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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

TRURO CATHEDRAL .- Our late English Exchanges devote much space to the opening services of the Cathedral. Theservices must have been very impressive. Twenty Bishops were present, more than five hundred Clergy, the Prince of Wales, and a very large number of representative Cornish laymen. The occasion was marked by unbounded enthusiasm. It was a day memorable in the annals of the Church of England.

THE Sermons of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of London, which were given in full in the Family Churchman, are great | that a real live Bishop should visit them. efforts.

THE Bishop of London, in his stirring sermon which bids for equal fame with that of the Arch bishop-set himself to answer the question of individualism in religion. "What is the true answer?" he asked, and he answered in a for his Dioc word, "Catholicity." In the New Testament long held a the Church flows out of the Lord, not flows into of London. Him. In the New Testament the life and power which constitutes the Church begin above, and not here on earth. In the New Testament the ministers are sent forth to bring the children of men within the fold, and are not simply selected by the members of the Church to help them in their spiritual life." There is the whole controversy in a nutshell. And what is the lesson which it conveys: "Every variety of and Connor and impulse towards Him, whatever men have and of the Diocese stated that in Belfast they can use in the service of the Lord, ought to find its place in the Catholic Church of Christ. . . If there be those who find that one kind of worship suits them best, they shall not be able to say that they cannot find it in the Church of Christ." And the purpose of the Apostolic succession is "to link the Church from generation to generation by steps that cannot be mistaken. from the body as it comes down the stream of his-

The Drapers' Company have been asked to allow the income of St. Michael's, Cornhid. to be set apart for the main enance of a Bishopprobably for North east London-in the same Grace the Archbishop said that whereas in 1 81 Bishop of East London. To this the patrons were now only 68,000, but he deemed the de-have acquiesced, and the Crown will appoint crease wholly accounted for by emigration.

from a list of three names—two supplied by the Company, and one by the Bishop of London.

The consecration of the Cathedral at Truro is the first instance of the kind in England since the Reformation. There have been built in Scotland, Ireland, and the colonies cathedrals of varying size and magnificence during the last Sunday work to the lowest possible amount; quarter of a century; but in recent times no such event as the consecration of a newly found ed cathedral has taken place in the Church of from cold or strong winds and fogs, It these England. If we go back beyond the Reformation we find the last instance of a newly built and consecrated cathedral at Salisbury, dedicated in 1258. But here there was but the moving of the cathe Iral body from the site at Old Sarum to the new spot at Salisbury where they built the cathedral. Indeed, for a similar instance to that of Truro we are carried back to the ninth, eleventh, or twelth centuries, when new cathedrals like Wells (904) Norwich (1096), and Ely (1109) were founded, in some cases absorbing portions of earlier monastic and parish churches, much in the same way as Truro Cathedral has taken into itself the parish church of St. Mary.

NEVER weary in well doing, the Bishop of Bedford's last piece of pastoral work was to visit a common lodging house in Nichol's-row, Shoreditch, where he gave a simple and interesting address to the inmates, who were much impressed and also greatly surprised to think

GENERAL Sir Richard Wilbraham, K.C.B., and Mr. George Burrington Biker, of Ride Hall, Stoke upon Tirent, have been appointed by the Bishop of Choster as licensed lay readers for his Diocese. Sir Richard Wilbraham has long held a similar commission from the Bishop

BISHOP Moberly's memory is not likely soon to be forgotten. A small ultar-desk has been during the late Episcopate successively acted

and Connor and Dromore, the Lord Bishop had eighteen or twenty churches and about about 60,000, showing an average to each church of 3 000 souls. Two handsome churches were built and consecrated in the present year, at a cost of £8 000, and an iron church had been with £2,755; and ten churches or districts over £1 000 each, Bray taking the lead with £7,973 LONDON is to have another Suffragan Bishop. districts of the diocese in 1886 amounts to £60,-126. The subscription to foreign missions surplied amounted to £1864. On the other hand, at the Diocesan Synod of County Armagh, his The page 150.

Although the Bishop of Richester has only just returned from a four months' tour in Canada for the benefit of his health, his condition still gives cause for anxiety. His medical advisor has carefully considered his case, and insists on the following points in regard to future work: It is absolutely necessary to cut down all extranoous work not necessary to Episcopil duty should be carefully avoided, and seclusion instructions are adhered to the doctor hopes that his Lordship may be fit to resume active duty next summor.

"Turns can be no doubt," writes Mr. Gladstone (Ostober 30, 1887,—dates are important in this connection), "that the Church in Wales is organically united with the Church in England, and herein that it differs from the Church of Ireland, whose union with that in England depended up in and was abolished by, the Statute of Disestablishment."

THE Diocesan Synod of Sydney has decided to raise next year - the centenary of the colony-a fund to be devoted to the advancement of permanent Church work.

BUFFALO. -S. Paul's Church has taken a long step in the right direction by the establishment of Daily Morning and evening Prayer, and a Sanday Evening Service at 7.30 o'clock in addition to the afternoon service of that day, both of them being choral. The Church with the best position in the city for night services, is well filled, and the result must be for great

SARATOGA SPRINGS.—An important memorial reredos and altar have recently been creeted in Bethesda Church. The reredor is of antique oak, elaborately carved, with three decorative panels, the central one of which represents the Good Shepherd,"and those at the sides, figures presented to Salisbury Cathedral by those who of adoring angels. Below is a long scroll of elaborate design on which is carved appropriate tex's. On either side of the altar are intricately carved panels, one bearing a text and Ar the annual meeting of the Synod of Down the other the momorial inscription as follows: "To the glory of God and in loving memory of Thomas J. Marvin, Harriet Marvin, Grace C. Marvin." The altar has been carried out in thirty elergymen, and a Church population of Echaillon marble, with elaborate mesaic treatment, the central symbolism being the Chi Rho with a palm branch.

THE fourth annual Choir Festival of the Dioopened the previous Saturday. Eight parishes cese of Milwankee, was the most satisfactory in the Diocese of Dublin raised during the year ever held in Mil wankoo. Eleven choirs, reprethe first appointment to the Apostles by our in voluntary contributions over £2 000 each, senting the Cathedral and the parishes of Be-Lord. . . to make men feel the unity of Christ Church (Leeson Park) taking the lead lot, Delavan, Ruine, Wankesha, Watertown, Tashotah, Trinity Church, Jamosville, St. Elmond's and Christ Churches, Milwankee, and The total sum raised by eighty-six parishes and | St. John's Academy, Delafield, assembled at the Cathedral on Saturday, the 5th inst. Four other surpliced choirs in the Diocese were unable to

The processional hymn was Macfarren's "With Gladsome Feet we Press," sung in harmony. way that St. Andrew's Undershaft supports the there were 73,000 of Church population, there The stirring strains arising from the choirs, with the heavy accompaniment, produced a powerful effect, while the unusal spectacle o

218 white-robed choristers, interspersed with processional crosses and banners, combined to make the procession alone memorable. The service was matins, full choral, intoned by Dean Mallory, who acted as precentor.

ARCHDEACON Stevens, of Long Island, has taken steps to establish an Associate Mission for Brooklyn, to carry on Church extension work in the city. Three clergymen, a candidate for Holy Orders, and a lady missionary will form the nucleus of this missionary body, and aid will be given by the Diocesan Association of Lay Helpers.

THE CHURCH YEAR .- "The church year designates the Christian consecration of time to the service of God, whereby the cycle of seasons becomes the symbol and type of the evang elical history and of the great facts of Redemption. The Greek and Roman Churches changed the whole secular time into a succession of holidays in the interest of an exclusive hierarchy and an external showy ceremonialism; and thus the holidays of saints gradually obscured and almost annihilated the holy day of the Lord, or the Christian Sabbath. But the ancient Catholic and the evangelical church year represents typically and really the santification of the year as a manifestation of, and preparation for eternity. . It is a reformation, purication and simplification of the [Roman] Catholic Church year; it omits most holidays of saints, martyrs, angels and of the Virgin Mary, but retains the leading festivals which commorate what God has done for us in the incarnation, the passion and death, the resurrection and ascension of Christ, and the outpouring of the Holy Ghost; thus making the festivals of Christmas, Easter and Pentecost prominent, and restoring—at least in England and America—the weekly festival of the Christian Sabbath to its proper dignity and significance."-Lange.

ENGLAND AND ROME.

A SUMMARY OF THE QUESTION BETWEEN THE CHUACHES.

BY JOHN EDWARD FIELD, M.A.

- I. There are three classes of Christians who profess the Catholic Faith in the person of Christ They agree in the belief that Christ, being God founded a Church on earth in order to convey the grace of God to the Faithful until His Sec. ond Coming. They differ in regard to the means which Christ appointed for the trans. mission of this grace in the Church. These classes are:
- 1. The Apostolic Churches which have preserved the Tradition of Doctrine and Episcopal Order from the Apostles, as the means of preserving the spiritual privileges bestowed by Christ.
- 2. The Church of Rome, which holds that those privileges are only preserved in subjection to the Bishop of Rome.
- 3. The Protestant Sects, which hold that those privileges are preserved by the transmission of the true Faith in Christ without regard to the external order of the Church.

Note i. Of these classes: 1, understands the injunctions and promises of Christ literally; while 2, limits them too narrowly; and 3, extends them beyond their natural meaning,

Note ii. Two other classes, denying the Orthodox Creed, are less important. (a) The ancient sects of the East, as the Nestorians and Monophysites, who have preserved Apostolic Order, but destroy the foundation of Christianity by denying the perfect co-existence of the Divine and Human Natures in Christ. (b) Cer- of the East depended on this. tain modern sects, as the Unitarians, Socinians,

&c., who reverence Christ as a creature, but not as the One True God.

Note iii. Of the Protestant sects which profess the Orthodox Faith in Christ, two points are observable: (a) some, as Lutherans, approach closely to the Catholic Church in doctrine and ordinances, but have not preserved the succession of the Episcopate from the Apostles: (b) some, as Quakers, reject almost every ordinance enjoined by Christ, and thus approach to the position of the sects which are only Christian in name.

II. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE EARLY CHURCH. (A). Its Ordinary Government was carried on by means of a four-fold Organization.

1. The Divisions were as follows: (a) a Diocese was a group of Parishes, governed by the Synod of its Parish Priest in which the Bishop presided: (b) a Province was a group of Dioceses, governed by the Synod of its Diocesan Bishops in which the Metropolitan or Archbishop presided: (c) a Patriarchate was a group of Provinces, governed by the Synod of its Metropolitan Bishops in which the Patriarch

or Pope presided.

