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PARRIER SUNDAY.—The Bishop of Bochester has addressed a Pastorar Fiether to his clergy commending to them the proposed Parents Sunday for the diocese and side, pressing upon them the importance of talmonishing the people on the different meaning of the contract of the people of the diocese and side. His Lordship adds:

simultaneously from more than three hundred pulpits on congregations whose personal sympathies may reasonably be expected to be on your side, ought to produce a profound and lasting impression.

To any one sending us the names of Seven new subscribers, with remittance of \$7, we will send free Little's " Reasons for being a Churchman," one of the most highly commended books. (See

SELF SURRENDER-A MARK OF THE MISSION-ARY EPISCOPATE.—We quote the following striking passage from the sermon preached by the Rev. Canon Mason at the Consecration of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Bruce Knight, as Bishop of Bloemfontein:

It needs but little knowledge of outward acts, my brethren, to see the self-surrender which is being made to-day. Our brother is to be con-secrated, not to a wealthy and dignified see at home, amongst people accustomed to respect the episcopal office, and where the Bishop's labours are alleviated by bands of sympathetic and loyal follow-workers, but to a diocese on the other side of the equator, in a land arid, not beautiful, possibly uninviting, with no rail-ways, scarcely even a good road; for the late Bishop, who never wished to tell anything which might redound to his own credit, was compelled to admit that he had often narrowly escaped being buried alive in its sand-storms, or lost in its swollen rivers. Part of the country is an independent Republic, outside the British Empire, populated by heathen and by Dutch settlers, with little love for the English nation and less for the English Church. Very few be thorough and done upon wise and true lines.

people in the diocese take any interest in the Church work, which is also encumbered by a there was to science or practical mechanics. He paper, when it costs less than two cents a week ?

ECCLESIASTICAL METERS. In a classic burden of debt. The post, indeed, needs believed that the great secret of success—supported heart, to grapple posing there was a certain amount of aptitude—wire Support The Bishop of Rochestel with its difficulties. The povince too, has was in having a fixed purpose, a steady applicated a Pasional fields to like directly been the scene of and dissensions, cation, a high aim, and careful thought for the residual particular in the cation, a high aim, and careful thought for the though they are now fast healing up; and though thought and loyalty, and patients, and intelligence of the children of the Bloemfontein Church may well be an example to us all, yet that Church herself has borne even more than on the diffy and friedling of home fraining. His Lordship addis: 1 10.000 that I 10.000 the Mall of 10.000 t will and how He will. This is the spirit which has animated this our brother in Cornwall, and in Liverpool, and in Bethual Green; and by that spirit, whether, like one who has lately returned to us, he shall be spared to bring home to an English diocese the experience which he has gained abroad; or whether, like another, lately called to his reward, he shall obtain the glory of the martyr's death; or, again, whether his tomb shall be shown hereafter in the Cathedral of Bloemfontein as that of one who ruled long and wisely over the early difficulties of that see, and has left behind him a memory of holiness, and endurance, and devotion, and charity, and successful work: whatever lies before him from this day forward, it will be well, if he will leave God to deal with him as He shall choose: 'Behold the servant of the Lord; be it unto me according to Thy word.'

> We want 10,000 subscribers for this the leading Church paper of the Dominion:

THE PRIZES OF LIFE.—The Bishop of Peterborough, when distributing the prizes at the School of Art in that city on Saturday, said that the love of art created a desire to bring beauty and grace into people's lives, and everything that promoted culture in the highest sense of the word, and everything that tended to bring some-thing of attraction, charm, or grace into the ordinary routine of daily life, and which em-ployed the hand and the mind, was of very great value, and he believed they might highly esti-mate its moral value also. Referring to the ex-amination, his lordship said there was very little pleasure in taking any of the prizes of life if one was not sure that the prize had been honestly earned. Work to be successful must

purpose in which one was engaged. The higher a man raised his eyes the higher his steps would rise. He did not believe in genius without work; but he did believe a great deal in work where there was no genius.

Every Churchman should subscribe himself, and should help to extend the influence of the Church paper, by securing other subscribers.

THE POWES AND VANITIES OF MODERN SEPULTURE.—The Bishop of Peterborough recently wrote to the Funeral Reform Association: "An expensive coffin designed to delay the return of dust to dust," which, for the health of the living, and even in pity for the poor remains of mortality, we should rather seek to hasten; mourning-coaches drawn by long-tailed horses; hired mourning cloaks; and complimentary scarves and hat-bands make up the most grotesome contrivance for honouring the most grotesque contrivance for honouring the dead at the cost and risk of the survivors that can well be imagined. Such funerals are neithor sensible, solomn, nor Christian. They are really survivals to Figure with its horror of death as the end of all, and its dark unconsciousness of that 'sure and certain hope, which for us Christians sheds its tender light upon the grave; while in their utter unmean-ingness they fall below the grim significance of the old Pagan rites, which, at least, had a meaning, though often a terrible and repulsive

Every Churchwoman may aid in extending the influence of the Church by securing subscribers. Several Churchwomen have so aided, and have sent in many new names.

MODERN SYSTEMS OF EDUCATION .- Mr. Ruskin does not love the English Board schools. "I know of nothing that has been taught the youth of our time," he writes, "except that their fathers were apes and their mothers winkles; that the world began in accident and will end in darkness; that honour is a folly, ambition a virtue, charity a vice, poverty a crime, and rascality the means of all wealth, and the sum of all wisdom. Both Mr. Carlyle and I knew perfectly well all along what would be the out-come of that education. And I should be extremely glad to know what else was expected from it by the members of the School Board." This in answer to the complaint that the Socialist leaders are men of education. Perhaps the secret is to be found in the terrible agnostic spirit which is now fostered in high places.
There was in Italy (according to Luther) a
particular order calling themselves "Brother
of Ignorance." They all took an oath to know nothing and to learn nothing. Modern agnosticism appears to be a mere inversion of the mediaval institution. The Friars wished to know nothing of secular learning; the nineteenth century secularists wish to know nothing, of God.

Is it fair for Churchmen to give up the Church

CHURCH ARMY.-The PROGRESS OF THE Bishops of London and Bedford have just consented to be Patrons of the Church Army. Prolonged missions connected by the working men Evangelists of the Church Army have been begun at Luton, Stockton, Leeds, Gateshead, Cheltenham, and Newport, and others are shortly to commence at Newcastle, Bayswater, Fakenham, Rotherham, Norwich, and Leamington. The Rev. G. Robinson, of Ulgham, explained at the Ruri-Decanal Conference at Morpeth, presided over by the Bishop of Newcastle, that this work had been very successful where an officer had laboured between several outlying village parishes. He said it had resulted in many conversions and had increased his Bible classes, and also the attendance at the early celebrations, some persons coming three miles through muddy roads on a winter's morning.

Children of Sunday-schools may help in securing new subscribers.

THE QUEEN AND CONVOCATION.—The following is the text of the Queen's reply to the address from the Convocation of Canterbury, which was read by her Majesty in person to the deputation, at Windsor, on Friday last:—"I accept with cordial satisfaction your renewed assurances of loyal and affectionate attachment to my throne and person, and I thank you very heartily for the expressions of your interest in all that concerns my domestic happiness and the health and prosperity of my family. It is most gratifying to me to receive your congratulations on the marriage of my dear daughter the Princess Beatrice with his Royal Highness Prince Henry of Battenberg, I gladly accepted from you the copies of the revised translation of the Old and New Testaments, in which important work I had taken much interest. It will ever be my anxious wish that measures may be adopted having for their object the may be adopted having for their object the spread of true religion among all classes of my people, and tending to render the Church an increasingly efficient instrument for promoting the spiritual welfare of the growing population of England.

TOWN OR PARISH CLUBS .- We will send 20 copies of the Church Guardian for one year to any Incumbent or other Parish Officer for \$16, remitted with order.

IN THREE ways the Church of Christ has been from time to time brought down to the very chambers of death, and from this deep depression, she has risen again to newness of life. First: There has been the distress and suffering produced by outward persecution. Second: There has been a more formidable danger,—the decay of vital convictions within her fold. So it was in the early part of the thirteenth century, when the Arabian philosophers of Moor ish Spain were so widely studied in the universitios of Europe. So it was at the revival of letters in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, especially in Italy. So it was conspicuously in the eighteenth contury, almost all throughout Europe; but in the heart of the Church was repeated the profound conviction, "Writers may say what they will, I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord." Third: The Church of Christ has been exposed, also, to moral corruptions. Here, surely, is an ovil more perilous than the sword of the persecutor or any form of intellectual revelation. And yot in evil times, however grave the scandal and deep-seated the disease, thousand and millions of simple folk have been true, on the whole to the life which God has given them,-true to that faith in the Divine Redeemer, in the sanctifying Spirit, in the claims of conscience, and of the world beyond the grave.—Canon Liddon. tured in the Sunday-school room last Tuesday April 11th, the Bishop of the Diocese confirmed

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

Gathered specially for this Paper by Our Own Correspondents.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

ALBION MINES .- The Church of England congregation and many others here will sympathize deeply with Mr. Morris Taylor, who assisted Mr. Moore last summer as Lay Reader, in the death of his father, General Reynell Taylor, which occurred on March 3rd. Mr. Taylor has, since been ordained by the Bishop of Ontario and is now in charge of the Clarendon mission in that diocese.

General Reynell George Taylor, H.E.I.C.S., was the fourth son of General Thomas William Taylor, C.B., of West Ogwell House, Devonshire, an old Devonshire family, and descended also from Sir Richard Reynell, who had charge in 1191 of the Castles of Exeter and Lancaster during the absence of Richard I. in the Holy Land.

He has always been spoken of as a pure-minded, honorable man, and a gallant soldier, a sincere Christian, kind-hearted almost to a fault, and as brave as a lion. He was beloved by all who came in contact with him, natives as well as Europeans. A comrade of Herbert Edwarde and Nicholson, a follower of Sir Henry Lawrence, and at the same time a type of the best qualities possessed by each of those dis-tinguished men. General Taylor's example will live long after him. There never was a case of distress known to him that his purse did not open to relieve it, and often the widow and fatherless children have found shelter in his house. A great supporter of missions, he was the founder of the Derajat mission (to which he gave £1,000) in a part of the Province he so successfully administered.

