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Upholds the Doctrines and Rubrics of the Prayer Book.

"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."-Eph. vi. 34. "Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."-Jude 3.

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PHILADELPHIA has the largest number of Sanday school attendants of any city in the United States-195,802. New Yorks ranks next 187,000 ; Brooklyn next, with 107,233.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

TAE English Churchman says that Canon Girdlestone, of St. John's, Downshire hill, Hampstead, Esg., kas given up the black gown in the pulpit, and now preaches in a surplice.

THE Missionary Council of the Church in the U.S. will hold its annual meeting this year at Pittsburg, beginning Tuesday, October 21st. Public meetings are held with addresses to quicken the missionary spirit and sustain the missionary work throughout the land. Among the speaker this years are the following Bish ops: Leonard (of Utab), Kendrick, Tuttle Whitaker, Dadley, Potter and Gilbert.

A CARRECT survey of Westminster Abbey, taken under the direction of a Royal Commission, has made known the fact that there still remain ninety places within the edifice where interments may take place. By those members of the Commission who are opposed to anything in the form of an addition to the Abbey, this fact is used as an argument for let ting things alone. It is pointed out that, tak-ing the average of the last contury, it will be a It is pointed out that, taklong time before these ninety places are filled up.

THE dome of St. Peter's (Rome) has been cracking for a considerable length of time, and the number and extent of the fissures are becoming alarming. About a handred years ago a similar state of things was remedied by encircling the dome with a strong band of metal. The band was heated, and its contraction on cooling was found to be sufficient to close up the cracks. The suggestion now made is that electric welding has just come in time to make St. Peter's safe for another hundred vears.

THE Church is called Catholic, because it is throughout the world, from one end of the earth to the other; and because it teaches universally and completely one and all the doctrines which ought to come to man's knowledge, concerning things both visible and in-visible, heavenly and earthly; and because it subjugates in order to godliness every class of men, governors and governed, learned and unlearned; and because it universally treats and heals every sort of sins, which are committed by soul and body, and possesses in itself every form of virtue which is named, both in deeds and words, and in every kind of spiritual gifts. -S. Cyril, Cat. Lect. xviii. 23.

THE death of Canon Liddon deprives the Church of England of one of the most characteristic representatives of the later and calmer Oxford movement which followed the controversy roused by the Tractarians. His undergraduate days were passed in the trongh of the tide which swelled so high in the later Thirties and Forties. . . . It is certainly not going your neighbor grace, the one source of all human beyond the mark to affirm that, for sustained glory, power, and material blessing.—Ruskin.

eloquence, for purity and dignity of style, for closeness of reasoning power, and for the com bination of lucid expression, mingled with profound and accurate learning, he has left scarcely a rival behind him among English pulpit orators. Canon Liddon was never married.

In his personal tastes he was ascetic and retiring; but, in spite of his studious habite, he was fond of society, and few men will be more deeply regretted among a wide circle of close personal friends, which includes both the Prime Minister and the leader of the Opposition." Standard, London England.

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The Church Association for the Advancement of the Interests of Labor, whose name is more briefly and familiarly expressed in the initials given above, is already well known as an aggressive society in the Church in the U.S. It is under the presidency of the Right Rev. F. D. Hantington, D.D., Bishop of Central New York, and has brought under its standard a number of the clergy and many lay men and women, who are for the most part wage-workers. The principles of the association are these:

1. It is of the essence of the teachings of Jesus Christ, that God is the Father of all men and that all men are brothers:

2. God is the sole Possessor of the Earth and its fulness; man is but the steward of God's bounties:

3. Labor being the exercise of body, mind and spirit in the broadening and elevating of human life, it is the duty of every man to labor diligently:

4. Labor, as thus defined, should be the standard of social worth :

5. When the divinely intended opportunity to labor is given to all men, one great cause of the present wide spread suffering and destitution will be removed.

The methods of the Association are officially enumerated as follows:

1. Prayer 1

2. Sermons, setting forth the teachings of the Gospel as the guide to the solution of every question involved in the interests of labor :

3. The proper use of the press and the circulation of tracts as occasion may requre:

4. Lectures and addresses on occasions when the interests of labor may be advanced :

5. The encouragement. by precept and example, of a conscientious use of the ballot,

It would be hard to find a more temperate, reasonable, and yet outspoken statement of the position the Church should assume toward the adherents of organized labor, or a better set of methods by which the work of infusing the Church and labor with a more perfect under-standing of each other may be effected.

'Invidia,' jealousy of our neighbor's good, has been, since dust was first made flesh, the ourse of man; and 'Charitas,' the desire to do your neighbor grace, the one source of all human

CANADIAN BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW.

PER YEAR

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For the spread of Christ's Kingdom among young men

Up to Sept. 27th, the Philadelphia Committee of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood has been notified that one hundred and eighty delegates and alternates will attend the convention, which opens there on the 16th inst.

In Brotherhood work there is the utmost necessity for trustfulness. The rector must trust his Chapter, the members must trust ono another, each one must trust himself and God working in him. This confidence, faithfully maintained, will often carry a whole Chapter through great perplexity and serious discouragement.

On Thursday evening, the 2nd Oct. inst., a Chapter of the Dominion Brotherhood was or-ganized in St. Thomas' Church, Montreal, the first in that city. One has existed for some time at Frelighsburgh, P. Q; Canon Davidson's parish. It is expected that one will be formed in St. Martin's parish, Montreal, before the end of the month. Every parish should form a Chapter, and that without delay. There is plenty of work to do.

Each Chapter is in itself a Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and is on a small scale a reproduc-tion of the larger Brotherhood to which it belongs. What it may lack in variety of types among its members is compensated for by the close acquaintance and firm friendship that may be formed between them. Each Chapter should strive in its own way to realize the ideal state of the whole Brotherhood. The Brotherhood does not exist apart from its Chapters and it can only be strongthened by first strongenthing them.

Brotherhood men should be chosen with special reference to their capacity for being trusted. One candidate for membership may not be of an enthusiastic temperament; another may be ignorant and even stupid; a third may be entirely devoid of tact; but if they are known to be worthy of confidence, their manifest defects need not bar them out. The prevailing custom of requiring a term of probation is directly in line with all this. Daring the stage of probationary membership, the effort is made to discover whether the candidate for full brotherhood is, or is not, trustworthy. Both in length and in severity the period of probation should be more than nominal and should involve, in full measure, the real assignment of work. If there is to be any actual test of the qualifications of the candidate on trial, he must be trusted with tasks that require for their fulfilment fidelity and a strong sense of responsibility.

Charles Kingsley once in a time of great disturbance and controversy gave utterance to the following sontiment: 'The Church has three special possessions—the Bible, which proclaims man's freedom; Baptism, his cquality; the Lord's Supper, his brotherhood.'

THE CHAIR OF PETER OR THE CHAIR ence, confessed that the Church is divided, and OF CHRIST .--- IV.

(Irish Ecclesiastical Gazette.)

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One further argument might be adduced, taken from the contradictory opinions of Roman authorities themselves. One would suppose that the language of the Roman Missal, in the Collect for the Vigil of St. Peter and St. Paul. would by itself be sufficient to decide the matter: "Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that thou wouldest not suffer us, whom thou hast established on the Rock of the Apos tolic Confession [and not Peter, be it observed] to be shaken by any disturbances." There are five other great commemorations of Peter in he Roman Missal, but none of the collects refer o him as the Rock.*

Of all the Churches in the first ages of the Christian era the Church of Rome has the least claim to an Apostolic origin. We read of Churches in the Acts of the Apostles founded by apostles in various places, but no apostle had ever visited Rome when Paul wrote his Epistle to the Roman Christians. The Church in the first instance was certainly of Greek rather than of Latin extraction. It appears, so far as we can learn, to have grown up spontaneously under the influence of Greek Christian immigration. "For some consider able part of the first three conturies the Church of Rome, and most, if not all, the Churches of the West, were if we may so speak, Greek roligious colonics. Their language was Greek, their organization Greek, their writers Greek. their Scriptures Greek, and many vestiges and traditions show that their ritual and their liturgy was Greek. . . . All the Chris-tian writings which appeared in Rome and in the West are Greek; the Epistles of Clement, the Shepherd of Hermas; the Clementine Rocognitions and Homilies; the works of Justin Martyr down to Caius and Hippolitus."-(Mil man's Lat. Christianity, Vol. I., 32, 33) But supposing that it was all true and prov-

able with regard to the alleged primacy of Peter, and that our Lord had really constituted him to have supreme jurisdiction over the other

aposiles and over the entire Church. that would have been after all but a *personal* right, and not an official one. Not a word is said about the delegation or transmission of such authority to others as his successors. Poter was sole in the matter. To him alone were the words spoken, "Thou art Peter." To the present day the Bishops of Rome do not appoint their successors or delegate any office to them. A personal privilege, according to Roman ecclesiastical law, dies with the decease of the porson or persons originally named in the grant. Judged by this principle, therefore, the claim of the Bishop of Rome to universal supremacy must fall to the ground.

And in what a position does this monstrous claim place all the other Churches of Christon What of the Greek Church with its dom? millions of people? What of the great Anglican Church, scattered throughout the world ? What of the vast bodies of professing Christians known as Nonconformists? Are all to be out off from the true faith because they find no shelter under the shadowy and apocryphal claims of "the Chair of Peter?"

The Ultramontane theory of to day is that the Roman Church is the only Church in the world; and that the mere fact of having sepa rated from it has ipso facto unchurched all other Christian communions, so that, for example, the Eastern Church is now only the "Photian Schism." But Rome has in former days, as we know from the history of the Council of Florthis matter.

We may here observe that another Council, the General of Chalcedon, declared the Roman Primacy to be merely of ecclesiastical appoint. ment and not of Divine right. While Pope Leo refused to be bound by the canon, it must be remembered that he did so only on the ground that it interfered with the rights secured to the Sees of Antioch and Alexandria by the canons of the Council of Nicasa, and that he did not complain of any injury done to his own claims. Pope Leo strongly maintained the orthodoxy of the Council of Chalcedon.

One would think that a Church that makes so high a claim to universal supremacy as the Church of Rome would be able to vindicate it by her theological learning and guidance, by which the whole Church had benefitted; but what is the fact? The Bishops of Rome as a class, have never been distinguished for their theological learning; no great School of Divin-ity ever flourished there; and the city long ago earned a name for itself as a centre of demoralization, ignorance, and superstitions. \mathbf{It} is only in these latter days, and under civil in place of ecclesiastical jarisdiction, that Rome has improved.

Mr. R. H. Hutton, a liberal Auglican layman, in his Theological Essays, points how for nigh one thousand five hundred years Romo has exhibited a striking example of the permanency of type-of a bad moral type-disregardful of truth and unscrupulous in its efforts after univereal supremacy. The following is a striking evidence to the corruption of Roman ecclesias ticism from the writings of another great liberal thinker, the late Dean Stanley :---

"No one would say that the occupants of the Papal Chair have been the chief intellectual or moral oracles of mankind; with the exception of Leo the Great and Gregory the Great in early times, and of Benedict X i V. in later times, there is hardly a single Pontiff who ranks with the luminaries whose writings have onlightened the Church. But it is unnecessary to refute a claim which is not maintained ex cent with so many reservations as to deprive it of any meaning. It is enough to state the well-known fact that whilst some brilliant examples of courage, generosity, and tolerance have been placed before the world on the pontifical throne, these have been counterbalanced by an average of mediocrity, and by excesses of wickedness not surpassed in any European monarchy. It is enough to ask whether, whilst there have been many bulls giving the pontifical sanction to the pernicious doctrine of the unlawfalness of usury, and the belief in witchcraft, there have been any repudiating those doctrines?"-Essays on Church and State, p. 384.

