It is

octagon in form and very beautiful in design. It

is the work of Wippell and Sons of Exeter, Eng-

land. The congregation are devoutly thankful to

the kind friends, who at the solicitation of Mr.

Wm. Hawkins, while in England this winter, con-

tributed so liberally from their means towards the

Building Fund that the debt upon the church has

COLUMBIA.

Rev. William Willcox Perrin, Victoria, B.C.

Victoria.-On the Festival of the Annunciation

the following address was presented to the Bishop,

signed by all the clergy of the diocese: "To the

Right Reverend Father in God, William Willcox,

Lord Bishop of British Columbia. We, the clergy

of the diocese offer to your Lordship our hearty

congratulations on the tenth anniversary of your

consecration. We acknowledge with thankfulness

to Almighty God the growth of the Church in

this diocese as shown in the placing of resident

clergy in the parishes of Cumberland, Alberni and

Ladysmith; and we share the hopes, which we

know are in your heart, that still further progress

may be made in the near future in supplying the

ministrations of the Church to the settlers on the

coast, the islands, and other outlying districts. In

this and all other work for the extension of the

Church, your Lordship may confidently count upon

the loyal and willing co-operation of your clergy

in the diocese. We are glad of this opportunity

to express our gratitude for the friendly sym-

pathy, and the many acts of personal kindness

which have so endeared our Bishop to us and

which for ten years have made our relations so

happy. We pray that your Lordship may be

spared for many years to be our chief pastor, and

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Mr. John R. Mott, when in Japan recently, is reported to have said that of all the schools he had visited in the Empire, St. Paul's College, Tokyo, stood highest in the proportion of Christian students and in the amount of Christian influence brought to bear upon the students as a whole. There are now 450 students in the college, nearly five times as many as there were five years ago. The general secretary of the World's Student Christian Federation reports that during the last

year 140 new associations or unions have been added to the student movements, and 17,000 students to their total membership. The largest proportional increase in membership has been in Japan and Germany, in each of which there has been an increase of thirty per cent.

#### Correspondence.

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#### TITHES.

Sir,-"Seeker after Light" wants to know the basis of our tithes. Each Christian should give a tithe of his gross income, no matter what his circumstances may be. God Almighty will make the remaining nine-tenths equal eleven-tenths; besides there is, in a spiritual sense, infinite gain. It is not an easy matter to give a tenth, but earnest, willing men are always helped.

H. J. LEAKE, Rural Dean of Wellington.

#### JAPAN.

Sir,—In your issue of 26 ult., there is a report of an address I gave at Kingston, a short time ago, in which I find the following sentence: "The speaker said that now he has 87,000 souls in his parish, with two lady assistants, as well as nine native teachers. There are 190,000 more in his parish than the whole Church of England in Canada numbers." It is obvious that your correspondent got his figures a little mixed or else that the printer did not put them all in. Possibly the latter thought that the number given -87,000-was as large as any missionary could possibly have under his care, and I believe your readers will agree with him that no clergyman, even with the assistance of two lady missionaries and nine native teachers, should have the responsibility of caring for a greater number; but the fact is that my "parish" in Japan, which I left last July, and which is now under the care of the Rev. H. J. Hamilton, contains more than ten times as many souls as the number above mentioned, viz., 870,000. The area of this district is only 619 square miles, but it is one of the most densely populated portions of the globe, having an average of over 1,400 people to the square mile. The chief town of this district is Nagoya, the fourth city of the Empire, with a population of about 240,000. In this centre the missionary lives, as do also the ladies, the three native women workers and three of the catechists. The other three catechists live and work in the three largest towns outside the great city, viz., Iohinomiya, thirteen miles distant, with 18,-000 souls; Tsushima, the same distance away in another direction, with 10,000 souls, and Inuyama, with a population of 7,000, seventeen miles off in a third direction. Besides these there are 110 other towns with a population of ever 1,000 each,