Annapolis.—The next meeting of the Annapolis Rural Deanery will be held at Bridgetown on Wednesday, the 28th April. Morning service at the parish church, with sermon and celebration of Holy Communion, at usual hour; conference of members of Chapter in the afternoon; Scripture, Acts v.; Missionary meeting in the evening. By order of the Dean. H. D. DeBlois, Secretary.

BEAVER BANK.—MissPenelope Grove heartily thanks the kind "well wisher" who sent her two dollars for the little mission church at Beaver Bank.

HALIFAX.—Church of England Temperance Society .- The Coffee Rooms of the Society are doing a good work, and are being pushed forward by the present energetic manager. The committee intend to ask for an extension of

A special meeting of the executive of the Church of England Temperance Society was Church of England Temporation Rooms, the held last Saturday in the Institute Rooms, the Diocese in the chair. The Lord Bishop of the Diocese in the chair. Licensing Act now before the Local Legislature was discussed, and the following resolution, proposed by the Rev. F. R. Murray, and seconded by R. J. Wilson, Esq., was passed when inventionally. unanimously:-

Whereas, A bill entitled "An Act respecting intoxicating liquors" is now under the consideration of the House of Assembly; and
Whereas, We are of opinion that said Act

would be in the best interests of the law and order of the City of Halifax, as well as the

Province in general; therefore

Resolved, That the Council do petition the
said House of Assembly to pass the said Act, that it may become law.

The resolution has been forwarded and presented to the House of Assembly.

DARTMOUTH.—The Rev. Dr. Partridge lec-

in aid of the addition to the Sunday-school building. There was a large attendance, and

the lecture was thoroughly enjoyed.

Much interest is being manifested over the approaching election of a Rector. There are about thirty applicants for the position. The favorite names are all local ones.

Alberton, P.E.I. A very large and interesting meeting was convened in the St. Peter's Episcopal Church at Alberton, last week, for the purpose of taking into consideration the best means of securing a elergyman for this charge. There was present a very large representation from remote parts of the district, who with the churchmen of Alberton, were equally zealous to secure the services of a good evangel-ical pastor, to enter at once upon his mission in this important field. Mr. Benjamin Champion was called to the chair, and the undersigned appointed Secretary. The meeting having been called to order, Rev. R. W. Dyer's resignation of St. Peter's parish was then read, to take effect on Easter Monday. Moved by Henry Oliver, and seconded by Charles Traverse, that a committee of three be appointed to draft an answer to the resignation, to be presented at the Easter meeting. The following were then chosen: Henry Oliver, Ernest Duvar and Wm. Champion. It was moved and carried unanimously that the Churchwardens be instructed to advertise in the Evangelical Churchman, Toronto, and the Church Guardian, Montreal, for a clergyman for the parish of St. Peters. It was also moved and carried that a committee of seven be appointed to take charge of the applications, and also to engage said minister. The following committee was then chosen: James E. Birch, Earnest Duvar, Charles Traverse, Ebenezer, Bearisto, Henry Oliver, Benj. Champion and J. D. Woodman. Moved and carried that the amount subscribed to the minister's calculations have a controlled to the minister's colory be reid currently and that acclled the form salary be paid quarterly, and that collectors for each section of the congregation be appointed. The meeting was unanimous in its expressions of regret that Mr. Dyer, from old age and infirmity, was compelled to give up his charge, as he has ministered to the spiritual wants of this parish for over twenty years.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

The forty-fourth Annual Report of the Church Society of this Diocese is now being circulated throughout the Missions. As the annual meeting was held in February the compiling and printing have been very expeditiously carried through, which speaks well for the zeal and energy of the worthy Secretary. The report itself is well got up, and gives a clear and concise description of the work of the Church in the Diocese. The detail of work by the Missionaries on the whole hopeful and cheering. The financial statistics very encouraging. And it is hoped ere long the diocese will see the way to free the S.P.G. from any further grants, and become self-supporting. The local endowment funds are now becoming available and will fur-ther this good work, which is generally felt to be the wish of Churchmen, both clergy and laity throughout the Diocese. The report of Sec.-Treasurer of Foreign and Domestic Missions is now regularly inserted in the annual and meet with great-interest, as upon the zeal of that Committee and of the Women's auxiliary depend the success of raising funds for our own Missionary Diocese of Algoma and the Northwest, as well as the thank offerings we can return to the S.P.G. in acknowledgment of their long continued care and kindness to the Church in Canada.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

Montreal.—St. Matthias, Cote St. Antoine. Confirmation service on Sunday afternoon, in the above church twenty-four young persons, seven females and seventeen males. The canseven females and seventeen males. didates were presented by the Rector, Rev. Dr. Norman, and the Rev. E. A. W. King; Assistint, took part in the service. The Bishop gave a brief and practical address. Within the space of three years, eighty-two young persons have in this small church received the ordinance of laying on of hands. The services are in general very well attended, and the communicants numerous

COTE St. PAUL. — The Lord Bishop of Montreal visited this Mission on the evening of Wednesday, the 14th inst., and confirmed eight persons, all of whom had received careful instruction from the Rev. E. A. Willoughby King, M.A., who had kindly consented to assist Dr. Davidson in this particular. The rector of the parish, the Rey Canon Ellegood, the Roy. Mr. King and Dr. Davidson were present, and a large and most attentive congregation witnessed the imposition of hands and joined heartily in the service. The Bishop's address to candidates and congregation was most impressive and earnest, and will, doubtless, be long remembered and prove helpful to all.

A special meeting of the Deanery of Hochelaga was held last week to consider the question of a division of the deanery by withdrawing the city of Montreal and creating an independent and separate deanery. It was determined to refer the question to the Annual Meeting. It was also determined that hereafter quarterly meetings should be held.

As will be seen from the following announcements, Holy Week is being well observed in the city. Almost every church has daily service, and in some a special course of sermons or addresses is being given :-

Christ Church Cathedral.—Daily, at 10 a.m., morning service; 5 p.m., afternoon service, with addresses by the rector, on "The Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross." On Wednesday, service at 8 p.m.; preacher, Rev. J. A. Newnham. Good Friday, service at 11 a.m., 5 p.m. and 8 p.m.

St. George's.—During Holy Week, service every morning, except Good Friday, at 9 a.m., closing punctually at 9:30. Wednesday, divine service at 8 p.m.; preacher, the Dean. Good Friday, service at 11 a.m. (preacher, Dean Carmichue), and 4:15 p.m. (preacher, the Bey T. michael), and 4:15 p.m. (preacher, the Rev T. Hood).

St. James'.—Daily services in the church at 9 a.m., with a short address, and at 5 p.m., except on Good Friday, when the services will be at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.

St. Martin's.—Daily services at 5 p.m., with meditation upon The Way of the Cross; and at 8 p.m., evening prayer, with sermon on "The Lights and Shadows of Calvary." The 5 p.m. service on Good Friday is one of preparation for the Easter Communion, and besides this there will also be morning prayer at 11 a.m. and evening prayer at 8 p.m. with sermon at and evening prayer at 8 p.m., with sermon at each. On Saturday, at 5 p.m., there will be evening prayer, with meditation, Waiting and Watching at the Tomb of Jesus. The rector has issued an admirable circular or pastoral to his congression for Holy Weak in which he his congregation for Holy Week, in which he

"The week preceding Easter Day has from the earliest ages been set apart for the commemoration of the Cross and Passion of our blessed and only Saviour. 'It was called,' says St. Chrysostom, 'the Great Week, not because it consisted of longer days, or more in number,

deemer's atonement; and by extraordinary acts of devotion, humility, self-denial and all kinds of piety, so to follow their Saviour through the bitter stages of His Passion, that they may at last attain to the glory of His Resurrection. Therefore, as far as may be—for the sake and honor of the Lord Jesus—there should be both a careful abstinence from all things that may take the mind from these solemn duties or make the body unfit to perform them, and as careful an attention to every means of grace afforded, that the spiritual life may be increased and strengthened.

The rector suggests that during this week at the time of private devotion each day, every member of St. Martin's shall offer up a special prayer to Almighty God that the blessing of the Most High may rest upon him, his family and neighbors, his pastor and church, and upon every means that is being used to win the world for Christ, for which purpose a special prayer is appended.

Trinity.—Service, with sermon, every evening in the chapel at 8 o'clock, excepting Good Friday. Service on Good Friday in the church at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. At evening service during Lent the rector has preached on "The Utterances of Christ from the Cross."

8 p.m.

St. Jude's .- Service every evening (except Good Friday) at 8 o'clock, Dr. Norman being the preacher on Wednesday, Dr. Henderson on Thursday, and Rev. H. J. Evans on Saturday. On Good Friday, service at 11 a.m. and

St. Matthias' (Cote St. Antoine).-Short service, with reading, at 11 a.m. each day, except Good Friday; on it full service at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., and children's service at 3 p.m. At the Sunday evening service during Lent a special course of sermons was given by the rector, Dr. Norman, on "Some characters in Scripture who had great opportunities, but failed to profit by them," the characters referred to being Gebazi, Judas Iscariot, Pilate, Demas, Felix and Agrippa.

St. James' Ladies' Aid Society have forwarded to St. Margaret's Home the net proceeds of the tableaux given under their direction, amounting to \$122.50.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

Kingston.—The Lenten services have been well attended in all the city churches. exchange of pulpits by the clergy has made the sorvices very interesting.

The ladies of St. George's Cathedral intend holding a sale of useful and ornamental work on the 29th instant.

