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Aug. 4. Seventh Sunday aft. Trinity

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" 18. Ninth

" 24. Saturday. S. Bartholomew Ap, and M.

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#### "OUR MESSENGER."

ALL Churchmen in the Diocese should subscribe to "Our Messenger," as it is not only a most invaluable means for the circulation of information that could not otherwise be spread through the Diocese, but is also of great use in making our wants known in England and the eastern parts of Canada.

lation before the end of the year we shall be reluctantly compelled to discontinue publication.

All communications for insertion should be sent to "Editor of 'Our Messenger,' S. John's College, Qu'-Appelle Station, by the 20th of the month, or, if possible, sooner.

We shall be glad to insert letters on matters relating to the Church, or of general interest with regard to the Northwest; also, we should be glad to answer any questions that may be asked, whether anonymously or not.

The clergy are particularly requested to gather in all subscriptions within their districts, and to send them to Mr. Dawson before the end of this month. In our Unless we can increase the circu- next will be published the receipts from the several districts for the year.

## Piocesan Intelligence.

#### The Bishop's Visits.

Aug. 4. Touchwood, Gordon's Reserve.

11. Touchwood, the Agency, &c.

Katepwa, Confirmation.

" 18. Qu'Appelle Station.

25. Esterhaz, Sumner, and Kinbrae.

Sept. 1. Churchbridge and Saltcoats.

8. Fort Pelly.

15. Qu'Appelle.

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and Craven).

On Sunday, June 23d, the Holy Rite of Confirmation was administered at Grenfell, in the morning, when five were confirmed (1 male, 4 females); and at Broadview, in the afternoon, when ten were confirmed (2 males and 8 females).

On Friday, the 28th, a little church was consecrated at English Village, about twenty miles northeast of Moosejaw. The church, which is dedicated to S. John the Evangelist, is beautifully situated at the junction of the Moosejaw and Qu'Appelle Valleys. The Bishop also admitted Mr. W. Outerbridge as a lay reader for the district at this service.

On Saturday night the Bishop went by train to Pense, and on Sunday morning, the 30th, consecrated the church that has been erected there, by the name of All Saints. In the afternoon he drove to Regina, where he preached at the evening service, and also, at the same time, gave licence to Mr. Harrison, as lay reader for Hednesford.

On Tuesday, July 2d, a meeting of the Executive Committee was held at the Rectory, Regina There were present: the Bishop, the Treasurer, Revs. W. E. Brown, L. Dawson, A. Krauss, and Messrs. R. Dundas Strong and O. P. Skrine. The Secretary was unavoidably prevented from being present by illness.

The chief business was the consideration of an application for increased assistance by the Rev.Owen Owens for his school on Gordon's The Committee, while Reserve. fully appreciating Mr. Owen's work and his desire to extend it, regretted their inability to grant his request owing to lack of funds. The Committee, however, increased Mr. Owens's stipend by \$100 and made an allowance of \$72 for certain improvements he had been obliged to make. They, also, increased a former vote of \$100 for a new church to \$200.

Another question of considerable importance that came before the Committee was with regard to the Grant of 40 acres that the Government now gives to all Mission stations. It seems that the Government has now decided to charge a fee of \$10 on all such Grants. The Committee passed a resolution advising all the clergy to make immediate application for such Grants, for any place where services are now being held. It was considered by the Committee, that

as the land is for the benefit of the particular district, even, though, it is vested in the Synod, the fee of \$10 should be paid by each district.

In all applications for these Grants the clergy are required:

- 1. To give a clear description of the exact portion required by metes and bounds and legal subdivisions.
- 2. To make a statutory declaration that the land is required for the purposes of the Church, and is not being used for any other purpose whatsoever.

The application should be sent first to the Dominion Land Agent, in whose Agency the land is situated, in order to ascertain that there is no previous claim on the land.

The Rev. W. G. Lyon and W. Fisher were re-elected a sub-committee for the management of purchase of horses and conveyances, &c., where such are provided out of the general funds.

The Executive Committee received a communication from the Vestry of Regina, stating that that Parish had agreed to become self-supporting.

It is a subject of satisfaction that, there is at length, one Parish in the Diocese that is self-supporting. We trust some others may shortly be ambitious to attain to this distinction.

The S. John's School for Boys, Qu'Appelle Station, will open under Mr. T. A. Owen, in September. Fees: \$80 per term (three in year), from which a deduction of 10% will be made for payment in advance. Tuition only, \$15 per term.

On entrance, \$10 in lieu of bedding, and also \$2 for a boys' library.