Note i. The original Patriarchal Sees were

Rome, Alexandria and Antioch.

Note ii. The British Isles, at the time of the Reformation, were divided into eight provinces, viz, Canterbury, York, Armagh, Dublin, Cashel, Tuam, S. Andrew's, and Glasgow.

2. The Final Authority was an Œoumonical Council; and this alone could form a new Patriarchate.

Note. Thus Constantinople and Jerusalem were constituted Patriarchal Sees by the Council of Chalcedon, A.D., 451,

(B.) Exceptions to the regular order are often found.

1. Apparent irregularities are from an exceptional use of titles; as when the title of Archbishop is given to a Bishop without metropolitan jurisdiction, or the title of Patriarch to a Metropolian without patriarchal jurisdiction.
2. Actual irregularities arise from the pecular

circumstance of particular Sees: e. g. (a) Missionary Bishops, as in the early British and Saxon Churches, were necessarily allowed some independence before their Sees were formally incorporated into the existing Provinces: (b) The Metropolitan of an important See was some times allowed to exercise a degree of patriarchal authority over neighbouring Metropolitans.

Note. It was proved at the Council o. Winchester, A.D., 1072, that such an authority but long been conceded by Rome to Canterbury evethe whole of the British Isles.

(C). These irregularities were traditional steps by which the organization of the Church was developed.

Note. Hence we infer that the See of Canterbury (or, more probably, London in its stead) would have been made a Patriarchal See, if the Church had not disorganized by the disruption of East and West in 1054, leaving all the West subject to Rome.

III. THE DIGNITY OF THE SEE OF ROME.

(A.) A Primacy among the Patriarchs was always conceded to the Bishop of Rome, as pro-

siding in the chief city of the world.

Note. The following apparent exceptions strengthen the proofs of this: (a) The precedence accorded to S. James, Bishop of Jerusalem, at the Council in Acts, xv, in the infancy of the Church, was never claimed for his successor in that See; (b) The unsuccessful attempts of the Patriarchs of Constantinople to assume the Primacy, when their city became the capital of the empire, show that the claims of Rome were fully admitted.

(B.) A Supremacy over all other Bishops was claimed by the Bishops of Rome in later times.

1. They claimed a supremacy over their fellow patriarchs.

Note. All the controversies which led to the

tutional authority over the Metropolitans of their own Patriarchate.

Note. Hence came the separation of the

Church of England.

IV. THE CHARACTER OF THE ENGLISH RE-FORMATION, as settled under Queen Etizabeth.

(A.) Its principles was an assertion of agreement with the Ancient Church and the Eastern Patriarchates, as against the claim to supremacy advanced by Rome.

1. Positively, this principle involved the preservation of (a) the unbroken succession of the Episcopate; (b) the outward ordinances of

antiquity; (c) the three Creeds.

2. Negatively, it involved the rejection of (a) the Roman Supremacy; [b] Practices imposed only by authority of Rome, as the denial of the Chalice to the laity; [c] the distinctly "Romish doctrine" on certain points, as Purgatory, &c., [Art. XXII]

[B] Its Policy was an effort to retain in the

Church as many as possible of those who held

the Christian Croed.

1. It assumed that all who adhere to the ancient system would continue to be members of the English Church, provided they were willing to reject the usurpations of Rome.

Note. Thus care was taken to condemn nothing in the ancient system but the plainest cor-

ruptions of doctrine and practice.

2. It made the fullest concession to the ultrareforming party, as far as was consistent with

adherence to principle.

Note i. The following facts may be selected as illustrating the Policy, [a] While the Apostolic Succession was retained, no expression of opinion as to its necessity was demanded. [b] While the order for the Holy Communion involved the performance of all that was essential to the Eucharistic Sacrifice, the only prayer in which the word Sacrifice occurs might be omitted at the pleasure of the celebrant. [c] The doctrine of the Holy Communion was expressed in terms which strictly implied the Real Pres ence of the Body and Blood of Christ, but which were inoffensive to those who denied it. [a] The mention of the Departed in the Order for Burial was made in terms which strictly involved a prayer on their behalf, but which those who disliked such prayer could readily use. [e] The use of private Confession was recommended, but was no longer made compulsory. [f] The use of the Sign of the Cross was enjoined in one place only, as a witness to the Church's adherence to antiquity; but was left optional to other places where it had been commonly

Slight modifications of this policy of cre made in 1604 and 1663, whon conce the b were brought back into closer agreemet vuity.

JECTIONS against the V. THE .. eh of England, with Catholic Postroll Replies.

1. A Schism was no her Provinces from the Prois separation of of which they were portions.

Reply [a] The Set n the part of Rome, which cut hers com the English Church, as previously fro the Eastern Churches, by making her own unlawful claims a condition of union. [b] This Schism was not a part of the Reformation, for supporters of the Roman See were allowed to communicate in the reformed Church till a Ball of Excommunication was issued in 1569. [c] Had the English Church formally separated herself as a distinct Patriarchate, the would only have been claiming a position which was virtually admitted in the 11th century [see above].

2. The transmission of the Episcopate in 1559

was irregular.

Reply. [a] A majority of the rightful Bishops of the Province of Canterbury either took part or acquiesced, in the consecration of Matthew disruption of the Roman Patriarchate from those Parker to that See, and thus canonically conveyed to him the metropolitan jurisdiction. [b] 2. They assumed an autocratic and unconsti- Had those Bishops not possessed the authority

to convey such jurisdiction, the English Church would have been justified in using them, with the general consent of her body, to carry on the succession, in the peculiar circumstances of the case. [c] No rival Episcopate challenged their authority for nearly 300 years.

3. The State forced the Reformation on the

Reply, [o] Only in the same manner as the decrees of General Councils were often enforced by the civil power in the Early Church. [h] Its final acceptance by the Church constitutes it an act of the Church.

4. The Royal Supremacy over-rides Spiritual

authority.

Reply [a] It was expressly limited to matters in which the Law of Christ admits it. [b] If it has been unduly exercised, it has not destroyed the fundamental principles of the Church.

5. The Formularies have tampered with the doctrines and rites of the Undivided Church.

Reply, [a] They deny none of the doctrines

and abolish none of the rites; though, for reasons already given, some of the doctrines are not explicitly stated, and some of the rites. eg. the use of incense, are not enjoined. [b] Had the English Church abolished all that was not an essential part of the Christian scheme, her position, though imperilled, would not have been destroyed.

6. Many leading Reformers were heretical.

Reply, Their failure to introduce heresy into the formularies proves the more clearly the firmness with which the English Church held to the truth.

VI. CONCLUSION. 1. The separation of the English Church from communion with the prin cipal Church of the West was effected on unlawful principles by the Roman See, some time after the Reformation, and was not an act of schism on the part of the English Church. 2 Her concession to the ultra-reforming party involve no breach of Catholic principle. 3. Hence the Reformation was an assertion of agreement with the principles of the Undivided Church, by which the Church of England assumed a position similar to that of the Eastern Churches which were the only faithful representatives of Primitive Christianity.

Full accounts of the Council of Winchester in 1072, and of the transmission of the Jurisdiction in the Province of Canterbury to Abp Parker in 1559 may be seen in the Kev. T. F. Bailey's Jurisdiction and Mission of the Anglican Episco-

date, James Parker & Co., 1871.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

FALMOUTH.—The incumbent of Falmouth acknowledges with thanks the receipt of two doldars (\$2) from M. C. towards Hantsport Church Building Fund.

The Rev. J. Harrison in behalf of the members of the Church of England in Hantsport, begs respectfully to acknowledge the following contributions to the new Church building fund:

Album collections per Miss Shaw, \$14; Miss Smith, \$6.70; Mrs. Fish, \$6; Miss Salter (Bos-

ton), \$11.80.

Donation from Mrs.G.W. Hodgson (Charlottetown), \$5. Other subscriptions to the same object will be gratefully received and acknowledged.

SHELBURNE.—The handsome sheaves of grain and floral cross upon the retable on Thanksgiving Day, which attracted so much attention, were kindly forwarded by Mrs. John Pool's, of Newport, one of the Vicar's former and valued parishioners. The collections (\$6) were for Super. Clergy Fund.

ALBION MINES.—Thanksgiving services were held in the Parish Church, at 11 o'clock; St. George's. New Glasgow, at 3 pm., and West-ville at 7 p.m. on Noy. 17th. The offertories were for W. & O. Fund.

PERSONAL.—Capt. Winfield of the Church Army has been compelled, owing to ill health to relinguish his position here, and return to England.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON

CAMBRIDGE.—Last week the masons finished the stone work on the new Church, Lower Jemseg, and the carpenters are at work with the roof and the inside work. The first service is expected to be held on Xmas Day, where the faithful will worship in a building erected by the personal efforts of their own hands.

All the stone except the quoins and trimmings to the door and windows was piled and handled by the parishioners. The quoins and buttresses are of grey granite. Caen stone surrounds the door, windows and chancel arch.

The Church is 67 feet long in all, nave is 23 feet wide, chancel, 13 feet wide, vestry, 8 x 10, towe 8 x 12 x 20 in stone, and about 25 in wood.

The Church far surpasses our expectations, and the contractors, Messrs. Caduallader and Cummings did not spare themselves to do a good substantial work. They expect to finish pointing in cement in the spring.

As this is one of the few stone Churches in this Diocese, naturally the expenses are somewhat heavy for a small congregation. We therefore appeal to friends to assist us with this work of love.

If all who are interested in Church architecture would send us an offering, either to the Rector or Churchwarden, it would greatly assist us and encourage us to finish the remainer of the building in keeping with the rest. Dear fellow workers will you not assist us in this our hour of need?

To day the good people of St. John's Church rejoiced in hearing the clear tones of one of Me-Shane & Co. bells. Several turned out to help hang it, and when in place the Rector, Rev. C. II. Hatheway, took the rope and awoke the neighborhood with its joyous sounds. It is to be dedicated on Sunday to the glory of God and in memory of the "Jubilee."

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

Bedford.-A large congregation assembled in St. James' Church on the 16th Nov., to witness the nuptials of the Rector's daughter and Mr. Clark H. Martin, formerly an active member of this parish, and now a successful merchant of Emporia, Kansas. The following address accompanied by a purse containing \$171, in gold was presented to Miss Nye, a few days before her marriage:

BEDFORD, P. Q., Nov. 14th, 1887. "We, the undersigned, duly recognizing the very valuable services rendered by Miss Nye as Organist of St. James' Church, and being desirious of expressing, in a measure, our appreciation of the same, trust she will accept this small sum of money from he numerous friends vishers. Signed, Geo. Clayes, M.P. (and fifty others). and well-wishers.