Now let us take an Ultramontane authority Cardinal Baronius, in his Annals, writes of the Roman Church in the tenth century :-

"What was then the semblance of the Holy Roman Church? As foul as it could be: when harlots, superior in power as in profigacy, governed at Rome, at whose will sees were transferred, Bishops were appointed, and, what is horrlble and awful to say, their paramours were intruded into the See of Peter; false pontiffs who are set down in the catalogue of Roman Pontiffs merely for chronological purposes; for who can say that persons thus basely introduced by such courtezans were legitimate Roman pontiffe? No mention can be found of olection or subsequent consent on the part of the clergy; all the Canons were buried in oblivion, the decrees of the Popes stified, the ancient traditions put under the ban, and the old customs, sacred rites, and former usages in the election of the Chief Pontiff were quite abolished. Mad lust, rolying on wordly power, thus claimed all as its own, goaded on by the ting of ambition. Christ was then in a deep sleep in the ship, when this ship itself was

were blowing. . . . And what seemed worse, herefore she is not consistent with herself in there were no disciples to wake Him with their ories as He slept, for all were snoring. You can imagine as you please what sort of presbyters and deacons were chosen as cardinals by these monsters."-Baron, "Ann." 912, viii.

Finally, here is the testimony of an Irish Roman Catholic as to the moral failure of the Church of Rome in Ireland :-

"The system is one, though multiform in character; and so regarded it is a repudiation of the Decalogue, an outrage on the funda-mental principles of morality, and a ner tion of the dogmas of Christianity. . . One of the most eminent Catholio divines in Europe, contemplating the spectacle which Ireland presented lately, is reported—and I believe correctly—to have said that the Catholic Church had failed as a moral teacher in Ireland."--The Priest in Politics, by the late P. J. Smyth, M.P.

THE CHURCH IN THE U.S.

The history of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United State way be said to date from the preliminary convention held in New York, October 6th, 1784, consisting of fifteen clergymen and eleven laymen. Previous to that time there was no organization separate from the Church of England. In the limited space we have we can only give a chronologica outline of the leading events of the formation and growth of the Church to its present position. The main facts embodied are derived from Bishop Perry's history of the American Episcopal Church. The first service of the English Church in America of which we have any record was held by Master Wolfall, Chaplain of Frobisher's fleet, on the shores of Hudson Bay, in 1578. The next year the adven-turesome mariner, Francis Drake, sailing up the Pacific coast, landed for repairs, and gathering his crew, in the presence of the assembled natives, held a service of prayer and thanksgiving. This service probably at, or near San Francisco, the first within the territory of the United States, was conducted by Rev. Francis Fletcher, Sunday, June 21st, 1579. Services were also held on the coast of North Carolina as early as 1584 by the expedition under Sir Walter Raleigh. In the year 1607 an attempt was made to establish an English colony at the mouth of the Kennebec. Two ships landed there, under the command of Captain Gilbert and Captain Popham, and as the record says, Sunday, the 9th of August, in the morning the most part of our whole company of both our ships landed on this island, the which we call the St. George's Island, where the cross standeth, and there we heard a sermon delivered unto us by our preacher, giving Gcd thanks for our happy meeting and safe arrival into the country, and so returned aboard again.' The officiating minister was the Rev. Richard Seymour, and this was the first service of the Church in New England. While in some of the places montioned was either the colony or the Church perpetuated. Virginia holds the honor of planting the Church on these shores and making a beginning that has a continuous history. This was the establishment of the colony at Jamestown. The following quaint de cription by a chronicler of the time gives an interesting picture of the primitive church :--When I first went to Virginia, I well remem-bor. We did hang an awning (which is an old saile) to three or four trees to shadow us from the Sunne, our walls were rales of wood, our seats unhewed trees; till we cut plankes: our pulpit a bar of wood nailed to two neighboring troes; in foule weather we shifted into an old rotten tent, for wee had few better, and this came by the way of adventure for new. This was our church till we built a homely thing like a barn, set upon cratchets, covered with covered by the waves and these great tempests rafts. stdge and earth; so was also the walls;

[&]quot;The first Session of the Council of Trent decreed that the symbol of *faith* of the Holy Roman Church was the firm and only Foundation, against which the gates of he 1 should not prevail.

the best of our houses of the like curiosity, but the most parte farre much worse workmanship, that could neither well defend wind or raine; yet we had daily Common Prayer morning and evening, every Sunday two Sermons and every three months the Holy Communion, till our Minister died.' It was under this canvass on the third Sunday after Tribity, June 21st, 1607, that the saorament of the Lord's Supper was administered for the first time in America of which we have any record. The name of R ibert Hunt, the clergyman who ministered to these struggling colonists, should have an honorable place in our annals.—Church News.

THE ST. ANDREW S BROTHERHOOD AND THE MINISTRY,

The chief pastors of the Church and all who rightly ostimate its future work give emphatic expression to the need so sorely felt for an increase in the numbers of the ordained minist.y. To this need it would be well for Brotherhood men to give personal attention; for they have it in their power to aid greatly in supplying it. It is most natural that a man interested through his Brotherhood membership in the mission of the Church and trained to the doing of service therein, should be called on to take his place among the officers of the Lord's army. In fact, Chapter work is a good preparation for the ministry, and one who has thus done work as a genuine layman will not be likely to sink his manly character in an obnoxious professionalism. We are right in believing that our prayer for laborers to be sent into the harvest has a direct application to the work of laymen; but, in making this discovery, to many of us quite new, we should not fall into the error of supposing that the petition has pointed application to the need of recruits for the ministry. These are evidently quite as necessary as active laymen; and out of the ranks of such laymon, whether young or old, they will naturally be drawn. As we come to emphasize the active function of the laity in the Church, we must avoid any tendency to overlook the importance of the other order. It is only necessary to consider the place that a rector holds in his parochial Chapter of the Brotherhood and how essential his active in-terest and oversight are to its success, to realize how completely the usefulness of the laity is dependent upon the character of the clergy

Now, the call to the ministry, which, we take it, the Brotherhood should continually repeat and emphasize, does not come merely to those who are yet at school or just starting in life. Those who were present at the Brotherhood Convention in New York two years ago, will not soon forget Bishop Dudley's strong appeal that men who had already gained the experience that only years of practical business life can give, should come forward with all their trained faculties and devote themselves to the work of the Church. So, too, the Bishop of Maine, in addressing his diocesan convention calls for "young men, or, better still, men who have already had experience in other callings.' From the days of the Apostles, indeed, men of such training have been found willing, for the sake of entering upon the work of the ministry, to sacrifice all other opportunities, a sacrifice greater at forty years of age than at twenty. Ambrose, governor of Milan, prevailed upon by the voice of the people to become their Bishop, is a familiar instance. Such a selection of a layman to the episcopate would hardly be in order to day, but very many of our best Bishops and strongest rectors have had years of experience as lawyers, as business men, or, by reason of the late war, as soldiers. Not long ago in Michigan, a State conspicious for its strong educational system, the principal of the State Normal School, well known as an educator and an active lay worker in his parish and diocese, teach that very Faith.

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> In connection with all this, attention should be called to another part of Bishop Neely's recent address. In speaking of the trials and discomforts to which the ambassadors of Christ must often submit, he reminds the laymen that these are often due to their indifference or neglect. "The ministers of Christ's word and sacraments are sent forth by Him and they come to you in His name, clothed with His authority. They are your servants, but 'your servants for Jesus' sake,' not to do your will, but His will. There is due to them reverent regard, a generous support, 'a high esteem in love for their works' sake.' Where these are rendered, the most grievous trials in the ordinary lot of the ministry disappear." If for no other reason than is given in this last sentence, the earnest layman will cultivate an af ectionate regard and esteem for his pastor; but when he considers that unity of sentiment and a cordial understanding between priests and people are absolutely essential to the well-being of the Church and the evangelization of this country, he will allow nothing to interfere with the maintenance of mutual relations of That this friendship, respect, and confidence. can be done without any loss of his Christian liberty and independent status in the Church we do not besitate to maintain.

> In the ranks of the Brotherhood are found men who have realized their responsibiliy for the actual performance of the Church's work The clergy have recognized their zeal and, with but few exceptions, have welcomed their carnest and united action. It is for the members of the Brotherhood to be loyal to their pastors, to cultivate their acquaintance, to claim their confidence by faithful service and to show them "a high esteem in love for their works' sake." And it might be well for many a Brotherhood man to consider whether the field and the need do not constitute a call to him for an unreserved application of his time and faculties to the sorving of Carist's people in the ministry of the Church.—St. Andrew's Cross.

LIMITS OF TOLERATION.

It is not many years since the appearance of that keen satire upon the Anglican Church, entitled "The Comedy of Convocation," A supposed meeting of the Convocation of Canterbury is described. The assembly of notable dignitaries and divines takes place with all due solemnity. At the proper moment the subject of discussion is proposed in the following terms : "Whether there be a God?" Of course the point of the satire was to indicate that the Church of England was so very broad and liberal that it was quite a matter of conrse that the Being of God should be an open question. Of course, also, such an imputation was felt to be an unwarrantable and wanton attack upon a branch of the Catholic Church which has preserved in her authoritative formularies the tiue Faith of Christ in integrity, and has, through her ritual, secured the presentation of that Faith as constantly and fully as any other Church in the world,

Nevertheless, as we read the signs of the times, the question will sometimes occur, whether there is not a somewhat wide prevalence of a kind of liberality which comes dangerously near the position ascribed to the Church in the satire referred to; which, at least, is inclined to tolerate as venial even the explicit denial of articles of the Faith as expressed in the Apos tles' and Nicene Creeds, and that by men who have been solomnly set apart by ordination to teach that very Faith.

We fully admit that a somewhat wide latitude may be wisely allowed, that much material heresy may from time to time be heard from the pulpits of the Church ; but so long as it is not by way of an intentional and explicit departure from sound doctrine, and is not part of a deliberately formed system subversive of the creeds of the Church, authority may well consider whether other means may not in many cases be more effectual in the long run than a direct attempt at repression. Time and the wonderful power of the services of the Church will in a vast number of cases preserve the body of our people sound in the Faith, notwithstanding the ignorance, the self-conc.it, or the cocontrio vagaries of individual teachers. And it is no uncommon experience to find that a priest who at one period of his ministry has gone astray through some knowledge or "science falsely so called," at a later time be-comes as conservative and orthodox as could be desired. Sometimes his deflection has hardly been a conscious divergence from the truth at any time, and better knowledge insensibly amends his definitions. Sometimes, in the case of a more daring or sensational character, the failure to obtain a following or to induce the Church to put his new wine into her old bottles, has in the end brought him to his senses and taught him the needed lesson of humility. And doubtless cases are not wanting where the dealer in novelties has distinctly perceived the errors of his earlier ways and has returned with comfort and with joy to "stand in the old paths."

But when all due allowance has been made for such cases as these-and even here grave responsibility is involved in too great forbearance-it must still be remembered that both the Bishops and other clergy are under the most solemn vows that can be bound upon men to be "ready with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word." It is evident, therefore, that there must be a limit, somewhere, beyond which tol-eration is a sin. The Church pledges herself before the world and to her own children to uphold the standard of revealed truth as it has been handed down from the beginning, and as she has received it. This is a snored trust, to which if she prove faithless, her work in the world is done, and her call upon the allegiance of mon becomes an impertinence,

Every one sees at once the enormity of supposing that the existence of a personal God could for a moment be left an open question, or of allowing a man who has taken upon himself the solemn vows of the priesthood, to stand up in his pulpit and suggest doubts upon that fundamental dogma. Bat is it any more tolerable that an authorized teacher holding the commission of the Church should be allowed to deny any other of the articles of the Creed? Shall such a man after leading his people in the great confession: "I believe in Jesus Christ . . Who was . . Born of the Virgin Mary," and "I believe in . . the Resurrection mary," and "I believe in . . the Resurrection of the Body," then be allowed to turn around and in his place as teacher declare: "He was not born of a virgin," "there is no resurrection of the body?" This is not simply to subvert the Faith, but to undermine the foundations of morality, to confound truth and falsehood, and ensnare the souls for whom Christ died. If the categorical denial of the articles of the simplest of all the creeds of Christendom is not "er-roneous and strange doctrine," if such an exigency does not impose a solemn duty upon those who are sworn "with all faithful diligence to banish and drive away" such things, then we should like to ask what con-ceivable condition of things would call for such action? What depth of error, what degree of strangeness of doctrine, will domand the interposition as those who are set to feed the flock of Christ and protect it from the ravening wolf?-Living Church.