The Report of Synod is now printed, and can be obtained from any of the clergy.

The sermon, on "Zeal for the Church," preached by the Bishop at Evensong on the day of the Synod, has been printed by request, and can be had from the clergy, price five cents.

Wanted.—Does any one happen to have a copy of the February number of "Our Messenger" for 1888? The Bishop would be exceedingly obliged to anyone who would send him one of that number to make up a set.

The settlers at Cannington Manor are in great want of a piano tuner. We have been asked to make this want known, and to say that there are five or six pianos in the neighborhood that need attending to. Any person knowing of a competent tuner who could undertake the work is requested to communicate with James Humphrys, Esq., Cannington Manor, stating terms, &c. Cannington is about forty miles south of Moosomin.

On Thursday night, the 4th, the Bishop started from Qu'Appelle for his visit to the country south of Moosomin. On arriving at Moosomin, he found Mr. Cartwright waiting for him, and in a few hours a start was made for Cannington. The forty miles drive, especially the part between the two Pipestones, is as uninteresting as it was three years ago; scarcely any more houses are seen. At

Cannington itself, however, a very remarkable change has taken place. gregations at all the services. Several new families have come in, and houses of a substantial, and even palatial, character have been built, the interiors of which make one almost forget that one is in the Northwest of Canada, and fancy that one is back again in England. There is nothing like them to be found anywhere else Capt. Pierce, in the Northwest. the founder of this settlement, whose death, last year, was much lamented, must have had a wonderful imaginative power to select for his own settlement, and afterwards to attract thereto so many others, a spot forty miles from the railway, that seems in itself to outsiders to differ very little from the rest of the prairie, except, perhaps, in its nearness to the well wooded and watered Moose Moun-The Mountains themselves, however, almost entirely belong to Indian reserves. The little log church in the village has been well plastered, and looks, with its low roof, tower, and cruciform ground plan, more like a little village church of England, than any other church in the Diocese. The clergyman's house, which was never quite completed, sadly needs repairs and plastering before it is taken possession of by a married clergyman. We were glad that the parishioners are fully conscious of this need, and have determined to do all that is necessary before the arrival of Mr. Agassiz.

On Sunday there was a Celebrat on of Holy Communion, at 8.30; Matins and Litany at 11; Confirmation, at which candidates. males and females, were presented, in the afternoon, and Even-

There were very good consong.

Monday and Tuesday the Bishop spent in visiting among the people. On Wednesday a start was made for the south country, an account of which, written by Mr. Cartwright, appeared in our number, and which, as we then announced, was to be divided into a separate district under Mr. Cartwright's charge. Our first stage was a short one, only about 15 miles, to Dennington P.O., the homestead of Mr. Kisby, but we were anxious to visit on our way a woman who was to have been Confirmed on the Sunday, but who did not appear. We heard she was ill, and we found that this was what prevented her from being present. Our next day was a very long and tedious one—to the Souris Coal Fields, about 45 miles—35 miles of which was across country without an inhabited house or a drop of water. The heat, also, intense. To our dismay, when we arrived at the stopping house where we had intended to put up, we found that the owners were away at Alameda, and only a few little children left in charge of one another and the house. Though the horses were naturally very much done, we thought we should have to press on some six or seven miles more, but fortunately Mr. Cartwright remembered some people (Mr. Price and family) who lived in the valley close to the Souris River, only about a mile distant. We hastened on and were most hospitably entertained for the night. It was a most delightful spot, and it was a real pleasure to be once more by the side of a river with wooded banks. Hearing of some young Unfortunately, however, there is Englishmen who had lately arriv- such a difficulty in getting hay ed and taken up land about two this year, that some of the neighmiles on the other side of the bors would have to be away for river, the next morning, while our several days searching the country horses rested, we walked off to for miles around. We visited the pay them a visit. Our old friend two nearest neighbors, about one Robinson Crusoe could scarcely mile each. They were delighted have hit upon a more secluded or | at the prospect of having a clergypicturesque spot than these Eng- man nearer than the 50 miles at lishmen had chosen. In a glen so which he had hitherto been living. thickly wooded that we could not A very large amount of land has see them until within a few yards been taken up near here, this year, we at length found them busily and the people will be coming to engaged plastering their log hut. live on their homesteads next They were all three Churchmen, spring. If the time should ever and were heartily glad to hear come for building a stone church that there was a prospect that here, there will certainly be no they would soon have services lack of stone for the purpose. within a few miles. One showed | Close behind Mr. Cartwright's us a photograph of his home in house these rises a littles hill England The pretty house, the neat lawn, the tennis party, one of the players being his brother "now ordained," contrasted strangely with the present rough surroundings. After dining at our hospitable host's, we set forth again for a twenty mile drive east to Alameda, or rather to the house of Mr. Hayter, sr., some six miles to the south of Alameda. Here we were very hospitably entertained till Sunday morning. On Satur day we drove some six miles to the south to visit the site of Mr. Cartwright's future home. has chosen a delightful spot on the banks of the Souris river. Besides the river, he has two springs of water close to his house. The site of the future "turf" parsonage had been duly staked out, and it was waiting for one of the settlers, who had promised to come and dig the cellar. In a few days called, to raise the turf walls.