ST. JAMES' TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.-The regular monthly meeting was held on Tuesday, April 13th, and was fairly attended. Songs were sung by Messrs. Smith, Roche and Bateson and were loudly applauded. The principal feature of the evening was an address by Principal Grant, of Queen's University. His text was the name of the society, but dwelt ehiefly upon the word "Temperance." This he defined to be self-government, extending to eating, drinking, clothing, use of time, money, &c. When this self-government was attained man was in a position to attain the highest possbilities of his being. Allusion was made to the severe self-rule of many Scotch students, and to the grand results to which it has led, and were strongly urged to make the best of themselves possible. Mr. Rogers was then called for, and in responding he alluded to the success of the but because at this time great things were wrought for us by our Lord.' The faithful are now to meditate upon those 'great things,' to seek by prayer and fasting to express their sortow for sin, and their interest in their Re-

anited with the society and the meeting was closed with prayer by Principal Grant.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

GUELPH.—They have in Guelph a very prosperous Young People's Association of high literary repute. The last meeting for the season rary repute. The last meeting for the season was held on Thursday evening, April 9th. The chief feature of the entertainment was the historical lecture by Archdeacon Dixon, on the life and times of Sixtus V., one of the most resolute and able men who ever filled the Papal chair. The speaker said that on the 13th Dec., 1521, a child was born in Ancora whose father's name was Francis Perotti, and his mother's Gabana. They were very poor people, and as the boy grew up he was hired out to attend to hogs. A monk whom he met was induced to take him as a servant boy to his monastery. There every leisure moment was devoted to study. Step by step he rose, until he was ordained to the priesthood. His learning then caused him to be appointed as Leaten preacher in several of the Italian cities. Thus he advanced until at length he was made Cardinal. after the most brilliant services in advancing the interests of the church. At this time his St. Stephen's.—Special services each evening at 8 o'clock, and on Good Friday at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. the Papal chair, their being five factions in the ennelave, each with its own candidate. Finding it impossible to get a sufficient vote for any of their favorites, three of them gave in their adhesion in favor of Montollo, the title assumed by Peretti, when made Cardinal. After his election, he displayed the most wonderful vigor both in body and mind. The prisons were crowded with criminals who had given themselves up in the hope of obtaining a free pardon as was the custom on the election of a new Pope. He, however, refused to release them, and a great number were tried and executed. After he, had established tranquility in the State, he devoted himself to the adornment of Rome. Palaces which astonished visitors by their grandeur, towered towards Heaven from the seven hills. An aquduct twenty-two miles in length, brought in a supply of pure water to the city. His desire was to have public buildings, rivalling in splender the days of the Emperors, when Rome was the queen of the nations, and gathered into her bosom the wealth of the world. He also built an hospital with room for 2,000 patients. He died in the sixth year of his pontificate. During these few years he advanced the power and glory of the Papal See more than all his predecessors put together for over a century. This was enlivened with many most striking anecdotes, illustrative of life in Italy at that period, in church and state. Great credit is due to Mr. James and Mrs. Clarke for their labor in raising this society to the high position it now occupies. One great feat has been especially accomplished, the purchase of and payment for in full of a very handsome and sweet-toned piano this season,

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

PERSONAL.—The Rev. J. W. Armitage, of St. James' Church, Orillia, has received an invitation to St. Thomas' Church, St. Catharines.

The Rev. A. B. Chafee has resigned the Mission of Perrytown, and har accepted the Mission of Alliston and West Essa. He received a present of twenty-five dollars on leaving Perrytown.

The Rev. C. H. Brent, recently ordained, has decided to enter on clerical work in Buffalo, N.Y.

The Rev. Mr. Haslam, of the Sabrevois Mission, Montreal, is at present canvassing the Diocese in aid of the work among the French Roman Catholics.

Mr. C. C. Hampshire, organist of St. John's

Church, Peterboro', has accepted the position of organist at St. George's Church, St. Catharines, and will leave about June to fulfil his new duties.

TRINITY COLLEGE.—The corporation met as usual in April, the attendance being very good. A letter was read from the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education, intimating the intention of the Department of Education to extend to the University of Trinity College the same privileges as have been conceded to the Provincial University in regard to the holding of matriculation examinations in the high schools of the Province. In connection with these examinations, the following Board of Examiners, arranged for with Queen's and Victoria Universities, was appointed:—Classics, Prof. Fletcher, Queen's, and Prof. Bell, Victoria; mathematics, Prof. Dupuis, Queen's, and Prof. Bain, Victoria; English, Rev. K. L. Jones, B.D., Trinity; history and geography, Prof. Reynor, Victoria; modern languages, J. C. Dunlop, lecturer, Trinity. Regulations were adopted regarding the examinations for degrees in Divinity to be held in Melbourne, Australia. The sanction of the corporation was given to the arrangement made by the Provost for ensuring to Divinity students during their Divinity course the most satisfactory training and experience in parochial work. The corporation then adjourned, to meet as usual in May.

OBITUARY.—The Rev. George Love, incumbent of Beaverton, died suddenly of heart disease two weeks ago. He leaves a wife and four children, who are terribly prostrated by the suddenness of his death. He was only 41 years of age, and had been in this Diocese only about three years. He was making ready to leave Beaverton when the summons came to "go up higher." This makes the third death among the clergy since January.

Tononto.—St. Stephen's.—The parish new issues a monthly magazine. The Rector, Rev. A. J. Broughall, has just completed his twenty-fifth year of service. His son was recently ordained, and has accepted work at Tullamore, in this Diocese. The Rev. H. Symonds, who labored in the parish for about two months, was presented with \$25 as a small acknowledgment of his services by the people of St. Stephen's, on his departure for England. Mr. Broughall is agitating the erection of a room for Bible class meetings, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.—At St. James' Cathedral four classes are now being prepared for Confirmation.

The heirs of Rev. Johnstone Vicars intend bringing an action against the city of Toronto, as they urge that Mr. Vicars' death was caused by a defective sewer.

St. George's Church, Newcastle, was robbed by some miscreants, who carried off a portion of the Communion plate. The thieves have not been discovered.

Toronto.—St. George's.—A very interesting lecture, entitled "Egypt and the Soudan," was given in the school-room of this church on the 13th inst. The lecturer was Lieut. Col. F. C. Denison, who was in that country as chief of the Canadian expedition. He pictured the difficulties and dangers incident to the march, and paid a high tribute to the bravery and endurance of the British troops and the Canadian contingent. The proceeds of the lecture were in aid of the Orphan's Home.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.—A diocesan branch of this useful society has at last been formed. The following are the officers:—President, Mrs. Sweatman; Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Strachan; Secretaries, Mrs. Thorne and Miss Wilson. The formation of parochial branches has been strongly recommended.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

London.—The Right Rev. Bishop Baldwin held a Confirmation service in St. Paul's Church on Sunday, 11th April, when forty-five persons received the rite of laying on of hands. The Rev. Canon Irvine and Rev. R. Hicks took the service. His Lordship preached a most powerful sermon, and addressed the candidates in his usual solemn and earnest manner. The congregation was very large, and deeply interested in the impressive services.

CHATHAM.—At the conclusion of the "Mission" held in Trinity Church, by the Rev. W. Haslam, over 200 persons remained and took the Holy Communion. It is a pleasing feature in the work to see so many persons approach the Lord's table. A good work has been done and many people profess to have been brought to a knowledge of the truth. The congregation has been largely increased, and much spiritual life is seen throughout the Church population.

LONDON.—Rev. W. Haslam commences a "Mission" at the Memorial Church, April the 17th.

The See House is now almost completed, and His Lordship it is expected will move into it in a couple of week's time.

St. Mary's.—Special services are to be held in the Church here during Passion week, several Clergymen have been secured to preach.

London.—The first annual meeting of the Women's Diocesan Missionary Association was held at the See House on Monday, March 29th. The President, the Bishop, took the chair. There was a good representation of members present. After a hymn and prayer, reports were read by the Secretary and Treasurer. The latter showed that the fees and donations for the past year amounted to \$189.79. A very interesting report was read by the President of the Memorial Church Branch, stating that during the past nine years over \$1,181 had been raised by their Association for foreign missions. This branch was organized by the late Rev. W. H. Tilly, and has ever since been doing a good work. Having affiliated with the Central Association they contributed \$125 towards their funds—\$100 for the Bishop of Saskatchewan towards the support of Emmanuel College, and \$25 for the Germana work in India. During the past eight months another Branch Association has been formed in Rev. Mr. Falls' parish.
Amherstburg, and they contributed \$17 for
Germana work. The contributions from the
above named branches passed through the
hands of the Treasurer of the Central Association, to be forwarded to their respective destinations. As an Association, we have every reason to thank God for the encouragement given during the past year, and hope for a great increase of interest throughout the Diocese in missions, domestic and foreign.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

PORT ARTHUR.—The mission of Port Arthur and Thunder Bay has lately received a valuable grant of Sunday-school boots from the Society for promoting knowledge; also a grant of Prayer-books in the Danish language.

In St. James' Church, Oliver, a reading-desk and pulpit-lectern have been placed; both very plain, but neat and churchly. The clergyman has established a mission station at the Rabbitt Mountain and Beaver Silver Minos, near thirty miles distant, and also periodically visits Savanne, seventy-six miles west of Port Arthur, on the Canadian Pacific Railway. He will be thankful for good reading matter for the settlers in the bush, and for the people at the mines.

PROVINCE OF RUPERT'S LAND,
INCLUDING THE DIOCESES OF BUPERT'S LAND,
SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSONEE, MACKENZIE BIVER,

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

QU'APPELLE AND ATHABASCA.

Corbury.—This district has never had a settled clergyman, but the people are gathering funds to build a church. A Missionary is badly worked, but at present there is no grant.

SELKIEK.—A move has also been made at this point to build a church which is much needed.

ST. ANDREWS.—This is one of the old native Parishes, possessing a massive stone church, and a peal of three bells. Rev. A. L. Fortin is Rector. A deputation from Winnipeg visited the Parish this week in aid of the Home Mission Fund. Addresses were delivered by Mr. Jas. Taylor, Archdeacon Pinkham, Canon O'Mara, Revs. E. A. W. Pentreath and O. Fortin. Mr. Taylor gave the following interesting historical sketch.

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In this country, missionary labor does not date back to a very early period. It is true, that as early as the year 1626, the officers of Cardinal Richelieu's Association,—La Company de la Nouvelle France men, who had been brought up under the influences of Christianity in France—for a period of 42 years inhabited this country. Later on from the year 1668, to the year 1817, the officers conflected with Prince Rupert of England, and afterwards known as the "Company of adventurers trading into Hudson's Bay," also inhabited this land. But, sir, their mission to British North America was not to preach the gospel. It was not until the year 1817, when that band of Scottish pioneers under Lord Selkirk, planted a colony on our Red river of the north—that the sunlight of Christianity broke in upon this country.