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

TIDNISH.—The Rev. C. A. French, of Baie Verte, N.B., begs very gratefully to acknowledge the rece pt by him of a cheque for five dollars from the Rev. C. P. Hanington, of Johnstone, N.B., towards the proposed church for Tidnish, as soon as funds allow of it a commencement will be made. Mr. French would like very much to hear from some others before winter comes and goes.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

SEREBROCKE — The Childron's Missionary Guild in connection with St. Peter's Church will hold their annual sale in the Church Hall, Market street, on Saturday, Oct. 11th, at 3 p.m. It is earnestly hoped that the public will encourage the children in their good work on behalf of missions.

LAKE MEGANTIC.—The Bishop of Quebec held a Confirmation here on Sunday, 5th Oct.

COMPTON.—The Compton Ladies' College has reopened, with Miss Prince as Lady Principal, and one addition to the same staff of efficient teachers as last year. The attendance of pupils is in advance of previous years.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE, LENNOXVILLE.

The formal opening of the University of Bishop's College and Bishop's College School for the session of 1890-91, took place on the 30th Sept. The total of students enrolled in the College is 35, and the pupils in the school number 128, making a total in the two institu tions of 163. Of these 140 are boarders.

tions of 163. Of these 140 are boarders. The following amongst others were present, the Chancellor, Mr. R W. Heneker, D.C.L., Col. Kippen, Professors Allnatt, Scarth and Watkins, Dr. Robertson, Mr. Chicoyne, Mayor of Sherbrooke; Canon Thorneloe, Messra E. Chapman, R. H. Tylee, A. F. Simpson, H. J. H. Petry, A. Leroy, F. W. Frith, G. P. Woollcombe, T. H. Lloyd, and Revs. J. M. Thompson and V. C. Lacy and the students of the Divinity and Arts Faculties. Lotters of regret at being unable to be present were read, amongst others, from J. H. Ruy, Superior of the Sherbrooke College; the Rev. Dr. Barnes, of Sherbrooke, and from Principal Howton, M.A., of the Sherbrooke Boys' Academy.

Principal Adams delivered an able and elaborate address, touching on the points of constancy, thoroughness and corporate life, as connected with the periodicity of College and School life. He referred in hearty terms of commendation to the work of the Medical Faculty of Bishop's College, (which holds its sessions in Montreal), and to the facts of its having opened its doors to women.

The College had opened with thirty-five students in full tuition, the largest number up to the present. The increase of work had necessitated the appointment of an additional lecturer, and the post has been offered to the Rev. N. P. Yates, B.A., an honor graduate in McGill, and late tutor in the Montreal Theological College. The loss of Rev. R. W. Wright, B.A., in the school, and the appointment of M. T. H. Lloyd, B.A., as a master; the addition of a certificated teacher to the staff of the preparatory department in the school in the person of Miss Kirwin of the Normal School; the appointment of Mr. Arthur Darcy as music master; of Miss Baylis as superintendent of the infirmary were also 1 oferred to. It was also stated that the infirmary was looked upon as a means of proventing, as well as of curing and nursing, disease. The infirmary cost upwards of \$3,000, and was maintained at an annual cost of nearly \$1,000. The College has been overflowing for two years now. Soon the Divinity house will

be ready for more students. Room will thus be given for more preparatory students, to whom the assistant lecturer will give more detailed attention than has been yet, possible. The School rectory has been taken for boarders and is already fall, while very little room remains in the ample school building. In the school we have, when three new promised bys come, 128 boys, with 35 in the College. This gives a total of 163 in the institution as against 83 in June, 1885. The numbers in the school in the successive Septembers have been: 1886, 64; 1887, 68; 1888, 88; 1889, 105; 1890, 128. Of these 128 not less 112 are boarders. There is every reason to be confident that increasing efficiency will accompany increasing numbers, and while the modern side will be thoroughly developed, the classical side will be strengthened by the formation of seven grades in Litin and five in Greek. French, Garman, Science and shorthand will receive increasing attention.

After the address, which was frequently applanded, the Chancellor said a few words of congratulation and the assembly di persed. Archdeacon Roe was unavoidably prevented from being present by his duty of attending the first meeting of the Joint Board of Divinity Examiners for the Provincial Synod and Caurch Universities and Colleges in Montreal.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIAGE.—The Woman's Auxiliary Missionary Society of this Diocese met in the Synod Hall. Mrs. Henderson, in the absence of the President, took the chair. The Treasurer reported that since May \$260 had been received, leaving \$21;above disbursements. Regret was expressed at the unavoidable resignation of the corresponding secretary, Miss N. McLeod, through absence from Montreal.

The subjects to be considered during the season are: Oct., 'Algoma'; Nov., 'Moosonee'; December, 'Dorcas Work of the Women's Auxiliary'; January, 'McKay, the Hero of Mission Work in Uganda'; February, 'Lepers and their sorrows'; March, 'China'; April, 'The Jews'; May, 'The early work of Church of England Societies on this continent.'

MONTREAL.—St. Thomas.— The need of a Young Men's Society in the east end has long been felt, and on Thur day evoning last a start was made in the schoolroom of St. Taomas Church, by inaugurating a Branch of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, to be known as the St. Thomas' Chapter. There was an encouraging attendance. Vigorous speeches were delivered by Rev. G. Osborne Troop, Dr. L. H. Davidson, Q. C., Mr. L. O. Armstrong and Mr. Spicer. churchwarden. The choir added to the brightness of the evening by singing. Finally fourteon members were admitted to the Society. The first entertainment in connection with the newly formed Chapter will take place on Thursday next, 9th Oct, when the choir of St. George's Church, assisted by several friends, will give a concert in the St. Thomas' schoolroom.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

GUBLPH.—It is the intention of the B.ble Association to hold a series of entertainments, similar to the one given on the 18th ult., during the winter months. The choir is also preparing a service of sacred song bearing on the t. anelation of Elijah.

There will be a confirmation held in St. Georges' Church during the Advent season. Candidates who have not yet given in their names to the clergy, are requested to do so as soon as possible, so that the classes for instruction may be formed.

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marriage a pleasing address was presented to her by her fellow-teachers, with a very handsome and useful present. After the ceremony several of the children showed their affection for her by strewing the way from the Church to the Rectory with beautiful flowers.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS.—The improvements which have been carried out with such energy by the wardens, supported by the liberal contributions of the congregation, are nearly completed as proposed. Part of the painting has not yet been finished, as it requires time for the coats of priming to be thoroughly dried before the last coat is laid on. The work in every respect has been thoroughly well done, and the pointing of the stone work adds greatly to the beauty of the sacred structure. The colouring of the vestibule lightens it up very much, and the effect is greatly admired. The new carpet for the Chancel is being fitted, and will soon be laid. The windows being repainted and the lights newly fitted in the lead frames, will much faciliate the lighting of the church. It is hoped that next year will see the internal re painting and varnishing completed, when our Church will be second in beauty to none in the Province.

On Sunday, the 12th of Ostober, His Lordship, the Bishop of Niagara, will confirm in St. James' Parish in the forenoon. In the evening he will preach in St. Georges' Church. In the forenoon of the same day, the Rev. Patrick Crawford, of Hamilton, who will be in Guelph with Rev. J. J. Morton, will advocate the cause of missions in St. George's.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EX. MINATIONS.—It is proposed to hold local examinations for Sundayschool teachers and pupils throughout the diocese, at the beginning of Advent in each year. An examination will be held in every parish (hereinafter called Parish Examinations) where two or more persons desire to compete. The examinations for 1890 will take place on Monday, December 1st, 1890. Sanday-schools intending to compete must, before the 10th of November, send notice to the Secretary of the Commitsee of the place of examination (whether district or parish), the number of candidates in each grade, the subjects selected, the name of the local examiner, and the sum of 25 cents for each candidate. The Secretary will, on request, send the requisite forms to any person desiring them.

Examinations.—Teachers' examinations will consist of two divisions: I. General; 2. Advanced. Papils' examinations will consist of one division only. It is hoped that the advanced pupils will take the 'General Teachers' Examination,' with a view of qualifying themselves for teachers. In the teachers' examinations certificates will be given in two grades in each division: Class 1, 75 per cent; Class II, 50 per cent. In the pupils' examinations honour cards will be given in three grades: Class I, 75 per cent; Class II, 50 per cent; Class III, 25 per cent. For the year 1880 the subjects will be as follows:

Teachers' Examinations-1. General Division. Holy Scripture-St. Luke xviii. ver. 21 to end of Gospel, and Prayer Book-History of the Prayer Book, the Ten Commandments, and the Lord's Prayer; or, Holy Scriptures as above, and Church History-From the Accession of James II, to the death of William III. 2. Advanced D.vision. Holy Scripture, as above, and Prayer Book, as above. *Pupils' Examina*tions.-Holy Soripture-as above, and Prayer Book-History of the Prayer Book and Ten Commandments; or, Holy Scripture, as above, and Church History-Reign of James II. The following books may be found useful in preparing for the Prayer Book and Church Historyubjects: The Prayer Book-Bishop Barry's Teachers' Prayer Book; Church History-Lane's Illustrated Notes on English Church History.

cf pupils or teachers taking part in any parish or district examination shall not preside over such examination, but it shall be the duty of the clergy of the parish or district to procure a disinterested person to preside. 2, In both parish and district examinations, the questions will be sent in sealed envelopes to the local examiner for each parish or district. The envelopes are to be opened only at the time of the examination, and in the presence of the candi examination, and in the presence of the candi-date (a sufficient supply of paper will also be forwarded). 3 A list of persons entitled to take part will be sent with the papers, and no one whose name does not appear on the list shall be allowed to take part. 4. One hour will be allowed for each paper, and the local examiner will please distribute and collect the papers punctually at every honr. 5. The local examiner will provide pens and ink, and see that the candidate's name. Sunday school, and examination number (if given) are written on the margin of the first page of the answer to each subject. 6. The local examiner shall not give any explanation of any paper or any information respecting the same to any person competing. 7. Persons competing shall not be allowed to obtain assistance from any source (except Bibles when provided). 8. Except in case of illness no psrson shall be allowed to leave the place of examination until such person has finished writing on the subject then before him. 9. Any infrigement of the three preced-ing rules will invalidate the examination of the person infringing, and the local examiner is to suspend any person found infringing rule 7. 10, The local examiner is requested to wrap each set of papers by itself, at the end of the time for the paper, in the presence of the candidates. 11. The local examiner is requested to forward to the Examining Committee, at Mr. Mason's office, Hamilton, as soon as the examination is over, the whole of the answers, with the list of the candidates, and to certify the regularity of the proceedings.

N.B.-The local examiner will also report specially anything which he considers it advisable that the Examining Committee should know. 12. In oities or towns where there are more Sunday schools than one, the examinations must be held from 8 to 10 p.m. 13. In other cases the hours of examination are left to the clorgy of the parish or district, but the examination must be concluded at one sitting. It is recommended that the hours be from 3 to 5, or from 8 to 10 p.m. WM. BILL, Secretary S.S. Committee, Burlington, Ont.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

LONDON.-Huron College is now opened for the fall term, with a goodly number of freshmen. The new principal has entered upon his doties and has made a very good impression

At St. Paul's Cathedral on Sunday morning last, the Very Rev. Dean Innes preached for the first time since his return from vacation. At the evening service Rev. Mr. M.ller, who lately arrived from England to take the position of Principal of Huron College, read the lessons and preached an able and excellent sermon, taking as his text xii. chap. 1. Corinthians, 3rd v.—"Wherefore I give you to undertand that no man speaking by the spirit of God called Jesus accursed; and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost." The discourse was listened to with deep atton. tion by a very large congregation, and much admired for its graceful and scholarly English, earnest piety and elequent delivery, His Lordship the Bishop was present.

Christ's Church -His Lordship the Bishop preached in Christ's Church on Sunday, Sept. congrega 28th. On Sanday, October 5th, there was a evening.

Regulations for Examinations.-I. The clergy | Harvest Thanksgiving Service; and on Monday evening a musical service with addresses.

