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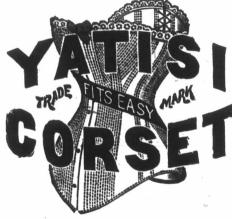
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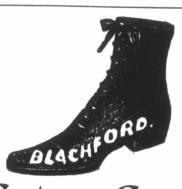
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Gospel for the Second Sunday in Lent.

St. Matt. xv. 28: "O woman, great is thy faith."

Certain incidents in the Life of Christ reveal the characters of those who came to Him. Among the first and most striking (e.g.) Mary of Bethany. Not far off the woman of Canaan, the Syrophenician. If that example of deepest love, this of the strongest faith: and, if love greater, yet faith mighty and inseparable from love. Removes mountains, overcomes the world. Prevails with God.

i. Note briefly occasion and circumstances.

I. Jesus had offended Scribes, etc. Con-

demning the externality of teaching and life. Retired to a quiet place.

2. But even in the northern parts of Galilee, could not be hid. Fame of miracles reached this woman. Triumph over obstacles.

ii. Note the conflict.

I. The first obstacle her nationality. First instance of Christ's contrast with pure heathenism. Samaritans mixed. Centurion prepared. She outside. (I) A Greek ... a heathen, alien from covenant. (2) A Canaanite—of the accursed race. A double obstacle. (a) Her dislike of Jews. (b) Jewish prejudice.

2. Second obstacle. Silence of Jesus. "The Word has no word" (Chrysost.) (1) Silently brooding over new situation. (2) No want of love (compare feeling of disciples). (3) Did not repel. Yet silence! Heart sinks. Yet she waits.

3. A more serious rebuff: He lays down a principle: "Not sent," "children first." (1) Can hardly say, He meant to refuse. Yet makes final decision depend upon her faith. (2) Wonderful insight of faith. No longer "Son of David," now Lord, Master: common humanity.

4. Next refusal the last. (1) Seemed unworthy, (a) Seeming harshness: "dogs." Yet less than seems to us. (b) Always a hint of yielding. Children first. (2) Faith won the victory. (a) In deepest humility—accepts place. Even the "little dogs" (see Greek.) (b) On this grounds her appeal. They eat the crumbs. Enough for children and dogs also. All she asked was a crumb. The victory of faith. (3) Her triumph complete. "Great is thy faith. Be it unto thee." "For this saying, go thy way." (St. Mark.) Words full of blessing and comfort. Come down through all ages: Speak to us to-day.

iii. Apply to ourselves.

What is our faith? We complain—no answer—and desist. Can we say we meet such obstacles as she encountered? In our endeavours after Perfection, grow weary, leave off. Why? (1) We do not desire the blessing with whole heart. (2) We do not see the love and power of Jesus as she did. (3) We have not the same humble estimate of ourselves. Only by a better knowledge of Jesus and by a stronger faith can the victory be gained.

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Churchman will effectively fulfill the work which they had undertaken. We are, naturally, well pleased to know that we shall now have the good-will and support of the proprietors and conductors of the paper which is now merged in our own. It is needless to add that this paper will continue to be conducted on the same principles which have already gained for it the confidence of the English Churchmen of the Dominion of Canada. Believing in the principles of the Anglican Reformation, as the principles of true Catholicity, we trust that we shall always be found rendering an unswerving and loyal adherence to them. We are sure that we may count upon our present subscribers to make known our claims to other members of the Church: and it is superfluous to add that now, more than ever, The Canadian Churchman will be a firstrate medium for advertising.

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However this may be, the two Anglican Archbishops—one might say three, for the work was begun by Archbishops Benson and Maclagan, and completed by Archbishop Temple—these three Archbishops did undertake an answer to Leo XIII., and this answer was thought satisfactory by many theologians outside the pale of the Anglican Communion. It was impossible that Roman divines should take this view, and, as it would be manifestly undignified for the Supreme Pontiff to descend into the arena, and as it is a matter which principally concerns those ministering in England, the Cardinal Archbishop (Dr. Vaughan) and the Bishops of the Province of Westminster have come out with a "Vindication of the Bull 'Apostolicae Curae,'" which demands notice at our hands. It is quite evident that these excellent Bishops are wholly in earnest. They tell us that, even if our orders were valid, as they acknowledge the orders of the Eastern Church, that would make no difference in regard to our right to exist apart from the rule of the Sovereign We should still be in a state of Pontiff. And so they seem to suggest that schism. they approach this subject without bias; but we are by no means sure of this. Cardinal Vaughan and his suffragans know perfectly well that there are very many members of the Church of England who would be seriously disquieted, and even shaken in their allegiance to the Church, if they were brought to entertain a doubt of the validity of our

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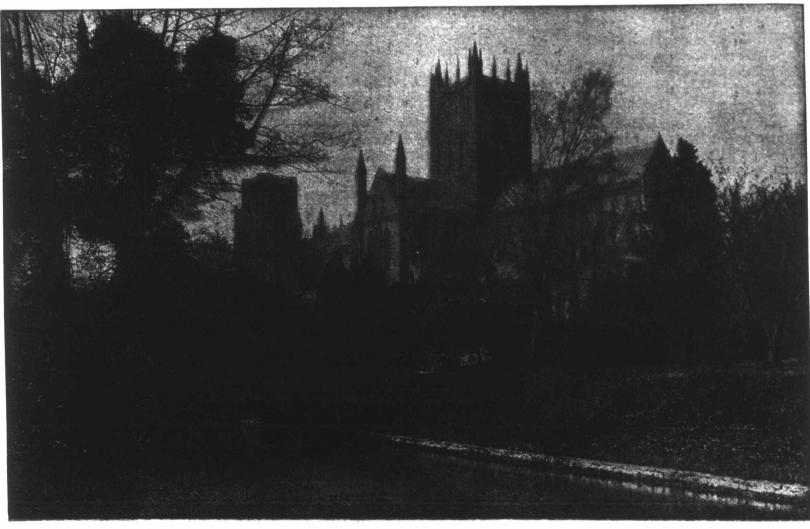
orders. For this reason, Cardinal Vaughan must also know that to convince any number of persons of their invalidity is to furnish one of the strongest arguments for leaving the Anglican and joining the Roman Communion. And this thought was evidently in the mind of those who drew up this Vindication: since we should judge, from its contents, that they could not quite make up their minds whether they were composing a theological treatise, or producing a popular apparent indecision.

If this suggestion of ours should seem arbitrary, we need only direct the attention of our readers to some statements in the Vindication. Thus, in dealing with the Roman precedents which seemed to forbid the reopening of the question, they say they are unable to enlarge upon the subject "because a full discussion of these cases runs necessarily into technical details not easy for the mass of

contain either of these. But here again our position is perfectly unassailable, for our Ordinal has precisely the same reference to the priesthood or the presbyterate which is contained in the ancient rites quoted in the Vindication as authoritative. For example, the Leonine Sacramentary refers to the "dignity of the Priesthood." Now, the word for priesthood is here "Presbyteri;" so, the Greek form has "Presbuteron." It is explained by the authors of the Vindication that the word "Presbyter" has the same meaning as "Sacerdos." Now the order of priesthood is amply specified in the English Ordinal although there is no reference to sacrifice. But they say, in the first place, the word is not employed in connexion with the laying on of hands: and in the second place, Priest does not mean with us what it means with them. In answer to this, we reply, first, the very same defect, if it be a defect, exists in the Roman Ordinal, both in the ordination of which have been used and regarded as valid in the Catholic Church? To this question the answer must be: Yes, most certainly. It will hardly be worth while to continue this controversy, but these are the questions which must always be debated.

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readers to follow." This is a strange way of answering the English Archbishops, who wrote as theologians, and naturally expect to be answered in like manner. A good deal might be said on their treatment of this subject, in which some strange blunders occur. But, after all, that is not the point. These are mere circumstances in the controversy, and do not touch its essence one way or the other-except in regard to the consistency of the action of the Roman See. More important is the question, raised once more, as to the sufficiency of the Anglican Ordinal. It appears that we all—Archbishops and others —made a mistake as to the Pope's meaning on one point, and that the most essential, in his Bull. We thought the Pope said the form of ordination must contain a reference both to the sacred order of priesthood and to its function of consecrating and offering the true Body and Blood of Christ. It now turns out that the Pope said or meant that it must

priests and in the consecration of Bishops. As regards the meaning of Presbyter, doubtless the significance of the word has been modified from time to time, and it may convev different meanings to different minds. But the simple truth of the case is, that the Church has this order and continues it and means to continue it. Even the Vindicators do not seem to agree with the Pope as to the prominence to be given to certain aspects of the priestly office and unctions. But this is really very little to the purpose. The private opinion of this man or that man in regard to any particular order or office in the Church matters very little. The simple question resolves itself into two parts: (1) Does the Church of England intend to convey the three orders, as they have existed in the Church from the times of the Apostles? On this there can be no doubt, as there is the most explicit testimony on the subject. (2) Does the Church of England use those forms

this, that Wells is a Church of the old foundation, having its statutes practically the same as they were given in the 13th century, it is evident that we have here a subject of the greatest interest. It is somewhat remarkable that the two cities which give their names to the diocese—Bath and Wells—should both be so named from their fountains. Bath waters have been famous for many generations, and the great fountain, near the south-east corner of the cathedral, gives its name to Wells. There is no truth in the absurd story of the supposed union of two Whether called Wells or Bath and Wells, the diocese always comprehended the County of Somerset, with the exception of St. Mary Redcliffe, which belongs to Bristol. The Cathedral of Wells was a secular foundation, the canons being, all of them, like those of York, St. Paul's, Exeter, etc., seculars, and not like those of Canterbury, Bristol, Worcester, etc., regulars. Accordingly, Fr flic ma ca un to a tic