The Bedford Times of the 17th inst., said, "Mrs. Martin has been one of the most estimable young ladies of our town, a general favorite, and her departure, last evening, with her husband, for their western home was the cause of general regret among her large circle of friends."

MONTE BELLO-From the resignation and departure for England, in May last, of the Rev. John Cattermole, the late Incumbent of the Mission of Papineauville, (comprising St. Amedee, Papineauville, Monte Bello and Avoca), remained vacant until September 1st., when the Rev.

sion which is again in working order, and bids fair to inaugurate an era of more prosperous Church life than has been hitherto schieved. The Mission is large and widely scattered, containing three Churches, situated at considerable distances from each other, viz, St. Amedee, Papineauville and Avoca, while services are also regularly held in the English School-house at Monte Bello.

Owing to the distances of the churches from each other, forthnightly services only can be held in each, viz, Morning service at St. Amedee; afternoon at Papineauville; and evening at the Monte Bello School-house, upon one Sunday, and at the Church of Avoca upon the other, with a Bible class at Monte Bello in

The different congregations are increasing in their numbers, and greater interest in the work of the Church and services is perceptibly mani-

Thanksgiving services were held on the appointed day at the Churches of St. Amedee and Papineauville, and in the evening a Harvest Home Corcort was given at the Monte Bello School-house, in aid of the Mission Fund, which proved to be, in all senses, a successful little affair. The programme was carried and well rendered throughout, and was commenced by an appropriate address by the Rev. Mr. Bald-Two chorus songs by the children of the school were very prottily given, and reflected much credit upon Miss Linda Carson—their teacher-for the admirable manner in which they had been trained. This young lady also rendered a couple of solos with charming effect, and proved of great assistance in the musical position of the affair. A very well sung duet was given by Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Our thanks are also due to Miss E. Major and Mr. J. P. Labelle, the former for her kind assistance at the organ, and the latter for his finely given song (French) "The Brigadier"—and, also, for aid in the choruses. The musical portion of the ontertainment was good throughout.

Very good readings were given by Mrs. R. O. Byers and the Ray. Mr. Ballwin and another written for the occasion, by Mr. W. H. Brown. The opening Ode of thank-giving-also written for the occarion-was recited by Miss Georgie Brown, aged ten. Another recitation "Gardening," by Miss May B ers, aged seven; and another, "Our English Tongue," were all well given,

Refreshments were bountifully supplied by Mrs. Byers, Mrs. Brown and Miss Elliott, of Monte Bello.

Despite the bad state of the roads, the building, which seats one hundred only, was filled to its utmost capacity. The entertainment being the first of the kind in the parish, and consequently somewhat of an experiment, the admission fee was placed at fifteen cents only, yet fifteen dollars were realised.

The little concert was both pleasant and successful, and it is to be hoped will not be the last in the Mission, as such are of benefit in awakening the interest of the people-especially of the Foung

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

QUEBEC.—The Cathedral—The Joint Thanks-giving Service of the various Anglican congregations in the city was held in the Cathedral on Thursday morning last, and attracted a large congregation.

The sacred edifice was very beautifully decorated by the young ladies of the congregation. Most of the work had been bestowed on the chancel, pulpit, and their enroundings.

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese occupied the episcopal throne, and the stalls were completely filled with various members of the Clergy. F. M. Buldwin, of Toronto, and late of Water- Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. M. M. loo, arrived and took charge of the parish. Fothergill, Rector of St. Peter's Church, and Under his able and earnest ministration, regular | the Rev. R. W. Colston of East Angue, read the services have been resumed throughout the Mis- lessons. The music was exceptionally good,

the anthem deserves special notice.

The ante Communion service was taken by the Lord Bishop, who was assisted by the Rev. M. J. Petry, curate in charge of the Cathedral. The sermon was preached by the Rev. R. H. Cole, curate of St. Matthew's Church, and was a masterly and elequent discourse, and claimed the very closest attention of the congregation. The preacher took for his text the words, "A Fower went forth to sow." The choice language. the carpestness of his manner, and the poetic beauty of his language made a very deep impression on the whole congregation. Mr. Cole is a preacher of rare abilities, and is bound to make his mark in whatever portion of the globe he may labor. A liberal offertory, followed the sermon, which is to be devoted to the Pension Fund of the Church Society. The service closed with an administration of the Holy Euchar-

St. Matthew's-In the evening the United Service was held in this Church, which was crowed to overflowing. This otherwise pretty edifico was still more so on this occasion owing to the very tasteful decorations. The font waornamented with smilax, &c. In the charcel immediately in front of the altar rail was placed a large sheaf of grain. On every window were placed mimature sheaves of grain alternated with bright edored fruits. The spendid silk hanners of St. Matthew's "Band of Hope" and "Bind of Mercy" occupied prominent places in the decorations. The surpliced choir was very large, and the following clergy also were in attendance: The Lord Rishop Rov. L. W. Williams, Rector, R. H. C.Io, Carate, E. Batwood, E-piecopal Commissary of Newfoundland and Rector of St. Mary's Church, St. John, Nfld. R W. Colston, of Angus, H. J. Petry, T. Richardson, A. A. Von IMand, G. H. Parker, of Compton, W. S. Vial, and R. J. Fothergill. The service was full choral Evening Prayer being sung by the Rev Mr. Cole (who is a spendid musician), the first lesson was read by Rev. E Botwood, and thosecond by Rev. R. W. Colston, while the latter portion of the prayers were taken by the Rector. The singing of the choir was remarkably good, particularly the Te Deum which was sung as a special act of thankfulness and praise, immediately after the presentation of the Alms.

The sermon which claimed the close attention of the vast congregation, was preached by the Rev. A. A. Von Iffland, Rector of St. Michael's Church who took his text from the words, "Giving thanks always for all things unto God, and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." preached referred to Harvest Thankegiving as an annual and united grace for our food. He dwelt on the duty of gratitude, and thanking God for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life, and concluded by an earnest appeal in behalf of the Pension Fund of the Diocese, to which the collection which was (as is usual in St. Matthew's), large, was devoted.

WINDSOR MILLS - The Ladies' Association of St. George's Church, held their Annual meeting on the evening of the 22nd inst. The following were elected as Executive for ensuing year: - President, Mrs. Hardy; Vice-presidents, Mrs. Riff, Mrs. Wm. Robinson, Mrs. Stevens. Mrs. Long; See Treas., Mrs. Ball. Women's Auxiliary Committee; Mrs. McLean, Miss Allan. Work Committee; Mrs. R. ff, Mrs. Long, Miss Charlotte Riff. Entertainment Commit. 100, Mrs. Robinson, Miss Allan, Miss McHordy Miss Victoria Riff, Miss Palson, and Mr. Stevens, Senior Warden.

The following accounts for year closing were submitted. Collected at meetings, \$43.25; Socials and entertainments, 43; Sales of u-eful and fancy articles, \$26.75; Collected by President for poor fund \$7.00-total \$120. Expended as follows:- Rent of house for Missionary, \$75; towards horse and shed for Church, \$25;

her visit with Lord Bishop, \$4-total \$120.

The thanks of the Association were tendered to Mrs. Williams for bale of useful articles sent for the sale. The Incumbent called the attention of the Ladies to making their meetings instructive and entertaining by introducing readings and recitations. The suggestion was at once acted upon by appointing a Committee to look after that branch of the work. With thanksgiving to the Almighty for the many blessings vouch afed during the year, and the singing of the National Anthem in commemor ation of the Jubilee of her Gracious Majesty the annual meeting of the Second year came to a close with the kind feelings and good wishes of all.

NEW CARLISLE -As I very seldom see thiplace mentioned in your valuable paper, l thought perhaps you would like the few itemof interest I now send you, although New Carlisle is only a small town, still it has lately seen a good deal of stir. The Roman Catholichold a very successful bazuar on the 25th of October and four following days, realizing the handsome amount of over \$960, and as they had all along very kindly helped the Protes tants in anything of theirs going on, they is return assisted them, knowing how much better it is to keep up the friendly spirit that has existed between them for so many years. On the Thursday following (3rd of Nov.), the young people of Paspebiac Church (Church of England) had a Concert, realizing about \$116 which was considered very good coming so soon after the bazzar, and what helped to make it more successful was an "Election cake" for which four young ladies were named to collect for it, Misses Clapperton, Le Gallais, Young and Cauffield, and whoever collected the most money received the cake in return. The for tunate one was Miss Clapperton, who although not belonging to the place still received the most. The proceeds realized from the Roman Cutholic bazuar, is intended to go to wards building their Church in this place, and the \$116 from the concert is, I understand going towards the stipend of the Rector of New Carlisle and Paspebiac, which seems to be a strange way of paying one who should be paid by the willing contributions of the mem bers of his two congregations, especially a they number over 130 families who could pay him well enough if they liked, and keep con cort money and pew rents for Church purposebut I suppose it has to be done to keep a re sident minister in this place. The Presbyter ians are a very united congregation of about 30 or 40 families who all work together to fur ther the interests of their Church, and are quite an example in that respect. They have a tine Sunday-school presided over by Mrs. George, the minister's wife, who is assisted also by a staff of teachers, and several children be longing to the Church of England have found their way into it, not having a Sunday-school of their own, for, I believe, now over a year; which is much to be regretted as they are no brought up in the doctrines of their own Church; but it is hoped that things will mend in New Carlisle later on, and that they will be ve soon one of their own. The Presbyterianheld their Thankegiving service on Thursday last the 17th, and the Church of England of Sunday the 20th, when a collection was taken up in the latter for the Pension fund of this Diocoso. -M. E.C.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

Kingston.-Divine service was held in the different Churches on T anksgiving Day. The congregations were very fair.

The meetings of the Diocesan Committee were held last week. During the past six months \$1700 was collected for toreign and domestic mission purposes. A uniform system of Sunday

and the Soptano solo, of Mrs. Dr. Russell, in \$6 50; toilet set presented to Mrs. Williams et commended by the general conference at To-

The half yearly report of the Mission hoard showed a balance on hand of \$4 782.95. There was paid to Missions \$1 506 25.

A grant of \$500 was made to the Bishop for the purpose of opening new Missions in the Counties of Carleton and Frontenac.