yet been preached. I want our brethren here in Canada, where there is a minister of the Gospel to every 500 or 600 of the population, to try to imagine how they would feel if they found themselves in such circumstances, as the above figures but faintly indicate, and to ask themselves if it is not time we sent more missionaries to Japan and other such fields, where the harvest is so great and the labourers so few? The above is but a fair sample of the "parishes" occupied by the eight clergymen of our Church now labouring in Japan, and it is almost three years since we sent out our last missionary. Shall we delay till those who went as our advance guard, expecting that there would be "more to follow," are forced to conclude that we have left them to fight the battle alone? I know it was suggested in your columns a few months ago that those who go forth to foreign lands while there is so much to be done at home, are lacking in patriotism, but surely that suggestion must have been made hastily and without due consideration of the meaning of our blessed Lord's own words: "The field is the world," "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." In regard to our responsibility towards home and foreign missionary work, it seems to me that the Master summed up the whole matter in His comprehensive saying: "This ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone." Trusting that you will be able to find space for this letter, believe me, with best wishes, yours faithfully, J. COOPER ROBINSON.

#### FATHERS AND MOTHERS.

Sir,-On the first page of your issue of March 19th you speak of the Legislature as bonusing the childless widow by providing that if her husband has left no will, she should only receive from his estate \$1,000 and a third. Would you, then, have her left penniless? Should she have no claim at all on her husband's estate? Most men, indeed, are careful to make their wills, and in the generality of cases will, if they have the means, make a more generous provision than this even for the childless widow. We have no right to assume that all who are childless are so because they have so forgotten the objects of marriage as to have made up their minds to have no children. I believe it will be found in very many cases of childlessness both husband and wife are very much disappointed that they have no children. The sin which I am afraid is very general is where parents make up their minds to have only one or two children. And this appears to me to be the chief cause of the low birth rate of Ontario, which is so much to be deplored. But in these cases, unless there be a will to the contrary, the whole of the husband's means belong to the bereaved family. Christian people in Ontario do, indeed, need to acknowledge the truth of the words of the Psalmist: "Children and the fruit of the womb are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

JOHN GRIBBLE.

#### A PRAYER-BOOK FOR THE PEOPLE.

Sir,—It is being suggested that an attempt be made to prepare a "Prayer-Book for the People." I have often wondered why we do not do as the Church does in the United States. There, every Prayer-Book is paged alike. No matter what edition or what sized type is used, the number of the page is the same. A clergyman announcing the Psalms, for instance, can, if he thinks it necessary, say: The Psalms for the twelfth day, page so and so. If there is occasion to use the occasional services, let us suppose it is the Baptismal Service, he simply says: The Baptismal Service is found on page so and so. Then, no matter how various the editions of the Prayer-

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Book used by the people may be, they simply turn up the prayer and there they are. This plan would do away with the need for Leaflet services in country places. The plan seems so simple that I have often wondered why it is not tried. Persons of other persuasions would take much more interest in the service in such a case, and at any rate it would take away the excuse one often hears them make, that they cannot find the places. Of course, were the service followed consecutively, there would be no need of mentioning the page, only when there was a jump from one part to another.

H. BEER.

## Family Reading.

GOOD FRIDAY.

Lo! the day of gloom and sadness Dawns upon earth once more, Day when our Divine Redeemer His most bitter Passion bore.

'Twas for this He left the glory
Which was His ere time began,
'Twas for this He was incarnate
And became the Son of Man.

Here He came in sweet compassion His lost sheep to seek and save, Bearing all their cares and sorrows From the manger to the grave.

O unfathomable mercy!
O eternal, boundless love!
Deeper than the depths of ocean,
Higher than the skies above.

God Incarnate, Love Eternal,
Meekly bears the heavy Tree
From the hall of condemnation
To the Mount of Calvary.

Now behold the spotless Victim
Royal with His thorny crown,
Priestly in His seamless vesture
Stained with blood drops flowing down.

See, they strip Him of His raiment, Nail Him to the tree of shame, Place His kingly title o'er Him With His ever-glorious Name.

To Thy Cross, then, dearest Saviour,
Let us lift our weeping eyes,
Prostrate there may we behold Thee,
God, our Dying Sacrifice.

Glorious Body! Thou art worthy
Of unceasing love and praise;
Precious Blood! Our hearts adore Thee
While upon the Cross we gaze.

O Thou Lamb of God once offered,
Purge our hearts from every stain,
By Thy Blood most precious flowing
From Thy sacred Body slain.