> St. James',-The Rev. Canon Hill, of St. Thomas, preached two interesting sermons in St. James' Church on the 28th ult. The congregations were large, and the day so fine as to have a good effect on Church goers generally throughout the city.

> At the last Executive Committee meeting the Rev. E. Softley applied for Superanuation owing to failing health.

Memorial Church -The Branch W.A.M.A. in response to Mr. Trivett's appeal for help to complete his school ready for Huron's Ludy Missionary, this Branch sent him immediately \$30, and are preparing a box to follow early in October. Amongst its contents will be some eighteen Indian dresses, sent to reward those Squaws who will assist the Missionary in his personal labor of farnishing the building.

Mrs. Boomer desires gratefully to acknow-ledge the following sums for the "J. R" educational fund: -- A member of the U.S. Woman's Auxiliary in token of deep interest \$10; from E. M. H. a tonth of the first dividend from my little legacy \$1; Mrs. T. H. Smallman \$10; Mrs. English, Hellmuth College, \$5; Mrs. John Labatt, \$10.

GALT .- Special services commemorative of the jubilee of Trinity English Church, Galt, were hold on Sunday, 28th September, and were most enthusiastic and successfal. Tho Rov. J. Ridley, rector of the parish, asked the congrega-tion for an offering of \$1,200 to wipe off the floating debt. His appeal was more than fully met, the collections amounting to one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars. Two years ago a similar amount was presented in the same way, the rector having long since dis-carded and discountenanced the raising of money by the indirect methods for church purposes.

Appropriate to the jubilee of the parish, a very handcome brass tablet has just arrived from London, England, and was put in place last week on the chancel wall by the vestry. The tablet bears the following inscription :-

Sacred to the Memory of

VERY REVEREND MICHAEL LL.D., Dean of Huron, BOOMER. Тяк

And First Rector of Trinity Church, Galt. Who died March 4th, 1888.

Aged 78 Years.

Erected by the Vestry of the Parish in which he ministered for 33 Years.

The Rev. Canon Da Moulin, D.C.L., rector of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, and who many years ago assisted the late Dean in this parish, preached the jubilee sermons on Sunday, and paid an elequent and fitting tribute to his memory.

A handsomely framed and life-like portrait publicly as well as in the performance of his professional duties. The London *Fress Press* ish by Mrs. Boomer, which will be kept in the bas this to say of him: ness, admirably executed, and reflocts great credit on the artist, Mr. Rolston, of London. On Monday evening a reception was held in the Town Hall, to which the rector invited the ministers of all denominations in the town. On Sunday next the jubilee services will be continued, when His Lordship Bishop Baldwin will officiate.

> ST. THOMAS .- On Sanday, the 25th ult., Speoial Thanksgiving Services were hold in Trinity Church. The building was neatly decorated with grain, fruit and flowers. A very excellent musical service was rendered. The Rev. Canon Davis, of London, preached two most eloquent and practical sermons appropriate to the oc-A special collection was taken up in Le Church improvement fund. The casion. aid of the Church improvement fund. congregations were very large especially in the shew a large amount passing through its handf, evening, while relieving itself of all responsibility as to

KIBKTON.-The Annual Harvest Festival of Thanksgiving was observed by the congregation of St. Paul's Church, Kirkton, on Sanday, Sept. 28th, at 7 p.m., with appropriate services. The Church way tastefully decorated for the occasion under the superintendence of Mcs. R bt. H. Robinson and other ladies of the committee, with a liberal profusion of fluwers, fruit, grain, and vegetables. One special feature of the oburch decoration was an anchor suspended over the chancel, encased in moss and flowers-presenting under the lamplight a very brilliant display. An appropriate sermon was delivered by the Incumbent, Rev. H. D. Steele, from Pa. exvi 12 "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits towards mo?" The Church was crowded to its utmost capacity, and the offertory presented was liberal.- Laus Deo.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

Wanted-a "Live" Missionary Society .--Thoughts often come to one in the night season And this Sunday night (or rather Monday morning) after lying awake on my bed here at my school at Elkhorn, thinking, thinking for an hour or more, I have lighted my lamp at 3 a.m. and am jotting down a fow thoughts as they occur to mo, commending them to God and asking Him as Ho may please, to make use of them.

Perhaps a long talk that I had with the Bishop of Rupert's Land, when services were over last night, has helped, under God, to put these thoughts into the shape they now assume. Porhaps a falk I had last Sunday, a week ago, with the Rev. Dr. Barman, at his Indian School at St. Paul's, has had to do with it. Perhaps recent correspondence with Mr. Tims, Mr. Trivett, and others of our Missionaries in the far west, has had to do with it. At any rate the feeling is coming stronger and more strongly upon me that something must be done to stir up the flickering embers of love and faith in the breasts of our people, our Church of England people, far and wide through the country, to take a greater, warmer and more active interest in the Home and Foreign Missions, which Almighty God has placed it our very doors and which are appealing so strongly, so persistently and yet hitherto so unavailingly for a hearty snpport. Why is it that our Indian Missions are thus longuishing ? Why is it that the Standard of the Cross which was planted years ago in the midst of our heathen population by those noble pioneers who have most of them already gone to their rest; planted in Algoma, in Manitoba, on the Hudson's Bay, in the great Northwest, on the shores of the Arotic Ocean and of the Pacific, is now left standing, almost deserted like a flickoring beacon on a bill? How is it that in these recent days of our Canadian Church's history we are ceasing to acknowledge our responsibility before God for the conversion and Christian training of our own hundred and twenty thousand Indians?

How is it that Presbyterians and Methodists and Plymouth Brethren are fast occupying the Indian mission fields, and planting their mission stations on ground which by rights had belonged to the Church of England; and that Roman Catholics are getting their thousands from Government towards the support of their Indian Institutions, while the Church of England has to be content with hundreds, and is in danger of losing those hundreds because not sufficiently supplemented out of the Church's funds in order for the work to be carried on ? How is it that there is so much complaint in the present day of difficulties and straits and financial embarrassment and such a lack of trust and faith and true carnestness of purpose ? How is that our only great Missionary organization in Canada seems to many of us to be a mere "figuring society," making its chief aim and object to

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results, and making little or no attempt to show how Almighty God's work is progressing and how many of the heathen are boing gathered into the fold of the Church as a result of its operations? How is that our Church people, or rather the representatives of our Church people (and those representatives, let us hope, do not always voice the true senti-ments of the people), are for the most part so averse to expanding money on Indian missions and Indian education; saying "Leave it to the Government. The Indians are the wards of the Nation, and it is the Government's duty and not the Church's duty to care for them, to provide for them, an to educate their children?"

But I must haston to draw this letter to a close, or there will no room for its insertion. I can only pray God that He will in his good Providence open a way for these grievances to be remedied. Almighty God has placed these heathen people at our doors. Let our Church beware that it acts not the part of the Priest and the Levite in regard to them. The great missionary work of the Church of Eogland, which within the last hundred years has spread to the remotest limits of the world, began just with a few earnest Christian persons who mot together for prayer, and banded together in an earnest determination to send forth the Gospel to the beathen. And this is what I feel we want in Canada: a "live" missionary Society, not a more figuring institution, but a society with a heart and a soul, that will take up the work with a fearless determination, under God's help and blessing, to carry it through, and that will not cease its labors until these 125,000 Indians, whom God has placed at our doors, are brought to the knowledge of the Saviour, and their children are all of them gathered into Christian Schools; yes, not Government Schools but Christian Schools; schools—aided by Gov-ernment but belonging to the Church—cared for, sustained, upheld, directed by that Church, whose honor and privilege it was to first plant the Standard of the Cross in the wild regions of our great North and our great West.

EDWARD F. WILSON. Waahakada Home, Elkhorn, Manitoba, Septem ber 15th, 1890.

BEADMARIS,-The Rural Dean of Muskoka begs to acknowledge receipt of \$40 offertories for building fund, St. John's. Besumaris; and \$50 collected by Bishop of Pittsburgh, U, A., for site of church, por W. Riley, Churchwarden; both sums sent to Treasurer of Algoma.

THE Roy. E. F. Wilson desires to acknowledge with many thanks the following contributions, recently received towards support of his Indian Homes: Trinity S. School, St. John, N.B., for support of boy and girl, \$37.50; from Cathedral S, School. Kingston, for girl, \$25 00; per Miss Johnson, Ottawa, for girl, \$12 75; St Paul's S S, Rothsay, \$7 50; Memorial S. School London, \$16 75; per J. J. Mason, Diocese of Quebeo, for Wuwanosh, \$17 37; for Shingwank, \$11. Mr. and Miss Wallis, \$10; St. Peters' S. School, Toronto, for boy, \$19; F. M. \$1.

CUNTEMPORARY CHURCH UPINION.

Church News :

"When any person is sick, notice shall be given thereof to the Minister of the Parish."-Rubric.

There is often a hesitancy on the part of many people to observe this rubric, from a fear of "troubling the minister." Be assured that no clergyman fields it a "trouble" to visit the sick. It is often the greatest help he has in his work. Connected with this mistake is another which is too common, and that is that the office of "the communion of the sick" is only intendes for those who are at the point of death. Sick people very often have this feeling but it is not the idea of the Church that this office | concrete form with the least admixture of any- | began to attract their attention, and they began

are in the habit of receiving once a month or once a week, they should not receive any the less frequently because they are sick. If any difference were to be made they should rather receive the oftener. Truly the soul is sflicted as well as the body in times of sickness, and equally as much does it need food and nourishment for its strength and support. Let us not deprive the Church of the privilege of showing a Mother's tender care and love.

THE BISE OF DENOMINATIONALISM AFTER THE REFORMATION.

(By the Rev J. B. Angell in the American Church S. S. Magazine for May)

That particular branch of the Catholic or Universal Church to which we belong, and which is known to us as the Protestant Episco. pal Church in the United States of America, stands to day, as she has always stood—in a unique position-a position which I think lends no little aid to her assumption and maintenance of the peculiar and commanding attitude she is now taking in the eyes of all thoughtful men, Allied by inheritance as well as by her doctrines and ritual to the Mother Church of England to which she owes her beginning as an organized body, she is yet independent of it. While care. ful in the preface to her Prayer Book to declare that this Church is far from intending to depart from the Church of England in any essential point of dootrine, discipline or worship, or further than local circumstances require, she also by that very Prayer Book asserts her inde pendence of that Church to which she acknowledges so heavy a debt. She is no way bound further than she may-acting through her constitutional councils-choose to be; neither when these United States assumed independent sovereignty has she ever been. It will be seen at once from this how peculiarly powerfal her position is. She has given up rothing of that which enables her to claim the rightfal title of an Apostolic Church; the Episcopal succession has been preserved intact, the sacraments duly administered by lawfully ordained ministers; the incomparable liturgy-the growth of so many ages of spiritual thought and perception and aspiration-rendered always and every. where in its integrity; and yet, on the other hand, she is entirely free from any suspicion that would justly attach to her were her ties to the Mother Church of such a nature that they included the acceptance of the governing principle of the union of Church and State as an integral part of her Constitution. She has, in short, all the historic prestige of the Church of England without the accompanying weakness of a dependence upon the secular power. It is this vital connection she has with all that is precious in the history of the past as it affects the Church of Christ, while at the same time preserving her freedom from all entangling alliances, that gives her the unique position of which I just now spoke. It is a position that constitutes a proud boast, and yet a mighty responsibility for those of us who are her mem. bers to day. For to-day history is being made in religious matters as it has not been since the day when Luther nailed his theses to the gates of Wittenberg Cathedral and dared to mortal combat the hitherto uncorquered power of Rome. The spirit of unrest-the spirit of the age-whichever you may choose to call it-is no spirit of rank infidelity, as some timorous minds are inclined to believe; it is one of unrest because of deepened conviction; it can no longer be soothed with a formula or satisfied by an 'enriched ' liturgy; it demands to know the foundations of things; it wants to be certain of the basis of faith, and wants, moreover, to find that organization which embodies those in