All Saints'.-On the 22nd, the Bishop of Ontario conducted confirmation service in All Saints' Church. The building was crowded, several of those present having to stand in the nieles during the evening. The clergymen present were: Ven. Auchdescon Lander, Raral Deans Nesbitt and Baker, and Rev. Messrs. Smith. Cooke, McMorine, Burke and Burns. The service was intoned by the Rov. Mr. Prime. and the candidates for confimation, six males and four females, were presented by the rector to the Bishon who made an interesting address, speaking to both candidates and the congregation. He alluded to the builling of the church twenty five years ago, saving that it was erectod for the especial berefit of those who came from the country, and were accustomed to the high church sorvice. The first pastor was the Rev. Mr. Windsor, who has since gone to his rast. The singing by the chair was very fine. The service was brought to a close by the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

Mr. Pushton Dodd has been appointed organist and choir master of St. George's Cathedral.

The St. Georgo's Cathedral Young Mon Association has been reorganized and has commenced anspiciously.

Ven. Archdeacon Evans preached in St.Paul's on the 20th, at both services.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

Toronto.—S S. Conference —We are favoured with the following additional particulars as to the work of the late Conference. The scheme of S. S. lessons adopted consisted of 52 lessons on the Collects, and 52 selected lessons in the Life of our Lord; the Collect lessons being based upon the work of Rev. John Kvle, and the Scripture lessons on the two volumes of Engene Stock's well-known lesson notes.

This scheme it was decided, to print and distribute to the Bishops of this Ecclesiastical Province and to the delegates appointed to atend the Conference with the request that they would present the same before their Diocesan Subbath School Conference for consideration; and that an adjourned meeting of this Conference should be held at the Synod Hull, Montreal, on Tuesday, April 10, 1888, to consider inv alterations that may be suggested.

As to Examinations it was recommended hat they be held in December on the Sunday school Institute lessons for the previous year. That there be two grades of certificates for the reachers and for the scholars, and, that the subject for examination in December, 1888, be: Teachers Grade I —1st Samuel and the Collects from Advent to Easter. Grade II.—1st Samuel and Collects from Advent to Septuagesima. Scholars-Grado I.-Joshua and the Collects for Advent Sunday, Christmas Day, Epiphany, Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday. Grade 11 - Joshua and the Church Catechism to end of the Creed. A Committee was appointed to report to the next meeting of the Conference at Montreal, on the subject of certificates to successful candidates.

The Annual service of the Toronto (Anglican) Church Sunday-School Association for Sunday-school workers, was held in the ing at St. Philip's Church, the sermon being preached by Rev. W. C. Bradshaw, of St. Luke's Church, Ashburnham, and being a most nteresting, eloquent and practical discourse. The text was 1 Timothy ix 10, "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue n them; for in doing this thou shall both save thyself and them that hear thee.

Among the clergomen present were :- Rev. poor fund, \$9.50; Women's Auxiliary, Quebec, School lessons was adopted, being the same re- John Pearson, Holy Trinity; Rev. J. D. Cayley, St. George's; Rev. Alex. Williams, St. John's; Rev. C. B. Kenrick, St. Stephen's; Rev. Canon Belt, Burlington; Rev. T. R. O Meara, St. Philip's; and rev. J. Scott Howard, St. Matthew's.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

Guerra. - Very considerable feeling has been aroused here by the proposal to take a portion of the Church and Rectory grounds for the purposes of the Guelph Junction Railroad. Every one recognizes the benefits conferred upon the community by increased railroad facilities, and that expropriation of private property for this and other public purposes, however annoying and painful to individuals has to be allowed and endured. But whilst this may be so as regards purely private interests and private properties a difference ought to be made in regard to those which have been set apart for religious purposes; and which are at least quasi public in character. There would appear to be no justification for the expropriation of any part of property appropriated to the service of God except ab solute and irresistible necessity; and this scarce ly ever can exist. It is for the most part mere interest which leads to interference in these cases; as, if there were the will, in most instances, the railway could find other places whereon to place buildings and make shunting grounds.

St. George's Church and property here are said to be one of the finest in Canada and to be worth at least \$75 000. The site was selected largely in order to secure privacy and freedom from secular disturbances, and only nine years ago the Church was dedicated for all time to the glory of God; and the proposal now to invade this privacy seriously impair if not destroy the enjoyment of the Church for religious purposes,-and that when other routes might be taken—is not only annoying but seems to be such a needless desocration of Church property as should be opposed by every legal means, and in which opposition the parishioners ought

to have the sympathy of all.

Archdeacon Dixon in his sermon on Nov. 13, strongly opposed the expropriation of any part of the property, and in this connection reterred to the desceration of Sanday by the railroad companies as follows:

For the Sundays, peaceful repose in stores, and offices, mills and factories, and foundries, does not extend to railroads. Sunday with them is a day of hurry, and rush and noise, very like it not worse than any other day, and if the proposed railway company secures the trade they anticipate they will carry it, no matter how offensive it may be to us; and it it suits the convenience of traffic will shunt their cars under our church windows on the Lord's day as much as on any other day of the week. It would evince much credulity in us to imagine that any religious sentiment or reverence for the sanctity of our worship would hinder them a moment. roads and their management: but have failed to find the ghost of a shadow of respect for God's Subbath or ordinances, or reverence for His worship. Many directors are no doubt personally God fearing, Christian men, but to corporations all reverence for God and respect for His Sabbath are unknown and undefined quantities, to be carefully eliminated from our estimates of what they will or will not do; knowing that one of the greatest railroad millionaires in New York, a professed Christian, declared in language too course to be used here that their sole rule of existence was to make money for the stock holders. But I have been told that there will be no train running on the Lord's day save what is absolutely necessary. Under this very plea of necessity Sunday on the Grand Trunk Railway is the chief day of the week for rushing freight trains up and down. And with respect to the noises pertaining to such traffic we than we should be, where in one singing and and liberal support to the Church at large, much larger than is usual at week day services,

speaking, and the trial of offenders in the other | Local organizations are a necessity, but much by the police magistrate have to cesse while trains go thundering by. Surely that is bad enough as a nuisance in secular matters; but he w infinitely worse, how utterly intolerable would it be to suffer from such interruptions of our services in this temple devoted to the service of Him who ordained that the Sabbath should be kept holy. I have said nothing of the rectory and the sad de, reciation in its value as a private residence from the nuisances I have alluded to, and the threatened confiscation of so much of its land. No amount of damages could possibly compensate us for the injuries to this grand Church and property we should sustain as a congregation.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

SARNIA.—The Ladies of St. George' Church, held a bezaur in the Town Hall on the 9th and 10th of November. The display of useful and tancy articles was good, and although the weather was unfavourable the tables were well patronized, and willing buyers cleared out the whole stock. The total amount real zed was well on to \$600. The ladies of this congregation deserve great praise for their many labours of love.

GLENCOE.—The subject of "Socialism" was brought before the congregation of the Church here on a Sanday lately, in a most practical and carnest sermon, by the Rev. W. J. Taylor. The poverty and misery in great cities on both sides of the Atlantic, was shown; the sad mis-nomer of "child life" dwelt upon, and the greed of capital; as well as the interest of labour, vividly pictured. The fadure of "Socialistic" principles was conclusively made manifest, and the dire fruits of Anarchy, as witnes-ed in Chicago, with its attendant horrors, gave scope for some noteworthy lessons. The true remedy, that of Jesus Christ, for all the ills of Society, of Capital and of Labour, was then emphasized it was shown that the early disciples were all Socialists; that they had "a I things in common." The Christian, the proacher said, had no "cut and dried" plan for rejoining Society; he aimed, through the re-generation of the individual, towards its improvement; all we have is held in trust for a sacred purpose—to alleviate the ills of those around us. The sermon closed with an exhortation to Christian fellowship, and to self-denial for the sake of others. (Glenece "Transcript.")

London.—The Canadian Church Union stated to be organized in the City of London in January, 1887, has issued a circular inviting co-operation on the part of Churchmen in other dioceses. The objects of the Union are: To unite the various Dioceses of the Church of England in Canada, so as to form one Canadian branch of the One, Catholic and Apostolic Church. To sustain and strengthen the Church, I have read much concerning rail- to aid the Bishops and Clergy in maintaining and enforcing her Doctrino and Disciplino. To maintain the Prayer-Book of the Church of England in its integrity. To disseminate information as to the Scriptural origin and general history of the Church. To promote meetings of the members of the Church for the discussion of matters pertaining to her interest and extension. To form a bond of union for all lay workers; to aid and foster a desire for Christian Unity. These objects may be fairly commended to all good Churchmen as embracing many questions that are essential to the progress and future welfare of the Church.

There are in the Church many p rochial associations which are mainly ocal atheir sphere of usefulness, but for want of a more extended organization such as is contemplated by the Cauadian Church Union, the general requirements of the Church are lost sight of in the wants of the parish, thus engendering a have two public halls in this city cut off more spirit of congregationalism instead of a broad

good might result to the Church if parochial associations, Rari-Decanal mostings and other meetings of Churchmen, would discuss matters coming be ore the Diocesan and Provincial Synods, and all other questions affecting the welfare of the Church.

The Church Union now appeals to all fellow-Churchmen to aid in this work by jaining to Union, as the usefulness of such an organization must depend upon an extended member-The Union is based on broad principles, snip. The Union is based on broad principles, carefully avoiding party lines, believing that the Catholic Church is wide enough to admit all varieties of Church thought within her fold.

In furtherance of the work of the Union, a series of Lectures on Church History and Church work has been provided, and will be delivered in various parts of the country.

To earry on the work of the Union, it is desired to establish an Executive Committee of tive members in each Dioeese and in certain districts, to solicit subscribers, and for the distribution of circulars and Church literature. and generally to further the objects of the Union in their respective districts.

Clergy willing to aid the Union by counsel and support are invited to join as Honorary Members.

All communicants are eligible for member-

The annual subscription is \$1; this membership fee may be modified by Branches, by arrangement with the Executive Committees.

Copies of the Constitution and any information regarding the Union may be obtained of the Secretary, W. J. Imlach, London, Out.

AILSA CRAIG .- The Rev. Mr. Thomas, who is about to remove to Blythe, will be succeeded by Rev. M. Shore in this Mussion.

BRANTFORD.-The Rev. G. C. McKenzie acknowledges the gift of a building lot for the crection of a Mission Chapel in connection with Grace Church in Holmdale, from Messrs, Foster and Buck.