By Thy bitter Cross and Passion, Grant us, Lord, with Thee to die, And to wake in Thine own likeness, Which alone can satisfy.

-William Edgar Enman.

CURLEY'S CRYSTAL; OR, A LIGHT HEART LIVES LONG.

By Fmma Marshall.

"A man that looks on glasse
On it may stay his eye,
Or if he pleaseth, through it passe,
And then the Heaven espie."

-George Herbert.

Chapter II. Little Peter.

Curley's light heart was a kind heart, and he determined to get up very early the next morning that he might assist his mother in her preparations before he went to school.

Early as he was, Mrs. Crawford was before him, and he found her in the drawing-room on her hands and knees brushing the carpet with tea-leaves.

"What shall I do, mother?" Curley said; "and where are the girls?"

Sad to say, the girls were still in their beds, and I am afraid Mrs. Crawford was one of those mothers who do not sufficiently consider that by working too much for their children they are doing them an injury, and that it is no kindness to encourage in them selfishness by giving them no opportunity to be unselfish.

"Blanche was up late last night with her lessons; she won't be ready to get up before seven o'clock, and Olive is too delicate, poor child. As to you, Curley, you should be in your bed. There's nothing for you to do."

This was discouraging, but Curley was not discouraged.

"I can sweep the bedroom carpet, he said, and he ran off like an arrow from a bow to find another dustpan and brush, whistling as he went merrily downstairs.

But the whistling was soon checked. A grey head was put out of the bedroom on the ground

"Hold your noise, will you! I shall give your mother notice to-day," and the door was shut with a sharp bang.

Curley whistled no more, but he said to himself that the lodger in the parlour would not give notice. He had said the same thing fifty times.

Curley did really make himself very useful, and was handy and helpful. When his sister and Olive came down, the kitchen fire was lighted and the kettle on the hob.

"Where's mother?" Blanche asked, yawning.
"Settling up the drawing-room for the new lodgers," was the answer.

"I daresay they won't take the rooms after all; so many come and look, and go away again."
"This gentleman will take them; see if I am

not right"
Again Blanche yawned.

"I don't know that we are any better off when the drawing-room is let. It will make a fuss, and Olive and I shall have to pay for it."

"We've settled all that," said Olive, quickly.
"I shall stay at home, and you can go on at school. You are clever and I am not, so it is all

right."

Curley gave one of his most emphatic leaps over the back of a chair and said:

"You are clever enough to help mother, and I call it splendid."

As soon as the winter daylight crept in through the shutters, economy demanded that the gas should be put out, and then the lodgers' tea-trays were brought out, and the little brown loaf for Mr. Pegg in the parlour, with the pat of butter and slice of toast and the little black tea-pot and milk jug; the latter waiting for the arrival of the milkman, who was soon heard descending the area steps, and calling in his peculiar voice, "Milk!" London milk of rather a bluish tinge, which looked as if cream had never stood on it.

Miss Hack came down for her breakfast; she was glad to warm herself by the kitchen fire, and Mrs. Crawford always managed to give her some little thing out of her store. For Miss Hack had barely enough to support herself and several relations who were dependent on her. But she was always cheerful and uncomplaining, and set out on her daily round of teaching dull pupils their scales and exercises with a bright face.

Punctually at twelve o'clock a cab drew up to the door of number thirty-six, and Mr. Buck-hurst got out of it and then lifted out a pale, delicate-looking child, of six or seven years old.

Little Peter walked with the faltering, uncertain steps of the blind, clinging to Mr. Buck-hurst's hand.

"Is he afflicted, poor little boy?" Mrs. Crawford asked.

"I am not afflicted, ma'am," came in a silvery, childish voice, "but lately I have not been able to see very well, have I, Guardy?"

"No; and we have come to London to get a great doctor to find out, if he can, how to cure you."

"And let the light in again," Peter said. "I am glad of that. Everything looks so dark."

Mr. Buckhurst was not difficult to please. He said the drawing-room was very nice, and he exclaimed, "There's poor Smith's photograph!" "Yes sir; dear young gentleman! I shall keep it as long as I live. He put it there in that frame for me just before he left the house. That's the portrait of my late dear husband, sir;" and Mrs. Crawford pointed to a very large oil painting of a tall, stout man, with a merry face and little twinkling eyes. "My husband was always like that, and Curley takes after him with his light

heart."