In the year 1820 the Rov. Mr. West, the first Church of England missionary of Rupert's Land, arrived in this place. He was sent to this country by the Church Missionary Society, the John the Baptist of the 19th century, for his was the voice of one crying in a great wilderness. In January 1821 Mr. West went as far as Fort Ellice, now the western part of the Province of Manitoba, to enquire into the condition of the Indians there, and to find out what prospect there was for missionary operations among them.

In the summer of 1821—a memorable date in the annals of this country, being the year that the Northwest Company of Montreal entered into partnership with the Hudson's Bay Co.—Mr. West visited York Factory on Hudson's Bay. While there, he met Mr. Garry, one of the H. B. Co.'s directors and after whom the two forts on the Red River were named, and these two men formed a bible society—the first society of the kind formed in Rupert's Land.

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While at York Factory Mr. West also met
the long lamented Sir John Franklin and Sir
John Richardson who were returning from a
perilous journey to the Polar Seas.

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I hope, Mr. Chairman, I will be pardoned if I wander from my subject to say that this was the same Sir John Franklin, who, in 1848, left England to explore our northern seas with two vessels, the Erebus and Terror—never again to return—and also that we have in the Parish of St. Andrews, and in this church to-night, Capt. Wm. Kennedy, the man chosen by Lady Franklin from among the thousands in the British nation, to go in search of her beloved husband.

In the year 1820 the church missionary society determined to make Red Rivera missionary station and appointed the Rev. David Jones to take charge of it. Ever since his arrival this country has not been neglected by the church missionary society. That society

has spent thousands of pounds on this continent has spent thousands of pounds on this continent and has sent forth good and true men to preach the gospel. Who is there amongst us that does not cherish affectionate rememberance of the labor of the Revs. Mr. West, Mr. Jones, Mr. James, Archdeacon Cochrane, Archdeacon Hunter, Archdeacon Kirby, Archdeacon Cowley, Mr. Gardiner, Dean Grisdale and Pickers Venne hour Bishon of Atheleacon Cowley, Mr. Gardiner, Dean Grisdate and Richard Young, now Bishop of Athabasca. These men baptized many before me this even-They were men who visited you in your day of sorrow and trial, men who stood by you when on your bed of sickness and comforted you under all your bereavements. These were men of God sent out to this country by that grand old society—the church missionary society—to which we are much indebted.

Born as I was like many of you in British

North America and having worshipped in this church for over 20 years. I say to-night that we are the monument of God's mercy conveyed

to us through such men as these.

These men have passed away, some to their rest, others to new fields of labor, but this old church stands on the banks of the Red River, an evidence of their labors amongst us, each stone in this building testifying that a gospel ministry in all its fulness and freeness in its entirety and comprehensiveness has been faithfuly proclaimed in this place.

I remember attending a missionary meeting in this church in the year 1862. On that occasion this building was crowded. The object of the meeting was not only for to raise money but to organize a branch association in connection with the colonial and continental church society. It was a rousing meeting and the people gave liberally. There were meetings of a similar character in the other parishes of the Red River colony and for a long time a missionary spirit was kept up in the land.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

(From the Churchman's Gazette.)

The Diocesan Synod held its annual meeting (adjourned from December last) on Thursday and Friday, March the 4th and 5th. There were present all the clergy of the Diocese with the exception of Mr. Horlock, who was unavoidably prevented from coming down to it. The lay members of the Synod did not put in so good an appearance as was expected. Yet the work of the Church is not merely the work of the clergy, but equally the work of the lay members of the Church. It will be a brave day for the Church in British Columbia when all its members, lay as well as clerical, feel that every question affecting the organization, the discipline, the working and the order of the Church is an important question to them, and one in which they are vitally concerned. We look for that day in the future, and for the present are content to report progress. As to the late Session's work, we may fairly claim that it has set on foot what we hope will prove beneficial measures, and has also laid the foundation of future healthful Diocesan legislation. In three important directions we trust that much good will result from the Synod's resolutions. In the matters of finance, education, and deepening of the spiritual life of Church members.

As to finance, most Churchmen here know that in money matters the Diocese has been much straitened of late years. The General Fund of the Diocese needs to be greatly augmented. That was the meaning of the circular recently sent round by the Bishop. This General Fund has to provide much of the stipends of several clergy; it has besides to meet all the incidental expenses of the Diocese—printing, posting, insurance in many cases of church and parsonages, travelling expenses in special cases

tails of expense, all of which together make a very considerable sum. There has been hitherto no regular systematic way of raising money for this General Fund. The Synod has decided on adopting a plan already in use in many of the Canadian Dioceses, of having an Annual Meeting in each District to bring the needs of the Diocese before the people throughout the whole Diocese, and also of canvassing individuals for annual subscriptions. We have good hopes that by this method, which has been resorted to in other places, and apparently never in vain, our Diocesan General Fund may be able another year, or at all events in the not far distant future, to keep the clergy from be-ing out at elbows, and to provide for all the one hundred and one incidental expenses of the Diocese.

The matter of education was also taken up, with the practical result of the formation of a Board of Education for the Diocese, consisting of the Bishop, two clergy and two laymen. For divers reasons, mainly want of funds, we have had within a year to record the closing of Columbia College and of the school at Nicola, or, rather, we should say at Kamloops, as the school was moved thither shortly before it was closed. Lorne College is losing its able Principal, and though it will still, we hope, go on, it has been seriously hampered by money difficulties. We newhore might not expect that the culties. We perhaps might not expect that the new Board of Education will be able to effect much in the way of restoring old or commencing new educational works until such times as the funds of the Diocese warrant the outlay that every new educational venture needs. But all Churchmen may be assured that the matter of education on true Church lines will not cease to rank among the first interests of the Diocese.

The third matter we will mention as part of the good results expected from the late session of Synod is the scheme of a Guild of Communicants. The guild is to consist of all the com-municants of the Diocese if possible, and is to have a branch in every District. The object set before all the members will be that of deepening the spiritual life and of increasing unity peace and concord. It is felt that such a bond is much needed in order to do something towards counteracting the tendency towards congregationalism, but above all to make the Kingdom of Heaven to be regarded more and more the first object in every Christian's life. We trust indeed that the guild will be heartly welcomed by all members of the Church, and that it will prove indeed a blessing to old and young, to priest and people.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE SCHOOL, LENNOX-VILLE, P.Q.

The Rector has issued the following circu-

At the Alma Mater Society's Annual Dinner in Montreal on January 7th last, a suggestion was made and afterwards adopted that a Fund of not less than \$5,000 should be raised for the purpose of erecting a Wing to be added to the School building. This Wing, it was thought, should contain an Assembly Hall, which would be the School-room and might also be available for Convocation of the University—and also a recreation room, a chemical laboratory and a school workshop.

The Wing is to be called The Bishop Williams Wing, and is to be regarded as a memorial of the tenure of the office of rector by the present Bishop of Quebec, from 1857 to 1863.

The old boys are themselves, through committees at Quebec and Montreal, working for subscriptions from their own number, and any old boys who may see the present circular are asked to communicate with either E. J. Hale, Esq., Quebec, or Armine Nicolls, Esq., Montreal on the subject.

The Rector appeals to those who are not old

of the School premises for the purpose for which they are designed.

THE RECTOR APPEALS FOR HELP TO

- (1) Those who would wish to have naturalized and fostered in this Province and Dominion schools of the highest grade, which shall efficiently perform for Canada what the English Public Schools perform for England.
- The friends of Scientific Education not only in Colleges but also in Schools.
- The friends of Religious Education and especially (but not exclusively) the members of that portion of the Church of England which is naturalized in Canada.
- Those who value the services of the Bishop of Quebec to education and his efforts for the general well-being of this Province.
- All friends and supporters of Bishop's College and its School other than the old boys themselves.

Subscriptions are payable in one sum or in two or three annual instalments, as may be desired. Any promises of subscription will be gledly welcomed before April 28th, when the Corporation of the College meets. Already about \$2,500 have been promised.

A class is being prepared for Confirmation by the Roctor. We hope to have a visit from the Bishop of Quebec on April 28th and 29th. The meetings of Corporation and Convocation are fixed for April 28th. The Confirmation for

April 29th.

Recently our Chancellor has presented the Library with a valuable volume, "Paine's Holy Houses." The Professor of Classics has given admirable editions of Milton, DeQuincey and Defoe. The Principal has presented the Library with one hundred useful volumes, many of them modern scientific works. It may not be out of place to say that the funds of the Library are the reverse of abundant, and that gifts of books or of funds specially for the Library will be gratefully welcomed.

The Lent Examinations have recently been concluded. The following are the main resulta :-

Divinity Course proper.—First Class.—Messrs. M. G. Thompson, B.A., A. H. Robertson, G. A. Smith, B.A., and C. E. Belt, B.A., passed very creditably.

Arts.—Aggregate results :—

Third Year (Honors).—Class I.—M. O. Smith (Classics and Mathematics); H. D. Hamilton (Classics). Class III.—H. W. Welch (Classics).

Pass Division .- Class II .- Macdonald, Chanonhouse, Laurie. Class III.-Elliott, Clayton. Second Year.—Class I.—Murray. II.—R. Wright, Rev. T. B. Williams, Sharpe, E. A. Robertson. III.—Stone.

First Year.—II.—Sutherland. III.—Carson. Preparatory Year.—II.—H. E. Wright, Hyndman. III.—Ball.

The following obtained First Class marks in special groups of subjects:-

Divinity—Williams, Murray, H. E. Wright. Classics—Macdonald, Sharpe, Murray. French—Murray, E. A. Robertson. Logic and English Literature—Sharpe. Natural Science—Chanonhouse.

Rishop's College School .- The following boys passed creditably in every one of the fifteen subjects of examination:—Campbell, Lemesurier, Fothergill, max.; Leckie, max.; Montgomery, MacLeod, Fairweather, Sewell, Ward, Fothergill, maj.; Patterson, maj.