should take the place of extreme unction. Yet thing that may seem to demand oredulity that is what many of us seem to make it. It rather than faith, or to bind by a syllogism is surely often that if communicants in health rather than the instincts of right reason, and, moreover, an organization which has stood the twin tests of time and experience. To achieve this coveted position of being not in name but in reality 'The Church' the various Christian bodies are eagerly striving. It is no use blink-ing the fact because we think it undignified. there is a a strong competition among the various Christian bodies. They say that com-petition is the life of trade, and in one sense I think it is true of churches, and for this reason, because it makes them look to their principles rather than their accidents-to insist on essentials rather than non-essentials. It is in such a contest as this that all our church people are accustomed to claim a decided superioritythey regard that superiority too often as a matter of course rather than of well-sustained argument; they have heard it stated so con-stantly that they believe it, though they may not know why they do so except in the vaguest manner. My endeavor will be to show briefly that these claims are real and to be supported by those who claim to be well-instructed mem. bers of our communion-not so much by the direct proof of the trath of our own position as by showing that other great religious bodies with which we are daily brought into contact are readily traceable to human sources as the product of human brains: in one word, as machine made, as opposed to the gradual growth of the Church of which we are members. Now this is not by any means the useless threshing out of old straw which some may think. Bear in mind, the tendency of which I have spoken, to find something stable and sure, and there is no better ground of stability than is to be found in historic proof. It is like searching a title-the error in the original grant vitiates the succeeding deeds, though they may be according to that part correct. A church that had its beginning three hundred years ago, and whose title deeds since that time are, according to the original deed of foundation, correct, is in no better condition if that original deed be based on a cardinal error. It is important to remember that I am not now discussing the spiritual side of such a church's work; only its historic side. Many Christian bodies have-to our shame be it said-done more for Christ's Kingdom than we, but on an historic basis they hold no position beside ourselves. It is, then, for us who have this advantage to know of it, and know all about it. Proof, not assertion, is what we want, and it is no small gain to us if we can show that in all essential particulars this Church of ours is directly

DESCENDED FROM APOSTOLIC TIMES.

There is a great deal more in an illustrious line of descent than many people would like to believe. The Master Himself, in one of His wise sayings, declared: 'No man having drunk old wine straightway desireth new, for he saith the old is better," and no man having had the advantage of a liturgy that is Apostolic in its chief constituents, and of a ministry whose descent is unbroken, is, I think, going to change them for the newest form of church worship and government, though it be warranted the best fitted for this present year of grace. It is because of the advantages she has that this Church of ours is exercising this attractive force that she is to day. A century ago, she was not only despised but suspected. Men could not believe that a religious body could hold the same doctrine and discipline as a powerful State Church and not hold her political views as well. But when they gradually discovered that such could be the case—that such a church could be a loyal daughter and yet an independent child -could begin a separate existence without any clash or jar of hostile discussion or doctrinal war-could, in a word, distinguish between the essential and the non-essential, the phenomenon

to weigh the claims they had before thought unworthy of consideration. One proof of the effect of such attention is to be seen in the fact that bodies that were wont to denounce us as a half-way house to Rome are assuming those portions of our worship that seem to them most attractive, while in one case instituting in addition a mode of government having the same name as ours, but lacking the vital element of historic truth. These are the points that are going to help us with the thinking men of tc-day—the fact of our having always worked under the duly appointed Constitution—how the Constitution of the Church is the New Tes tament-its best inte preters those who first worked under it. If we can show that our view is the same as theirs, it is a fair ground for assuming that we are right. This is our defersive position. But we have an offensive one as well, and that is to show, as I have before indicated, that those bodies which differ from us trace their method of interpretation to what is comparatively a very late date, and what is more, that those methods were more the results of the unavoidable circumstance in which their promulgators were placed than a real conviction of their being right. You will see at once that this narrows the field of our discussion. We deal not with essentials of faith, but with methods of organization, and, broadly speaking, it is in this that the main ground of differences lies, although with the Baptists the cause of division is mainly the interpretation of an article of that creed which they accept as well as ourselves. I say our differences lie not

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while Christian bodies use as their symbol the Apostles' Creed, there is, thank God, a ground of union. So far as doctrinal questions go, you can hear Calvanism preached in some of our pulpits, and the broadest theology in the nominally strictest denominations-e. g, the Andover School his sprung from the Congregational body—so when you come down to the real points of variance, you will find them summed up mainly in

METHODS OF GOVERNMENT.

and perhaps the minor point of forms of worship, and for the proof of this it is only neces sary to note that of the four points essential for union laid down by the House of Bishops in 18c6, the only one that met with dissent was the one proclaiming the Historic Episcopate as the essential form of church government. If we so agree on this, all else would follow, for if a man accepts the creeds unhesitatingly then his opinions about such points as predesina-tion, election, conversion and the like remain merely as his opinion; they cannot be made matters of faith, for they are not, neither ever have been, embodied in any universal creed of the Universal Church. But in discussing our differences as to church government, we must be sure of our ground; and by going into the origin of the great Christian bodies that surround us, we can, I think, sustain our contention that their principles are modern in origin and were more often the result of force of circumstances than of innate conviction, and this applies also to the doctrinal position of the Baptists. To sustain this contention is to give an adequate reason for our standing aloof from other Christian bodies, and by so doing we shall also help to shoulder a part of that responsibility that is on us to day-when men's mind are turned towards us—of giving a reason for the hope that is in us, not as Christians, but as Churchmen. We are not asked to defend the creed, but to define and defend our interpretation of

WHAT THE CHUBOH IS.

This, I repeat, can be done by contrasting our own historical continuity with the recent lise of the governing principles of the great prominently.

[To be continued.]

CORRESPONDENCE.

"SHALL SHINGWAUK BE CLOSED?"

To the Editor of the Church Guardian :

SIA,-With tingling cheeke, with a thrill of surprise and shame, and with a feeling of deep sorrow, I read the Rev. E. F. Wilson's letter anent the impending closing of the Shingwank Home.

I am sadly afraid that there are many people who look upon this work merely as a "hobby of Mr. Wilson's : they do not at all realize that such Divine enthusiasm has taken hold upon him as to render him unable to rest until he has done his life work, to which I firmly believe God had called him. Surely it is the Holy Spirit who has borne in upon Mr. Wilson's soul the words, "It is not the will of your Heavenly Father that one of these little ones should perish."

Let us rally around Mr. Wilson, and give him our money, our sympathy and our prayers. Let us thank God when we find in our Apostlic Church, Apostolic Faith and Apostolic work in the person of such a man. I would that such zeal and enthusiasm were contagious, and that thousands at this time-for now is the time were smitten with this "Indian fover." Let us thank God when we find a man or a woman who, in the spirit of self abnegation, is praying, working, struggling and suffering, and who, under it all, courageously says: "This one thing I do." Yes, and let us come to Mr. Wilson's help, lest the Master say to us ' Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it not to Me."

Thank God that our Church in Canada is beginning to awake to her priviloges and esponsibilities. Yet it is sad to lock over the Diocesan offertories, and to see how very little is being done for either Home or Foreign Missionary work. Let every congregation and every Sunday school increase its Missionary offerings; let us all make systematic and persistent efforts to swoll the treasury of our "Board of Missions," and sweep away the barning stame of the pathetic cry that Mr. Wilson's atters, "The Mission Board will not help me !"

Perhaps if Mr. Wilson's sad letter will not arouse the Church, perhaps if my own poor words are deemed an intrasion, perhaps the following words from an appreciative editorial in The Mail, of about three years since, will sting us into action. God grant that they may sond us to our knees, to our pockets, to the Harvest Field, in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

The following is the excerpt :-

"It is very curions that the Church of England, which in England contributes in a princely manner to Missions both at home and abroad, should in this country give much less in proportion to its strength than any other Chr.stian body towards the spread of the Gospel among the heathen of this and other lands. One is at a loss to account for this, unless indeed it be that the Canadian Church has for so long received of the bounty of the Church in England that it has come to regard itself rather as an object of charity than as a source from which liberal gifts should come. The Church of England has among its members some of the wealthiest mon in Canada, and it has a tremendous membership of people who may be described as in comfortable circumstances. From such a source it should derive a large revenue for mission purposes. That it requires such a revenue no one can deny."

"An object of charity!" Stinging words. Yet, "faithful are the wounds of a friend." True, the Church is doing more than she did a few years ago. Yet, she is only "playing at Missions" as yet. Oh, let every baptized believer, who should, in some sense, be a mis-Christian bodies. Among these, three stand out sionary, heed the great Shepherd's voice, prominently. "Lovest thou Me? Feed my Sheep. Lovest thou Mo? Feed my Lambs.'

I pray that our dear brother's heart may be cheered in the work for which he has for so long laboured and suffered, by the Church aronsing herself and saying, "You shall not close even a part of your Homes; here are the funds." A non.

- "O'er all Earth's broad domain, On our Canadian shore,
- We see Thy finger pointing plain To each wide open door;

And if we turn our eyes away Lord, wilt Thou own us in that day?

Baptize with holy fire Each heart before Thee now !

Kindle fresh zeal and new desire;

With life our soul's endow ;

Then shall Thy Church arise and shipe, And Earth rejoice in power Divine.'

Yours, etc.,

W. J. TAYLOR.

St. James Rectory, St. Mary's, Sept. 26, 1890.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

We are obliged again to make an urgent appeal to our Subsoribors to pay up arrears. Some of them now owe for years: others only for a year or two. The amount, small in each case, reaches a sum sufficient to impede us in our work ; and renders the service done to The Church in continuing the publication of the CHUBCH GUARDIAN, without remuneration to the Editor, more burdensome than it need be. Some subscribers too, (we regret to say) after receiving the paper for several years, now strive by all manner of excuses to escape pay-ment. But we must and shall insist on payment of arrears before any order for discontinuance will be obeyed.

But more than this, may we not ask that all who really desire that there should be an impartial and sound Church paper maintained, -free from extremes and reflecting we believe the true principles of The Church as we are assured the GUARDIAN has done and does-will take interest enough in it to endeavor to secure new subscribers; and that those who have business announcements to make will favor us with their advertisements? Were the matter morely a personal one-that is were the GUARDIAN carried on for mero personal boushis -we would make no such appeal as this. Amid a multitude of other engagements-public and private-and whilst engaged in an arduous and exacting profession, the Editor has employed time which should have gone to recreation and rest in carrying on this distinctly Church work; and we hope that more than in the past we may have the hearty support and influence of Clergy and Laity.

MANY plausible attacks upon the Christian creed are due to the inadequate methods of its professed interpreters. Fragments of doctrine torn from their context and deprived of their due proportions, are brandished in the eyes of men by well meaning but ignorant apologists as containing the sum total of the Christian faith, with the lamentable consequence that even earnest seckers after truth, and much more its uncarnest and merely factious adversaries, mislead themselves and others into thinking Christianity discredited, when in reality they have all along been criticizing its cericature. Such men need reminding that Christicnity is greater than its isolated interpreters or misinterpreters in any age; that in the course of its long history it has accumula. ted answers to many an objection which they in their ignorance think new; and that, in the confidence of its universal mission and the memory of its many victories, it still claims to be sympathetic, adequate, adaptable to the pro-

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THE PULPIT.

To the statement frequently made by the secular press, that the pulpit has lost its power and that, at the present time, there are few great preachers, the answer may emphatically be made that the charge is not true. Great men are few and far between in any age, and in any class. And it can very safely be said. that the great preachers are, surely, as numer ous to day as great lawyers, physicians, sur geons, or statesmon. Perhaps the last named has the minimum of representatives. Yet it is true that the pulpit is not using the fulness of its inherent power in directing and moulding the social and political life of the people. Half a century ago, it was the oracle and exponent of every true element and aspiration in public and private life. In the passage of time some of these elements have been eliminated by the marvellous development of the press. This has flooded, with numerous and cheap publications, every avenue of social, moral and political life. The wide limits of the pulpit's power have thus been circumscribed, and it is thrown back upon what is considered to be its original basis as a purely religious organ, having only the duty reserved of teaching religious doctrine, and duty ; and as to the results of these, to be 'hands off' of business principles and political management. These are things separate and apart, in public estimation. If its enunciations strikes rather sharply on some one's peculiar weaknesses, the rebuff is given, with something of heat, that, 'business is business,' or, 'religion has nothing to do with politics.' Hence, the dependence of the 'preacher' on the good-will and support of his 'audience,' tends to 'temper' was. Let this be done all along the line and it the wind to the shorn lamb,' and results in timidity in the magnifying of his office as one power, cannot compel.'—Church Year.

commissioned to attack and severely deal with violations of moral, social, and religious principles, wherever they are at work. This is one element of weakness, and connected with it, and growing out of the seeming necessity for attracting and pleasing the hearers, is the trend toward religious sensationalism in various forms, which is the last resort for fame or notoriety with weak men, and men who look upon the ministry as simply a 'craft by which they get a living.