which is literally one mass stones. The top of the hill, which is just by a bend in the river, would be a magnificent site for a church, but we fear the stones would make it quite impossible to drive to it.

On Sunday morning we drove about two miles to the Alameda school house, where an excellent congregation (about 50) met for morning service. After dining at Alameda, we drove on to Carnduff (25 miles) for Evensong at 7. p.m. There the school room was crowded, several sitting outside, many having come from considerable distances. There were nearly 70 present. At Carnduff we were hospitably entertained by John Lee. On Monday morning we drove some ten miles south to visit one of the people who had been present at the service on the previous evening and for Mr. Cartthey were to have a "bee," as it is wright to make arrangements for holding services in that district, which is about sever miles from the frontier of the United States, and twelve miles from the border of Manitoba. The people in this district have mostly been settled there six or seven years. They came in in 1882 and 1883 as it was thought almost certain that a railway would be made immediately. This year the hopes that have been so long delayed have again been raised, and this accounts for the rush there has been lately for homesteads, though the new settlers are not yet residing.

Our stopping place on Monday night was Mr. King's, fifteen miles north of Carnduff. The day was most intensely hot—the hottest we had in our expedition—and truly glad were we, after the 35 miles drive under the broiling sun, for the usual cool refreshing evening of the Northwest. The next morning, too, brought a most refreshing and welcome rain. a whole month and more the country had been parched with scorching sun and drought. The crops were withered and even the grass could not grow. The farmers everywhere seemed utterly despair. It was the worst year they had known, for even in 1886 there had been feed for the cattle. But now at length the rain had come, and for four hours it descended in torrents. The spirits of the farmers seemed to go up as if by magic. Though too late to get a good crop, it might even now save some, and the grass, at all events, would take a fresh start. Never was rain more welcomed. We only hoped that it was general over the Northwest. However, it stopped about 11, and we started on our 30 mile drive back to Cannington. After a rest of a couple of days we proceeded northwards again. At a half-way house to Mooosomin Mr. Cartwright left the Bishop and went on to Moosomin, where he had to get a tent and other things for his new district. The Bishop was met by Mr. Salmon, who drove him to his house, about three miles distant, and four miles from the church at Fairmede, where service was to be held on Sunday morning.

Saturday was spent in visiting some of the Church-people in the neighborhood, and in the evening the Rev. W. Nicolls, who has succeeded Mr. Brown as clergyman in charge of this district, arrived. good congregation assembled on Sunday morning. Immediately after service we had to start for Wapella (fifteen miles), where service was to be at 3, as Mr. Nicolls had to hurry on for an evening service at Whitewood, about nineteen miles The little church at Wafurther. pella is in a very ricketty condition, as it was raised ready to be moved to another site last fall, but the moving was not accomplished, and now it is very one-sided, and every gust of wind makes it feel as if it might tumble over. However it was quite filled with a hearty congregation. The Bishop returned by the night train to Qu'Appelle, and thus ended a pleasant Visitation tour of about 250 miles, only marred by the general distress of the settlers at the longcontinued drought and bad prospects for the coming winter, especially for those who owned cattle.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Let us begin our heaven upon earth, and being ourselves tempt-

ed, let us be pitiful and considerate and very generous in judging others."

## Local Intelligence.

#### Grenfell and Broadview.

Mr. H. S. Akehnrst, who had served for two years as lay reader in this parish, was ordained to the office of deacon, in the church, on Trinity Sunday. We congratulate him on receiving this well-earned promotion. He has been appointed to act as assistant-curate at Regina; while the Rev. G. N. Dobie, deacon, has come to Grenfell in his place, to act as assistant to Mr. Baker.

The Confirmation to which we had been looking forward for several months, took place on the 23rd of June, too late to notice in last month's magazine. The Bishop was welcomed by large congregations, both at Grenfell and Broadview, and all alike-clergy and candidates and people-will long remember with gratitude the strengthening and helpful services. The number of those who received Confirmation was altogether fifteen, five at Grenfell and ten at Brodview, of whom may none be wanting in the day when the Lord "makes up His jewels."