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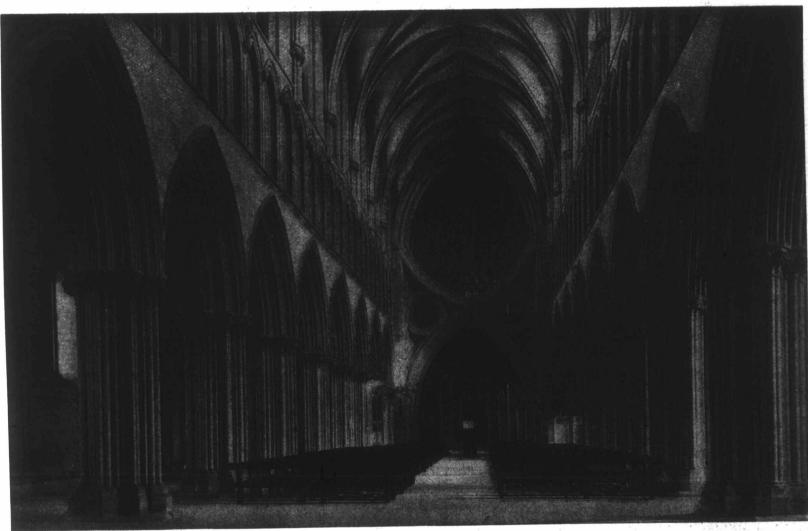
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all the arrangements remain as they were before the Reformation, instead of being reconstructed, as the monastic foundations were, in the reign of Henry VIII. This explains the fact that Prebendaries are found in these churches of the old foundation, the principal change being that they have lost their individual praebendae or estates, the endowment of their stalls: whilst the honorary canons of the new foundation are recent creations of an Act of Parliament. Different opinions are held with respect to portions of the Church of Wells. The west front, an object of almost universal admiration, was declared by the late Dr. Freeman to be a mere screen, not a termination of the nave and aisles, like the noble facade at Reims and other similar structures; but this will hardly impair our sense of its exquisite beauty. A curlous fact in connection with the building of the nave and west front was brought out by the late Professor Willis, of Cambridge. It

was made of greater weight than the original builders had contemplated, so that the pillars of the transept were endangered, and had to be strengthened in this ingenious manner. Like many of the English cathedrals, as the wealth of the Chapter increased, the eastern end of the church was enlarged; and the visitor at once detects a change in the architecture east of the Bishop's throne. From that point the sanctuary and the Lady chapel, which may be seen in the print, beyond the altar are of a later character, the so-called decorated or 14th century Gothic, no less beautitul, but slighter, than the earlier style. Something should be said of the Restoration of Wells Cathedral, which, on the whole has been accomplished skilfully, reverently, and effectively. In restoring the niches and figures of the west front, nothing has been introduced which was not absolutely necessary. In the interior the monuments have been dealt with in the same conservative spirit,

"There is scarcely any edifice of the kind in the whole kingdom," says Winkle, "more worthy of attention than the Chapter House of Wells. The octagonal form which has been adopted for the ground plan is extremely beautiful, and its elaborate style of decoration is no less calculated to display its architectural design to the greatest advantage. This building, the work of an architect of high and cultivated taste, appears to have been commenced in the reign of Edward I." It may be of interest to give here the dates of the various parts of the building, as ascertained by Canon Bernard from the ancient records of the Dean and Chapter. There is evidence, he says, that Bishop Reginald, somewhere about A.D. 1180, commenced the work of rebuilding, and that before his death in 1191 the church was rising, and its style was a subject of admiration. The work was interrupted during the episcopate of Savarin (1192-1205). It was taken up by Joceline immediately on his ac-



WELLS CATHEDRAL-NAVE LOOKING EAST.

had been generally supposed that the west front was earlier than the nave, being of the ordinary style of Early English, the main window being a triplet: but Willis showed from the arrangement of the stones that this was not the case. From the choir (not including the sanctuary) the church was built, as such buildings regularly were, from east to west: but the architect had been changed, and the Early Somerset of the nave had been given up for the Early English of the west This discovery, as it may be called, of Professor Willis was accepted by Dr. Freeman and Mr. Parker, although it conflicted with their previous theories. A remarkable feature in the interior of Wells cathedral is the series of supports introduced under the four arches supporting the central tower. The view of the interior will convey a better notion of the effect than any descrip-The tower nave belongs to the 13th century, the tower to the 14th; and apparently although in some cases it has not been quite easy to assign them to their proper place. Dr. Freeman objected strongly to the arrangement of the prebends' stalls in the choir. Instead of placing them in front of the pillars in a continuous row, they are placed between the pillars, and so separated. Freeman says, in his brusque fashion: "One cannot help asking why the long continuous ranges of stalls which give such dignity to the choirs of Winchester, Ely, and Manchester, were forsaken for the absurd arrangement which sticks the stalls piecemeal between the pil-Another objection has been that the stalls are of light stone, instead of oak, so that the effect is somewhat chilly; but for all this the choir at Wells is a very striking and beautiful object, and even the stalls are handsome and not ineffective. One of the glorious possessions of Wells Cathedral is the Chapter House, not unworthy to be spoken of in the same breath with the one at Westminster. cession to the see in 1205, and consecrated by him in 1239. The west front was completed by 1243, the year after Joceline's death. Tradition has always connected the main part of the building with the name of Joceline, and this is confirmed by the documents. Among later Bishops of Bath and Wells mention should be made of Ken, the nonjuror, author of the Morning and Evening hymns, who was deprived; and Bagot, who was Bishop of Oxford at the beginning of the Tractarian movement, and was afterwards translated to Bath and Wells. We have already referred to the Palace and the banqueting hall. Mention should also be made of the remarkable carving of the capitals, especially in the transepts.

—The mark of a saint is not perfection, but consecration. A saint is not a man without faults, but a man who has given himself without reserve to God.—Bishop Westcott.

THE LENTEN CALL.

By Rt. Rev. L. Coleman. Bishop of Delaware.

Lent, like some other religious provisions. is but the answer to the soul's requirements. It is kept not simply because of its being enjoined by the Church. Rather it is enjoined because of the soul feeling the need of some such provision. Before it was formally adopted as a part of the Church's system, men were accustomed to periods, greater or lesser in duration, of retirement. The soul cannot go on long in its daily tasks and conflicts without experiencing the need of occasional repose. It does not seek this repose that it may be free from labour and warfare, but that, by this quietude, it may be the less unfitted to enter into them diligently and courageously.

And yet such is the ceaseless round of engagements of various kinds, and such the apparent urgency of these multiform demands, that unless by some sort of recognized authority a time were appointed for such withdrawal from our ordinary life, most of us would go on indefinitely in the wearing strain of carefulness.

It is well, therefore, that we give heed to the solemn call which the Church makes upon us for the observance of these Forty Days.

It is sometimes said that other religious bodies have similar provisions for their members, and that this coincidence is an encouraging sign. But are these provisions similar? Are they not indeed quite the reverse? For whereas among them there is much stir and excitement—and such commotion would appear to be inseparable from their corresponding seasons-it is the aim of the Church that her Lenten season should be one of quietude and self-effacement. She would indeed seek to reach the multitudes; but only through the noiseless operations of the Holy Ghost. She urges strenuously the necessity of repentance; but the soul is not called upon for a loud and vulgar confession. It is examination of self, and not of others that is urged by her. Ostentation of one's real religion has never a place in her calendar. Least of all in Lent. It is the bettering of her children's lives that she seeks, not the elevation in each other's good opinion.

REVIEWS.

Questions on the Life of Christ. By Miss L. L. Robinson, Milwaukee, Wis.: Young Churchman Co. 1898.

This is an excellent little book, which may be earnestly recommended for use in schools and families. Nearly every one of the questions might be answered in the words of Scripture; and the rest are of the nature of obvious inferences. We have in this book a fair solution of the problem of religious education in schools. Why not begin with the Life of Christ? When that has been done, we may see our way to go further.

Christianity and the Progress of Man. By Professor W. D. Mackenzie. Price \$1.25. New York and Toronto: Revell Co., 1897.

This very interesting volume is from the pen of a professor in Chicago Theological Seminary, whose father and mother "have laboured together as missionaries of Jesus

Christ in South Africa for the past forty years." Professor MacKenzie may therefore be said to have had an education qualifying him for the production of a work like this, and its contents completely verify this assumption. Dr. Mackenzie writes like a man who has no doubt as to the divine character and power of the Gospel. Yet he does not blindly take it for granted that its results must be of such a character as he expects. He finds ample proofs in actual history. Beginning with the "universalism of Christianity," he considers the work of the missionary as that of pioneer, of translator, of educator, of example, of civilizer, as herald of salvation, and he closes with a chapter on "Christianity and the Progress of Man." The book is an excellent one, and may be confidently recommended.

The Biblical Illustrator: By Rev. J. S. Exell; 1st and 2nd Peter. Price \$2. Toronto: Revell Co., 1897.

The series to which this volume belongs has been long and favourably known to us, to our readers, and to most preachers. contains invaluable helps for the composition of sermons. We have recently commended the much more handsome edition of the work published by Messrs. Revell, and we have here another issue before us. We imagine that no volume of the work is superior to this one. The compilers had great treasurehouses to fall back upon. The work of Leighton alone would almost suffice: and the admirable lectures of Dr. John Brown are used with excellent and useful effect. The second epistle is of inferior interest; and yet there is no lack of striking texts; and many of these have been treated by some of the most eminent preachers—to say nothing of the famous, if somewhat long-winded commentary of the Puritan Adams. If the reader would see how a "great text" may be treated, let him turn to the 22 pages on "Grow in Grace," at the end of the volume.

The Teaching of the Russian Church. By A. C. Headlam, B.D. Price 1s. 6d. Rivington's, 1897.