"Please, is Curley your little boy?" Peter asked. "Guardy said there was a funny little boy last night. Where is he?"

"Yes, my dear; Curley is my only boy. He is at school, but he'll be home directly."

"Now, Mrs. Crawford," Mr. Buckhurst said, "I know nothing about housekeeping in England—or anywhere else for that matter—so just board us. Give us breakfast, dinner, supper, and the like, and I'll pay you in the lump."

"You know," Mr. Buckhurst continued, "I have been out in Africa for many years—at the gold diggings first and lately at the diamond mines. I shall have to go back, and if the child gets on with you I may leave him here. Now Peter, my boy, I must go back to the hotel and look after our baggage. You must stay here, and Mrs. Crawford will get you your dinner."

Mrs. Crawford was just turning over in her mind whether she should make the necessary purchases on credit, as she had but little ready money, when Mr. Buckhurst said:

"I had better hand you five pounds on account. Mrs. Crawford," and he took out of his pocket-book a delightfully clean crisp Bank of England note, and handed it to Mrs. Crawford.

How acceptable it was! It was not often that Mrs. Crawford handled a bank-note.

"Thank you, sir, I am sure," she said. "I'll keep a book regular, and you will find, I hope, sir, all things correct."

"Oh, yes," Mr. Buckhurst said, in a careless way, I am not afraid. Good-bye, Peter, for the present."

"When will you take me to the doctor, Guardy?"
"Not to-day. I shall have to make an appointment with him. Come, don't look doleful, my boy. This good lady will be very kind to you, I am sure."

"Indeed I will, sire and Curley will be in from school soon. Here my dear, come near the fire. and I'll tuck you up in this casy Chair I doll have to get direct ready, so I'll leave you for a

Poor Peter was very nearly crying but he strappled matically against his tears.

"Hi you please, ma'am, have you a little kitten or an old cat, to keep me company? I like to feel something near me that's alive, you know: it is more comfortable."

"Dear bless the child! What a little old-fashioned thing he is. I have g t a cat downstairs. but she is not very sociable. She eats so many black beetles, and she is very thin, though we always spare her a drop of milk. But." said Mrs. Crawford, "if you will wait till Curley comes in. I think he does know of a kitten. I heard him telling of two. Mr. Bond, his master, had got. He won't be long if you'll wait."

"Yes, I'll wait." said Peter, with a sigh; "but I hope it won't be very long."

Mrs. Crawford shut the door and Peter was left alone. Then he did not mind crying; there was no one there to see, and he sobbed in childish fashion till he was tired out, and then he fell

It was asleep that Curley, rushing upstairs on his return from school, found him. Curley stopped short and gazed curiously upon the sleeping child. His pale face, still wet with tears, awoke the strongest sympathy in Curley's heart -that light heart which had known no sorrow. for his father had died before he could remember anything, and nothing had happened since to cloud his sunny temperament.

As Curley stood spellbound, looking at Peter. he exclaimed aloud:

"My be looks like wax! And how he has been crying! I am sorry for him, that I am!"

The quick ears of the blind catch sound even in sleep, and Cur'ey's voice awoke Peter.

"Where am 1?" he said. "Did anyone call

Then the large gentian coloured eyes appeared from under the white lids with their deep tringe, and Curley saw at once there was something strange about them.

"Who are you, please?" Peter said. "I can't see; that is why Guardy has brought me to England to get a doctor to make my eyes better."

"I am Curley Crawford, you know," Curley said, "my mother lets lodgings, and you have come to the drawing-room." And Curley added, emphatically, "I am very glad you have come."

"Thank you," Peter said, his lips still trembling. "Would you mind coming nearer?"

Curley obeyed, and stooping down, Peter passed his hand over his face and head.

"You have a great lot of hair," he said, "and it is very curly."

"Yes," Curley said; "that's why they call me Curley, though my real name is Charley."

"Do you think you could get me a little kitty, please? Mrs. Landlady said she thought you could get one. I should be so pleased; for, you know, when I am quite alone, I feel as if I wanted something near to touch."