#### BAPTISMS.

- May 21. Thomas Dixon, Ellisboro.
  - 26. Flossie Boston, Grenfell.
  - 26. Robt. Hy. Dixon, Grenfell.
- June 2. Ethel May Bawden, Cotham.
  - 9. Sarah Barbara Switzer, Grenfell.
  - " 23. Oliver Frederick Aston, Grenfell.

- July 7. Henry Francis Price Green, Grenfell.
  - 7. Rosemary Gwilliam, Grenfell.

#### Church Stables.

#### AN EXCELLENT PLAN.

We frequently hear of the difficulty experienced in coming to church, by settlers who live at some distance, from having no stables in which to put up their horses, near at hand. The difficulty is of course chiefly felt in country districts, but even in towns it is felt to some extent, from the expense of frequently putting up in livery stables. On the other hand the first cost of erecting church stables is greater than the Church people in some districts can bear. An expedient has been devised at Cannington which we think might be found most useful in many other places. An excellent stable—six double and two single stalls—has been built near the church, at a cost of about \$230. About half this amount was raised by a contribution from the Church funds and general subscriptions; the rest wa raised by subscriptions of \$15, giving the subscriber the right to the use of one stall on week days for a year. On Sundays the stable is absolutely free for the horses of any people attending the church, the stall holders having no rights on that day. The sum to be hereafter paid annually by stall holders will have to be fixed in the future, as the committee of management may determine. The stable is thus a very great convenience to many persons even on week days, and

will in the future be a source of income to the Church, besides its special usefulness on Sundays. Where such a stable is built special arrangements ought to be made for any great holidays that may be kept in a parish, such as the day of "sports," &c., as on these days, with judicious management, a good revenue might be reaped.



QU'APPELLE, AUG. 1, 1889.

The Bishop of Lincoln and the "Ornaments Rubric,"

PAPER II. - HISTORY AND MEAN-ING OF THE RUBRIC.

THE rubric before the Morning Prayer concerning "Ornaments was first inserted in the Prayer Book almost, though not quite, in its present form at the Revision of the Prayer Book that took place in 1559, the year after Queen Elizabeth came to the throne. rubric, however, had the addition of the words "according to the Act of Parliament set in the beginning of this book." The Act referred to (1 Eliz., c. 2, sec. 25) laid down the rule stated in the rubric, adding, "until other order shall be there- more advanced book in the direc-Queen's Majesty, with the advice the former, the further alterations of her Commissioners," &c.

pose of Queen Elizabeth to bring back the use of the Reformed Books.

During the reign of Henry VIII. the only Service that had been revised was the Litany, which had been set forth for public use in its present form, and very nearly in its present words, on June 11, 1544. "All the other parts of Divine Service continued to be celebrated according to the several books and Uses" then existing.

Edward VI. succeeded to the throne January 28, 1547, and during his reign two revised Service Books were issued and ordered to be used. The first was ordered. by the Act of Uniformity (Stat. 2 & 3 Edw. VI., c. 1), passed January 15, 1549, to be used on and after the Feast of Pentecost, June 9,1549. In 1552, a second revised Book was issued and made binding by another Act of Uniformity which passed both Houses April 6, 1552. In that Act it is expressly stated that the First Prayer Book had contained nothing "but what was agreeable to the Word of God, and the primitive Church": and that such doubts as had been raised in the use and exercise thereof proceeded rather from "the curiosity of mistakers than of any worthy cause."

However, this second Prayer Book was undoubtedly a much in taken by the authority of the tion of ultra-Protestantism than in it being due very greatly to the Now, it will be remembered that influence of foreigners in England. during the previous reign—Queen Amongst other things it was then Mary — all the pre-Reformation ordered "that the minister at the uses had been restored, and the time of the Communion, and at Reformed Books were entirely all other times in his ministradone away with. It was the pur- tions, shall use neither all, rest-

ment, nor cope; but being arch-tric: "On the accession of Queen bishop, or bishop, he shall have Elizabeth a great controversy arose and wear a rochette; and being a between the more violent and the priest or deacon, he shall have and more moderate of the Reformers wear a surplice only.