ANOTHER Subscriber in the Diocese of Montreal, renewing, writes: "I like the GUARDIAN very much, as it is conducted at present."

A Subscriber in the Diocese of Fredericton, writes: "We like the paper under its present of clergy and others, duty on Church goods The Rector appeals to those who are not old writes: "We like the paper under its present sent out from England, and many other deboys, on the ground of increasing the efficiency management very much, and wish you success."

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ONTEMPORARY CHURCH OPINION.

Church Bells has the following article on Mr. Ruskin's views of modern education, referred to claewhere:

"Mr. Ruskin has well clinched the nail which the Spectator had driven. It is, as he says, the distinctive teaching of these days that our fathers were apes and our mothers winkles; that the world began in accident and will end in darkness; and so on. But it is quite clear that Mr. Ruskin's teacher, Mr. Thomas Carlyle, has had nothing to do with the rise and growth of the ape-and-winkle business? In attempting to teach godliness without Christ, Carlyle attempted the impossible. Christ spoke truly when He said, 'No man cometh unto the Father but by Me.' And He is adapting His proof of what He said to the new needs of our time. The philosophical method of Rutler The philosophical method of Butler, and the historical method of Paley, have ceased to weigh with men as they weighed formerly, though they have not been shown to be erroneous. And Christ appeals in these days—both to philosophy and to history indeed—with those who have ears to hear them; but He makes a new appeal under our new circumstances to a new proof. Never before in the history of Christendom, except in the French Revolution, have men tried on a large scale to effect large social reforms without the aid of organized Christianity. For many years past in England, to say nothing of other countries, the Church, as the recognized teacher of faith and morals, has been persistently driven farther and farther from her old boundaries, and cooped up as much as possible in a corner out of the way. In our schools, great and little, religion has been ticketed as an extra, the successor of geography and the use of the globes. They must be dull indeed if they do not use the extra sharpening we give them to infer that, in the opinion of their betters, the tree of knowledge has superseded the tree of life.

And now the Lord of lords and King of kings is showing Himself to be the Teacher of teachers, and is demanding a hearing. old phrase of Tortullian, 'Naturally Christian,' is receiving new light. Christianity is not only analogous to the laws of nature. Is it not part of them? May it not be the whole? Society cannot hold together without religion; and the 'education,' which is now all the rage, if it does nothing else, makes all other religions impossible besides the Christian.

THE LABOUR TROUBLES .- Bishop Gillespie, of Western Michigan, says in the Church Helper:

"That the unhappy feeling existing on the part of wage workers in various industries, leading to the suspension of business and interruption of travel and trade, and even to riots of most serious character, is a crisis that should bring us in humble supplication before Him "who maketh men to be of one mind in a house." The Bishop has, therefore, set forth the following Form of Prayer, to be used in the Churches of his Diocese:

"Oh God, at whose word man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening. Be meiciful to all whose duties are diffi. cult or burdensome, and comfort them concerning their toil. Shield from bodily accident and harm the workmen at their work. Protect the efforts of sober and honest industry, and suffer not the hire of the labourers to be kept back by fraud. Incline the hearts of employers and of those whom they employ to mutual forbear-ance, furness, and good will. Give the spirit of governance and of a sound mind to all in places of authority. Remember all who by reason of weakness are overtasked, or by reason of poverty are forgotten. Give ear unto our prayer, O merciful and gracious Father, for the danger of carrying the thing too far—of mak-love of thy dear Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, ing a little too much of the mere sensuous and Amen."

The Church Record says:

Conscience, then, it were well to remember, is a divinely given faculty, but neither absolute nor infallible. It is capable of almost infinite development. It may be put to sleep till the day of doom. Guarded, educated and obeyed, it will direct our feet into the paths of peace, while compelling us to realize our sinfulness in many an hour of bitter grief. But any one whose repentance is easy and who feels compelled to no days of sorrowing fast for sin, has full witness that he is not living conscientiously, for he has drugged his conscience into desperate sleep. Any one who thinks that he can know all of sin by the internal monitor which he has carelessly slain, that he can disregard the warnings and counsellings of the Divine Word as spoken personally unto him, that he can avoid the days of fasting and the nights of bitter tears, is flattering himself with a perilous substitution of his self-indulgence for the perfectly holy law of God.

The Pacific Churchman says:-

To ignore the strength, devoted work and growth of our sectarian brethren, especially those of the half-dozen leading denominations, is at once a foolish conceit and neglecting of a means from which we may gather practical ideas of great value. One sometimes runs across a Churchman who seems really to think that about all the Christian work being done is within our own lines and by our methods. Such a one does not look, surely, far beyond his own chancel rails, and outside of his own favorite Church paper. Now the truth is there is every sign of the Holy Spirit's blessing to be seen resting upon the labors and method of our denominational friends. In some respects more than one of the sects have put us to shame by their greater zeal and aggressive missionary work. We have little to boast of in our record, past or present, in comparison with some of the bodies we are referring to. Our advantages of apostolic order and in the preservation of the Catholic faith are indeed invaluable; we should never yield any point in either, but rather humiliate ourselves the more that with these vantage grounds we have yet fallen behind those who have to contend in broken ranks, and half equipped against a common foe.

The Family Churchman says:-

The editor of the Record has done a national service in collecting the opinions of the Irish elergy on the present state of Ireland. It is a pitiable revelation which he makes to the world. If ever militant superstition, backed by absence of moral principle, gained ascendancy in any country, Ireland is that country, and the time is now when, according to all accounts, the most ignorant peasantry in the world are to be emancipated from the thraldom of superior civilization. How happy would we be to distrust our prognostication! how willing to look upon the matter in the very best light! But it is impossible, and though things are bad enough as they are, no one can tell what new horror the morning may bring.

The Church Press says :-

It has long been the custom of the Church to celebrate the anniversary of our Lord's resur-rection with the most jubilant strains, as well as with the most beautiful designs. This timehonored and appropriate custom is to be again observed, and already arrangements are in process for the introduction of a larger amount of music than usual. The music, indeed, will constitute in many churches the chief part of the service; and if the programmes be carried out as contemplated, it will be difficult to see where the prayers, the reading, and the sermon will come in.

Now, the question is whether there is not

doubted that the event we commemorate is worthy of, and demands, all that skill and genius, and art and beauty, can supply. should show our gratitude and joy by emblem. atic forms and outbursts of melody and praise. While doing this, however, it is not permissible to lose sight of the prime object of all Christian worship, and of our Easter festival in particular. At Easter, as at all other times, our aim should be to render homage to God, and to bring our own spiritual nature into closer fellowship with Him, and with the glorious fact which may be commemorated. If this duty be lost sight of, and by that which is merely external, accessory, our minds are diverted from the great end for which all churches are built, and all worship should be conducted, then there is a perversion of both the Church and its service, and injury rather than good will be done.

BRITISH BUDGET.

The Bishop of Lichfield (Dr. Maclagan) has gone abroad for a month in search of repose and change.

Canon Body is in very poor health. He was announced to preach at St. Peter's, Eaton Square, recently, but was compelled to forego the attempt.

The clergy of Yorkshire are signing a petition asking Convocation not to sanction the use of the Revised Bible.

A tablet has been placed in St. Paul's, Kersel, with the following inscription: "In memory of James Fraser, D.D., late Fellow of Oriel College, born August 18, 1818, who, as Bishop of Manchester, shone in England as a preacher of righteousness, spending all his strength for fifteen years with a good courage and a cheerful heart in the service of Christ's flock in Lancashire. He entered into rest October 22, 1885, at Bishop's Court, in this parish. His fellow-parishioners, among whom he lived and died, set up this tablet here where he was wont to worship, thanking God for him." The frame surrounding the slab is of alabaster, carved in the late Gothic style to correspond with the church. In the upper part appear the late Bishop's arms, with mitre, and the motto "Je suis prest," executed in relief and painted in heraldic colors.

AMERICAN BUDGET.

The Rev. Edwin G. Weed, of Augusta, Mo., has been elected Bishop of Florida. It is not yet known if he will accept.

The Clericus of Albany and Troy meets alternately in the two cities on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

The fund for building an Episcopal residence for the Diocese of Louisiana is nearly complete. It will be situated in New Orleans.

It is said that the "Sermons to Children by the Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., have been preached in every foreign mission field in the world.

A Church Unity Society is to be organized in the Diocese of Chicago, whose object is to circulate books and tracts on Church doctrine and polity, without as well as within the Church.

The New York Times says: "So far as New York is concerned, and local charity work, the Episcopal church stands pre-eminently to the fore. As a matter of fact, its work is greater than is done by all other Protestant denominations."

On March 16th, in Baltimore, Bishop Paret methetic part of the service? It cannot be confirmed Mr. George L. Clickner, formerly

rector of the "Reformed Episcopal" Church of the Redeemer in that city. Mr. Clickner, who began life as a Methodist, intends to apply for Holy, Orders.

The catalogue of Nashotah states that since the death of Dr. Cole, seven thousand dollars have been added to the endowment fund, and by a legacy provision has been made for the ultimate endowment of another professorship. There are twenty students this year.

The Rev. John Rankin, probably the oldest Abolitionist in the United States, died at Ironton, O., March 18th, at the age of ninety-three, having been born near Danbridge, Jefferson Co., Tenn., Feb. 4th, 1793. In 1817-21 he was pastor of two Presbyterian churches in Carlisle, Ky., and founded an anti-slavery society in that place about 1818.

Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt is rendering aid to Hobart College, not only in connection with the library but in improving the sanitary condition of Geneva Hall. Mrs. George H. Merrit, who has from time to time aided needy students, has also contributed to the erection of Chemical Hall and the library, and in providing the means for building the chaplain's house.

CORRESPONDENCE.

RETIRED BISHOPS.

To the Editor of THE CHURCH GUARDIAN:

Sir,—The late Bishop of Chester's name was Jacobson" not "Jackson," which was the name of the late Bishop of London. Either the printer or I blundered. D. C. M.