"Poor little chap!" Curicy said. "Yes, I believe I can get you a kitten. I'll see about it." "Thank you," said Peter again. "Please who lives in this house?"

"Old Mr. Pegg in the parlour, but he is as cross as two sticks; and Miss Hack, in a little room under mine. I sleep in a little attic, you know, and then mother and the girls sleep in a room above this."

"What girls?"

"Blanche, my sister, and Olive, my cousin. You will see Olive soon, for I heard mother say she was to wait on you. You know," Curley continued, "if I had only finished with school I should wait on the lodgers, for I don't care how often I run upstairs and down again. I like it. I go down foremost, on hands and knees, like a Hor and I slide down the banisters-of course I easit do that when my hands are full-and I con to all kinds of tricks."

"Tricks!" Peter repeated, enquiringly.

"Yes, I'd show you," and Curley forthwith began a series of contortions, till suddenly he stopped, for he remembered that Peter could not see. "What a duffer I am!" he said. "H forgot. Well, never mind. Have you come a long journey?"

"Yes," Peter said. "From the Cape, in Africa. I liked the ship, and the sailors were so kind to me, and I liked the sound the waves made. We lived in a very quiet place at the Cape. Guardy took care of me when my father died; he was a great friend of his."

"Have you got a mother, Peter?" Curley

"No, not here," was the answer.

"Have you left her behind?" "No; I have got her in heaven, you know; she died when I was a baby. I have a box full of her things, and when it comes I will show them to you if you like."

"Oh, I should like very much; what sort of things are they?"

There are a lot of things; one is a big stone called a crystal. My mother was very fond of it, and father, just before he died, told me never to part with it."

"Is it a big diamond?"

"No, I don't think it is a diamond. Guardy would have told me if it had been, but it is very white and clear, and father said he used to call mother his crystal. I don't know why,' unless it was that her name was Christine, and that is rather like crystal, isn't it?"

Curley's curiosity was quickly excited, and he looked forward with intense longing for the arrival of Peter's box.

But Peter's dinner was brought up, and Curley was called down to his, and yet no luggage came. Surely, in the afternoon, when he came back from school, the box would have arrived. But no, he had to help his mother, and carry up Mr. Pegg's tea, for Olive could not leave school till a week's notice had been given, and besides, though she was very willing, she was not so handy as Curley, and as to Blanche, she got out her books as if there were no new lodgers at all, and became quite absorbed in them, knitting her dark brows over them, and apparently quite unconscious of everything-passing around her.

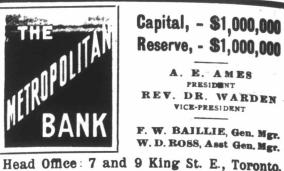
Blanche was one of those too common and selfish people, who look upon their own concerns as the first to be considered. Perhaps Miss Hack and some others were right when they said Mrs. Crawford spoiled Blanche. And, indeed, Mrs. Crawford was answerable for the little help or comfort her only daughter was to her.

"Blanche is a scholar, and it is not for those who are not scholars to judge her. She is a good deal cleverer than her mother, and if she chooses to get on in her own way, I shan't stop her. Olive is a good little thing, but she is not fit to hold a candle to Blanche. Blanche will be a pupil-teacher, and if she passes the examining paper she will be taken to the Training College, and it will be the making of her."

"There are other ways of 'making' your daughter," old Mr. Pegg had said. "Make her useful, ma'am, and agreeable and good-natured. She looks like a thunder-cloud if ever she does enter my room to answer a bell. I never care to see her, I can tell you! What's the use of book-learning, if it does not make people useful? Yes, I say useful and good-tempered."

Mr. Pegg might be right in part of his remarks, but the manufacture of good temper is not an easy one, and-it must be confessed-a nature like Blanche Crawford's was not an easy one to deal with.

Her bright, happy brother seemed to concentrate the sunshine of the house in his own little



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(To be continued.)

#### LILIES.

Written for Canadian Churchman. Over the fair Bermudas Falleth the hush of night; Fadeth the sunset's purple, Fadeth its amber light; But the fields of the Easter lilies Far o'er the fair isles gleam Soft through the drifting shadows,

Over the fair Bermudas Ringeth the evensong; Out from each lofty steeple Swelleth the music long. And the files, the fragrant lilies Waft on the song-filled air, Up from each snowy chalice Incenses sweet and rare.