When, then, Queen Elizabeth came to the throne in 1558, and the Reformed Books were to be restored, the question naturally arose which book should be restored, the first of 1549 or the second of 1552, which had only been in use one year. A committee was appointed to compare the two books and to revise, &c. The statute passed April 28, 1559, repealing the Act of Mary, which had repealed the last Act of Edward, re-established the second Prayer Book of Edward VI., but with certain alterations, and with this proviso, as we have before seen, "that such ornaments of the Church, and of the ministers thereof, shall be retained and be in use as was in this Church of England by authority of Parliament, in the second year of the reign of King Edward the Sixth, until other order shall be therein taken."

It is, then, clear that the use, as to ornaments and vestments for the clergy, of the first Prayer Book of Edward VI. was deliberately restored.

It may be remarked that "The Order of the Communion," "imprinted in London ye viiith daye of March in the 2nd year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King Edward," is dated "In the year of our Lord 1548."

ing statement concerning this rub- mittee appointed, by the House of

as to the Church Service which should be re-established, whether it should be according to the First or according to the Second Prayer Book of Edward the Sixth. Queen was in favor of the first, but she was obliged to give way, and a compromise was made, by which the Services were in conformity with the second Prayer Book with certain alterations; "but the Ornaments of the Church, whether those worn or those otherwise used by the Minister, were according to the first Prayer Book."

This judgment further states that "the term 'ornament,' in ecclesiastical law, is not confined, as by modern usage, to articles of embellishment or decoration, but is used in the larger sense of the word 'ornamentum.' All the several artiticles used in the performance of the Services or Rites of the Church are ornaments."

At the last revision of the Prayer Book, in 1662, moreover, little more than 200 years ago, after a lengthened and most careful investigation at a conference (called the Savoy Conference), granted by the king at the request of some Presbyterian divines, this rubric was retained, though slightly modified. Thus, any defect of ecclesiastical order that there might have been in the insertion of the rubric originally, even if, as some assert The Judicial Committee of the it was inserted by the sole author-Privy Council, in the celebrated ity of the queen, was remedied. It case of "Westerton v. S. Paul and was, moreover, one of the things S. Barnabas, Pimlico," in 1857, in strongly objected to by the Prestheir judgment, made the follow-byterians. In 1641, also, a com-

Lords, to take into consideration all innovations in the Church respecting religion, had recommended, among "Considerations upon the Book of Common Prayer," "To mend the rubric, where all vestments in time of Divine Service are now commanded which were used 2 Edw. VI." We see, therefore, that the rubric must have been very deliberately left at this last revision.

What, then, we must now enquire, were the vestments used in this First Prayer Book of Edward VI. ?

At the end of the book was placed the chapter, now forming part, of the Introduction, "Of Ceremonies," with certain notes for the more plain explication and decent ministration of things contained in this book. The ornaments of the minister are here mentioned. It is as follows:

"In the saying or singing of Matins and Evensong, Baptizing and Burying, the minister in parish churches, and chapels annexed to the same, shall use a surplice. And in all cathedra! hurches and colleges, the archdeacons, deans, provosts, masters, &c., being graduates, may use in the quires, beside the surplice, such hoods as pertaineth to their saveral degrees which they have taken in any University within this Realm. But in all other places, every minister shall be at liberty to use any surplice or no. It is also seemly that graduates, when they do preach, shall use such hoods as pertaineth to their several degrees. And whensoever the Bishop shall celebrate the Holy Communion in the church, or execute any other public minis- WE give the following catalogue of

beside his rochette, a surplice or alb, and a cope or vestment, and also his pastoral staff in his hand, or else borne or holden by his chaplain." In a rubric before the Communion Office, the officiating priest was instructed to wear "a white alb, plain, with a vestment or a cope," and the assistant priests or deacons, "albs with tunicles."

These, then, would seem to be the vestments that are ordered by the present rubric "to be retained and be in use."

It may be noted here that Dr. Cosen, Bishop of Durham, who was one of the chief revisers in 1662. and in whose Durham Prayer Book the rubric is altered from its previous to its present form, in his own nandwriting, appends this note: "But what these ornaments were is not here specified, and they are so unknown to many, that by most they are neglected. Wherefore it were requisite that those ornaments used in the second year of King Edward should be here particularly named and set forth, that there might be no difference about them." This, however, was never done (Blunt's "Annotated Prayer Book," p. lxvi, note).

But if it is so plain as it would seem to be that the vestments and other ornaments used in the First Prayer Book of Edward VI. are by this rubric ordered to be retained. What is the difficulty? Why is there any legal question about it?

We shall try and answer this in our next number.