The Russian Church is practically, the Eastern Church; it is therefore of importance to us to understand how far its teaching corresponds with that of the Anglican Church, and this is very well done in the little volume before us. The Eastern Church rejects, of course, the Papal Supremacy and the Immaculate Conception. In general theory it stands upon the Nicene Creed and the seven Oecumenical Councils. But, in practice and in fact, it recognizes a good deal of what we should call mediaeval doctrine. It is true that some of its teachers minimize the side of its teaching and practice which points towards Rome; but then some Romans do the same. This is, perhaps, most remarkable in regard to Transubstantiation. Mr. Headlam points out that many of the Oriental divines oppose the materialistic conception of that doctrine: but so do many of the Latins. On one point Mr. Headlam remarks that the Roman and Greek terms for the change in the consecration of the Elements do not coincide. Romans teach Transubstantiation, the Greeks Metousiosis: and Mr. Headlam argues that these have a different meaning, seeing that Ousia and Substantia are different. And so they are etymologically, but not in the meaning actually attached to them. Mr. Headlam does not need to be reminded that these two words are treated as identical in the Nicene Creed—Consubstantialis being given as the Latin translation of the Greek Homoousios. It will be well to make a correction here in a new edition. The volume altogether is most interesting and useful.

A Short History of the Book of Common Prayer, with an appendix containing the Frayers of the Book Annexed. By the Rev. W. H. Huntington, D.D., D.C.L., rector of Grace church, New York; pp. 74: 25c. (paper). New York: Thomas Whittaker. Toronto: Rowsell & Hutchison.

Few are better fitted than Dr. Huntington is, to deal with the American Prayer Book, its history and material. He was in the front during the discussions that were carried on some years ago, regarding the revision or improvements to be made upon the Prayer Book, and in 1892 the Short History first was given to the public, but with a different appendix of papers, better suited to the period. The prayers from the Book Annexed are all the more interesting when we see their origin, and we can look back with some amusement upon the criticisms they at first received. Our author treats the history of the Prayer Book under two general heads, and we feel that there is much truth in his remarks upon the Caroline Revision, but we do not find where "real and substantial presence" (p. 47) ever stood in the Black Rubric.

MONTREAL'S W.A. ANNUAL MEETING.

The 12th annual meeting of the W.A. of the Diocese of Montreal took place in the Synod Hall on the 15th, 16th and 17th of February, with a short session on the morning of the 18th for deferred business. The proceedings commenced with divine services in the cathedral, with a most able and helpful address by the Bishop of Montreal, followed by Holy Communion. His Lordship, the Rev. Canon Norton and five other clergy took part in the services which was well attended.

service, which was well attended. The afternoon meeting began at 2.30, the Bishop of Montreal being in the chair. After the usual prayers, hymn, and roll call, came messages of greeting from Miss Montizambert, corresponding secretary of the Provincial W.A., the Ottawa and Toronto Diocesan Boards, and others, followed by the diocesan president's (Mrs. Holden's) address. She reminded her hearers that no meeting has fulfilled its mission unless it have a definite outcome, and each member must look on herself as being personally responsible. She exhorted all to remember that the W.A. is not a mere service of philanthropy to the heathen, but one of service to Christ, whose last command we were endeavouring to obey. It is not necessary for us all to be missionaries, but through this organization we can fulfill our home duties and help at the same time to send others in our place. One Church she mentioned as supporting its own missionary, and she hoped the time would soon come when every Church would do the same. The events of the past year were briefly touched on, much regret being expressed at the resignation of the secretary, Miss McCord, from the Correspondence Branch of her work, owing to increasing amount of it. She, however, continues to hold the post of Dorcas secretary. Montreal's lady missionary at Union Lake, Miss Shaw, was doing well, also Miss Smith, of the Hospital and Nurses' Training Home, Nagano, Japan. Good accounts were received from London, Ont., of Weston Frost, Montreal's missionary child. There has been a slight increase in the E.C.D. money, which is devoted to the Educational Fund, but further efforts were desirable. The I.H.N. Society has assumed the charge of education of a clergyman's daughter, under the W.A., and has also adopted a little girl in one of the Indian orphanages, the cost of which is \$12 per annum. Fifty dollars, we were reminded, is all that is necessary to keep a Bible-woman in India. The needs of Miss Patterson's Training Home for Girls as missionary teachers in Japan was dwelt on, but Montreal's assessment for its support had been fully met. The United Thank-offering to be devoted to building the much-needed Hospital in Japan, which offering is to be presented at the triennial meeting of the Provincial W.A., to be held in September, was urged on the audience. Great stress was laid on the evangelization of the Chinese and p ticula The visitin of the hospi sident been each was gethe The durin holdi to th the in There five 1 The t been ferin Man

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in our own country, and a wish expressed that the Montreal Diocese might give a definite pledge towards this most needful work. It was pointed out that these thousands of heathen in our midst, untouched in most parts by missionary effort through lack of funds, would prove, if Christianized, the most effective means for reaching the vast Chinese Empire. These men invariably return to China, and it is incumbent on us as Christians to endeavour to teach them the Gospel. The training of the young, both in the junior branches, and also in their own homes, was a point much emphasized, and presidents of branches were urged to take particular care to encourage the juniors.

The reply was given by Mrs. Foster, one of the visiting delegates, and tendered the hearty thanks of the country members for the cordial welcome and hospitality received. The visit of the diocesan president and secretary to seven branches last year had been so helpful that it was hoped a yearly visit to each branch might become a custom. Much regret was expressed at Miss McCord's resignation, together with appreciation of her past services.

The Diocesan Secretary reported better results during the past year, which she considered due to holding the devotional meeting as a commencement to the usual monthly board meeting, and also to the increased dissemination of missionary literature. There are now 61 branches, 20 of which are juniors; five life members were added to the list last year. The treasurer's receipts were \$2,859.86, and there had been the liberal response of \$350 to the Jubilee offering appeal for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. Many meetings have been held, one by Bishop Dart, pleading for the Chinese in his diocese, had resulted in a donation for his work. Many appeals had been received from missionaries for various things, of which several had been answered, but some still were unhelped through lack of funds. One or two proposed slight changes in the constitution were put to the meeting and carried.

A valuable paper by Mrs. Stevens, Waterloo, was read, on "How to Increase Interest in a Country Branch." She also touched on the desirability of visits from members of the Diocesan Board, and made some excellent suggestions regarding the Dorcas work, and the raising of funds. A letter was then read from Miss Patterson, Matsumoto, Japan. She needs \$200 from the whole Auxiliary, but hitherto has been unable to get it. Mrs. Winstanley (her sister) had given her \$50 to purchase an organ, and she had got a good one. A number of dolls, dressed in various Japanese costumes, had been prepared and sent to Canada by the girls. A wonderful improvement was noticed in the pupils in a short time, but in all schools it is absolutely necessary to have a foreigner as a head, as Japanese cannot maintain discipline. A most interesting letter in English from one of the girls was read.

A delightful lecture on "India," illustrated by limelight views from photographs taken by her husband, was given by Mrs. Chas. Lester to the W.A. members, who spent a most enjoyable and instructive hour.

The second day's proceedings opened with the usual prayers, hymn and roll call, followed by a letter of greeting from Ontario Diocesan Board, also one from Mrs. Lindsay, after which the annual reports of the city branches were read. Several excellent ideas were noted, notably one for supplying a city hospital with religious and missionary literature. The election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, the present board being reelected, with the addition of Mrs. (Canon) Mills as corresponding secretary, also four delegates to the triennial meeting. A letter of greeting was read from Miss Halson, Provincial Dorcas secretary, which also contained much useful information concerning packing and contents of the bales. The Dorcas secretary's report stated that 88 bales had been despatched, in which 2,245 new garments, besides good second-hand articles, drugs and groceries, and \$76.41 cash expended. The sum of \$63, being some rebate of freight; was voted on by the meeting: \$16.50 to Miss Phillips' salary, and the remainder was divided between Bishop Reeve, of Mackenzie River, and Dynevor Hospital. A most able and delightful series of papers, entitled a "Chain of Missions," was then read. The first, on

"Jerusalem," by Miss McLeod Moore, dealt with the mission to the Jews, reminding us that God's ancient people had the first claim upon us. The prophecies were being fulfilled in a remarkable way. Jews are flocking to Palestine, which is beginning to assume its old character as an agricultural country. They are increasingly willing to listen to Christian teaching, the liturgical service of the Anglican Church being peculiarly suited to them: 100,-000 are Christians, 100 are ordained ministers. "Arabia," by Mrs. Leach, showed the difficulties of dealing with a Mahometan people, who are, however, naturally religious. Missions have been established only ten years, and with but six stations, yet they have been productive. Great numbers of bibles are sold, chiefly to Moslems. Medical missions are the chief door of entrance, suffering being very great and native medicine most barbarous. Mention was made of Hon. Keith Falconer, the devoted young missionary. "China," by Miss Jackson, was ably handled, and the importance of women missionaries emphasized. The wails of infants, the sobbing of women slaves, who know no womanhood, call on us for help from the dark places of earth's cruelty. All China is now open to the missionary. Reference was made to the Apostle of China, Robert Morrison. "Iapan" took up a familiar mission to most of the W.A. The importance of haste cannot be over estimated. The last 60 years have seen great changes there, and the people are educated and enlightened. The struggle will be between Christianity and Buddhism. The bible is circulated in the army and navy. "Corea," by Mrs. Day, proved a most interesting paper. The inhabitants are entirely distinct from the Chinese and Japanese. Confucianism and adoration of ancestors are the national religion, but the real worship is demonology. They believe in one Supreme Being, but seldom appeal to Him. They have no prejudice against Christianity, and are easily won over, especially by medical missionaries. In Seoul are churches, schools, hospitals, dispensaries, and newspapers which disseminate much Christian information among the news of the day. Eight or ten churches were built by native funds alone. The Russian officials are very corrupt, and a great hindrance to Christianity. "Persia," by Miss Mudge, was an instructive account of an ancient and historic people. It is misruled and oppressed and the people are untruthful and morally degraded. Their literature is unfit for a woman to read. In 1875 the C.M.S. formally adopted Persia as a mission. Those devoted missionaries, Henry Martin, who translated the Scriptures, Dr. Bruce, and Bishop Stewart, received a warm tribute, as did Miss Baird, the lady medical missionary, whose work is a valuable one.