Pure as an angel's dream.

Over the fair Bermudas Falleth the moonlight pale, Tremulous, still and tender, Soon as the sunbeams fail. And the lilies, the spotless lilies, Jewelled with dews of night, Stand like a troop of angels Spreading their wings of white.

Over the fair Bermudas Bendeth heaven's dome, of blue, Bright with a million star worlds, Fadeless, and clear, and true. And the lilies, the star-like lilies, Lustred with heaven's light, That downward drifts through the azure, Gladden the dusky night.

Far from the fair Bermudas, Over the ocean wide, Ringeth the joyous anthem Of the glad Easter-tide; But the lilies, the pure sweet lilies There in the sacred fane, Once in those isles sea-girdled. Bloomed 'neath the sun and rain. —Lilian.

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A GENTLE BOY.

He never does a rude, rough thing, My papa, kind and true, I look at him and think inside, "I'd like to be like you."

My grandma watches when he goes, And says to me and Nan, "There, children, look and you will see.

A real, true gentleman."

I know I am too small for folks To call me that just yet, But if I try-oh, very hard-And never scold or fret

I can be-well, a gentle boy, And make my papa glad That I belong to him, and am His own, own little lad!

THE FIRST COAT OF PAINT.

Father was painting the woodwork of the dining-room. Robert had been watching him for some time, and thought it was very easy and pleasant

"I would like to try painting a little while. May 1?"

"Oh! yes. There must always be a first time."

Robert took the brush. How clumsy his fingers seemed, after all. But he went bravely on, father watching in the meantime. Now and then he gave him words of encouragement and instruction, so that he went on quite bravely, and father went away for a little while.

When he came back he saw that Robert was slighting his work in places. The paint was not smooth, and streaks plainly appeared.

"Robert," he said, "remember that the streaks will show plainly when the paint is dry."

"But you're going to put on two coats, aren't you?" he asked, somewhat sharply. "If you do, the last time over will cover the streaks."

"But we must put on the first coat just as well as if there was to be no second one," said the father, patiently. "It is just as important as to do the work well the last time."

Since that time Robert has grown to be a man, but he has not forgotten his father's words. He has noticed that many do work just as he started to do that day when painting the dining-room, but whenever he has been tempted to do so, the words of his father have come back to him: "Do your work just as if there was to be no second coat."

"Have you thoroughly mastered all the rules in this lesson?" asked a teacher of his class in mathematics

Most of the class thought they had done their work well. One boy thoughtfully said:

"I can't say that I have the second rule, sir. But I thought I could master it when the review came.

"It isn't safe to slip over the work in that way, George," was the quiet reply. "You are not sure that you will have the time when review comes.

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Do you not think it would be better to master each lesson as we go along and let the review take care of it-

George flushed, but he saw the point, and was not caught that way

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#### A BOY'S FRESH BEGINNING.

"There's that dog. I've always said I'd have it out with him for the ill turn he did me, and I'll begin now."

Walking along a little side street. Robert Wells, as he approached a corner, saw through some bushes a dog to which he assumed that he owed a grudge.

It was only a few weeks since he had begun to cherish the grudge. At that time the earth, now lying under a wintry sky, had smiled beneath the fall sun and crisp air of late October. As Robert recalled a certain evening a flush arose to his face, for it was one which he would gladly have blotted from his memory.

'Squire Granger had in his orchard some trees of a choice variety, bearing the late-maturing apples.

"I don't think it would be more than fair for us to share those apples with the 'Squire.

The words were said by a boy who had recently come to the small town. Robert had made friends with him at once, and all who knew Robert were ready to say that the friendship had been of no advantage to him.

"Perhaps the 'Squire wouldn't think so," said Robert.

"We wouldn't consult him about it. I don't see why all those apples should have been made just for 'Squire Granger. It was sun and wind and rain that made them what they are, and aren't sun and wind and rain free to all?"

The result of the talk was that, on one dark evening Robert and Harvey went for their share of the fruit. Not withstanding all their caution, the 'Squire's dog heard their movements, and with loud barks came flying into the orchard. Evidently he did not agree with the boys in their opinion of their rights to the fruit, for he seized on Robert and held him until the Squire came. After a severe tongue-thrashing, Robert was released with torn clothing and a scratched arm. Harvey had made his escape and never was called to account for his share in the matter.