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andria 7	9. Greece 8
3. Patriarchiate of Antioch 14	10. Russia 15
4. Patriarchiate of Jerusa-	(c) Uniat—
lem 7	1. Bulgarian, Greek 1
5. Russia 106	2. Melchite. " 11
6. Cyprus 4	
7. Austria 13	3. Roumania, " 4 4. Ruthenian, " 7
8. Montenegro	5. Armenian 19
9. Greece 40	1
10. Servian Church 5	1 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
11. Roumanian Church 6	
Total Sees, 309; and about 85,-	
000,000 members.	•
	Coadjutors, Auxiliaries,
ROMAN CHURCH.	and Suffragans, &c 224
1. Italy—	Total Bishops, 1,230; with about
a Patriarchiate of Rome	195,000,000 members.
and Southern Italy 192	
b Northern Italy 75	OTHER CHURCHES
2. Spain 65	that according to primitive pro-
3. Portugal 22	that, according to primitive prac-
4. France 90	tice, have properly no distinctive
5. Belgium 6	name but that of the country to
6. Switzerland 6	which they belong:
7. Germany 26	1. Church of England (with Bees
8. Austro Hungary 51	Colonies, Dependencies,
• •	and Missions) 115
Tridentine Churches.	2. Church of Ireland 13
(a) Quasi National—	3. " " Scotland 7
1. Mexico 20	4. " " U.S. of Ame-
2. Central America 5	rica
3. Haiti 5	Bishops resigned 27
4. St. Domingo 1	•
5. U.S. of Columbia 9	The above are sometimes called,
6. Venezuela 4	collectively, owing to their close
7. Brazil	connection, the "Anglican Commu-
8. Argentine Confedera-	nion." Total, 226 Bishops; with
tion 6	about 25,000,000 members.
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		8ees
5.	Church of Sweden	. 11
6.	" "Finland	. 3
7.	Moravian Church	. 13
8.	Bulgarian "	. 17
9.	Armenian "	. 48
10.	Syrian "	. 17
	Coptic	. 16
	Abyssinian (Jacobite).	
	Assyrian (Nestorian).	

Total Bishops, 139; number of members not known.

Old Catholics in Holland ...

#### SUMMARY.

Eastern Church	Bishops 309	Members (about 85,000,000
Roman Church	1,230	195,000,000
Anglican Commu-		
nion	226	25,000,000
Sundry others	139	_
Old Catholics, &c.	7	_
Total	1.911	305,000,000

Besides the above, there are the following bodies of Christians that have separated themselves from the National Churches, and from the Apostolic Order, that had continued for 1,500 years. We give the date at which the separation took place, with the estimated number of each amongst English-speaking third, Ephesus, 431, was held to people. It must be remembered examine the heresy of Nestorius, that with the exception of Lutherans and Calvinists in Germany, France, and Switzerland, these council came to the same conclubodies are almost entirely confined | sion as the pope had come to; but to English-speaking people. The though the pope's judgment was numbers are taken from "Whittaker's Almanack":

Lutherans	16th century		
Calvinists	do.		
Peshyterians .	do.		10,800,000
Baptists	do.		8,250,000
Congregationali	sts . 1566		5,650,000
Methodists			
Minor religious	sects, since 1	800	5,000,000

#### Roman Audacity Exposed.

Cardinal Manning, having had the audacity in a sermon to say: "As the sovereigns of England have been the heads of Parliaments of England, so the successor of St. Peter has been the chief legislator in nineteen Œcumenical Councils." the Rev. Dr. Littledale refutes the assertion, and points out in the "National Church" that the facts stand briefly thus: The first Œcvmenical Council, at Nicaea, A.D. 325, was not summoned by the pope. The pope was represented at it by legates, but the president was not one of them. The second at Constantinople, A.D. 381, was not convoked by the pope. Its first president was a bishop who was disowned and excommunicated by the pope. It enacted a canon which implied that the precedence of Rome was due not to any episcopate of Peter, but to the fact that it was the capital of the empire. No western bishop was present in person or by proxy, and the pope had no more to do with the council than the man in the moon. The who had been already tried and condemned by the pope. read, it was not treated as in any way decisive. The fourth, Chalcedon, 451, was summoned against the pope's express remonstrance and disapproval. The fifth, Constantinople, 553, compelled the pope to retract his own doctrine, and to confirm the contrary. sixth, Constantinople, 680, anathe-Total . . . . . 45,950,000 matized Pope Honorius, who had

died in 628, as a heretic—a condemnation renewed by every pope for 1,000 years afterwards. The seventh—so-called—compelled the pope to retract a former assent of his, and to pronounce what he had assented to heterodox. The remaining conncils were not cecumenical at all, not being received in the East.