Throughout this series of papers one could not but notice the immense importance of medical and women missionaries. The secretary of the junior branches then read her report. The city branches did not do as well as the country ones.

A devotional meeting, held by Mrs. Evans, opened the third day's proceedings, and after the hymn and roll call Mrs. Mills read a most masterly paper on "Our Responsibilities in Relation to Domestic Missions." Basing her remarks on the query as to whether we are not too apt to forget home claims amid the greater romance of foreign missions, she touched briefly but comprehensively on each of the Canadian missionary dioceses and the work therein in turn, making mention also of many a missionary hero. Selkirk, noble Bishop Bompas at its head, with its wild country, the Klondyke and its promised hordes of miners to be ministered to, and Mr. Stringer's far-off station in the Arctic Circle, where he labours amid Esquimaux and whaling crews, assisted by his devoted wife and Mr. Whittaker, also the Hay River missions, under the charge of Rev. C. Marsh, read like a page of romance. Flourishing missions exist along the Stickeen River. We were reminded of Mrs. Ridley's devotion in holding alone a far-off isolated post for nearly a year until the Bishop could find a missionary to relieve her. Victoria and New Westminster, with their thousands of Chinese: Rossland, so lately sprung into existence, and now established with a clergyman and nice wooden church, Athabasca, with its immense distances and extreme climate, were portrayed, also Moosonee.

Then Rupert's Land, with its revered Bishop, the Primate of Canada and its 152 clergy. Qu'Appelle, with a passing reference to the late beloved Bishop Burn, and lastly Algoma, "the child of the Canadian Church," its poverty and difficulties, came in rapid succession, and the paper closed with a brief reminder of the struggling parishes in their own diocese. After lunch the reports of the country branches were read, and we heard of Mrs. Young, wife of the Bishop of Athabasca, having formed a branch of the W.A. with nine poor half-breed women, in her far-off home. An interesting paper enquiring "How to Interest Men in Missions," by Miss Mitchell, St. Armands West, provoked a lively discussion, and resulted in the old advice, "train the boys." A short but memorial address was given by his Lordship the Bishop of Algoma, whose bright and brave endurance, under so many trials, struck all. He stated that the actual hardships were not the chief difficulty for the missionary, but the isolation was most trying and depressing to those very men on whom depended all the life and brightness of Christianity in those regions. Monotony dulls, and solitude depresses. There are only three self-supporting parishes in Algoma, as there are no large towns or wealthy people. There are three distinct classes of missions. Those that are really progressing, such as the Parry Sound, Bracebridge, Port Arthur, the Soo, and Gravenhurst centres, secondly, those that are just holding their own steadily, but without advance, and thirdly, a few that are dying or retrograding, mostly through circumstances, and not by their own fault. There are but few places where the Church has been closed or removed, and several where a second church has had to be built, as the first one grew too small for the congregation. The railways are proving a great help towards travelling, and also settling the country. The C.M.S. will withdraw all help by 1900, and thus additional burdens will be thrown on the Bishop's shoulders. The financial strain is the greatest hardship, with 36 clergy to pay, and the diocesan treasury \$4,000 in debt. The C.M.S. will give \$5,000 if in five years the Bishop will raise another \$45,000. A stated pledge was asked for, as every help of that kind is great relief. In the evening a most interesting missionary

meeting was held, on "The Heathen's Claims and the Christian's Duty," illustrated by beautiful limelight views, by Rev. H. R. A. O'Malley, and Rev. Y. S. Creaux.

The deferred business was transacted on the morning of the 18th, and the diocese voted \$100 per annum as a pledge, towards the evangelization of the Chinese in British Columbia. A letter was read from Miss J. Smith, Nagano, Japan, with details about her work and the Japanese nurses she is training. O. Sami San, her head girl, is a great comfort, and is doing well. Miss Smith nursed Mrs. Kennedy through her recent illness, and again through a relapse. Mrs. Chappell's mental health is not restored. There was also a letter from Mr. Waller, reporting progress, slow but steady, in his work. The services were never better attended, and the outlook is cheering.

Miss Shaw, Onion Lake, also gave an interesting account of her work. There are 14 boys and 11 girls in the school. The Indians are bringing their children more readily, which is a great sacrifice to them, as they are devoted parents. She is very busy, teaching, seeing after the pupils and visiting the grown-up Indians. They have a nice little church, which was decorated for Christmas. Two services on Sunday—Cree in the morning, English at night. After resolutions of thanks to various persons in response to kindnesses given, the meeting closed, having, in spite of the stormy weather, been a great success.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

MONTREAL.

WILLIAM B. BOND, D.D., BISHOP, MONTREAL.

Montreal.—The Rev. Ernest Smith, D.D., of
Philadelphia, a noted, eloquent divine, preached in

St. John the Evangelist's church on the morning of the 13th, and in the evening in St. James the Apostle's. At both churches the congregations were very large and enjoyed a great treat.

Sunday, the 6th, was known as Mission Sunday in the Diocese of Montreal, and special collections were taken up in all the churches on behalf of the Diocesan Mission Fund. The offertory in St. George's Church in this city, in aid of this object, amounted to the handsome sum of \$2.850, \$2.600 of which was taken at the morning service. This is the largest collection ever taken up in one day at St. George's Church.

Outremont.—The new Anglican church at Outremont, which is to be known as the Church of the Ascension, was formally dedicated on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 19th, in the presence of a number of the Anglican clergy of the city and of residents of Outremont and Ville St. Louis. His Lordship Bishop Bond, performed the ceremony, in which he was assisted by the Rev. Rural Dean Sanders, the Venerable Archdeacon Evans, the Rev. Canon Evans, the Rev. Mr. Mallison, and the Rev. E. Dean Carmichael was unavoid-McManus. ably prevented from attending. The choir consisted of a number of students from the Montreal Diocesan Theological College. After a hymn had been sung and the creed recited, a service of prayer followed, after which the Rev. Mr. McManus read the lesson appointed for the service. His Lordship delivered a brief address, pointing out that the bible was God's inspired word from cover to cover. He spoke of the responsible position of a pastor, and said that the congregation should support him and be regular in their attendance at the church services. The Ven. Archdeacon Evans also addressed the gathering, making allusion to the rapid growth of the city, and remarking that the time would come when where the church stood that day would be the centre of a great and growing population. Brief addresses were made by the Rev. Canon Evans and the Rev. Mr. Mallison. A short service of prayer and hymns followed, the ceremony being brought to a close with the pronouncement of the benediction.

Point St. Charles.—Shrove Tuesday evening.—Under the auspices of the Grace church Young People's Society, a grand miscellaneous entertainment was held in the Grand Trunk hall, Sebastopol street, the object being to raise money in aid of the building fund, and the entertainment was a great success. The young members had been working most assiduously for several weeks past. Fancy drill and tableaux vivants were included in the programme, as well as selections by the Mandolin and Guitar Club. A minstrel troupe also performed, and the evening was much enjoyed.

Christ Church Cathedral.—During Lent there will be daily services at 5 p.m., with addresses by the city clergy. The services are held in the nave of the church, and close before a quarter to six o'clock. All are invited. The addresses given last week were as follows: Ash Wednesday afternoon, the Lord Eishop; Thursday afternoon. Very Rev. the Dean; Friday afternoon, the Rev. Rural Dean Sanders. Service is not held on Saturday afternoons. The cathedral is open daily throughout the year, from nine till six oclock, for private prayer.

ONTARIO

J. T. LEWIS, D.D. LL.D., ARCHBISHOP OF ONT., KINGSTON.

Kingston.—Mr. Robert Harvey has resigned his position as organist of St. George's cathedral, and intends taking a rest and change in order to recruit his health. He will be greatly missed, as under his management, together with the able assistance of the late lamented Lieutenant March as choirmaster, the musical portion of the services of St. George's have been much improved.

Kitley Mission. The rector of Frankville was the recipient a few days since of an unmistakable proof

of good-will from the representatives of the four congregations, who drove into the yard with a load of oats, 119 bushels. Fourteen bags are yet to tollow, and some from All Saints', Redan, Mr. McGuire and Mr. John Nevens also made a present in cash. Actions speak louder than words. Laus Deo.

Tamworth.—The Rev. J. W. Jones has been appointed to this mission in succession to the Rev. J. R. Serson. Mr. Jones has lived seven years in Westport, where he has done good and lasting work. His success there is generally acknowledged, and gives proof of his ability for the work in his new field.

Belleville.—The Executive Committee of the Diocese of Ontario has requested Rev. C. J. H. Hutton to assume charge of the canvass of the diocese for the purpose of raising \$25,000 towards the Diocesan Augmentation Fund, to be established this the jubilee year of the Archbishop's ordination. It will be remembered that the committee appointed a deputation, composed of the Venerable the Archdeacon of Ontario and Judge Macdonald, to conduct a canvass in England conjointly with the canvass of this diocese. It is expected that the joint deputations will raise \$100,000. The canvass would engage Mr. Hutton's attention almost continuously for about eighteen months.

OTTAWA.