Admit that religion has nothing to do with politics or business principles; there yet remains the indisputable fact, that religion, and its mouthpiece, the pulpit, has a great deal to do with those moral principles, and that social character on which business men and politicians are accustomed to ply their motives and depend for success in their schemes. This is the more necessary because men are apt to educate themselves into a strange duality of character which destroys, utterly, all moral power. The idea that a man's private or religious character is a thing entirely apart from his business or political life, and that the things which would shame and disgrace his private or religious character, are sinless and pure in trade or partnership, is a most horrible and deadly conception. Here is a feature of human life with which the pulpit, if true to itself, must deal squarely and boldly. It must maintain we are not Christians unless the Christian law controls the whole life-not a portion of it only. More than that, it ought to maintain that if the devil gets one part of this dual nature, he will surely have the whole man in his possession. A falsehood by the fireside, and a falsehoed in business, a fraud in private life and a fraud in partisanship, are one and the same thing. The tradesman should be taught that 'moral responsibility is not over when goods are passed across the counter, but must extend to the condition on which these goods were made and sold-to inflated price, under pay and over work. And the politician should be taught that fidelity to official position involves honest and intelligent inquiry as to the merits of mea sures and men, and the most determined hostility to all corruption, no matter on which side it is attempted; and a single hearted, or rather God fearing resolve to support the right, as each may be able to know the right. "Men who are altogether moral and without reproach in business and social life, encourage and partipate in political methods whose dishonesty and immorality are open to the world. Partizanship has gene so far that principle has ceased to be the rule of party government, and policy alone is the test of political measures. The false motto, 'all is fair in war,' has by the strikingly correct analogy of war with stateoraft, as now practiced, come to be the regulating principle of politics. The old idea that 'rightcousness exalteth a people,' has grown obsolete and inapplicable to our sharper practice. Instead, we have tacitly given in to the practical theory that 'chicanery exalteth a party.' with the New York Churchman: We agree

We believe that if the pulpit were bravely to show the present fact of corruption, the inevitable consequences that must follow in its train, and the fact that no gang of political hucksters could corrupt city, state or nation without the passive support of the great body of good citizens, indignant virtue would rise up and put the agents of corruption to speedy flight. It is often said that the press is all. powerful and that the influence of the pulpit has decayed. The press is not omnipotent, for it is divided; part of it is corrupt, and another part pure and meritorious. The pulpit is feeble only because the pulpit does not begin to guess

its own power. 'Let the pulpit bravely do its duty, and it will find itself as powerful for good as it ever was. Let this be done all along the line and it

GIVING-WORK.

That beautiful incident of the widow casting in her two mites into the treasury in the temple is a precious legacy to the Christian Church. From the remark of our Lord that she had given more than they all, we are permitted rightly to judge that the rich men who cast in of their superfluity gave without self sacrifice, and with self-consciousness, 'to be seen of men.' Evidently, He who is a searcher and discerner of hearts, weighs the motive with which a man bestows a gift. While there are those who hold that gifts to God without the right motive are of no avail in carrying on His work among men, yet it would be an assumption for the human intellect to decide such a question. But certainly the story of the mites is a very solemn warning to those who have an over abundance of this world's goods both in respect to their motives and responsibility, and shows that the approval of the Lord of all is infinitely better than the tinkling brass of the world's transient adulation. On the other hand, it is full of gracious comfort and encouragement to those who have little to give, and the limitations and obscurity of whose lot furnish few opportunities to do. God's measure differs from man's, It is not the quantity compared with what others give; but the guartity with respect to ability. Though the world notices not the kindly act of love and self sacrifice of the lowly and the poor, yet they are very precious in the Saviour's sight, and are laid up amon the permanent treasures of the kingdom of God. This blessed trath ought to be a perpetual support and stimulus to the everyday workers in our Lord's vineyard. The least act of service, of self-denial, aflame with the love of Christ, not only receives the commendation of the divine Master, but makes the path of duty the path of glory. Such an one is careless of the world's praise, because he learns the danger that lies in praise, of turning the heart to rest in the outward rather than in the sure things of God.

Another trath suggested by this incident much needed amid the din and bustle of our present high pressure methods of life is the unrecognized fact that real moral progress lies in obscure and insignificant sources, rather than in the blare of trumpets. This simple act of the poor widow would never have been known but for His notice, by which it has become a spiritual force for good, unlocking hearts and purses down through the ages, and to the outer bounds of the Christian world. There have been doubtless innumerable similar instances of quiet devotion without self consciousness which have not had any perceptible power among men, but we may be sure they do not die without effect In the spiritual kingdom nothing is The Master's eye watches with careever lost. ful love the heart and deed of every humble, sincere soul, and they are lovingly treasured up, and though the world rushes past, in the aggregate they become the life blood and irrosistible spiritual energy of the Christian Faith and the Christian Church. It is not the noise and demonstration of the self-confident and selfseeking, riding on the top waves, cheered by the popular hosannas, who work out permanent results, raise men to higher things, and make life worth more. The real levers that are moving the world are the ideas of thinkers, searchers after truth, absorbed in their work, cureless of applause; and the accumulations of the un. noticed and unheralded toilers the world over, who have no reward but the gracious sweetness of work itself. Familiar as is the truth that it is the little things together that make the great things, yet we do not bring it home to the practical life to become a joyful spring of energy in daily drudgery. Much more does it give heart and courage to the workers for

Drop a pebble on the quiet bosom of Christ. the ocean, and the circling wavelets soon die away, leaving the same placid surface, but the pebble has moved every particle of water to the depth and breadth of the ocean. So a kind word, a loving deed, a sincere unspoken prayer, though apparently making no impression, lives evermore, carrying its undying benison to the limits of the spiritual kingdom .- Church News.

THE ESSENTIALS OF CHRISTIANITY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

In his address at the Diocesan Convention, the Bishop of Long Island discusses the matter of education in our public schools, with charsotoristic force and ability. A method of teach ing which has no religious and moral basis is so one sided and defective, and so contrary to the genius of our institutions, that he predicts a reaction against it. The nation was not conceived and born in atheism or paganism, and the Christian intelligence of the nation will not suffer it to assume any such shaping. Such shaping is abnormal and contradictory, and the tendency in that direction is sure to call out an earnest and vigorous protest on the part of Christian people at large.

As preliminary to that turn in the tide, which will set toward religion and not away from it. the Bishop says that public opinion must be taught to discriminate between essential Christianity and denominational Christianity.' This is a matter of great consequence. It is out of the question that denominational Christianity of any sort shall be taught in our public schools. Multitudes of Christian people not only take no interest in it, but they will agree with the Bishop that it is the denominational which has so largely sacrificed the essential in connection with the schools. The shadow, so to speak, has expelled the substance, and we are presented with the unique spectacle of a Christian nation which must say nothing about Christionity in the public teaching of its children, because it has been appropriated by so many sects of Christian people. 'That our schools sects of Christian people. should be threatened with practical paganism because of sect indifference, or sect jealousies, or sect disagreements, is the open scandal of religion in this land.

But what are the essentials of Christianity which may be taught in our public schools, and which may be agreed upon in common? That which may be agreed upon in common? is the question to which the Bishop addresses himself, and he calls attention to one answer which has been given by the Presbyterian Synod of the state of New York, while he ven-tures to suggest another. The Synod would recommend for its scheme of teaching in the public schools: The existence of a personal God; the responsibility of every human soul as made in the image of God, after the power of an endless life; and the reality of a future spiritual state beyond the grave, in which every soul shall give account of itself to God, and shall reap that which he has sown.

Now it strikes one at a glance that for several reasons here is a way of putting things which the Christian public would never agree upon, as they might be put in a score of ways which it would never agree upon. It is not that anything is untrue in this scheme of teaching, or that it does not have to do with truths of the most serious consequence. But somehow it is not the thing, just as an unfitting garment is not the thing, and as so many garments may so easily fail for one cause or another. The Bishop, for instance, calls attention to the fact that in this scheme there is no allusion to Christianity, nothing which rises above the conception of mass of intellectual slush streaming from natural religion, and nothing which may not be included in the limits of deistic worship and deistic morality. The question is about the washy magazines and the shoals of stuff written

Christian religion and about Christian teaching for the young, as it surely ought to be at the hands of a Christian nation. What then, 'with all deference to the wisdom of the very influential synod' spoken of, would the Bishop venture to offer as a substitute ? What but the Apostles! Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ton Com-mandments? That seems to hit it exactly. That seems the precise thing, which is neither too full here nor pinched and uncomfortable there. It is not too much or too little, too inclusive or too exclusive, too abstract or too ample, too much above the young nor at all below them or apart from them. It is not probable that if for the next fifty years the It is not wisest heads in any or all denominations should occupy themselves in devising the most suitable scheme of Christian truth to be taught in our public schools they would strike the average unprejudiced mind with anything like the appropriateness of this proposed substitute. One does not have to read laborious treatises and weary his brain with thinking before arriving at a conclusion in the matter. The thing is no sooner mentioned that one ories out instinctive. 'That's it; that's it, exactly !'

The Bishop enumerates the advantages of making the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, the scheme of of religious instruction in our public schools. They are :

1. It is characteristically Christian.

2. It is absolutely non sectarian.

3. It has had the undoubted consensus of all Christians from the days of the primitive and undivided Church.

4. It comprehends all the fundamental ele ments of Christianity that have entered into the formation of modern civilization, and especially of the Christians of this country.

5. It also has the merit of brevity and simplicity, and because of those qualities can be easily learned and easily hold in the memory.

If a Christian and not merely deistic basis of national morality is to be provided for our schools, nothing less than what it contains can be satisfactory to the great majority of Christian people.

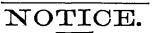
The Bishop acknowledges that this scheme may encounter the grave objection that in the present environment it is not workable, and that many will refuse to take any steps beyond the elementary truths of natural religion. He acknowledges even more than this, but it makes no less certain that no other conceivable scheme would have so many and great advantsges, and would be fruitful of such excellent results.—Living Church.

READING.

It is a very serious question what our young people are reading. The books a boy or girl is reading have a vast deal to do with his or her future mental and moral character, for good or bad. Unhappily, the outlook is not promising. Never before was reading matter so cheap and universal; and never before were there such floods of atter trash, worse than useless, poured npon a suffering people. It is a question whether for real moral and intellectual stamina the world was not better off a hundred years ago without such oceans of reading matter. Do our young people ever hear of such books as the Vicar of Wakefield, Paul and Virginia, or any of the English classics whose thought and literary character have stood the test of time? Do they ever pick up Addison or any of the standard literature, elevated in tone and strengthening to the mental and moral fibre? Do they read history, biography and travels? As a rule, these are all overslaughed by the

by bohemians and sentimental girls, there is no time or place left for reading anything of sterling and permanent value. Only here and there are the elect ones wi o have the proper guidance or the natural taste to pass them by. The prospects for the coming generation in the way of intellectual vigor are not encouraging. Even not taking into account books of an immoral tendency, the evil of too much of what is called literature is sufficient to cause alarm. The right place to stem the tide is in the home life; but unfortunately there are too many parents whose literary horizon is bounded by the Sunday paper, or bazaar of fashion. The educators in our higher institutions are our chief dependence in keeping alive a sure intellectual taste, but they can reach only a few. Teachers in all grades of schools and the clergy can do much. In a practical way the clergy in their pastoral visiting could do some efficient work in this direction by making it a point to find out what the young people in the families are reading, to show an interest in it that will gain their confidence, and to give them hints and suggostions as to the value of books, and by judicious counsel and direction lead them into the paths of a purer and nobler literature.