#### The Origin of the Christian Religion.

There is a very well known observation of Archbishop Whately on the difficulty that there is found in assigning any other reasonable origin to the Christian religion than that which Christians had always maintained that it is Divine. He says "No complete or consistent account has ever been given of the manner in which the Christian religion, supposing it to be a human ed." The way in which one sceptic contrivance, could have arisen and prevailed as it did. The religion ished the theory set up by his preexists; that is the phenomenon; decessor in order to establish his those who will not allow it to have fown theory, though having the come from God are bound to solve same object in view, reminds one the phenomenon on some other hy- of what is said of the false witnesspothesis less open to objection; they es at our Lord's trial, "Many bear are not, indeed, called upon to prove false witness against Him, but their that it actually did arise in this or witness agreed not together." that way, but to suggest (consistently with acknowledged facts) some probable way in which it may have arisen, reconcilable with all have never done this, though they German and Hungarian Settlehave had nearly two thousand years ments—will appear in our next to try, amounts to a confession that issue. no such hypothesis can be devised which will not be open to greater objections than lie against Christianity."

terly Review," of July, 1887, has were held generally about the mid-

argument of Archbishop Whateley has received a wonderful confirmation during the last fifty years. The Reviewer says, "He (the Archbishop) was only able to say that infidels had never given any satisfactory explanation of the origin of Christianity on purely human grounds. Since his time, the vast ingenuity and industry of German scholars have attacked the problem with concentrated energy, and each new writer does but bear testimony that the others have failed. sidering the resources of ability and learning which have thus been directed to this object without accomplishing it, even to the satisfaction of a favorable audience, we may feel almost justified in saying not only that the attempt has not been successful, but that its impossibility has been practically provafter another has absolutely demol-

#### Short Sketches of Districts.

No. 2 of Short Sketches of Disthe facts of the case. That infidels tricts in Diocese—Sumner, with

### General Church Intelligence.

The Synods of the various dio-A learned writer in the "Quar-ceses of the Church in Canada very well pointed out that this dle of June, but they seem to have been chiefly occupied with matters of domestic interest. It was felt desirable to postpone matters of a wider importance to the meeting of the Provincial Synod of Eastern Canada, which will meet in September.

In England, the extension of Church work is shown by the increase in the number of Bishops suffragan. On Whitsun Tuesday there were consecrated at York Minster a Bishop of Barrow-in-Furness, as suffragan to Carlisle, and a Bishop of Beverley, as suffragan to York. Although it may be doubted whether the creation Suffragan Bishoprics is the soundest way of building up the Church, all must rejoice at the more adequate supply of episcopal ministrations and oversight which is thus granted to our long-suffering fellow-Churchmen in England.

The Church in Australia has marked a new departure in the consecration, at Sydney, of Archdeacon Dawes, as coadjutor Bishop of Brisbane, on S. Philip and S. James' Day, May 1. This is the first consecration of a Bishop on Australian soil, and it is a matter of congratulation that it was given Bishop Barry to perform the service before his resignation of the The Bishop of Brisbane Primacy. preached the sermon from the text "Neither will I offer unto the Lord God of that which doth cost me nothing;" speaking of the Bishopelect as a noble example of personal self-denial. We have heard from friends of Bishop Dawes, in England, that they regret his acceptance of the office, as it will entail upon him and his family perhaps a permanent separation from home and friends in England, and at any rate a much longer endurance of the hardships of pioneer life in Queensland. But the newly-appointed Bishop is not one to lightly refuse the call of God to any post of toil or difficulty.

The new Bishop of Sydney and Primate of Australia in succession to Bishop Barry, is again to be chosen from the ranks of the English clergy. The synod of the diocese has nominated the Rev. F. J. Chavasse, rector of S. Peter-le-Bailey, Oxford; the Rev. H. C. G. Moule, of Ridley Hall, Cambridge; and the Rev. Saumarez Smith, of S. Aidan's, Birkenhead, as candidates for the bishopric. The bishop will be elected from these by the bishops of Australia.

Our missions in India are at last to have better episcopal supervision. Political reasons stand in the way of any subdivision of the present enormous dioceses, but an arrangement has been made by which part of the Diocese of Calcutta is to be placed under the charge of a missionary bishop. The new bishop will take charge of the district of Chota Nagpore, where there is a flourishing native church with nearly twenty ordained native clergy. The people in this district are known as the Kols, and have shown themselves very willing to accept Christianity. They are nearly 5,000,000 in number, and form a distinct race settled on the high table-land of central India.