CHARLES HAMILTON, D.D., BISHOP, OTTAWA

Arnprior. -- Imanuel Church. -- A very successful entertainment was given by the ladies of this church in the Town Hall on the evening of St. Valentine's Day, Monday, February 14th, and the good Bishop and martyr, under whose patronage, as it were, the affair was held, must have approved highly of the object: for despite the threatening aspect of the weather, and the unpropitious indications of the barometer and weather probabilities, the afternoon and evening became clear and bright, and therefore favoured, no doubt, the praiseworthy endeavours of the ladies in still further adding to the fund, called the Parish Hall or School-room Fund. This fund was started less than a year ago with the childrens' Lenten offering, augmented by a Thanksgiving offering in November last from the congregation of about \$60. And now still further increased by \$213.16 on February 14th, making in all very nearly \$300 in about ten and a half months. The receipts on St. Valentine's evening include a cheque of \$50 from ex-Mayor Moles, sent as a Valentine through the Society's post-office that evening. The ladies had been preparing for this St. Valentine's Fair for months, and the work table alone realized over \$80, friends of members of the congregation at a distance in some cases sending contributions. The valentine department, consisting of excellently written letters, laboriously prepared by a committee of young ladies, as well as of the usual style, transmitted over two hundred missives; but, of course, the most appreciated one was that which the lady president of the committees received with the generous cheque. The ladies of the congregation, as usual, worked with a will and a vim, both in preparation for, and on the occasion itself, and while all did excellently, and all worked harmoniously, it would be invidious to give praise to any one in particular. Several gentlemen also of the congregation, spent many hours beforehand decorating the hall with flags and bunting and booths, and the scene was certainly one of dazzling beauty on the night in question. Financially, the success of the Fair was beyond the anticipations of the promoters; but only, after all, one of the many successful entertainments given by the ladies of Emanuel church in the same place during recent years, and which, together with private liberality of the congregation, has changed the parish from one which up to 1893 or 1894 never knew what it was to be without a debt, but presents now regularly, a balance in all departments every Easter.

TORONTO

ARTHUR SWEATMAN, D.D., BISHOP, TORONTO

The services in the city churches on Ash Wednesday were exceedingly well attended, also the Lenten services are attended by a goodly number. Bishop Sullivan delivers most interesting noon-day addresses in St. James' cathedral to large congregations.

Port Hope.—St. Mark's.—On Sunday, Feb. 13, Messrs. A. M. Dymond and Barlow Cumberland visited this parish on behalf of the special appeal now being made to the diocese. The amount assigned to St. Mark's was \$66.43. The sum subscribed and at once forwarded to the Synod was \$09.60.

Cookstown.—The annual concert in connection with St. John's church was held on the evening of February 10th, and was a decided success in every particular. The proceeds were about one-third larger than in previous years. A most successful ten-days' mission conducted by the Rev. C. H. Shortt, M.A., of St. Thomas' church, Toronto, has just come to a close. The services daily were as follows: Celebration of the Holy Communion and an address at 10 a.m., services for the children of the Public school at 4.30 p.m., instruction in Doctrine at 7 p.m., mission service at 8 p.m. Every service was well attended, the interest increasing as the mission advanced. Many people even of the different denominations never missed a service. We believe that much good was accomplished, not only in awakening the careless and indifferent, but also in up-building the Church people in their most holy faith. The thanks of this parish are due to Mr. Shortt, and the prayers of many people will follow him for success in his future work in the Church of God.

NIAGARA.

JOHN PHILIP DUMOULIN, D.D., BISHOP OF NIAGARA.

Hamilton, Cathedral.—The Rev. Canon Forneret preached an appropriate sermon for the coming Lenten season on Sunday evening.

A "musical" was given by Mrs. Bevan in aid of the Guild Fund on Monday last. A capital programme was given, and despite the stormy weather there was a large attendance. The silver collection amounted to nearly \$40.

Church of the Ascension.—There was a reception on Shrove Tuesday by the Daughters of the King, and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. There was a large attendance in response to the numerous invitations sent out. Refreshments were served, and most of the time spent in a social manner. The rector, Rev. W. H. Wade, made a few remarks, explaining the nature of the gathering, and extended a hearty welcome to all. Messrs. Adam Brown and C. Powis also made short speeches, followed by the director of the Brotherhood, Mr. Evans. Mrs. Dumbrille contributed by two good recitations to the pleasure of the evening.

Patriotic Commemoration.—Such entertainments as that given lately under the auspices of the Maple Leaf Club of the Hamilton Business College, ought to have a strong influence in inculcating a patriotic spirit in the hearts of all who had the good fortune to be present at this commemoration of the thirty-first anniversary of the Imperial Act granting Canadian Confederation. That the mistake of your English correspondent's friend, in not knowing that we do not float the Stars and Stripes, could not easily be made in this loyal city, is no doubt due to the patriotic teaching of those at the head of our educational institutions.

St. Matthews's.—The annual choir supper was held in the basement of the church last Thursday. over seventy participating in the repast. Revs. Massey and Daw were among the guests. The ladies of the Silver Cross provided the refreshments.

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A very good programme was rendered during the evening.

St. Thomas'.—The Rev. Frank DuMoulin preached at both services on Sexagesima Sunday. The Rev. H. G. Miller has resigned the rectorship of this church. At the vestry meeting a resolution placing on record "the high appreciation of the very able manner in which the Rev. H. G. Miller has discharged his duties" was carried, also the motion to continue his salary till Easter.

St. George's.—On Sunday last the Rev. H. C. Dixon, diocesan missioner, of Toronto, closed a very successful series of evangelistic services. From the first the sympathy and attention of the congregation were enlisted, and despite the severe and inclement weather, which continued during the whole week, the interest steadily increased. Mr. Dixon's addresses and Bible readings were marked throughout by clear presentations of truth, coupled with telling, earnest appeals, enforced by apt illustrations, largely drawn from actual life. From his wide experience in efforts philanthropic and evangelistic, added to peculiar natural gifts, he is eminently fitted for the work to which he has devoted himself. In dealing with young men he is particularly happy and successful, and one of the most manifest results of his late mission is the deep impression he has made upon the men of the congregation. In his methods he is careful always to follow Church lines, and his services in Hamilton, as elsewhere, cannot fail to be productive of great and lasting good.

Welland.—The congregation of Holy Trinity were much impressed with the eloquent sermons delivered by Rev. Mr. Skey, of Merritton, in aid of missions. The offertory expressed their appreciation. This church has an added improvement in the way of heating, natural gas being used for the furnaces.

Thorold.—The Guild of St. John's held a most successful entertainment last Monday.

Fort Erie.—The Rev. Maurice W. Britton, St. Catharines, gave two most eloquent sermons at St. Paul's Church on Quinquagesima Sunday in aid of diocesan missions.

Guelph.—St. George's congregation was highly favoured lately by having a lecture on the evening of the 13th February, from the Rev. the Provost of Trinity, concerning the religious developments of the 18th and 19th centuries in England. The subject was treated in masterly style, and was followed with deep attention by the audience.

On the night of the 18th there was a very large and appreciative audience in the City Hall to hear Professor Clark's exposition of the wild, weird story told by the Ancient Mariner. At a few minutes past eight, the Ven. Archdeacon took the chair and announced that there would be a short musical programme before the lecture, after which the Archdeacon introduced the Professor in a few appropriate words, stating that in the old Roman days there was an illustrious orator of whom it was said: "Nihil tetigit quod non ornavit"—that he touched nothing which he did not adorn, and he felt that the Professor had inherited this gift, for he had frequently shown in his lectures and other writings, that everything he took in hand developed new beauties and deep meanings before concealed. The Professor then commenced his lecture with an analysis of Coleridge's works in general, and then turned especially to the "Rine of the Ancient Mariner." He dwelt very fully on it as a strange mystical parable of human life, and the trials and temptations that surround it and the way that was opened to sinners for pardon and reconciliation. The sin of cruelty to animals and living creatures of all kinds was specially dwelt on, for-

"He prayeth best, who loveth best, "All things both great and small."

It is impossible to give an analysis of his charming lecture in a brief notice, but we may say he

carried the whole audience with him from the beginning. Mr. Field moved a vote of thanks, highly eulogizing the lecture. God Save the Queen closed the proceedings.

HURON.

MAURICE S. BALDWIN, D.D., BISHOP, LONDON.

Huntingford.—This parish become vacant by the removal of Rev. Mr. Battersby to Walkerville, and is now filled by the appointment of Rev. Mr. Johnston, of Wardsville, a very earnest and capable clergyman.

Kirkton.—The Epiphany missionary meetings in this church were conducted by Rev. Rural Dean Deacon.

St. Mary's.—St. James', Feb. 18.—The lecture by Rev. Canon Dann, of St. Paul's cathedral, London, and the tea which was given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid, was a decided success, both in attendance and finances. After the tables were cleared, Rev. W. J. Taylor, rector, introduced the lecturer, the Rev. Canon Dann, who plunged into the theme of his lecture, "Ireland and the Irish," at once. The many features of the country and its people were brought out and proved highly edifying, as well as humorous at times.

Stratford.—Lecture.—An audience of possibly more than average intelligence and of fair numerical strength gathered Friday evening, Feb. 18, in St. James' school-house to listen to a lecture on "The Life and Works of John Bunyan," by Rev. Provost Welch, the polished head of Trinity University, Toronto. During the past two seasons, Stratford audiences have been treated to quite a number of lectures by members of Trinity Faculty, every one of which proved to be a treat. "Watching" and "Loving Service" circles of the King's Daughters held their annual meeting Monday evening, 21st February. The members tendered a pleasant tea to Mrs. Tilley, Dominion secretary of the order, at 6.30 p.m., in the chapel, which had been nicely decorated for the occasion. The schoolroom, in which the evening meeting took place, was also handsomely decorated with banners and streamers of purple and white, the colors of the order. Rev. D. Williams, M.A., presided in the evening, and when he called the meeting to order, a goodly number of well-wishers of the order, of all denominations, were present. After brief opening exercises, Miss E. Steet rendered a solo, which was much enjoyed by all. Rev. Mr. Williams gave a short address, in the course of which he spoke in eulogistic terms of the good done by the "Watching" circle in his own parish. He then introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. Tilley, of London. At the close of Mrs. Tilley's address, Rev. H. H. Tancock sang with good effect the solo, "Come Unto Me." The evening's proceedings were brought to a close with the Doxology.