CENTENNIAL OF THE COLONIAL CHURCH

SIR,-I am sorry that I cannot agree with your correspondent, who writes in favor of making King's College, Windsor, the centre of our efforts. I have no fear for King's. I feel it a disgrace that despite the well known efforts of him who has ruled the Diocese of Nova Scotia for 35 years that no Cathedral exists in this the oldest Colonial Diocese, and I feel sure that if we are all united, and do not start divided interests, a Cathedral will rise out of the celebration of our hundredth anniversary. I read in the New York Churchman of a "Diocesan League" in the Diocese of Albany, for the completion of a Cathedral in that Diocese, which has only existed eighteen years—cannot we old folks learn from our young sister?

Archdeacon Morrison writes: "The Cathedral work should be near the heart of every Churchman," and so says,

CLERIOUS.

CHOIRS.

BY THE REV. CANON GEO. VENABLES, M.A.

More than fifty years ago I recollect when, in a parish of less than ninety people, the little church was usually well attended, and the clergyman, aided by a square wooden pipe of about two feet long, with a square movable stopper to it, having first read a verse (or two lines) of a hymn, would give the proper note with this stupendous "pitch-pipe," and then lead the little congregation in the singing. But there all came to the rescue. Every one understood that every one was to help. This was to be "common praise," and accordingly every one did help. That poor old woman's voice was not quite in tune, and the noise emitted from the lips of that silver-haired patriarch of the little village of the days of my boyhood may not have been melodious; but that their good leading will be followed. No all were hearty, and the whole congregation was a choir. Now, this was an improvement praises of God in God's house to lead very badly

wondrous character was he a great student of nature, surly, and quaint—he died about a century after his nativity) once turned round, and in a dry but rather sour, husky voice, announced, after singing two lines of a hymn, "Isha'n't go on if nobody don't foller." It was a very great improvement upon this, and showed what, even under great disadvantage, a good minister can accomplish.

But I must tell just one other choir experience. It occurred in my first curacy. held Divine service in a spacious old barn, and a grand service it was. The barn was well furnished with forms, and was always well filled with people, who sang the hymns and chanted other parts of the service with hearti ness. If you ask why it was so hearty I can tell you. The sittings were all free, and the people were close up to one another. "The carpenter encouraged the goldsmith." Good Farmer Malings stood torth close to me, with his right hand in his pocket, his book in his left hand, and led; but with what tremendous force did the young men and maidens, old men and children, then unite to praise the name of the Lord! It does me good to think upon it now. Well, the barn, as I have said, was often crammed, so that the "verger" and others were obliged to stand outside, and one night we had strange discord. The service ended, one of the choirmen came forward to account for this. It will be understood that in this case the players on instruments as well as singers are included among choirmen. "Sir," said he most respectfully, "we could not do so well to-night, there was so many folk that my trombone could not go out its full length!" Thus the mystery was solved! Don't let my aboin the mystery was solved! Don't let my choir friends be amazed when they are informed that our instruments (all the property of volunteer players) consisted of flute, fife, clarionet, violin, two violincellos, and two trombones. All these in a barn which would barely hold three hundred people, when packed so as to resist the due development of one trombone, were pretty well for noise.

But the reader will see there was heart in all this. Here was its charm. The men loved to come; the good old farmer loved to sing; and the people loved to follow with their voices.

We have wonderfully improved our choral arrangements since that epoch; but if we have only the same amount of true heartiness we may be thankful.

Having had not a little experience with choirs, and never once having had a quarrel with any of them, I may claim to offer a word or two of counsel. I have had choirs in which women took part, and choirs whence they were excluded. Women have beautiful voices, and form part of the choir in some parishes. And there is no reason why there may not be "Miriam" and "Deborah" choirs in many churches. But it seems desirable that on all occasions they sit by themselves, and be not placed in any conspicuous place in the congregation. God has given them voices, and if only the matter be done in a very orderly manner, it is well that, as of old, they should assist in the public service of song.

1. Choirs should do all they can to promote congregational singing. The intention of the Christian Church is that all creatures that on earth do dwell should sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. A choir which desires or endeavors to retain the singing to itself defeats the whole intention of the Church.

2. Choirs should do everything in their power to promote thorough reverence and devotion. The congregation reasonably look to the choir to lead, and, therefore, if they lead badly, they will be followed and imitated in the bad-

upon the occasion when the old clerk there (a by their example in other particulars. Choirs may sometimes be seen who appear to consider that they are at full liberty, between the times of singing, to be talking, or whispering, or arranging matters just as though they had nothing at all to do with hearing God's Word, or with praying unto Him.—From a Sermon of the Rev. Canon Venables, M.A.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

WE notice that the application of the Montreal Theological College for power to grant degrees in Divinity was presented to the Local Legislature by G. W. Stephens, Esq., M.P.P., notwithstanding the very liberal propositions' submitted by the authorities of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, for extending its privileges? to the students of the former. This scheme, we understand, met with the approval of the Lord Bishop of Montreal, and we had hoped that as a consequence of it the application? would not be made. Educationally we believe it to be a move in the wrong direction; but within a few days past information touching the trusts upon which the Montreal College building is held has been placed before us, which discloses a state of things not only astounding, but so dangerous, in our judgment, to the true interests of the Church, not merely in this Diocese alone, but in general, as to render it absolutely necessary that the application for degree-conferring power should be opposed. We have not opportunity to discuss the matter further this week, but hope to give our readers in our next number the clauses of the trust deed to which we refer, and formulate our objections to them,

MONTREAL has been visited with the worst flood known since 1861, and the loss will be immense. Well will it be if there do not remain a logacy of disease. That there has been and will be much suffering is inevitable; but the after effects may be much more serious. We fear that Grace and St. Stephen's churches have suffered loss, if not absolute injury, though up to the present time we are not in' receipt of any specific information. The water, however, has been very high in Point St. Charles, and on Sunday covered Chaboillez Square, in the immediate vicinity of St. Stephen's, and it seems impossible that these churches should have escaped.

EASTER Monday the great day for Vestry Meetings will have come and gone before the GUARDIAN next appears. We sincerely hope that in none of these may partizan interest or feeling be displayed, but that year by year the dignity and responsibility of the ecclesiastical franchise entrusted to the members of these bodies may become more clearly recognized, and be more carefully exercised. In no particular is this more needful than in regard to choosing delegates to Synod. These should be, whether resident in the parish or not—not only communicants, but men of broad and liberal view; strong in attachment to the Church, and of independent judgment and character. To limit the selection to local Churchmen would be in our judgment a grievous mistake—though we certainly favour local representation where it can be had. Parochialism is one of the dangers to which the Church is exposed, and nought should be done to strengthen or increase

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CALENDAR FOR APRIL.

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- 18th-6th Sunday in Lent.
- " 19th-Monday before Easter.
- 20th-Tuesday before Easter.
- " 21st-Wednesday before Easter.
- 22nd-Thursday before Easter.
- 23rd-GOOD FRIDAY.
- 24th-Easter Eve.
 - 25th-EASTER DAY.
 - St. Mark, Ev. & M.
- -Monday in Easter week. 27th-Tuesday in Easter week.

GOOD FRIDAY.

THE CROSS OF CHRIST-HOW DO I REGARD IT?

We cannot better improve this solemn season, when our Church sets before us in a special manner "Jesus Christ and Him crucified," than by considering-each one for himselfthe all-important question, "What does the Cross of Christ mean to me?" For according to the relation in which we stand to that Cross, so do we stand in the sight of God.

Before we can rightly answer this question, we must first ask, "How does God look upon or regard that Cross?" This is a subject that is all too little considered, and the result is that our estimate of the value of the death of Christ, and of its meaning, is often very far from what it ought to be, very far from His ostimate. The value of Christ's death as an atonement for sin is now-a-days often disregarded entirely, the highest idea of the Cross of Calvary seeming to be "Christ came to show us how to die; " or, "Christ came to show us by His death the love of the Father." And so He did, but was this all? Is this all that God means by this Cross? If so, well and good; but if not, how all-important to find out His true meaning with regard to it, since our salvation must come from Him.

If we will honestly look into God's Word that is, with our eyes opened to see whatever. He has to show us, we will find written as plain as day, that God sent His Son into the world "that the world through Him might saved," not merely "learn how to die," "learn the love of the Father." We read further that "without skedding of blood there." ther that "without shedding of blood there is no remission," and that it is the BLOOD OF JESUS

ginning to end of His Word, and if you are willing to take His view of the subject in place of your own, you have only to take your Bible, and look out by means of a concordance the words "attonement," blood, "Lamb," and you will see for yourself God's meaning in the Cross of Christ, the infinite value set upon it by Him. His estimate of the importance of the shedding of blood for the remission of sine the shedding of blood for the remission of sins is shown by the fact that the word "blood" occurs hundreds of times in this connection, directly or indirectly, in His Word. A striking way of impressing this upon the mind was lately suggested to us by a friend. It was this: to procure a new, cheap Bible, and mark in red ink the word whenever it occurs. He said that from beginning to end it would be seen running like a scarlet line throughout the entire volume. entiré volume.

Having learned, by the help of the Spirit of God, the Divine estimate of the Cross of Christ, by the help of the same Spirit ask yourself, "Is this the way in which I look at that Cross?"
If you cannot honestly answer "yes," do not allow yourself to rest satisfied. To make a mistake here might be serious. You cannot afford it. With God's Word in your hands, and God's Spirit offered as your Guide, you have no excuse for regarding it differently from what He would have you regard it. Do not be afraid to expose yourself to the light, but do so in humble dependence upon Him, pleading the promise that if in anything you are otherwise minded, He will reveal even this unto you.—The Parish

QUESTIONABLE EXPEDIENTS.