The late Archdeacon Philpot, who recently died in England, at the age

of 99 years, was an earnest Evangelical and a great homoeopath. His recipe for longevity was threefold: "First, never speak evil of your neighbor; second, don't take any doctor's stuff; and third,"—this more solemnly—"keep a conscience sprinkled with the Blood of Christ."

The Diocese of Michigan, in the United States, which has been vacant since the death of Bishop Harris at the time of the Lambeth Conference, has at last found a bishop in the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D., of Philadelphia, who has decided to exchange his comfortable eastern parish for the wandering life of a western bishop.

A good-natured traveller fell asleep and was carried beyond his destination. "Pretty good joke, isn't it?" said a fellow-passenger. "Yes; but carried a little too far," was the rejoinder.

#### "Robert Elsmere."

A Unitarian minister, of "twelve years in East London," writes to a Universalist paper that "the work of 'Robert Elsmere' in East London is a fine fiction, while the work of Christian men and women of the Church of England and of other churches among the poor of East London is a glorious fact. That part of the book ("Robert Elsmere") is as transparently untrue as it would be to say that York is south of the Thames. is simply the inversion of facts. The 'theism' that is said to have succeeded, failed, and the 'supernaturalism' that is said to have failed, succeeded among the working people of East London."

There is abundant testimony to the truth of this statement; the only notable thing in it is its source. But in every theological and religious point of news, a weaker book than "Robert Elsmere" has not appeared for many years.—Church Messenger.

## Children's Cornen.

#### To Our Young Friends.

Children! you are to have, once more, a corner all to yourselves in the diocesan magazine "Our Messenger." The Bishop, who is now the editor, has kindly consented to this, and so we must try and make the best of our privilege,

It were indeed a pity for there to be no message in "Our Messenger" especially sent to our children. We do, indeed, look for "great things" in the near future from our children in this diocese. look for their warm support and sympathy as they grow up, and we pray that their careful Church training will lead them to become loyal, devoted, and zealous members of the One Body. Oh! children, learn from the very beginning to love the Holy Mother Church! Be ever true to her principles; accept in simple faith and trust all she would teach you, for with her is the way of eternal life. will ever find her a loving parent, tender, and oh! so kind to her children, watching over them and caring for them, not only from the cradle to the grave, but even after your hands have been folded in the last long sleep and the flowers have faded on your tomb. She will yet remember your immortal soul, as she prays for those who have departed this life in the faith and fear of God. Learn, children, to trust yourselves to her care and guidance even as you trust your earthly parents, for she will never

deceive you.

You will find much about the Church, from time to time, in your corner of "Our Messenger," children; some things, perhaps, that you knew before, but do not, on that account, think lightly of them, for though these things may be familiar to you there are, no doubt, some who will read them and find them quite new! We want to teach all the children we can about the Church, both those who come to our Sunday schools and those who do not enjoy that privilege.

This month we are going to make a few remarks about Children's Guilds; next month we hope to begin a children's story, and put some questions into this corner for

our children to answer.

And now about Children's Guilds. Surely our little ones cannot begin too early to learn to give some of their spare time to Church work; you may, it is true, be able to do very little at first for the Church, but even if you can only give some of your time on Saturday afternoons, and save some of your five cent pieces; though you may not be old enough or big enough to work with your fingers you will be learning a very, very good habit that may remain with you all your life. Now, a children's guild is just to teach children to do this—to devote some of their spare time and money to the Church. know of two at present in the diocese, one at Qu'Appelle Station and one at Medicine Hat.

The children who are members of these guilds are asked to meet on Saturday afternoons for an hour or two. Those who are old enough will be doing some needle-work, and the younger ones will receive some instruction in needle-work and learn some lessons about the Church, perhaps taught by the president. When children who have been accustomed so to meet grow up, they will not look upon a demand for their time and work for the Church as any new or strange thing.

What children can do the Qu'Appelle children have already shown by making an offering of an altar desk, costing \$15, to be used in St. Peter's Church, and purchased with the guild's earnings. We are sure that many other of "Our Children" in the diocese will be glad to join a guild in their own parish and work for the Church when they

are invited to do so.

#### God will Know You.

One evening a gentleman, as he was strolling along a street in Liverpool, had his attention attracted by the remark of a little girl to a companion in front of a fruit-stall: "I wish I had an orange for mother." The gentleman saw that the children, though poorly dressed, were clean and neat, and calling them to him, he loaded them with fruits and sweets. "What is your name?" asked one of the little girls. "Why do you want to know?" queried "I want to pray the gentleman. for you," was the reply. gentleman turned to go, scarcely daring to speak, when the little one added: "Well, it don't matter. God will know you, I suppose. without your name."