RUPERT'S LAND.

ROBT, MACHRAY D.D., ARCHBISHOP AND PRIMATE.

Winnipeg.—St. John's College.—On February 17th the Rev. Meadam Harding, of Brandon, delivered a paper on "Some Needs of the Parish," to the Church Society. The paper was one of the most excellent the society has had for several years. Mr. Harding pointed out that sympathy was the first requisite for the priest, and this for each member of the parish individually. Appeals must be made to the principal men in the parish to attend church, if only for the sake of example to other members of the congregation. The Church must be brought to the people, as in the case of sickness, and children must be catechized in the house, and schools must be visited regularly. The priest must be thoroughly consistent: he must decide upon his position, and never retreat from it. The authority of the Church must always be maintained, and lastly, there must always be a time for retirement for the daily offices and other private religious observances. A very hearty vote of thanks

was passed to Mr. Harding for his very interesting and instructive address.

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SEN-PATRICK AND ST. PATRICK.

Sir,—In King's History of the Irish Church (4th edition, McGlusham, Gill & Co., Dublin, 1868), after giving the traditional account of the life and labours of St. Patrick, he proceeds to say (Cap. vii.) that there were several different persons named Patrick who were more or less distinguished in the annals of the Irish Church: that there were at least two eminent individuals so-called, both of whom are mentioned in the ancient hymn of Fiech, and he continues: "Mr. Petrie observes, that the most ancient Irish annals appear to distinguish the two Patricks here spoken of, by calling the one St. Patrick, or Sen-Patrick, i.e., Patrick the elder, and the other Patrick the Archbishop and Apostle: and while the death of the latter is referred to the year 492 or 493, the death of the first Patrick is placed by the same annalist in 458, or 461. There also appears to Mr. Petrie to be sufficient ground for considering it probable, that the first or Sen-Patrick preceded the mission of Palladius, and that he was author of the "Confession" and "Irish Hymn" mentioned in his Life: and also that he was buried in Glastonbury, in England, while in the obscurity that hangs over the records relating to the second Patrick, the learned and critical antiquary just quoted considers there is ground for suspecting "that he may have been none other than the Palladius of the Roman authorities, whose life is involved in an equal degree of mystery." I would take leave to observe on the foregoing that Mr. Petrie's opinion is entitled to very great weight, but I should be glad to know from some of your learned readers having access to the authorities, if this question has been critically examined in recent years, and with what results.

ROBERT KER.

IS THE FREE-SEAT SYSTEM A SUCCESS?

Sir,—It is now some thirty or forty years since the system of free seats was generally introduced in the city of Toronto. I think it is time for us to pause and consider whether the expectations of its advocates have been realized, and whether it has promoted the spiritual and financial success of the Church's work. Has it brought the poor to the Church, and caused them to take an earnest interest in their several parishes? Has it increased missionary zeal among the masses of our Church people, and led to more liberal contributions toward missionary work? And has it inspired the laity with a desire to more adequately support the clergy, financially and otherwise, in the arduous labours which ever devolve upon them. These, Sir, are some of the questions I should like to see answered. I must confess that my own observation is not reassuring in the matter, and that while some are enthusiastic and give liberally under the system, a large proportion of those who attend our free churches go there as they would go to the bargain counter of a departmental store to get the Gospel at as little cost as possible, forgetting entirely that any religion sought in that spirit is utterly worthless, and can only lead to self-deception and ruin. It seems to me that the whole system is wrong ab initio: and is the result of confounding two very different things, -a free Gospel with a free Church. The Gospel is free to the heathen world, and so we send out missionaries at our own expense. But the Church is not free to the Christian worshipper, who is commanded not to appear before the Lord empty, but to give liberally according as God has prospered

him. The Church can never be free while these commands are in the Bible, and to call it so, is to mislead and deceive God's people, and to foster the great sins of covetousness and avarice. And my observation goes to show that this is the practical result of our free Church system as it obtains among us.

N.N.D.

British and Foreign.

The Rev. F. L. Edmunds has been appointed rector of St. Marnan's, Aberchirder.

The Most Rev. Dr. Alexander, Primate of All Ireland, has been suffering from bronchitis recently,

It is proposed to place a stained glass window in Lincoln cathedral, as a memorial to the late Poet Laureate.

A coadjutor Bishop is shortly to be appointed to help Dr. Riley in the episcopal work of the Diocese of Perth (West Australia.)

A new hall has within the short space of three months been erected in the parish of St. Matthew's, Glasgow. It will accommodate about 300 people.

The Rev. R. H. Moore, curate of St. Luke's, Belfast, has volunteered for service under the S.P.G. in the Diocese of Perth, West Australia.

It is stated that during the last 25 years the incomes of the clergy in the Diocese of Lincoln have decreased to no less an extent than £60,000.

The death is announced of the Rev. Dr. Moulton, Headmaster of Ley's School, Cambridge. Moulton was a member of the New Testament Revision Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Kells Ingram succeeds the late Rev. Joseph Carson, D.D., as Vice-Provost of Trinity College, Dublin. He has a wide reputation for scholarship and literary culture.

Lord Norton is circulating in Birmingham a scheme for a Birmingham Bishopric Bill. He proposes that St. Phillip's church shall be made the pro-cathedral of the new diocese.

It has been decided to place a recumbent effigy in marble in St. Mary's cathedral, Edinburgh, of the late Dean Montgomery, as a permanent memorial of his life and work in that diocese.

The Lord Bishop of Bangor has been suffering of late from an attack of facial paralysis, which was brought on by overwork. His condition has been serious, but he is now reported to be somewhat

The Rev. A. J. Robinson, who was recently appointed Vicar of St. Martin's, Birmingham, is taking measures to apply to the Bishop of the diocese for a faculty to enable him to erect an open-air pulpit as part of the fabric of the parish church.

The late Mr. Thomas Porter, of Manchester, has left the sum of £70,000, the income of which is to be devoted to the benefit of orphan children who are leaving orphan schools and orphanages in order to enable them to begin life more comfortably than they otherwise might.

A magnificent church, which has cost upwards of £40,000, has been erected by Sir Tatton Sykes upon his estate at Stedmere, in Yorkshire. The edifice is noteworthy on account of the beautiful mosaics of the floor and the stained glass of the windows, which is almost unrivalled in England.

The Bishop of Beverley recently dedicated an artistic fresco which has been placed over the chancel arch in the Church of St. Mary Magdalene at Altofts, Yorkshire. The cost of this fresco has been

defraved by the Hon. Mrs. Meynell Ingram, who built the church nearly twenty years ago, at a cost of £10,000.

The death of the Right Rev. C. J. Billing is an nounced. He was appointed suffragan Bishop of Bedford in 1888, in succession to the late Bishop of Wakefield (Dr. Walsham How), but resigned in 1800, owing to ill-health. For the past two years he has been a confirmed invalid. He was succeeded by the present Bishop of Bristol, who took the title of "Bishop of Stepney," who in turn has been succeeded by the present Bishop of Stepney, Dr. Winnington Ingram.

Family Reading.

"COME YE APART AND REST AWHILE."

A soft loving voice falls sweet on my ear, Bidding me pause, its words to hear. 'Tis the Saviour speaks, in accents clear, Gently He calls, "Come, children, dear, Unsatisfied, weary of life's long wile, Come ye apart and rest awhile."

From the turmoil of earth, its noise and fret, From thorny paths thy feet have met, From pleasures that fade and leave but regret, From griefs the heart can ne'er forget, From sins that beset, from cares that beguile, "Come ye apart and rest awhile."

From the burden and heat of life's brief day, Turn, Christian, turn, the call obey, With Him our leader, our guide and stay, Our wilful feet will no more stray. In the strength of His love, the peace of His smile, "Come ye apart and rest awhile."

ENGLAND AND THE JUBILEE AND WHAT WE SAW THERE.

Written for the Canadian Churchman by Mrs. E. Newman.

(Continued from Last Issue.) The finest view of the exterior of Worcester cathedral is from the river as you come in by the railway—a familiar picture. grand old church stands out in bold re-Lef, with its massive square tower and fine east window. This cathedral was burnt down in 1202 and afterwards restored. The nave is a mixture of Norman, Early English, and late Norman architecture. We felt that we were becoming very learned, and by this time could distinguish between the different styles of architecture (a wonderfully interesting study), and note the conjunction of the Norman and the Early English, with its sharply pointed arch, the favourite English form of Gothic architecture known as perpendicular and the decorated: in the cloisters especially is to be found the perpendicular. The interior, like those other cathedrals we have seen, is grand, only in Worcester there is a delicacy in the exquisite carvings, the beautiful arches, the lovely stone traceries round the capitals of the massive pillars, with a brightness over all peculiarly its own. In the centre of the choir, at the foot of the altar steps, stands a very fine tomb of King John, the figure in full armour in polished brass, and not in any way defaced, lies on a handsome tomb of black marble. There is a large lady chapel, with one of those beautiful rose windows of which I shall have more to tell you by-and-bye, and round the choir many interesting old tombs of crusaders, abbesses and nuns. It may interest our readers to hear something of these, and to learn as we did, how to distinguish the tombs of those old knights who had fought in 1st, 2nd or 3rd crusade. In the 1st crusade the feet are crossed at the ankle, the 2nd is marked by the