It can, we judge, have hardly escaped the notice of any of our readers, how very largely our weekly budget of news from the different dioceses is occupied with accounts of the concerts, bazaars, sociables and entertainments of various kinds which have been undertaken for the support of the Church work in all its branches, from the ministry downwards. Were a judgment to be passed upon our Church from the record so supplied, we are afraid that most people would conclude that she was an organization for catering to people's pleasures and enjoyments, rather than ministering to their spiritual wants. This feature of the Church's life has of late so increased that it is, we think, time to draw special attention to it, and at least express the hope that all questionable expedients may be abandoned. In doing so, we do not wish to be understood to mean that all concerts, readings, &c., got up under the direction of the clergy are a waste of time, or in themselves undesirable. We are ready to believe that such gatherings are to a great extent most desirable, in order to provide innocent recreation for the people, and afford the clergy opportunity—and a valuable one it isfor holding social intercourse with their people and gaining a more intimate acquaintance with them. What we deprecate is, that resort should be had to concerts, &c., as a system—for we fear they have almost reached that stagenot for providing wholesome recreation, nor for the moral and intellectual improvement of the people, but for raising money for the maintenance of the Church and her ministrations. What we advocate is, of course, the old Scriptural principle of giving to God at least a tenth of what we earn, and the ecclesiastical mode of collecting it through the weekly offertory. Where this mode is adopted, and perseveringly

tory was not regarded as the most powerful lever for raising funds for the Church, but that recourse must be had to the means above referred to. The weekly offertory may be a slower process for raising large amounts, but we are convinced that it is the truer, and therefore better, method. At any rate, let the laity come forward more than in many parishes they now do, and undertake the work of the entertainments, &c., when they are held, that the clergy may give their undivided attention to "prayer and the ministry of the Word."

EASTER.

[From the Parish Visitor.]

Bring flowers! Bring flowers! Our risen Lord to greet with treasures rare, Pour out these breaths of love

That He for us hath made. Show to the world that we are all His care, E'en the fair lily, growing in lowliest shade. Bring flowers! Bring flowers!

Bring flowers! Bring flowers! Death cannot claim our Lord. Our own loved Lord; sleep till His sweet voice calla

How blest the Easter when at His dear words Our souls arise,

To meet our risen Lord. Bring flowers! Bring flowers!

Bring flowers! Bring flowers! All pure and stainless, as they grew To grace this Easter Day for love of Thee, So may our souls grow pure, and white as they, Till Christ our Lord shall raise us all Clothed with the robes of Immortality. Bring flowers! Bring flowers!

Bring flowers! Bring flowers!
This day of all the days;
For to our hearts, with joy of love untold,
Our Lord arose to bless our souls with life,

And blessings rich, and true,
And graces manifold.
Bring flowers! Bring flowers!

Bring flowers! Bring flowers! To deck the Holy Place Where Love and Faith are met with stores of blessing.

Why should the shrine be bare That flows with bounty rare

To every heart confessing? Bring flowers! Bring flowers!

Bring flowers ! Ering flowers ! Dear Saviour all this day So full of Easter joy, and hope, and gladness, Flowers must and will bloom all about our way, Flowers of Immortality and Peace,

And Brightness. Bring flowers! Bring flowers!

-A. B. B.

EASTER THOUGHTS.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Mary turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus .-Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and said unto Him, Rabboni!-St. John xx. 14–16.

There are no marks of the crown of thorns upon His Brow, yet he looks more than ever a King! The placid sunrise is beautiful, but there is not half so much quiet beauty about Chair that cleanseth from all sin; His "blood and prayerfully and wisely carried out, we be there is not half so much quiet beauty about that maketh atonement for the soul." These lieve it never has or will fail. As things are it as reigns over that ineffably sweet Face. O things are written in letters of light from be working now, it seems as if the weekly offer look into His Eyes; what a depth of love, what a tenderness, yet what an overwhelming power of love! In His Easter joy, He thought of us and of our salvation, of each one of us by name and look; He will know that joy again when we come before Him, to rest for ever in His presence.

Allelnia! Allelnia! Allelnia!
The strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now the Victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung, Allelnia!
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The churches are all decked with flowers, The salutations among men Are but the Angel's words divine, "Christ is arisen!" and the bells Catch the glad murmur, as it swells, And chant together in their towers.

Let us rise in early morning,
And, instead of ointments, bring
Hymns of praises to our Master,
And His Resurrection sing.
Go ye forth, ye saints, to meet Him!
Go with lamps in every hand!
And the Pascha of salvation
Hail, with His triumphant band.

If faithful men can be rallied to any one service in the year more than to another, it is to the Holy Communion on Easter. The heart that does not respond to Good Friday is not likely to respond to anything that the Church on earth knows anything about. If sin banished, death conquered, paradise opened, do not stir the soul, its torpor must indeed be profound. Divine and human love combine in Easter to draw men to the Holy Feast. What memories of our Lord come to us in that glorious hour? How dear, too, our beloved ones, once close by our side in the flesh, now with saints that rest and wait!

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In the light of the Lord's resurrection,
His people should conquerors be;
In the battle with evil triumphant,
From the terror of death ever free.
We shall sleep in the dust and the darkness,
We shall waken and sing to His Name
Who will bring us to life everlasting,
By the path, that a victor, He came.

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Think to-day on the Parable of Easter. Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth alone; but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit.—John xii. 24. Even so, says our Lord, would His Death and Resurrection be. He must die before He could rise. Remember always the background to this triumph is a tomb, for so only will you learn what that Resurrection is to all who have to suffer on earth.

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Arise, for He is risen to-day;
And shine, for He is glorified;
Put on thy beautiful array,
And keep perpetual Eastertide.

Easter! Blessed spring-time of Immortality! We hail thy dawning as the lonely voyager in arctic seas beholds with exultation and new life the rising of the sun upon the long winter night. The Resurrection rays of thy glory have lightened our darkness, illumined the grave of our buried hopes, and flooded the horizon of our life with splendour. Fruition of life's toil, and answer to life's solemn questioning. We hail thy advent as the shipwrecked sailor the dawn which reveals a riendly shore and hands stretched out to save. arbinger of hope, earnest of immortality, sion of death vanquished, the yearning heart humanity welcomes thee!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Christ has burst the gates of hell, Death in vain forbids Him rise, Christ has opened Paradise.

Think to-day of the Risen Christ! Resurrection! It is the culminating point of the whole miracle structure of the divine history of revelation, the sum of the gospel; and His resurrection is the pledge and type of ours.

If a man die, shall he live again? Yes, for death hath been vanquished! Christ is Risen!

And remember-

The road to death is life,
The gate of life is death.

* * *
Rejoice! Rejoice!

For,
'Tis the spring of souls; to-day Christ hath
burst his prison.
All the winter of our sins,

Long and dark, is flying

From his light, to whom we give

Laud and praise undying.

—Selected.

THE RESURRECTION A PLEDGE OF OUR IMMORTALITY.

It is impossible for us to comprehend what the Gospel has done to dissipate the terrible darkness which otherwise would shroud the grave and the future. The great fact of a future life is now as familiar to us as the existence of India or China. We no more fear when our friends pass out of our sight through the door-way of death, that they have become extinct and are never more to be seen by us, than we do when they pass over the horizon on a voyage. And as we think of our own departure from these familiar scenes, and the loved associates of our present life, we are not compelled to look with inexpressible recoil into the dread abyes of annihilation, or even into an impenetrable darkness, as one peers down into a midnight chasm to which we can see no bottom. But this is the terrible aspect which death and the future wore to the ancients, and which they would still wear to us, but for the light which the Gospel has shed upon them.

The great majority, even among the Greeks and Romans, seem to have disbelieved in any life beyond the present. Socrates tells us that in his day "men in general were highly incredulous as to the soul's future existence. They thought that at the moment of death it was dispersed like smoke in the air, and ceased entirely to exist." And the belief of the common people was largely shared by the philosophers. Cicero attempted to prove that we still live after death, but he confessed that "the contrary opinion was the prevailing one, and that even in his own mind his doubts often outweighed his belief." Aristotle almost contemptuously dismisses the question of a future life, as if the doctrine was only a poetic fable, unworthy of his serious consideration. Julius Cæsar, at the time Pontifex Maximus, or supreme head of the Roman priesthood, publicly objected in the Senate to inflicting capital punishment upon Catiline, "because death was the end of all things. There was no existence for the soul after it left the body, nothing either of good or evil beyond the present life." And no one expressed any surprise at such a sentiment from such a source.

Such declarations as these from such men

show us how generally the dismal doctrine of annihilation was accepted. Death was indeed the "King of Terrors." He robbed men of all the hopes and enjoyments of this life, and gave them nothing whatever beyond. When parents were called to surrender to the Great Destroyer the children of their love, they were sustained by no ray of hope that they might ever meet them again. When husband and wife were torn apart by the inexorable tyrant whom none could resist, the best thing left for the survivor was to obliterate, as speedily as possible, every harrowing remembrance of the departed, who had simply evaporated into nothingness. Who can imagine what our life would be if such an appalling gloom enshrouded the grave?

That our whole life is not thus darkened by the projected gloom of the future is due entirely to the religion of Jesus. This has "brought life and immortality to light." This has told us, as nothing else ever did or ever could, of an endless life to come. This has pointed our exultant gaze to the New Jerusalem, with its gates of pearl and streets of gold. This has told us of the reunion there, where "there is no more death," of the loved and loving ones who have been separated here below. This has taught us that Death is not, as heathenism said, the "King of Terrors," but an angel from Heaven, whom our Father sends to unbar the prison door, and let us go home to Him and the dear ones who have gone before us. And each Easter, as it comes round, is the commemoration of that sublime fact which, more than any other, proclaimed and proved to the world the immortality of man. Christ's resurrection was the God-given pledge of ours. He rose from the dead not . merely for Himself, but as "the First-fruits of them that slept," as the Fore-runner and Herald to the world of the resurrection of His

Not that He was the first to return from the spirit-world to this. More than once, before His own resurrection, He showed His power over death by calling back the departed. But Lazarus and Jairus's daughter were raised to life here upon earth. In a little time they were again to pass through the gateway of death into the life that never ends. But Christ arose nevermore to die. And so He is the First-fruits of His people. We are to rise, as He did, to a life that will never end. And of this resurrection of ours His was the promise and the proof. Easter Day, then, is not merely the anniversary of His resurrection. It commemorates also the pledge which God has given us of our own. It points us to the future, as well as to the past. It speaks to us of Heaven, as well as of that rocky tomb from which Jesus rose. It tells us to be glad and grateful in believing anticipation of an endless holiness and bliss to come; as well as in believing recognition of the grandest and most luminous fact in the rest luminous fact in the past.