LONDON Soury.-St. James' Church was opened for Divine service on Nov. 18th, 1877. The anniversary was observed on Sunday, Nov. 20th, Rev. Canon Innes preached a most appropriate sermon for the occasion at the morning service, and the Rector preached in the evening. The congregations were large considering the weather.

His Lordship the Bishop of Muron has issued a pastoral calling upon the Rural Deans to make arrangements for the Annual Missionary meetings, and arging the clergy to co-operate in making these meetings more successful than usual. There is absolute need of an increase in the revenue of the maintenance committee to meet the demands which the late canon passed requires. This is a matter which largely concoins the clergy, and they should see that all the collections be sent in, and also that the Missionary subscriptions be increased.

SARNIA .- The ludies of St. George's Church recently held a bazaar, and as is usual, made it most successful; although the weather was most unpleasant. They realized from the sale of werk, &c., between \$500 and \$600.

London.-Thankegiving Day was observed by a Union service in St. Paul's at 11 a.m. The city clergy took part in the service, and His Lordship the Bi-hop preached one of the best and grandest sermons ever delivered in the Cathedral. It was one of those sermons which set everyone thinking and made the blood grow warm, especially when he touched upon the Church, British connection, loyalty, &c., for which things we ought surely give thanks to the God of Mercies. The congregation was

and, it is needless to add, were deeply interested.

BRANTFORD. - St. Jude's Church - An eightdays' Mission was held in this Church during the second week of November. The Missioner, the Rev. J. C. Farthing, B. A., of Durham, de-livered an address on "the Christian Life," every afternoon, in which he warned his hearers against egotism and frivolity, and called upon them to live up to a higher standard, with more of self abnegation.

The evening addresses, delivered to ever increasing congregations, dealt with repentance, convertion, Christian assurance, and were followed by after addresses in which the Missioaer spoke of, and sought to dispel, some of the questionings and doubt of individual minds on these subjects. Special services for children, and for men, were held. The mission terminated on Wednesday evening, the 16th inst. On Thanksgiving Day (the 17th) there was a celebration of the Holy Communion with a sermon from the Missioner at 11 o'clock, and the presence of 115 communicants bore witness to the success which, by God's blessing, has attended Mr. Farthing's earnest work, and to the feeling of the eongregation that among the many blessings of the year, they thankfully counted the special blessing of the Mission.

On the following Sunday, the Rev. J. L Strong, the rector, spoke to his people of the necessity of carrying out, in every day life, the teaching and spirit of the Mission, and endoavouring to hold fast the blessing of those quiet

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

delayed long past the proper time of publica- try. tion, owing to many pressing matters on hand. During the autumn the Rev. Alex, W. Macnab and Mrs. Mucnab, visited Rosseau, when all were glad to see them. Shortly before leaving they kindly got up a concert, in which Mrs. Macnab took a very active part and recited and played with her usual skill and power. Miss Blackwell, of Toronto, famous as a pianist, contributed her ability, as also Mrs. Sliver. Mr. F. Coate, Mr. Jones and some others. The proceeds amounted to \$26 towards paying the interest on a small mortgage yet remaining on the parsonage, and doing some repairs to the building.

Considering the very late date it was driven to in the season, owing to such causes as the clergy of the Diocese having to attend the Convocation of the Dio eso at Parry Sound and other delays, and Mrs. Macnab's visit being very short, and the notice being only about four days, the concert proved quite a successthanks to Mr. and Mrs. Macnab's energy and

the hearty co operation of all.

The incumbent begs to acknowledge with bearty thanks the gift of books towards the Sunday-school library.

PORT ARTHUR.-The Thanksgiving Day of the Dominion was duly observed in Port Arthur, At St. John's Church, upon the invitation of the incumbent, the service at 11 o'clock, was attended by the whole of the town council; also by the Freemason's and various other socie ies, without regalia. The service was en-tirely choral, and reflected much credit upon the choir. It differed in one respect from many attempts at choral service in parish churches, in that the organ was properly restricted to the Psalms, canticles, anthem and hymns; not being heard in the prayers or responses to versicles, &c., in accordance with old cathedral usage. Many townspeople other than churchfolk were present, and expressed themselves delighted with the unpretentious yet really effec-tive service. The offertory was devoted to the rebuilding of the Church at Gravenhurst.

DIOCESE OF SASKATCHEWAN.

CALGARY.-We are now having good congregations and everything doing nicely. Our new rector, Rev. A. W. F. Cooper, M.A., has won the esteem of the parishioners. The following constitutes our order of services:

Every Sunday at 11 a.m., and 7 p.m. Holy Communion at nine, each first and third Sunday. And after Morning service other Sundays. Weekly service on Wednesday at 7 o'clock, and at 11 on Saint days. Sunday-school at 3 p.m. Children's service first Sunday in each month at 3 o'clock.

Last Sunday was our first Children's service. It consists of short service and address. The attendance was fair, although the weather was disagreeable. We are looking forward to this as becoming a profitable and pleasant feature of the Sunday-school. The address from the Rector was listened to as attentively by the visitors as the children.

The school is now under way for a prosperous time. Our literature for the coming year commencing with Advent, as now ordered and paid for, consists of forty copies of leaflets (Toronto Dio. Com.; 8 copies of Teacher's Assistant, do; 40 copies Schemes of Lessons, do; 25 copies Young Churchman Weekly, Milwaukee; 25 copies Shepherd's Arms, do, do. With Scnior Leaflets to be added if published. Previously, except the leaflets, all this came from the S.S. International Union, Philadelphia, and was about as suitable to our children's uses as a lot of last year's almanacs.

Yesterday being Thanksgiving Day services were held morning and evening. The attendance was small on both occasions, probably caused by a great dust storm which was on all Rosseau.—The following notices have been day, a not unfrequent occurrence in this coun-

A SCATHING REBUKE.

The Church Kalendar (the organ of the Dioceso of Western New York, of which Dr. Coxe is Bishop) thus administers a sharpe and needed rebuke to those who play "fast and loose" with the Orders of the Church. It says:

Of another notable meeting of the last month, the "Church Congress" at Louisville, we have only to express our thankfulness that the Church does not find it necessary to open such a safetyvalve more than once a year. Whatever good this enormous amount of talk may do—and we will not deny that it has done some in past years-will be overbalanced by the evil of such pecches as those on the Historic Episcopate by Mr. W. R. Mackay, Dr. Harwood and Dr. Brooks. With the decline and fall of the old Evangelical or Low-Church party, who held to the Episcopate against parity, or Presbyterianism, not as against no authorized ministry, there has arisen on its ruins a so-called "Broad Church" clique who practically (and as in the case of some of these speakers, openly and expressly) deny all ministry as a Divine Institu-Their position in regard to the priesthood is pure Congregationalism. They admit that it is, and always has been, a good thing to have so-cilled Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, but emphatically refuse to acknowledge any es sential quality in their office differencing them from laymen. What other meaning—except pure nonsense—can be put on such language as this? "This theory [of Apostolic succession] is hap-

pily exploded."
"While government is divine, the form is human, and this is as true of the Church as of the Nation. We have a right to alter existing forms, even to annihilate them. The real question is not what the Apostles did in Judea, but what is best for us to choose [!] in the nineteenth contury and in the Unnited States * Let us throw the Apostolic fiction overboard, and let us ask our bretbren to accept the Apos elic reality [[] in its plainest form.

But we have no heart to quote more of such stuff. Our only wonder is that men who think they believe it can dare to come into God's presence to receive from "hand on head," the "Holy Ghost for the office and work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed to thee by the imposition of our hands.'

Either their office or their theory is a lie; and the sooner the Bishops of the Church cease ordaining men who do not believe in ordination the better it will be for her and for the men themselves.

THE TEACHING DUTIES OF THE PARISH PRIEST.

FROM BISHOP ELLICOTT'S CHARGE.

There are at least four forms of teaching which ought to be kept up in every parish, however small:-

1. Surely if there is any truth brought home to us in these anxious days it is that the teaching of religion to the young is becoming, each year as it goes by, more and more the urgent duty of the clergyman; and that to leave this duty unfulfilled is to incur the very gravest responsibility that any one of us can incur to our Church and to our God. It is not merely a matter of leaving that unsupplied which the young soul dimly longs for an ! requires. a matter of being first to occupy ground which will not merely be left to the weeds and waste of ignorance, but which will soon have seeds sown in it—the air-borne seeds of a silently increasing secularism—that will bear the bitter growth of utter indifference and irreligion. The child that we may have neglected becomes, only too often, the careless and godless young woman, or the sinful young man. We mourn over them; we try to influence them; we do our best, it may be, to recall them--but for us at least it is too late. The seed time was missed; and after years have passed away we find ourselves confronted, perhaps horelessly confronted, by the issues of our own neglect. We let these young souls grow wild, and this is the aftergrowth. The general term of cate-chetical teaching includes the daily visit, if possible to the parish school, the testimony of the personal presence to the blessedness of the relig ous teaching, and the heart-interest it discloses in the young souls there gathered together. It includes, too, that form of teaching in our larger villages and our towns which I fear is often overlooked—the giving of religious instruction to pupil teachers. But besides these forms of teaching I do earnestly press upon all the duty of catechising publicly, especially in the fundamental truths of religion. should be done either at regular intervals, as for example on a fixed Sunday in each month, or at a fixed period of the year, according to the circumstances of the parish. And for this form of teaching there must be careful, and even systematic, preparation. In towns, where the children's service often forms a regular part of the services of the week, the catechising is not uncommonly based upon some por-tion of Holy Scripture. The Church Catechism and fundamental teaching should, however, always have their regularly recurring days, and, in country parishes, should form, perhaps exclusively, the subjects for the public catechising.

2. The second form of teaching, which may be defined as Bible class teaching, is not, probubly, in all respects, quite so difficult. prevailing fault of most of our Sunday-school teachers and even of the conductors of our Bible classes is that they do not sufficiently prepare their work. They trust either to a general knowledge of Holy Scripture, or to one of those many handbooks of Bible teaching which are now current among us. These books, however, do not in my judgment by any means supply what is needed. The questions are often ingenious and suggestive; there is often a

certain amount of textual groupings which is illustrative and helpful; but what always seems lacking is the real mastery over the current of the passage, the grasp, the generalising power which only come and can only come from a close and careful study of the words, the connection, and the sequence of thought of the inspired writer. To sum up all in a single sentence—there must be, in all really effective Bible-class teaching, at least these three elements—explanation, illustration, and deduction. We must be able to explain verbal and contextual difficulties; we must have that knowledge of Scripture that enables us to illustrate the sentiment of the passage, or to bring out with clearness the latent force of the allusion; and last of all, and perhaps most of all, we must acquire that most helpful attitude of drawing the suggestive inference, or making the pertient deduction, that brings, as it were, straight home to the heart the conviction that we are reading God's Word, and that there is a truth revealing and heart-searching power in that Word that differentiates it sharply and palpably from every other book in the world.