crossing of the legs at the knee, and the 3rd by the legs not only crossed as high up as possible, but turned completely outside in. There were also three ways of holding and sheathing the sword, the first implies "served and ready to go again," second, "served twice," the third, the sword is held by the tips of the fingers in the act of sheathing, "I would go if I could, but I have done my work and left my body in the Holy Land." There is a difference also between the tomb of abbess and nun. The abbess holds her robe with her right hand, on her chest, her gloves in her left, while the nun clasps her robe with her left hand, also on her chest, the right arm with elbow depressed by her side. There are the same huge stone coffins to be seen, the empty ones show the place for the body, with a round hole for the head, a little raised. There are numerous old tombs of knights and Bishops, and monks in little chapels and niches, but from most of them the stone figures have been rifled. The magnificent triple organ is, I believe, one of the finest in England: part of its intricate mechanism can be seen in the crypt, the same black oak movable seats in the but with the canopies torn a beautiful pulpit in the nave, of exquisitely carved alabaster, the altar railings of the same, English production—I believe the stone is from quarries in the south of England—also a very handsome reredos, placed there by one whose name I forget. The cloisters, like those of Gloucester, are equally beautiful, the same lovely windows and fan-the monks' lavatory, the water that flowed through the stone basins or troughs was supposed to have its source from some holy stream. The spacious adjoining chapterhouse contains very many objects of interest, and in glass cases can be seen old documents with Queen Elizabeth's and King Charles' signatures, pieces of old robes and vestments, old manuscripts and Bibles. We were not in the crypt at Tewkesbury, although we endeavoured to persuade the verger to show us the bones of the Duke of Clarence (who was drowned in the butt of Malmsey), with those of his wife, that had been removed there from their former resting place behind the high altar; but the old under-church in Worcester cathedral, though not as vast as that of Gloucester, has more of architectural beauty, and is in a better state of preservation. vice had been held here a few weeks previously, commemorating the 800th anniversary of the building of this ancient church, and by the aid of a gasjet, the effect of light and shade was wonderful, in throwing out into relief the perspective of those beautiful Norman arches: a lovely little altar has lately been erected, and the intention is to seat this quaint old under-church for regular service. In the dark corners, under the arches, are piled broken mouldings, bits of old statuary and disfigured gargoyles. The residences of Dean and Canons are in the close, a brass plate on the door showing where Canon Knox Little lives. Near the gateway, on a beautiful lawn, stands a lovely little bit of old ruin, covered with ivy, supposed to belong to the refectory. There is a remarkably fine choir, and beautiful singing at evensong. By this time, tired and headachy, we were ready for a refreshing tea, and before leaving Worcester, purchased some photographs and china at a little shop, still called Danesborough House, where Mrs. Henry Wood lived, and where most of her novels were written. From Worcester we proceeded to Malvern, where we spent a delightful day, and after luncheon with friends there, paid a visit to the old Priory church. Not very much of interest here. Our first impression on entering, that too much had been done in the way of restoration, and that not in keeping with the ancient character of the build-

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ing—a carved wooden flat ceiling, too modern, and dark, where all else is light, owing to a row on either side of the nave of unusually large windows. The principal objects of interest: an old liturgy and Fox's Book of Martyrs chained to a desk, and in the transept, a very ancient window, a study in itself, which had evidently been broken into small pieces (Cromwell again), but so cleverly put together with lead, that we were able to decipher the story of the creation, the fall of Adam, the death of Abel, and birth of Seth. The old abbey gateway is worthy of notice as well as the outside view of the church from the "Swan Pool." Every one knows the "Beacon" in Great Malvern: from its summit one looks into Herefordshire: we climbed only part of the way. A pleasant drive took us round the fine estate of the Earl of Beauchamp, past the picturesque row of almshouses with little chapel attached, built by the late Earl. On passing a pretty little church close to the entrance to the avenue, we dismounted and were well repaid by the beauty of the interior of this, the family chapel. There still stands in the middle of a large common, an immense oak tree, one of the many in which King Charles is supposed to have taken refuge, old and knotty, and propped up with timber. Afternoon tea, and to the station again, with a journey through the "black country," that after all said about it, has its picturesque side, an interest peculiarly its own, and in point of fact is not as "black as it is painted.

(To be continued.)

LENT A FAST.

By its origin, history, purpose and associations, Lent is a time of fasting and abstinence, of penitence and sorrow, of seeking and finding forgiveness and renewal. The services for Ash Wednesday leave no doubt about it. Not the minister alone but the people, with their own lips, are solemnly to asseverate that they turn to God "in weeping, fasting and praying." In the Collect for the first Sunday of the season we remind our Lord that He fasted "forty days and forty nights," and ask of Him grace that we may use abstinence for the subdual of the flesh to the Spirit. Even our hymns bear witness to Lent as a fast, weak as they sound in comparison with the manly ring of

those in the old offices. It may be said, it certainly will be said, that grave abuses have connected themselves with bodily mortification. It is quite true. There has been a dark and morbid asceticism that treated the body as intrinsically evil and represented God as delighting in the sight of human pain. Physical maceration has been at all times exalted at the expense of truthfulness, humility and love. It might be answered indeed, that there seems to be no present tendency towards excessive self-denial, but the Church has had many a tussle with Manichaeism under the guise of exceptional sanctity and will have to do battle with it again before all is over. We cannot watch too carefully against any disparaging of pure sensuous delights and simple human joy. But fasting is not a slight put upon our natures as they come from God, but a restoring them to Him. The first thing that our Lord did after leaving the wilderness was to turn water into wine, to make people glad at a country wedding. Lent prepares the way for Easter. False notions have gathered about the practice of fasting: so have they about prayer and almsgiving. There have been prayers that were merely the utterance of selfishness or revenge: almsgiving that was the fruit of policy or pride, but an abuse does not destroy the use—we must still pray and give, and we must fast as well. So our Master says, "In

those days shall ye fast." Let us not be ashamed, then, to make real, forthright fasting in true contrition and humility our conef observance of Lent, while still we seek to hide our abstinence behind bright faces and loving smiles.

THE AFFLICTION OF THE GOOD.

Some of God's people seem always to be in the furnace; and we wonder at it while we mourn for them. There are always two good reasons for it: one, the truth of which is plain enough to them; the other, the blessedness of which is plain enough to the Church. The Christian himself, one day taken out of the fire and the next day put back into it and kept there, if now and then in his distress he asks himself: "What have I done that I endure such affliction?" soon recovers himself, and on his knees pours out his complaint to God. "I need it all, I deserve it all; only show me Thy love that I may be helped to bear it; and give me Thy grace, that in the end it may all redound to Thy glory." The Church stands by and watches, and suffers and prays, and the tried disciple is felt to be bearing about in his body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus may be made manifest in his mortal flesh.—Bishop Thorold.

THOUGHTS OF COMFORT.

There's always trouble somewhere in the world.

Remember this, sad heart, and comfort take,
The flag of sorrow somewhere is unfurled,
And hearts beside thine own seem like to break.
Take courage then, and in the Master's strength
Go forth to help and lighten others' woe:
For soon in that glad ministry of love
True peace and comfort thou thyself shalt know.

In the night God giveth songs—glad thought
To those whom pain and trouble keep awake:
He gives His angels charge of them that sleep,
But sorrowing ones to His own care doth take.
Throw self aside, tread in thy Master's steps,
Be brave to help, and others' woes make light,
Remembering this, in yon bright heaven above,
There shall be neither sorrow, pain, nor night.
—Clementina Wilkins.

CHRIST THE LONG-EXPECTED SAVIOUR.

Each Christian should glow with a personal sense of love for our Divine Redeemer: and this sense must be based on a felt need of Him and on the recollection that only in fulness of time He came to the wants of an expecting satisfy world. Mark His own words: "Blessed are the eyes which see the things that ye see, for I tell you that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things that ye see, and have not seen them, and to hear the things that ye hear, and have not heard them." Why thus blessed? Because Christ, known and loved, is the revelation of the character and the heart of God. Why thus blessed? Because Christ, known and loved, is the fount of pardon, grace and strength for lost and sinful man. Once more, why thus blessed? Because Christ-and this we may say reverently -was in His own Divine mind and in the mind of His Apostle-because Christ, revealed to man as Incarnate, teaching, crucified, risen, ascended, interceding, closes a long period of weary expectation; because He is the rest of souls after centuries of labour; because He is the dawn of day after long ages of darkness and twilight. "When the fulness of time was come God sent forth," from His abyss of eternal glory, "His Son, made of woman, made under the law, to redeem them

that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons." Let us pray that in thought and act we may duly prize that which was so long witheld, that for which our Jewish predecessors were prepared by the tutorial services of their ancient law. Let us indeed, thank our good God for the gifts of nature—"for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life," but above all, let us thank Him now, and until the end, "for His inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ.—Canon Liddon.

LIGHT AND LIFE.

However small your light may be, let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven. A single spark may light a fire sufficient to warm a frozen man: a tiny candle may guide a wanderer over a dangerous road. Let your light shine. We must not absorb all the light of God into ourselves, but reflect it for the sake of others. We are taught that if a thing reflects no light it is black. There are many people in that state: they love darkness better than light because their deeds are evil. If anything reflects part of the rays, it is blue or red; but if it reflects them all, it is white. Those who are most Christlike in their lives are those who go through the world "wearing the white flower of a blameless life," and who hereafter shall walk in white before the throne of God, and these are white in soul because they reflect on their fellow-men all the brightness which flows from Jesus, the Light of the world.—H. J. Wilmot-Buxton, M.A.

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

Ginger Snaps.—One cup of molasses, one-half cup of butter or shortening heated and put in the molasses, one-quarter cup of water, one teaspoonful of soda, one and one-half teaspoonfuls of ginger. Flour enough to roll rather soft. Bake in a quick oven.

Soft Ginger Cakes.—One pint of molasses, one cup of lard, one cup of water, one table-spoonful of saleratus, one tablespoonful of ginger. Allow flour enough to roll soft as possible, and bake quickly, but not with a very hot fire, as they burn easily.

Baked White Fish.—Scale and remove all the fins and head, then clean thoroughly. Wash and wipe it, and salt it well inside. Make a dressing of stale bread-crumbs, moistened with a little milk and butter the size of a walnut; salt and pepper; fill the fish and sew it up to keep its shape; dredge it over with cornmeal, and baste with the water in the pan that is salted; bake slowly an hour. Garnish with celery tops or parsley.