"Yes, I'll give that dog a little whack."

The first snow of the season lay on the ground, and Robert had, as he walked, been forming in his hand a snow-ball, which was now hard as ice. He took careful aim through a gap in the bushes and threw it with all his

There was a dismal howl from the poor dog, followed by a loud, angry exclamation. Robert had not seen that the Squire was a little way behind the dog. From his concealment he saw the old man bend over the dog, which lay motionless on the ground.

A thrill of alarm, mingled with a little remorse, shot through Robert's

heart. He had not intended to severely hurt the dog, only to give him a good tap.

"You rascal! I believe you have killed him."

Robert did not wait to hear more, but quietly dodged into an alley, and was soon some distance off on the way to school. He did not know that Jimmy Day, a younger boy than himself, had been coming along the road toward the Squire, amusing himself by making snow-balls and idly flinging them in various directions. He did not see the Squire hurry toward him, and, with the words he had heard, seize him with a relentless

But Robert did know, when the angry man, dragging Jimmy by the arm, entered the school room, after the session had begun, and spoke angrily to the teacher.

"This boy killed my dog. I want him punished—yes, expelled."

"I didn't, Miss Dale," said Jimmy in great distress.

"He was the only person about that could have done it," said the Squire. "He was throwing snow-balls, and one hit the dog."

"I didn't even see him," protested Jimmy. "I wouldn't kill a dog for the world."

Miss Dale was sadly perplexed, but finally succeeded in getting the 'Squire to consent to allow the matter to wait for further enquiry. He went away, declaring that Jimmy's father should pay a large price for the dog.

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picture of hopeless distress. Robert sat still in his, but the afternoon hours wore away without his making any attempt at study. He received a sharp reproof from the teacher at the close of school, and hurried away with a "don't care" ex-

Going to his room when he reached home, he laid out a few articles of clothing, which he packed in a small valise brought from the attic. Twilight of the short winter's day was beginning to close in, as, striving to avoid observation, he made his way out of the house.

"It's too light yet. I'd better wait a little."

He stole into the barn and climbed into the hay loft.

"O-who is it? Why, how you frightened me, Rob!"

Robert was almost equally startled,

as suddenly appeared before him the form of his only sister, a little older Disconcerted and than himself. thrown off his guard, he forgot to hide his valise.

"What are you doing here, Marg?" "I just ran out to see if I could find some eggs. I'm going to make some pop-overs for supper. But what are you doing? O Rob!"

She gave a little scream at sight of the valise. In some of his bitter moments of late he had flung out suggestions of an intention of going away from home, but Margery had always laughed at them.

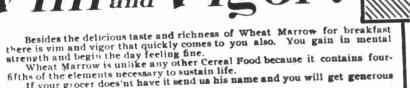
"O. Rob," she repeated, with a gasp, "You're not—you don't mean—"

"Yes, I do, Margie," he said, kindly. "I'll be a good riddance to all of you." "You know better than-than that."

Margery gave a little sob. "Is it be-

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"Who are you angry with, then?" "It's not so much I'm angry aswell, I'm ashamed. I shall be off and never let you know where I am. If you take it kindly, like the dear, good girl you are, I shall let you hear from me-let you know how I'm getting along when I've turned over a new leaf, and shall be so you'll all be proud

"O; but, but-"

Margery's heart ached with its burden. She could see it all—the folly of the boy's going away through his mortified pride, his honest shame in himself. There was so much to be kaid, she knew, and yet in her trouble and perplexity she could not say it. O, for some wiser head and readier tongue to deal with this!

"You are not going before supper?",

"Yes; I have a little money with

"I shall go in and get you some thing. Will you wait?"

"Margie, if you tell, I'll never for give you."

"I won't. O, O, O-what shall I do? What shall I say?" She ran to the house half wild. "O Lord, I don't know what to do, but you know I can't do anything, but you can."

Hurrying back, she brought a lunch wrapped in a napkin, with a newspaper outside.