3. The teaching of the pulpit, though clearly allied to that which has been just described, has patently different characteristi s, and must be prepared for in a somewhat different manner. We seem now in a realm where mere rules, however carefully formulated, are but of little avail. and where outward guidance can only convince us of its own insufficiency. I have read number-less books on this subject, and yet I cannot recall one of them that has really aided me, unless it be the plain and unpretending treatise of the eminent American preacher, Dr. Philips Brooks. Most of them are of some use in regard of the literary aspects of the sermon, but in regard of its substance and the animating principle of that substance, thev have, so far as memory serves me, conveyed to me-nothing. A principle of great moment is in all cases to consider the sermon as a message—as something of which the heart is not only convinced, but which it desires and even longs to communicate. Let any one thoughtfully and impartially test his pulpit teaching by this principle, and he will find that he has within him not only a power rightly to estimate the spiritual value of his teaching, but an ever-helpful monitor, a voice ever pressing upon us reality and responsibility. Another principle which I have ever found to be of the utmos helpfulness is that what is spoken is spoken before an unseen audience, as well as before that seen audience to which the words are really addressed. Bishop Bull alludes to this thought in one of his loftiest sermons, and in a manner that must have gone far to commend all he then said to the earthly audience that was hearing his words. Let any one preach, and prepare for preaching, on this principle, and with this thought in his mind, and he will find that a change will have passed over all his pulpit ministrations, for which he will be thankful to God to the last hour of his ife.

4. There is yet a fourth form of teaching to which I must be content simply to allude—the supplemental teaching of the faithful parish priest Under this head I include week-day lectures in church, addresses in schoolrooms, the quickening missionary narrative, the true story of the Church of England, and all those profitable answers to current questions which cannot always fitly be given from the pulpit, but which must be answered if we would deal faithfully and truly with our people. Take as a mere example such questions as these—Why should I believe in the Bible? How can water poured on a child's face make him a child of God? How can bread and wine do good to my soul? Am I converted? Am I saved? Why am I what I am? Are we not all going the same way? These and a hundred similar questions float As the Psalmist says, it will go down into the vaguely through the minds of those committed depths. This is the Pastor's opportunity to to us, and we never seek to answer them. And encourage it to cry out of the depths to the

istry is to have any real effect, and the standard really to be raised; and it is only by what I have termed supplemental teaching that this can effectually be done.

VISITING AS PART OF A CLERGY-MAN'S WORK.

A Paper by the Rev. R. Hewton, of Maple Grove, read before the Ruri-Decanal Chapter of the District of Qeebec.

I am not here to utter either enconiums or criticism, or to say what is, or what is not the duty of my Reverend Brethren in regard to the question which forms the subject of this paper.

There is room for diversity of opinion on this point. Every man has a monitor in his own conscience which will be his guide. The lines of demarcation which each elergyman may lay down as to what his duty is concerning this great question lies between himself and his God.

All I will endeavor to do now will be to state what I cenceive to be my duty. I could wish, however, that a man of longer experience than can hoast of had been selected to deal with this subject. No one knows better than myself my own deficiencies, and how I fail to satisfy in regard to the very matter I am now endeavoring to deal with.

If my views are erroneous on this question, I crave the benefit of the criticism and advice of those who have had larger experience than has as yet fallen to my lot.

In order to make visiting a success it must be reduced to a system. I will not try to prove the necessity of systematic visiting—that you all agree with me in this particular I take for granted. We must have regular plans on which to work, if we wish to labor with effect fitted for this responsible duty. in any calling. These plans each one makes to suit his own circumstances. It must be admitted, of course, that we cannot always follow our plan of work, but notwithstanding this, when there is a time and place for everything we do, it is astonishing how muchmore we can accomplish than when system is lacking.

Parochial visiting may be divided into three heads:

I. Visiting the sick.

II. Regular Pastoral Visiting.

III. Sociable or "neighborly" visiting.

1. Visiting the sick stands first as being the most important and at the same time the part of parochial work which requires the greatest depth of spiritual life. I feel sure there can be but one opinion with regards to visiting the sick, and that is, we cannot very well be too assiduous in our attentions to them. The importance of this work cannot be calculated. It is at the sick bed that golden opportunities arise with ever increasing force and rapidity. At such times the clergyman's visit, as a rule, is welcomed and desired, even by the careless and indifferent. Those who perchance would manifest coldness and hardness at other times are gener ally open to impressions for good then. It is in the presence of sickness, if the pastor's heart s overflowing with love for the souls of sinners that he may speak from heart to heart, from ife to life, in loving kindness till the hard flinty heart has been softened, the sluggish sinner awakened, the indifferent and careless aroused, and the soul led to know itself. it comes to a knowledge of itself it will be waived and grieved with the burden of its sins, it will be alive to the danger in which it has been; it will be awake to the temptationwhich lie around increasing more and more until it cries out for very disquietness of heart. yet such questions must be answered if our min- God of mercy, with whom is plenteous redemp-

tion, to bring it to the knowledge of God and His love for sinners, and to lead the poor dis-tressed soul to take fresh courage, and by the help of God's Holy Spirit to open up the heart to repentence and conversion, to faith and love.

A word on preparation for visiting the sick. We have an excellent form in the Prayer Book "The Visitation of the Sick." I don't however always use that, but take it as the hest model to guide us in our preparation for this important work. A sick chamber ought not to be entered by a clergyman without careful and prayerful preparation beforehand. Some suitable passages of Scripture may be selected to recite without the book. A prayer may be pre-arranged, adding while in the sick persons presence anything which may arise from the exigencies of the case. Always bring cheerfulness to a sick bed; the cheerfulness befitting a messenger who has joyful tidings to deliver. Do not plunge abrupily into very solemn strains. Break the ice by some general questions. Study the temperament of the invalid: his habits of thought, and the state of his spiritual life. Sound the spiritual disease before you apply the healing balm, just as a competent medical man would study the physical condition of his patient before he administers his medicines. When his moral standing has been ascertained, lead him gradually to dwell on sacred things, and the awful reality of life and death. Short addresses of instruction in the religious life should be given. For the addresses, we have excellent models in Bishop How's "Pastor in Parochia." Long visits should be avoided,

The responsibility of visiting the sick is a terrible one. We cannot but approach a sick bed with fear and trembling. An immortal human soul is there waiting to be fed with food, which our office and ministry supposes as to be able to give. How ill the best of us are

(To be continued.)

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CHURCHWOMAN'S JUBILEE OFFERING TO THE W. & O. FUND OF ALGOMA.

To the Editor of the CHURCH GUARDIAN:

SIR,-May I tell your readers that until the end of this month, Nevember, (instead of as prearranged on the 1st), an opportunity will still be afforded them of sending in their gifts to the above fund, and I would plead with every Churchwoman in the Dominion to take some share, however small, in making our joint offerings worthy of Her in whose gracious name they are tendered, and of the large hearted sympathy we must all feel for those who work with so much zeal and at a cost of so much self sacrifice in a Diocese less favored than our own. The Diocese of Ontario has so far contributed no less than \$523 17; that of Quebec, for it is a noble sum, \$462.26; and Huron wants only \$65 more to make its offering the \$1,000, which we hope it will become. That the richer Diocese of Montreal, where the Bishop of Algoma is so well known and so beloved will outstrip us in liberality is what we are prepared to hear, when the President of its W.A.M.A. sends in her report to the Treasurer of Algoma, and that Ningara and Toronto will not be far behind is a foregone conclusion. when the Churchwomen of each can be numbered by thousands with hearts as full of loving sympathy and hearty loyalty as our own.

Thanking you for once more obtaining for our good cause so wide a hearing.

I remain, faithfully yours.
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A DEFENCE OF CREEDS.

From a Sermon by the Rt. Rev. W. C. Magee, D.D., Lord Bishop of Peterborough.

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto rightcousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."-Rom. x.

"With the heart man believeth unto rightconspess; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

It is quite clear from these words that the Church to which they were addressed must have had a creed, must have had a public confession of faith, a form of words in whi h men with the mouth confess their belief in Jesu-Christ. Even if these words do not tell us this. we know as a matter of historical fact and certainty that this Church and all the early Churches had their creeds, their public confesfesion of faith, had that faith once delivered to the saints, that creed which the Apostle says we are earnestly to contend for, had some form of words such as he speaks of also as given to the saints. No doubt beyond any manner of question the only Churches from the very first had each one of them a public confersion of faith. But these words of the Apos tle are remarkable, not merely for telling us what we might have known from other sources, that all the early Churches had creeds, but for telling us something very remarkable about the importance and the necessity of creeds, for telling us how vital a d how essential a thing it is that a Church should have a creed. It you observe, the Apostle says, For with the heart a man believeth, Dut inat is not enough for alvation—with the heart be is to believe unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. The Apostle here distinctly tells us that salvation is, if not entirely, largely dependent upon the fact of a public creed, for by a public confersion of faith man's salvation is helped. That is what the Apostle tells us here.

A Church, then, a society of men who shall

was the way Christ pleased men should be brought to salvation. It might have pleased Him otherwise to make each man believe on Him, but it did not so please Him, and, in order to ake men out of the world and save them, He founded a Church.

A Creed, then, is the very idea of Christ's society or Church, for surely a religious society founded on the rock of confession, of Jesus Christ's divinity, that He is the Son of God, must have that for its very basis of existence. It must be a Caurch or society that believes in Ilim. In fact, we cannot conceive to ourselves any society or association that has not some central principle meant to distinguish it from other societies. You could not form a society to-morrow political or social, that would not have its creed. Now the Lord says, Mysociety has its creed, its fixed principle and basis of belief, and that is to be publicly professed by those who join. And our Lord says baptism is to be the entrance to His Church: "Go ye and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Hely Ghost." Therefore by the law which Christ impressed upon His Church from the very first, it had its creeds, for in this law we read there two things, that man to be saved according to the ordinary rule of God's dealing in the matter must enter the Church of Christ through baptism, and that those baptized into the Church must believe in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and must, there tore, in their baptism make a public profession of their belief. The Apostle, then, is only proclaiming the basis of Christ's Church when he says that the mouth confesses salvation.