Fried Cutlets of Fish.—Cut any kind of fresh fish in fillets; have all the same size and shape, sprinkle with pepper and salt, dip in egg batter, and fry in boiling lard. Arrange in a circle on a dish, and garnish with fried parsley and slices of lemon.

Fish Sauce.—Chop fine six hard-boiled eggs and stir in two cups of drawn butter. Let simmer and add one tablespoonful of pepper sauce, two of minced parsley, with a little thyme and salt. Pour over boiled fish.

Fish Toast.—Pick cold bits of fish in pieces, put in a saucepan with two tablespoonfuls of flour and butter each; mix well and add a pint of boiling water. Have ready hot slices of buttered toast, pour the fish over and serve.

THE SIN OF OMISSION.

In our bustling, stirring life, is there not danger lest the "still, small voice" prompting to tender, thoughtful acts and words, should be unnoticed? Often in hurrying on to do what seems to us imperative, we miss God's purpose for the moment.

It isn't the thing you do, dear, It's the thing you leave undone, Which gives you a bit of heartache At the setting of the sun. The tender word forgotten, The letter you did not write, The flower you might have sent, dear, Are your haunting ghosts to-night.

The stone you might have lifted Out of a brother's way, The bit of heartsome counsel You were hurried too much to say; The loving touch of the hand, dear, The gentle and winsome tone, That you had no time or thought for, With troubles enough of your own.

The little acts of kindness, So easily out of mind; Those chances to be angels Which every one may find; They come in night and silence— Each chill, reproachful wraith-When hope is faint and flagging, And a blight has dropped on faith.

For life is all too short, dear, And sorrow is all too great, To suffer our slow compassion That tarries until too late And it's not the thing you do, dear, It's the thing you leave undone, Which gives you the bit of heartache At the setting of the sun.

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THE BOY WHO COMES TO US IN MID-LENT.

Sunday, at a service intended for

went to hear Him, they could not few tears." find Him or the disciples, and when some of the fishermen said: 'We should have to give them to Him, know whom you are looking for, but though it was pretty hard to do so. they have all gone over the lake you were awake.'

'Let us follow them,' and some went everybody seemed to have some, and around by the head of the lake, and they were not growing any less. some perhaps by boats, not very How his feelings must have changed! nice boats either, but smelling strong | He must have run up and down,

and down among the hills seeking for and he had his part in the wonderful Him, and had many false alarms, miracle of the feeding of the five seeing a group of people and going thousand. Do you think that he after it, only to find themselves ever forgot it? disappointed. Calling to each other from the top of the hills, or down by the shore of the lake, and perhaps our boy was the busiest among them

"At last some one calls, 'They are really here,' and the crowd all rush that way and are not disappointed."

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"And the Master sends him to children, but which deeply interested seek for the boy. Now those five those of an older growth who were loaves were not loaves such as ours, present, told the following story. I but more like rolls, and probably the give it as nearly as I can in his own boy had brought them for his own lunch, and if he gave them up he "I want to talk to you to day would have to go hungry. And the about a boy. We don't know much fishes, they were such beautiful little about him, not even his name, but fishes, and perhaps he had caught he always comes to us at least once them himself, and how proud a boy a year, on this Mid-Lent Sunday, is of those." Here perhaps the atand I want you to learn to know tention had lagged a little, so Father him well. He lived in a town on Huntingdon said: "Has any boy the sea of Galilee where Christ had here ever caught a fish? Raise your been preaching with his twelve dis- hands." Of course numberless hands ciples, and where the people had went up, and every boy was very been thronging to hear Him and to much alive in a moment. "On the be healed of their sickness. One whole he must have felt very badly, morning when the people got up and and I should not wonder if he shed a

"But then, if the Master wanted they came down to the lakeside, the loaves and fishes, he thought he

"When they had been blessed, They went early, in a boat, before and were being distributed, his interest was excited, Were those his Then the people began to say: few little loaves and fishes? and yet looking for some who possibly had "Perhaps our boy went this way, been forgotten or who had not heard and perhaps he caught his fish on the invitation, and calling them to the way across the lake. When the come, there was plenty for all, but they people reached the other side, they must hurry; and how glad he must began looking for our Lord and the have been that he had given up his disciples. Probably they went up little provisions for the Master's use,

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THE LENTEN TASK.

What, then, is Lent? Ah, if our souls are sinful and are shut too close by many worldlinesses against that Lord Who is their life and their Saviour, what do me need? Let us have the symbols which belong to sin and to repentance. Let us, at least for a few weeks among the many weeks of life, proclaim by soberness and quietude of life that we know our responsibility, and how often we have been false to it. Let us not sweep through the whole year in buoyant exultation, as if there was no shame upon us, nothing to repent of, nothing for us to fear. By some small symbols let us bear witness that we know something of the solemnity of living, the dreadfulness of sin, the struggle of repentance. Our symbols may be very feeble, our sackcloth may be lined with silk and our ashes scented with the juice or reses, but let us do something that shall break the mere monotony of complacent living, which seems to be for ever saying over to itself that there is no such thing as sin, that to live is light and easy work. Perhaps the symbol may strike in and deepen the solemnity which it expresses. Perhaps as we tell God of what little sorrow for our sins we have, our sorrow for our sins may be increased; and while we stand there in His presence the fasting may gather a truer reality of repentance behind it. And let those symbols be likewise the means of opening our souls to Christ. For a few weeks let those obstrusive worldlinesses which block the doors of our hearts stand back; and let the way be clear, that He who longs to enter in and help us may come and meet no obstacle. This is our Lenten task. "If any man will hear ever being cured when advised by a My voice and open unto Me, I will friend to try Dr. Chase's Catarrh come and sup with him," says Jesus. To still the clatter and tumult a little, so that we may hear his voice, and a complete cure, and I heartily reto open the door by prayer—that is the privilege and duty of these coming weeks. May God be with us dur-

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cated. How his little round eyes did shine, and how he sniffed me to find out if I was more dangerous than I appeared to his sight!

After a while I put him down in the bottom of the boat, and resumed my fishing. But it was not long before he became restless, and evidently wanted to go about his business. He would climb up to the edge of the boat, and peer down into the water. Finally, he could brook the delay no longer, and plunged boldly overboard; but he had either changed his mind or lost his reckoning, for he started back in the direction he had come, and the last I saw of him he was a mere speck vanishing in the shadows near the other shore.

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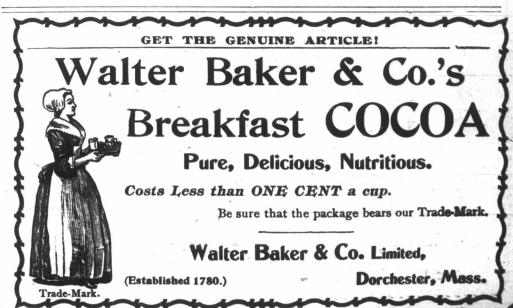
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church.

hear every word, and don't get away." prickles down your back, as you do when you have to sit up straight."

listening he fell asleep. Dan kissed him on the nose, but when Willie went to sleep he went to sleep to ever preached on "Daniel" again stay, and did not mind trifles. So that he would not forget to tie up Dan sat down with the funniest look his dog. of care on his wise, black face, and with one ear ready for outside noises.

Now the minister had for his subject "Daniel." This was the name he always gave Dan when he was teaching him to sit up and beg, and other tricks. While the dog was thinking, the name "Daniel" fell on his ready ear. Dan at once ran into the church through the vestry door. He stood on his hind legs, with his fore paws drooping close beside the minister, who did not see him, but

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the congregation did. When the minister shouted "Daniel" again, the sharp barks said, "Yes, sir," Willie was asleep and Dan was as plainly as Dan could answer. The lonely. Willie is the minister's son; minister started back, looked around, Dan is his dog. It was Sunday and saw the funny little picture; morning, and every one was at then he wondered what he should do church but these two friends. It next, but just then through the veswas warm and sunny, and they try came Willie. His face was rosy could hear the good preaching, for from sleep, and he looked a little their house was next door to the frightened. He walked straight toward his father, took Dan in his "Dan," said Willie, "it is better arms and said: "Please 'scuse Dan, here than in church, for you can papa; I went to sleep and he runned

Then he walked out with Dan, looking back on the smiling congre-In some way while Willie was gation. The preacher ended his sermon on Daniel as best he could, but he made a resolve that if he

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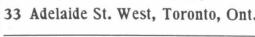
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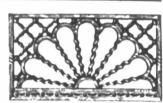
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But Jack thought he had done a very smart thing. He ran home, and at the dinner table boasted that he had been down on the railway bridge and seen Tom Webb's boat among the rocks, and had just time to get off when the express came along.

Father and mother looked at each other, but not a word was said. Jack thought they would praise him, but

they did not. After dinner father took the little boy into his study. He looked so very sober, Jack began to feel that something dreadful was coming. Father sat down in his chair, drew the boy up to his side, and put his arm around him.

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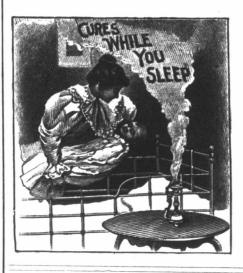
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Philadelphia, one Saturday ordered | he had left it. all his clerks to come on the morrow to his wharf and help unload a newly-arrived ship. The work could was confined to the house with a well wait and one young man replied, quietly:

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"Yes, I know. I have a mother Harry to his mother.

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"Well, step up to the desk, and the

For three weeks the young man fare: strengthen and confirm the could find no work; but one day a banker came to Girard to ask if he turn and soften the wicked; arouse could recommend a man for cashier in a new bank. This discharged store the penitent; remove all hind- young man was at once named as a

"Why," said the banker, "you

"Yes, because he would not work Thy Great Name, through Jesus on Sundays. But a man who would lose his place for conscience's sake would make a trustworthy cashier." And he was appointed.

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