The fact is, reading has more to do not only with our happiness, but with the making up of our lives than we usually recognizy. Great men almost universally attribute the inspiration of their best work to thought derived from books. Just as it makes all the difference in the world to a young person whether his life associations are with right minded persons of pure and elevated tone of thought and morals, or with the vicious and depraved, so it is just the same whether the books he reads are right and good and upbuilding, or of the kind that pollate the imagination and enfeeble the intellect. It certainly is a blessing that few people fairly estimate that we can have direct communion with the grandest minds and the great-est men the world has known. It ought to be an inspiration, as it is to some men, that we can converse with, and take into our minds the thoughte of, such men as Plato, St. Augustine and Shakespeare. And since the noblest monuments of literature and the productions of the lof iest minds are so easy of access, it is sad and disheartening to think how many precious hours are wasted, how many lives made empty, or worse yet, dragged down into the filth by vapid and degrading books. This companion-ship with men of genius and intellectual strength which we may attain through the printed page, suggests a higher thought. If it be a privilege of higher value to listen to Socrates, it is worth a great deal more to listen to St. Paul; and when we remember that while we are reading him we are in contact not merely with the thoughts of St. Paul, but with the thoughts of God, one would think that men would spend their nights and days reading the Bible. Although many persons do not read the and some that do, fail to get what it B:ble, really has for them, yet the thoughts of God in his revealed Word are the source and foundation of all that is best in the life of the individual, of society and the nation, And in spite of the higher criticism, the attacks of infidels and the neglect of the thoughtless and indifferent, all the books ever printed could not make up for the Bible in farnishing light in darkness, strength in weakness, comfort in trouble, satisfying rest in the present, secure hope for the future, and in enriching life with its true meaning and destiny-Church News,



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FAMILY DEPARTMENT.

MORNING THOUGHTS.

I know not in my ignorance What I should ask, or plead; But God looks over all the day, And knows what I shall need.

He knows;-end knowing, He provides, As does a parent kind,

For every want, and every state Of body, heart, and mind.

There will not be a single task, But He will belp me do;

Nor can one sore temptation come, But He will bear me through.

The coming, as the present want, He will not fail to see; Nor can I be in any place

Where He is not with me.

And so I leave all things to Him, Fully assured that Ho,

In love and wisdom infinite, Will plan and think of me,

He to Himself my heart, my thoughts, My smallest task doth raise;

And sends me cheerful to the work Of new and untried days.

-F. H. Marr, in the Parish Visitor.

HYMN FOR TEACHERS.

By the Rev. S. J. Stone, M.A.

Thou who hast charged Thine elder sons, In Thy great Church's school, To teach and tend Thy little ones,

And in wise love to rule,

Here may they loyal witness bear, As those whom Thou hast sent,

By love inspired, kept pare by prayer, Made strong by saorament.

Teacher of teachers, only Guide,

True learning's only spring O Holy Ghost, with each abide,

All truth interpreting;

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- From light to light of mind and soul,
- And pure devoted will, Lead on Thy learners to the goal
- Of wisdom's holy hill.
- Lead on, O Lord-Love, Grace and Might-Lead on through toil and prayer; So worship shall make light,

And hope ennoble care;

So they, adoring while they toil,

Their guerdon may foresee, When at Thy feet they lay the spoil

Of souls they trained for Thee. Amen.

THE BLISS BOYS.

After a long and expensive illness Mr. Bliss died, leaving a widow and five children. It was found after all the bills were paid, that there was no money left, and consequently Mrs. Bliss felt that she had beev plunged into the very depths of misery. Her oldest child was a lovely but frail and almost helpless daughter of nineteen years. Her youngest was a daughter oo, a beautiful golden haired child of five. The other three were sons, aged respectively thirteen, fifteen and seventeen.

'What shall I do ?' Mrs. Bliss asked herself despairingly, 'what shall I do ?'

The prospect was dark indeed. The brooding sorrow of the grave on the hillside, the home gone, the purso empty. Bertha, the in-valid must be tenderly cared for as heretofore. Baby Bessie needed constant thought and care. As for the boys, they must go on with their oducation, at least so their mother thought. Buy Bessie needed constant thought and care. Dunah, the maid of all-work, whom they had brought with them from their old home, de-Uncle Simon Blies, a close fisted bachelor, clared:

called upon the family one evening when they were all at home.

'Hiram has left things in a sad muddle, I heard ?' he said, questioningly.

'We have nothing,' the widow replied sadly. 'we will be obliged to give up our home,' and tears rolled down her cheeks.

'You wouldn't want to go to Cape Cod, would you?' Uncle Simon asked.

'To cape Cod! For what?' spoke in surprise. Mrs. Bliss

'I own a house there, not much of a house, but you're welcome to it if you want it, and there's land, too, nearly three acres, poor stuff, but perhaps the boys could manage to raise something on it.'

'Do you mean that we can have the house and land ?' asked Roger, the eldest boy,

esgerly. 'Certainly, and 'tisn't much of a gift either,' and he laughed softly, thinking of the old un sightly marsh, which he considered 'not worth shucks.

Roger clapped his hands. 'We'll take it, won't we, mother ?' 'If you think best. my son, but how will we

get to Cape Cod ? We can't walk there.

'I'll pay all expenses,' said Uncle Simon, 'and if the boys should get rich they can refund the money.'

He laughed as he said this as if it were a great joke, but Mrs. Bliss sighed, the present poverty was too overwhelming to be hopeful of future wealth. Still she thanked Uncle Simon for his kindness, and two weeks later she and her children were in the little house at Cape Cod. The latter had not been used for some years, so there was plenty to do, and discouraging work it was. But the boys were hopeful, cheering their mother as they worked faith. Fires were built to purify the house, fully. and it was thoroughly cleansed from top to bottom. It looked very pleasant and home like when the carpets were down and the pictures hung and a part of the dear old furniture which they had brought from home arranged. The location was wholesome, too, and the view pleasant. A quarter of a mile from the house was the "land" Uncle Simon had given them. Mrs. Bliss viewed it with tears in her eyes.

"It isn't worth a red cent," she said. " O, how could Simon have deceived us so ?"

"Cheer up, mother, it is good for something I am sure, we can raise cranberrics on it," said

Reger. "What do you know about raising cranberries ?"

"Not much, but I have heard Professor Austin explaining the culture, and I can learn how to raise them," hopefully.

"And I can help,' said Sidney, the second "So can I," said Frank, the youngest.

The boys went to work in earnest. They first had a long talk with a gentleman who owned a large and remunerative oranberry patch about a mile from their "land." Then they began their operations. A trio of weak boys would have been discouraged at the outset-not so the Bliss boys. They thought of their sorrowing, depressed mother, not over strong, their invalid sister, sweet Bertha, and darling Baby Bess, and they felt that all of these were clinging to them, the "men of the house." Their land was an unsightly marsh nearly covered with a tangle of wild bushes. Roger, who had begun studying civil engineering, measured an acre of this land and began work upon it. First there was the burning of bushes. They thought it great fun at first, but the fun departed after a few days, and there was deft only duty to spur them on. Three very smutty, tired boys went home every night to supper, but they always met with a warm

"Does one good jess to look at dem boys wid

dare shiny faces, bless 'em l'' At last when the bushes had all been burned. the boys began their second task, the removing of stumps and roots. This was harder work than the "burning," but they accomplished it. Next all the sod had to be cut and turned over, a back breaking labor which they could not accomplish unaided. But where was the money to pay for the hired labor? Their mother had several hundred dollars received from the sale of their best furniture, but they dared not ask her to use any of it on the "bog" it must pay her to use any of it on the "bog" it must pay the running expenses of the house. But the coys each had a little money of their own re-ceived from the sale of cherished articles, Roger's bioycle, Sidney's encyclopedia, and Frank's dog. This they resolved to use as it was beeded. They hired some stout boys and a man to help, and thus strengthened began turning the sod. After this was done they covered the rich loam which they had turned up with sand to the denth of five inches. Long up with sand to the depth of five inches. Long before this was accomplished they had been obliged to rub each other's backs "to keep them from cracking in two," Roger said laughing. Day by day their little hoard melted, but they kept up bravely, believing that for all this labor they would be rewarded. Then there was a dyke to build all around the marsh, and ditches to dig inside of the d ke and across the marsh. When the ground was ready for planting the boys were jubilant. Roger's money was gone; it took Sidney's to pay for the cranberry plants and for some help in sowing and harrowing them. Then there was not much to do except to flood the meadow during the cold weather to keep the plants from freezing. When spring came the boys began proparing the second acre of bog, burning the brush and uprooting the stumps. When this was done they stopped work then, for there was only Frank's money left, and that was too small a sum for big undertakings. By the time the third and last acre was burned and uprooted it was September. As there was nothing more the boys could do to their own land without money, they hired out to pick oranberries for a man a mile away. Cranberry picking is tire-some work, and I must contess that the boys grew so weary at times that they felt tempted to give up trying to earn money in that way, but fortunately they did not yield to the temp. tion. Roger averaged two hundred quarts a day and Sidney picked about one hundred and fifty, Frank not quite reaching the latter num-ber. Cranberry picking lasts about six weeks, and at the end of that time the boys had quite a nice sum of money. They used this the next summer in hiring help to aid them in preparing the land and planting the oranberries. The months and years flew by, the oranberry marsh was in its third year of growth.

"The money will come now, I know it. I know it," said Roger exultingly, and when Mr. Hawes, the owner of the upper marsh, came

down he went with the other boys to see it.

"What is it worth, Mr. Hawes?" Roger asked.

Mr. Hawes looked about him thoughtfully and critically.

"I should say," he said slowly, "that it's worth a thousand dollars an acre."

"A thousand dollars !" exclaimed Roger. "A thousand dollars !" echoed Sydney. "A thousand dollars !" said Frank in a sort

of dazod surprise. "A thousand dollars," repeated Mr. Hawes with decision, " and you have three acres, three

thousand dollars, my boys, my brave boys. Let me congratulate you," and he grasped three hands warmly while his eyes grew misty.

As for the boys they laughed and oried, and then went home to tell the good news, and the folks at home laughed and cried too, and Dinah said :

'I allus knew dem boys ud do sunipin, I done tole you all so.'

When cranberry picking was over that fall, Uncle Simon received a letter enclosing a check. He read the letter and looked at the check. the latter to pay for the money lent for travelling expenses.

Well, I do declare, if this don't best the Jews,' he said, ' the money and the interest, too, and an invi-tation to visit them. Well, well, they're plucky boys."

And that very day Uncle Simon made a will but the boys do not know it. Some day they will inherit a good many thousands, meanwhile in cheerful industry they are making themselves worthy of the good things which are in store for them.-Christian at Work, 0-0-

"CAN THE LIKE OF US GET IN."

Coming rather late one stormy afternoon in November, to the place where a children's service was to be held, I was surprised to find a group of little ones standing outside of the door in the heavy rain, apparently waiting for something. They were strangers to me, but, as I came up, three of them ran to me, asking eagerly, "Is there snything to pay to pay to get in ?" 'Nothing, dear children," I said ;

and in the three ran at once.

But two little ragged ones, with bare feet, still lingered outside, till one of them sbyly asked me, 'Can the like of us get in ?'

Glad was I to be able to say, 'Oh, ves; all are welcome," and we went in together.

But I had learned a lesson from But I had learned a lesson from the children, which I hope I shall never forget They had all been invited to come. They were cold and weary outside, and wanted to get in. The door was open, and a kind welcome waited them inside. They kept themselves out by thinking the invitation could not be meant for them-that they were not fit to come in. Here, then, is my lesson : God has, in his infinite love, provided a rich feast, to which He freely and fully invites all. Before God could give you and me-guilty sin-ners-this full and free invitation, His only begotten Son had to suffer and to die in the sinner's stead, in order that He might take away the mighty barrier of guilt that blocked up our way to heaven.