Then go further, and see how this profession of belief in the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, is not only the law of Christ for His Church. but we will see in what way it is helpful to the salvation of men. First, it is helpful to them if it is necessary for them to be saved, that they should think rightly of God and Christ, and it is so necessary. If that be necessary. surely it is no small help for them that they are not left to find out for themselves what they are to believe of God and Christ, but from the very first they are certainly taught in salvation, He has not done this for nothing. Christ's Church the great facts which they are and left it a matter of indifference whoto believe. Those who disparage creeds are ther man should believe in that, commonly in the habit of saying, "I believe in the life, death, and resurrection of Chris no creed of man's invention; I believe in the Bible, and nothing else." My good friend, be fact of our redemption, are facts which it is very thankful to God that is not your case if you think it is - you are not left to find out for yourself your creed from the Bible. There is not a man in this world who believes in a creed that he or she has learned from the Bible. You learned your creed, I hope, long before you read the Bible, from your parents, from your Sunday-school teachers, learned it by heart, and repeated it in Church; if, instead of that, you had been left to search out for yourselves all these facts and doctrine of the Creed, the and two make five; we do not think an asprobability is that your creed would have been too long and too short, that it would have included many things unnecessary to salvation and left out some that are. Men talk of preach ing the Gospel, the pure Gospel, of believing only the Gospel, and not troubling themselves with creeds and formulas, and they are really ignorant that the Gospel taught by the Apostles was little less or little more than what we call the Apostles's Creed. It was a great fact that the Father in heaven, and the Son on earth, and the great Spirit came down from is that or this you must be intolorant of the heaven; it was the e great facts of the Creed that was the Gospel that the Apostles preached St. John speaks of his gospel. What was it? 'Christ rose on the third day according to my gospel." The Gospel was the Creed; it was the great truths of fact, of Christanity, and we you to doubt or deny it. cannot be too thankful for this, that we have them in the Creed, and are not left to gather them for ourselves. True, and most true it is, that these rest on the authority of the Bible; Spirit, and not to creeds and formularies. Un-

they are to be received because they can be proved by God's Holy Word. But proving a truth and discovering a truth are not one and the same thing. They are taught us by the Church first; we prove or test them by the Bible afterward, just as in the early days of the Church the Creed preceded the New Testament part of the B.blo. Men learned creeds and were baptized, and were admitted to the Holy Communion before a line or a letter of gospel or epistle was ever written; but the gospel and the epistle are the document in which we prove and learn to understand fully all the deep meaning of our Creed; and, I repeat it, it was not the purpose or intent of God that we were to learn our Creed from the Bible, each one of us for ourselves. We are thankful, then, for the help to salvation that our creeds are to us, and that we are not left to find out our faith for ourselves.

Next let us see how this public repetition and profession of the Creed help our salvition. By repeating for years the great truths of the Christian Church, learned not in later years, when the mind is distracted with the cares of life, but in early youth, when the mind is wax to receive and marble to retain impressions; on the sacred knees of a mother the child is taught, and remembers them ever after; deep printed on the child's heart, on the child's memory, are the saving truths of the Creed, and we repeat them again and again in public, and they abide with us. So, for the teaching of our religion, for the very remembering of our religion, the Coed is of priceless value, and

helps us to our salvation.

And here we may remark upon the insufficiency of the objections that are so commonly made to creeds. I have dealt with one-that we put the Creed in the place of Scripture. We do not. The Scripture proves the Oreed, and the Creed is gathered out of Holy Writ. We are told, "Your creeds are so strongly intelerant; you tell men it is necessary to their salvation to believe them." We do, undoubtedly. We have not made it so necessary—we believe that God has made it so necessarythat having sent His Son into the world to die tor men, and having raised Him up for their the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and the descent of His Holy Spirit, and the great as necessary for us to know and believe as it is necessary for us to know other things, and know them for safety's sake for our body and nind. We do not think that a doctor is intolerant because he says this or that mode of life, or this or that remedy, is needful for our health—we think his advice helpful wise, but not intolerant. We do not think it intolerant for an arithmetician to tell us that we must believe that two and two make four, and not two tronomer intolerant who tells us that we must believe that the earth goes round the sun, and not the sun round the earth; and why should we hold a Christian teacher an intolerant man, who, being firmly convinced of the creeds in his faith as the arithmetician or the astronomer of his science, says, I am intolerant on this point because I hold this principle, that truth is intolerant of error? A man may be tolerant where he doubts, but no man can be intolerant where he distinctly believes. If you say a thing assertion that the thing is not this or that. You may say, "I don't know it;" you may be tolerant of this or that, but if I am convinced it is true I must say in common charity, "This is true and important, and it is dangerous for

There is another objection to our creeds, that they are set and formal; more than that that we should trust to the guidance of God's Holy believe in Him, the Founder of that Church, true, and most true, as our Church tells us, doubtedly our creeds are formal. But it is not

their defect, but their merit, that they are formal; formal as the bones of your body are that give shape and form to the otherwise shapelessflesh; formul as the veins in your body that in indistinct lines carry forward and carry back the life-blood of the system—they are not the blood, nor the life, but they are necessary, formal channels through which the life and the blood circulate. Yes, our creeds are formal, intolerant, because form is necessary for the preservation of truth, because truth is intolerant of error; and, therefore, we who love and prize these creeds, should hold them to be of priceless value, and proclaim, as did the Apostle of old, "With the mouth confession is made unto salvation." We cannot sacrifice the truths of these creeds, we cannot compliment them away, to gain a false reputation for charity or liberality; we cannot be charitable or liberal with what is not ours; we are stewardentrusted with the mysteries of God, and it is required of stowards that they be found faith ful; faithful not only to their Master, whose food they are dispensing, but to those whom He feeds, and to whom we are rightly to dispense the word of truth.

PRACTICAL ADVICE ON PARISH WORK.

By the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol

I feel that I may profitably call attention to some departments of the spiritual work in our parishes, where we may all plainly see that improvements may be introduced, especially in the way of system and method.

1. The first subject on which I desire to speak is the vitally important one of house to house visiting. It is the surest index of the presence in the heart of that love of souls of which I have spoken in a tormer address; and yet l am very far from thinking that it is so esti mated by the majority of even sobor and thought'al men. By many the visitation, especially of the sick, is regarded as a trying duty, and performed as such, gravely and seriously, but not with that interested manner and outwardly shown sympathy which form the very life and essence of the true pastoral visit. Many regard visiting as so subordinate to their studies, and as consuming so much of the time needed for the weekly sermons, that they feel fully justified in limiting their pastoral visits to those who send for them. Many again so far keep in the foreground their priestly office as to intimate that while they are themselves willing to go to the sick, it is the duty of the whole, if they want the help and counsel of their priests, to go on their own account to him. The exect of for not faithfully and sysmutically carrying out house-to-house visiting are numberless. In all this, however, one thing, it is quite clear, is constantly lost sight of-the real spiritual benefit that flows from the pastoral visit to HIM who makes it. Sharp trials patiently borne; hopefulness amid great daily troubles; helpfulness, especially in the case of the poor, to neighbours under the shadows of poverty and suffering-what les-ons these things minister to us. How they call us away from that fretful subjectivity which is one of the baneful characteristics of modern life. What suggestive thoughts they awaken for the Sunday sermon. What grave spiritual realities they present to us.

Keep a written record of the visiting, and of the details which may be associated with it. The faithful pastor should always have his parish book—his spiritual ledger—in which each householder should be specified, the time when visited set down, and these spiritual circumstances recorded which belong to the cure and government of souls. In the best worked town parishes this is very commonly done,

er can be easily carried in memory, and that records of this kind are irksome and unnecessary. But are they so?

2. There is another broad department of parish work in which much remains to be done, and in which system and method are eminorate ly lacking. I allade to all the relations of the parish to the great spiritual causes and movements of the Church at large. There is, first, the great missionary cause. For the most part, a collection in the Church, and, under very favourable circumstances, a meeting in the school-room, complete the annual connection of the parish with the great missionary cause No living power is felt, no onthusiasm. Year follows year, but no greater interest is awakened. The same modest sum or nearly so, is collected and transmitted to the central society. and the feeble interest that was just awakened fulls again into slumber, till another year brings round the same unattractive appeal But how easily all this might be different. Let any one of us simply resolve that, with God's help, the next missionary meeting shall be more worthy of the cause, and it will become so. All that is needed is a little more life and a lit le more method. Let the clergyman throw his heart into it, choose some interesting portion of the Mission-field as the leading sub ject, make his own all the early accessible information that our great societies (especially the Church Messionary Society) abundantly supply; ask the help of one or two sympathetic neighb urs, and then hold his meeting. The coult will not only reward, but surprise. Very similar remarks might be made on the warm interest that easily might be called out in Home Missions, in the sad story of spiritual destitution-utter spiritual destitution-in our own Christian land. The story of the struggle to maintain religious teaching for our children that has so bravely been carried on, might easily be brought home to our people, and so told as to call out their interest and their help. The efforts now made in the great causes of Temperance and Purity might be made the subject of many an interesting address; and all this would widely help the great causes to which I have alluded, though this result is not the object of these present remarks. What I am pleading for now is the quickening of the spiritual life of our parishes; and of this I am deeply persuaded, that in no way can it be more effectually done than by well-arranged efforts to interest the botter spirits of the place in the great movements of the Lord's kingdom whether at home or abroad.

3. There is one remaining subject—the rais ing of the spiritual standard of the younger members of our flocks-more particularly of the children—and that, not merely in towns, but in country parishes. A very great step in this direction has recently been taken, to which I will very briefly call your attention. Ruther less than three years ago, the experienced and benevolent Countess of Meath (known well to many under her former title of Lady Brabazon), founded an association for children called the "Ministering Children's Lengue," which, in these short three years, has deservedly made very remarkable progress. The first report tells me that some forty branches have been started in various parts of these islands, and that the movement has extended to Canada and to the United States. My attention was called to it, because it seemed to me to supply a simple organization that could be started in any parish, and is constructed to include children of all classes. The object of the Society is to promote kindness and unselfishness in children, and to create and foster the desire to help the suffering and the helpless. The simple rule of the organization is this—"Every member must try and do at least one kind deed every day"; and to be helped to do this a simple, but really beautiful prayer, which has been composed for the use of the children, which is and the benefits of doing is very distinctly re-cognized. In country parishes it is much less composed for the use of the children, very common. It is assumed that every household- to be offered up at least every Sanday.

"BE NOT FORGET FUL TO ENTERTAIN STRANGERS."