"That's my dear girlie," said Robert. He still sat on the hay; for the afterglow of the sunset seemed to his impatience to linger long. "Now, when I've made a beginning among people that don't know how I've fooled with my chances here at home -." He paused, looking to see why Margery seemed to be paying little attention to words she ought to think so important. Her eyes were cast down upon the paper parcel which she still held.

"'Begin again!" she read. "Here it is, Rob, dear. You can read this when you are by yourself. O listen: Every day a fresh beginning,

Every morn is the world made new. Yet ye who are weary of sorrow and

Here is a beautiful hope for you. "And here, Rob:"

All the past things are past and over-"That isn't so," said Rob, gloomily. But Margery went on:

The tasks are done and the tears are shed;

Yesterday's errors, let yesterday

"And O, see here, Rob:

God in His mercy, receive, forgive them.

"And this is how it ends:

Every day is a fresh beginning,

Listen, my soul, to the glad refrain, And spite of old sorrow and older sinning,

And puzzle forcasted and possible pain,

Take heart with the day and begin

She looked up. The boy took it gently from her hand and read it over: Let them go, since we cannot relieve

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"I'm not quite so bad as that," he said, thoughtfully. "I—well, I can't undo, but I could atone. I s'pose I might, if I wanted to clear up things and start again. But I don't want to," impatiently. "I want to get away from it all."

"But, Robbie-to begin new here. How happy we should all be!"

"You see, Marg"-still with irritation in his tone-"I should make a clean breast of things. I'd have to go before the whole school. Think what everybody would say-how the boys would laugh and sneer."

If there are times when it comes to poor human tongues to speak as if inspired, it certainly came to Margery now-an inspiration called down by her love and prayer.

"If you tell out everything in school, there will be nothing left for anybody to say. If you tell your very worst, no one can say any worse of you. And I'm sure there isn't a boy living that wouldn't be disarmed by the sight of a boy saying fairly and honestly that he's been in the wrong and is very sorry for it. They all know themselves how hard it is. Rob"her pleading arms were about him-"don't you know this," touching the valise, "will-will make you have a great deal more to atone for-your making us all suffer so?"

Robert looked out of the sashless window. It was a cold, bleak world, and none in it were waiting to be kind to him. A light shone from the window of the house. In there were warmth, brightness, mother's love, and father's forgiveness. And he was going to cast a shadow there-about to add to his sins against them an inconceivably greater one, because he could not face conditions he had deliberately brought about.

"Margie," he said, "why don't you call me a coward?"

"You never have been that," she said bristling.

"That's what I've been, thinking of this. But you'll see if I have any bravery.",

"You'll stay?" with a joyous little

He put his arms about her, and they

went in the house together. "I'll face it, I will. Father first,

and then the rest of it." , It would be a tug-how much easier it would be to run away from it. But after it would come the beautiful, blessed fresh beginning, and the going on from it to the noble boyhood which leads to all that is best and highest in manhood.—The Christian Advocate.

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Another time he made his way to the hen-house, where there was a nest containing a number of eggs. The mother hen flew about screaming with fear. When she saw him breaking the eggs as fast as he could, she set upon him and gave him so many sharp bites with her bill that he ran off in great pain.

That was the last visit he paid to the hen-house, nor would he again touch an egg.

#### CLEAN HANDS.

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they look like, it is what they do He cares about. Hands that are deceitful, hands that are cruel to any of the helpless creatures living in His world, greedy hands, always taking more than their fair share of good things, lazy hands that never work with a will-these are the hands that are black and ugly in God's eyes.

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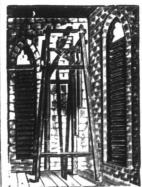


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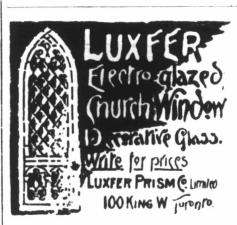
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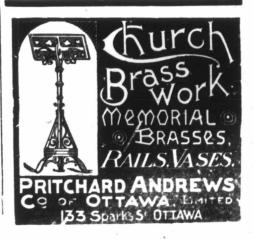
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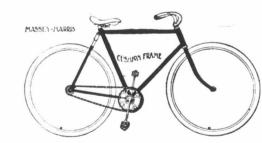
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