Jesus then wants you to come. The Father is waiting to welcome you. He is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to him and live. The Holy Ghost saith, 'To day, if we will hear his voice harden not your heart.' And God s messengers are sent out to say, 'Whosoever will, let him come. That means you; you will never get a fuller invitation.

Don't think the invitation is not for 'the like of you, The 'like of you may come in. Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance, Mat. ix, 13; and he has declared. 'Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out, Juhn vi 37.-Churchman.

The trouble we suspect scarce'y ever comes. How much pain the evils cost us that have never happened.

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Iv thou seek this or that, and would be here or there, the better to enjoy thine own profit and pleasure, thou shall never be at peace, nor free from trouble of mind. For in every case somewhat will be wanting, and in every place there will be some one to cross thee .-Thomas A. Kempis.

-ó-o-LIFE'S MISTAKES.

There are often fourteen of them. Most people would say, if they told the truth, that there is no limit to the mistakes of life; that they are like drops in the ocean, or the sands on the shore in number; but it is as well to be accurate. Here, then, are fourteen great mistakes:

It is a great mistake to set up our standard of right and wrong, and judge people accordingly.

To measure the enjoyment of others by our own.

To expect uniformity of opinion in this world.

To look for judgment and experience in youth.

To endeavor to mould all dispositions alike.

Not to yield to immaterial trifies. Not to look for perfection in our own actions.

To worry ourselves and others with what cannot be remedied. Not to alleviate all that needs

alleviation as far as lies in our power. Not to make allowance for the

infirmities of others. To consider everything impos-

sible that we cannot perform. To expect to be able to under-

stand everything.

The greatest of mistakes is to live for time alone, when any moment may launch us into etern it, :0:-

SUFFERING-like the rocks that interfere with the roll of the sea, flash out the white that glorifies and intensifies the whole.-GEOAGE MODONALD



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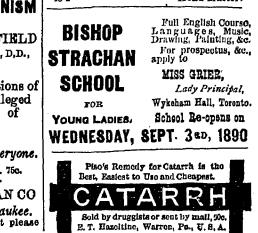
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Every year, on Oct 17th, occurs in Japan a festival which corresponds a good deal to the old Jewish festival of ' first fruits.' On this day sheaves of the first ripe rice are offered in the oldest and mo t sacred Shinto temple in Japan, namely at Ise. The way of observing the festival at other places is to set up four hamboo poles and around these to draw a pure white cloth, making a simple square roofless tent, without altar or other furniture. The floor is then covered with straw matting, and from the highest in rank the people in turn enter and for a few moments worship alone. It seems ony to the own presence spirituality and dignity of the 'Giver of all good.' There is no doubt the There is no doubt that originally it was so more than it is now.

0-0 AFRICA.

The Rev. J. G. Mongor writes from Greenville, cf the work at Since station, that there were six persons awaiting Confirmation. Two of these were native Africans, taught in the Liberian families in which they were employed. This way of converting natives to Christianity has toen frequently adopted, and has been successful. Some fifteen boys of the Sunday school are taught Christian doctrine in this way. The prospects of the work at Since station are good. Bishop Ferguson examined the pupils of the day school and Sunday school at his visitation in February last. At the day school 56 were present, and at the Sunday school there were present \$3.

JAPAN.

The Rev. John McKim, of Osaka in his report of work since June 1889; says, that he serves a 'circuit' of 21 towns; 'too many,'he says, 'for one man to work properly. The respon-sibility has troubled me like a nightmare, and I have been quite unhappy under it.' He has now been au-thorized by the Standing Committee to turn over to Mr. Dooman eleven stations, which lie in the province of Yamato.

Eleven catechists have been working under Mr. McKim, who have proved thomselves true yoke follows. The crying need, however, is for men in 11 ly Orders well educated in socular and theological learning, if we expect to keep the converts we already have and to make progross.

Six weeks of Mr. McKim's time last winter were occupied at the Trinity Divisity and Catechotical School at Tokio, where he was appointed lecturer on liturges. Here are more than a score of bright, inteiligent young men in preparation for the mission work.

The work of a Japan missionary is very varied. Mr. McKim has pub-



books) in which work be acknowledges material assistance from the Rev. Frederick R Graves' Chinese voision.

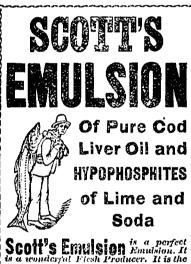
Eleven stations were opened during the year, but the number of baptisms reported is less than for last year. Mr. McKim remarks: This is due to several causes. The people have been immersed in politics and with their impulsive and impeluous naturo have given them selves up to the discussion of political principles to the neglect of business and religion. Again, an anti foreign reaction has taken place, which is largely due to the failure of the Japanese Government to obtain a satisfactory revision of the existing treaties with foreign powers. Another cause is that we have found it neces sary to be more strict in the prepar ation of catechumens for Hely Baptism.'

Mr. McKim reports 78 baptisms, 40 confirmations, and 406 communi cants.

:0: CHINA.

The Rov. Arthur H. Locke, recently returned to his station at Hankow, writes under date of June 8th, as follows: 'Yesterday I baptized 24 more candidates, none of whom had been under instruction less than six months. At the ser-vice we had benches in the aisles to accommodate the large congre gation. We could have filled the church over again. I wish you at home could feel that wo have a great opening here, and that it is for the interest of us all to support this work promptly and take the 'tide which leads on to fortune.' I am surprised myself to see on my return how rapidly we can extend our work in a substantial way. The sanction of the railway from Hankow, and the coming of foreign ongineers into the yamen are raising our work in the estimation of the public; but above and beyond all this, I know and see that God is with us, and I feel that we can do all things. There are now six evangelists enrolled. These study very varied. Mr. McKim has pub- with me daily, and in six months I lished recently a translation of Bing- shall send them out. There are BUST MEDIUM FOR ADVERTISING Exchanges to P.O. Box 504.

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Any fever which refuses to yield to simple remedies within thirty. six hours, requires the immediate attention of a physician, for it is more than likely that something serious is to ensue—especially if the fever began with a chill or was preceded by days of lassitude and de pression. With these symptoms present, a good doctor will have his attention thoroughly aroused and his suspicions on the alert tor one of the marked fevers, typhoid, scarlet, pulmonary, or gastric, or whatever the other symptoms may suggest. Should he finally pronounce one of these dread names, O mother, hold a moment's conference with your own soul to learn whether you have strongth and devotion enough to carry this heavy burden. You must fully heavy burden. realize that in most fevers more d pends upon the nurse than upon the doctor or his drugs. Unless you can be sure that you shall be able to forget yourself, your body, your needs, your wishes, you would do well to leave the case in other hands. Do not feel that you must nurse your child because he is your child, and leave the question of your fitness out of consideration. Love can do much, but it cannot take the place of skill and trained endurance, and when one counts in the strain, which a mother endures, through this very love, it sometimes happens that sho, of all the family, is the least fit for the post of fever nurse.

By the self forgetfulness of the nurse, I do not mean that you are to neglect anything which is es-sential to your health. Your duty to your patient requires you to take regular and sufficient sleep and food, to walk in the fresh air each day, and to find time to bathe and change your underelothing frequently, but this is all you can hope for; everything else must go in sublime self forgetfulness, con-secrating every power to the patient's needs, submitting your will and judgment to the physician you have called in. We will suppose that your moment of prayer and self examination leaves you free to take up your work with outward calm and cheerfulness; the next thing to decide about is the patients room and bed.

In all infectious fevers, the pa-tient must be isolated, and for typhoid, as well as most other fevers, a quiet room must be selected for fear of serious brain complications. The room should be carefully prepared by divesting it of all drapery and all superfluons furniture, then put a mat over the bare floor, nailing its edges closely down (so that no one can by any chance catch the foot and trip over them; add a cot, if possible, or the narrowest bed you can find, a table, a washstand, some cane seated chairs, and a folding screen or two. Tho cot or bed should have a hard BIST MEDION FOR ADVEBTISIES cheap substitutes, but never under any circumstance should it be a any oir oumstance should it be a the stranger of the stand or changed Free Usitions of the stand or the mattrass lay

a rubber sheet, you can buy it by the square yard, and it must be big enough to tuck in securely all around; above this lay an old blanket, or piece of couble faced canton fluonel or thin quilt, of the same generous dimensions, and then put on the usual sheets and a soft woollen blanket as old as pos-ible, but clean. Those are the only preparations necessary for the bed as long as the patient rotains consolousness and can make his needs known; later on 'draw sheets' may be necessary, and of these I shall tell you in time.

To take a patient to this room, he should be well protected against cold, put into an arm chair—an old fashioned rocker is the best kindand he can then be carried by two careful, strong people to bis new quarters. This removal should not be attempted after the fifth or sixth day of fover, oven for strong pationis.

The screen I have advised, is well nigh indispensable in a sick room ; it is used to keep light from the patient's eyes, to gaard the bed from draughts, to shut out the sight of any corner of the room whore work is done, thus hiding even momentary disorder from the ensitive, nervous patient. If no other form of screen is available, you can use an upright clothes horse (on rollers, if possible), throwing a heavy shawl over the top bar, and fastening it firmly with safety pins, or, you may cover it with breadths of dark, thick material. I'do not approve of a cotton flannel screen, especially in lung troubles, more of the lint comes off than one would imagine. and floating in the atmosphere may do positive harm; therefore, I advise the screen to be made of woollon material or of broadths of inatting fosurely tacked in place. One caution I must give: never, by any negligence, allow your screen covoring to fall, and take great pains never to upset the screen it self, such accidents might frighton the patient to death literally .-Ladies Home Jou? nal.

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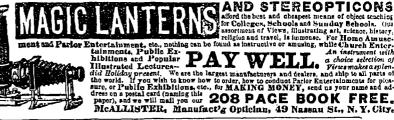
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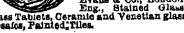


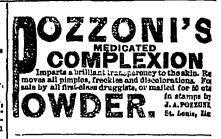
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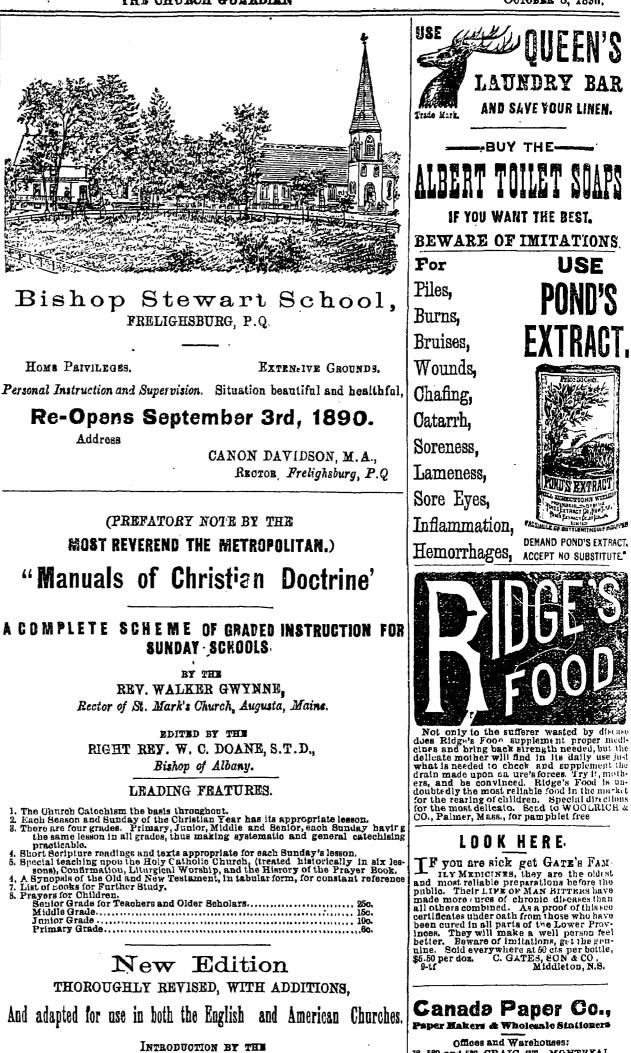
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