There is nothing which makes a paster more anxious than the difficulty of getting new com ers comfortably fitted into the parish, recognized as Christian brothren by the people who are already members of the parish, and settled in the various departments of purish work into which he would draw thom. The anxiety and difficulty come from faults on both hande. Without doubt many new comers are unressonable, impatient of delay in being recognized, foolishly sonsitivo, quick to think themselves slighted and forgotten, forgetful of their own part in the matter of finding and making their place in the Church, expecting at once to be as wall known and as much at home in the new Church home as in the one in which they have grown up, or where their home has long been. Every clergyman is pained and worried by this sort of thing, and grieved and disheartened to find so many who are not Church people on principle, but only Church people if they are suited by the cordiality of their reception. All this is as wrong as it can be. We cannot excuse it, but can only be patient with it. Bat, on the other hand, there is no branch of church work, no Christlan duty which is so sinfully shirked by people that are true followers of the Lord in many things, as that duty of hospitality toward strange brothron. It is a duty, Christ's teaching and example and the necessities of the case both make it such. The Christian who will not put himself out to give the hand grasp or the kind word, or the friendly call to the new comer is a Christian who needs to learn almost the alphabet of Christian duty, for there is no more needed manifestation that he "loves his neighbor as himself.". To let absurd rules of otiquetto, artificial distinctions of wealth or social position block the way between you and your brother new comer is a sin. It ought to be called just that. And it is a dostructive sin of omission, too. Many a pastor, out of his experience could tell sad stories of people whom he was trying to bring into working connection with the Church; how he has seen them chilled and snubbed, forgotten and wounded, when it was most important that they should be warmly welcomed and treated with patience and tact. It is done, not maliciously often, but simply because two things which Christ came to teach us have not yet been loarned from the heart, thoughtfulness and sympathy. We do not think, and we do not put ourselves in our neighbor's place. But we must, if we are to make our churches other than mere cliques and clubs, unless we are willing to stop the work of ingathering altogether. church is currently criticised as one in which there is less of welcome to strangers than in the denominations around us. We may fairly doubt if this be true or just. But there is quite enough of neglect of this to make us sorry and ashamed, and there are quite enough opportunities for brotherly kindness and sociability, pleasant words and courteous recognition to make us see our duty and privilege. It may be, it often is, as Christ-like to shake hands, to pay the pleasant call, to make the courteous small talk for a lonely fellow Christian in a new pari h, as it would be to feed him if he was hungry, or clothe him if he was naked. For Christ has said so and we may not lose the chance to " receive Ilim" in the person of the "stranger" whom we" take in," without losing His approval in the Great Day. It is a sad folly to turn one's back on the Fither's House and the Lord's Table, because some of the children are charlish and forbidding in their selfishness; both sad and absurd, for in this as in all, "it must needs be that offences come." Let us see to it that in this dear Church of ours we are not the offenders who put this stumbling block in the way of "one of those little ones," even the weakest.—The Church News.

FAMILY DEPARTMENT.

THE ADVENT CRY.

[For the Church Guardian.]

Year after year,
The warning cry is heard:
Year after year
The Church's heart is stirred—
Year after year
The Advent call is given;
Year after year
The Mossengers of Heaven
Proclaim their Lord—
"Behold, He comes," they cry,
His changeless word
Declares His coming nigh'

"Behold, He comes."
Not poor despised and full of woe,
A King He comes

To judge all here below.

In power and might,
And Majesty our Lord will come;
To judge the right

And fix the nation's doom,

The awful doom
Of souls, love called, who will not hear,

Condemned to doom
And outer darkness drear.

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And now, once more,
Love's heralds stand and cry,
(The wide earth o'er),
"His coming draweth nigh."

-E.B.C.

Annapolis, N.S., Advent, 1887.

WHAT A DEAD SPARROW DID.

BY MABEL H. DESPA'D .- Continued.

"Look, Mrs. Dancan," said Pamela, "T've brought a poor little sparrow home to bury him."

"Tut, tut! let me see him, bairnie.

Pamela put her treasure in the old woman's hand; and so, with her finger tips, she saw it, for old Mrs. Duncan was blind; she saw, as she said, by feeling. Gently she stroked the soft little body, while Pamela, sitting on a bench, her head in Mrs Duncan's lap, shared the petting and told her fale.

"Not one sparrow, dear, not a wee bit birdie, dies alone. Mind what the dear Lord says: 'One of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.' He feels their troubles and shares their pain, and does not leave them alone."

"Does God care much?" asked Pamela.

"God cares for the very least thing we suffer, my bairn. Do you think your ain heart is more tender than His? You never would feel the least bit of sorrow for the birdie, if the sor row had not been in God's heart first."

Perhaps l'amela did not quite understand all that Mrs. Dunean meant, but it was a great comfort to think—God was with the little sparrow

when he died.

"And has the father brought home any good news the night?" Mrs. Duncan asked, smoothing the little girl's curly hair.

ing the little girl's curly hair.
No, he ins't home yet. But I can't help hoping," said Pamela, "that Mr. Beckwith will take him back. Don't you think he will?"

"I couldn't say, dearie; but that or something better will come. Do you want to read a few verses for me?"

Of course, Pamela did. She brought the big Bible from the table and sat down again.

"Where?" she asked.

"St. Matthew x. I think; see if you can't find the verse there about the sparrow."

Pamela's quick eyes soon found the place.
"That's right. Now read two verses more."
"But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not, therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows."

"There, child, take those verses with you, and never fear. I hear your father's step, so run."

Poor John Burns sat with his head bowed in his hands, as Pamela entered the room. She kissed him gently on the forehead. His only answer was a groun.

answer was a groan.
"Don't fret, papa," she said, trying to speak briskly, though her voice was choked. "Please come and eat some supper and I'll tell you a story."

John raised his eyes and looked lovingly and monunfully at her. How pinched her cheeks were!

"You're starving child," he said, and groan-

ed again.

"O no, I'm not, papa! But I will if you don't eat some supper; for then I won't either. And I wan't to tell you my story, I think it's good news."

While John slowly forced down a piece of bread, she showed him the sparrow, and told

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"And I know Harold won't forget," she said,

"he's kind."
"Ah! my poor lamb, I fear Mr. Beckwith

won't try me again."

"Yes he will, papa; I feel sure he will," said Pamela, climbing on his knee. "I think God sent me the little sparrow as a kind of messenger. Don't you know what Jesus says, papa?"

She repeated the three verses she had read for Mrs. Duncan.

"There, there! God grant it, child. Go to bed, and I'll be home soon."

A look of fear came into her blue eyes. Surely, he would not go out again to driuk.

Her father saw the look. He pressed her to him with so strong a clasp he almost hurt her. "No, no," he said, "trust me, child. Never

again, God helping me."

While Pamela was sleeping that night in her poor little room in Perkin's Alley, and Harold slept in his big comfortable room in Cambridge street, their two fathers were having a long, earnest talk in Mr. Beckwith's library. This was the way it ended.

"Well, John, be there bright and early tomorrow, then, and you shall have your old place, and I hope and believe you'll keep it."

place, and I hope and believe you'll keep it."
"God bless you, sir." It was all John could say.

ray.

"Take good care of your little girl, John.

We owe you something for the hurt my boy gave her. Here's a week's pay in advance.

Give her a good breakfast to-morrow.

"Sorry to wake you so early, lamb, but can you make a cup of coffee and cook me a bit of steak? I must be off soon."

Pamela stared at her father. Coffee? Steak? Did he forget there was nothing but a stale crust in the housel And he was laughing, even though tears stood in his eyes."

"Dress yourself quick, and you'll believe your eyes when you see the breakfast, I suppose," he said.

While the steak was snapping and frizzling over the fire, John told his story. And then they two knelt at the table while he brokenly hanked the dear Father of love, Who never leaves creature of His alone in life or death.

Every day during that next week saw Harold busily engaged with his carpenter's tools. The first thing he made was a neat little box, which he himself took down to Perkin's Alley

"It's to bury the sparrow in," he said, "and I want to dig the grave."

So he and Pamela buried the bird together. Harold told her his plan of building a house for the sparrow's friends.

"The poor little chap seems to me like a martyr, or like a soldier dying for his country, you know; he died, and they got the good of it."

"And I got good from it too," said Pamela; "I feel as it he'd died for me too."

When the bird-house was finished, there was find it, though."

a happier colony of birds in the town. Harold and Pamela used to imagine, as they watched the busy chatterers, that they often talked of the martyred comrade whose death had brought them these good things. Of one thing they were sure, God makes nothing, not even a sparrow, to live in vain. If a dead sparrow can do to much, what may not a boy do who makes up his mind to live for God? That was a question that took root in Harold's mind those days.

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PERSEVERANCE IS BOUND TO SUCCEED.

In our childhood we were shown a picture illustrating the Fable of the Tortoise and the Hare running a race. The picture was a plain, rough wood-out, displaying no particular artistic skill, yet it made a deep and lasting impression upon our mind.

The Hare was a pert little fellow with his ears straight up in the air and seemed to be looking with a kind of sidelong contempt upon his quiet and stupid adversary as much as to say, "Humph! little have I to fear from such a lazy old fellow as you are. But never mind. I will have a jolly, good time, and the way I will beat you will be a caution to you and to all like you." The Tortoise said nothing. He didn't mind the silly thoughts of the little upstart.

In due time they started and away went the Hare with a skip and a jump and was soon far ahead, nearly out of sight of his antagonist. The Tortoise was not in the least disturbed, but put himself steadily to work. Every step he took, though a short one, was straight ahead. The Hare frisked and flourished about, stopping to gossip a little with everyone he met, and often turning aside to see some new thing; while the Tortoise turned neither to the right nor the left, but persevered in his course, saying to himself all the time: This one thing I do—and I will do it with all my might. Well, the race came to an end, and the gay, volatile Mr. Hare, found himself thoroughly beaten.

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Years ago a German boy read of the siege of Troy, and made up his mind to find the ruins of that ancient city. Troy had perished three thousand years ago—if, indeed, it ever existed at all. "But." said the little German, "I will find it, though."

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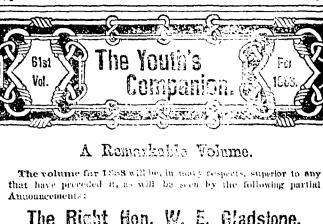
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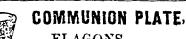
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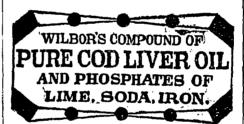
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