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THOUGHTS ON THE PASSION:

BY-Y.O. M.

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المراوا والمعد The Discourse in the Upper Room.

"Let not your heart be troubled "—words of peace."
Broke the still silence of that upper room,
When shades of night in ever-deepening gloom
Grew darker till the hour of calm release.
No cry of pain escaped Him, though He knew
The crushing weight of that dread Agony;
And the He saw, as only He could see,
The swift desertion of the chosen few.
No thought of self—for others all His care,
"Only the sweetest, tenderest words of love,
The promise of the Father's Home above,
The shelter of the great high-priestly prayer,
To Him whose love out-weighed that Agony,
All selfishness is allen utterly.

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Christ Bearing the Insults of the Soldiers.

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O Love unbounded, that could stoop so low
To bear the shame, the spitting, and the scorn;
The tender Frame with pain and fasting worn,
Tortured and torn in agonizing woe.
O Master—and Thou bearest silently
The mocking and the insults of the crowd,
The patient Head in mock acceptance bowed,
The dregs of brutal malice poured on Thee.
O shame, thrice shame upon us, whom He bought
With untold agony upon the Tree,
To chafe at this world's sights or contumely,
To give our wretched rights one anxious thought.
Teach us, dear Lord, low at Thy Feet to fall,
And welcome shame—for Thou hast borne it all.

III.

Christ Silent Before His Accusers.

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O teach us, Lord, Thy silence; Thou whose word Could call teo thousand angels to Thine ald, 'Mid the fleree taunts of those Thyself had made, And longed to save—no harsh reproach was heard. And we, alas! so hasty and so weak, So rash to utter and to slay so low, When Thou would'st have us patiently forego. Help us to learn Thy silence, calm and meek. When augry thoughts within us roam at will, And sharp retorts are trembling on our tongue By those hard taunis that no reproaches wrung, Bid the storm casse—yea, whisper "Peace, be still." From sins of word, O Master, keep us free, And keep us silent—when it pleaseth Thee.

—The Churchm

-The Churchman.

A FALSE BALANCE.

BY SUSAN TEALL PERRY.

(Continued.)

"Sit down, my boy, and I will tell you a story. When I was a young man, I went to the city as a clerk in a leather store. My omployer was a straightforward, honest business man, but Land not been there but a few days, when I had an opportunity of buying some pelts for him while he was absent from the office. The countryman who brought them in said I might have them for market price. The market price had risen that very morning, but I thought the countryman would not be apt to know it, so thinking I should please my employer by driving a sharp bargain, I gave him the market price of the week before. He accepted it, I paid him the money due, and he unloaded his pelts and drove off. Soon after he loft, my employer came in, and I told him how I had driven the sharp bargain. I was astonished to see no enthusiasm in his manner, no sign of approval upon his face; he only said, 'Would you know that man again if you saw him?' I replied that I thought I should. 'Lose no time, then,' my employer said. 'Overtake him and bring him back.' I was very much surprised, but did as I was told, and soon the dealer in pelts was in my employer's office. 'The price of pelts were higher to-day than my young man allowed you,' he said. 'Here is the balance of your money.' After the man went out, the gontleman said to me, 'Young man, remember as long as you live that 'A false balance is an abomination to the Lord, but a just weight is His delight.'— Nobody over really prospered through a dis-honest action; nothing is gained from it. Upright, just dealing is sure to win in the end. Never do any business of any kind again in this way.' And now, Robert, I tell you, begin while you are a boy to give a just equivalent "Niver a bit he has. The father—rest his cautioned against awakening the baby. Warmly for all you receive. Never take advantage of poor sowl!—was kilt wurrukin' on the railroad interested in what is going on, approves of Manaperson who does not understand the market tin weeks come Satherday night, an' it's metrian taking two pairs of last winter's woollen

After Robert's grandfather had finished speaking, the words kept coming into the boy's mind, "A false balance is an abomina-tion to the Lord." He knew that he had taken advantage of little Ralph's innocence of market values. He had never seen sharp bargains in such a bad light before. He resolved to return the knife the very next day. And he did.

Now, boys, probably many of you have seen or heard of such transactions as Robert's among your young companions. All these tricky, under-handed, school-boy bargains lead to dishonest, unfair business transactions in after life. Be determined to be honest in all your dealings with your companions. Never take advantage of a boy smaller and weaker than yourself. Be truthful and honorable. Scorn to act a lie as well as to speak one. With the consciousness of a true, upright, straightforward character, you will preserve your own self-respect and gain that of all with whom you have to do.

Remember, then, this verse of Scripture as long as you live in all your dealings with your fellow-men, and in every branch of business in which you may engage. "A false balance is an abomination to the Lord."—New York Evangelist.

ONE BUSY AFTERNOON.

A TRUE STORY.

"What a lovely great piece of dress flannel l "

"Yes, isn't it? It was left from Kitty's last winter dress, and mother gave it to me. It will make a full suit for my doll, you see! I'm going to cut it out just as soon as I finish this sacque, so I want you all to lay your heads together as to how it is to be made."

A serious discussion on the weighty subject followed. Sue and Helen and Janet had come to visit Marian; all had agreed that the damp, cloudy November afternoon could be passed in no way so pleasantly as in sewing for their dolls.

Such big girls playing with dolls! many ould say. Yes, their mothers were of the would say. opinion that girls of twelve or fourteen might spend their time and talk over many a worse thing than dolls, and had encouraged them to make good needlewomen of themselves in that Correct measurements, careful basting, and neat stitching were always insisted upon in every piece of work.

Marian skipped down to the kitchen to press Janet's sacque, and as she carefully opened seams, wetting them a little, she was startled by a sound which did not appear to belong to

"Why, Bridget, what's this?" she asked in wonder, going up to two chairs which stood against the wall with their backs turned out. Oh, what a cunning little fellow!"

"Indade, miss, it's just kaping him here a bit I am the whiles me sisther runs round thryin' to get a day's wurruk, for it's hersilf has no one to be lavin' him wid but the two at home that's not much bigger than himself at all!"

"The darling! I wonder if he'll be afraid of me."

She raised the pretty year old baby, who had been smiling up at her from Bridget's shawl, aid on the two chairs, delighted that he did not seem to object to her attentions.

"Dear me! Why, isn't he cold! Look, Bridget, do you think he's got enough clothes on?"

on?

To her surprise, Bridget sat herself down in the middle of the kitchen floor and cried.

values of anything. What we need most now silf hasn't the wan cint lift afther the payin' in the commercial world are honest, upright, for the bringin' em here where the mother straightforward business men." [might get wurruk—and it's all she can be might get wurruk—and it's all she can be doin' yit to put the bit in their mouths and pay the rint o' the room, lave alone clothes—and the winther comin' fast—the poor crathers!" A sob came between every sentence, as Bridget wiped her eyes and shook her head in woful absorption in her sister's trials.

"Dear me! Don't cry, Bridget. Things'll come out right, I know: We'll talk to mamma about it." Marian felt very anxious to comfort her, but hardly knew how. "Bridget, want to borrow the baby for a while."

Forgetting sacque and flat-iron, she hurried upstairs, with a few reflections on the different things winter means to different people—to her, flannels and furs, skating, sleigh-rides and warm fireside; to the poor, rags, suffering, cold and hunger.

"Girls, look here!"

" A-baby!"

"A precious little curly-headed, cunning-" "Dimpled little darling! Do let me take him, Martha I"

"Stop! He's going to cry; and no wonder, with the chatting you all make. There, protty!
Bless him, see that little lip go up!"
"Hore!" Janet stuck a piece of candy in

his mouth, which acted like a charm; for he winked and blinked and sucked, and smacked his lips, as if in great astonishment and approval.

"That's it! Now, girls, look at this child's

clothes."

Marian took off an old cape which was wrapped around him, and listened to the exclamations which came at sight of the thin cotton slip and the bare little feet.

"And winter coming on. What are we go

ing to do about it?"

After a moment's reflection, Janet took her tape-measure and passed it round the baby's waist, then held up the piece of dress flannel to show its liberal size.

"Splendid! Girl's, let's dress this baby. He isn't so much bigger than our dolls."

There was a chorus of enthusiastic agreement. Helen looked at the clock.

"See, now, we have two hours and a half before it gets dark. Lot's take fifteen minutes for planning, and then we'll make things fly."

A very brisk discussion followed, and then Marian made a rush to her mother's room, returning shortly with a bundle of underwear which she had seen thrown into the rag-bag as past mending.

"I only thought of making shirts of them, girls," she said, measuring with fingers dexterous with long practice, "but do look! there's plenty for a petticoat for the mite."

First half-hour: Shirts cut out and well under way in Marian's hand. Petticoat in Sue's. Dress cut and fitted, Janet basting portions of it, while Helen works at the machine, Elaine ignominously bundled into a crowded workbasket; Princess Beatrice lying on the bed with face downward; Louisa Alcott hidden under scraps of old flannel, and Eugenie indignantly gazing straight at the ceiling from her place on the floor in a corner, with an expression which might seem to mean, "This, for a Paris doll 1"

Second, half-hour: One shirt finished. Baby restless and Bridget called and given directions to feed and return him, but on no account to

come into the room. Skirt of dress finished.

Third half-hour: Baby lulled to sleep by sound of machine. Petticoat finished, second skirt finished, Marian taking quiet measure-ments of baby's head, with view to cutting out a hood of a piece of bright cashmere, to be lined with a double thickness of old fiannel. Waist of dress finished.

Fourth half-hour: Mamma comes in, severely

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stockings and cutting the legs down into stubby socks. Sleeves of dress finished and the garment put together, with many exclama-tions of "Cunning!"

Fifth half-hour: hands moving faster than ever. Button-holes made, and Princess Beatrice ruthlessly robbed of the buttons on her best cloak. Stockings finished, and a hasty account taken of money in each pocket results in sending Janet out to buy a pair of cheap little shoes.

"Just getting twilighty." Marian softly claps her hands, with a

triumphant whisper:

"Too bad to disturb the little fellow, but we must have him dressed before his mother comes. Perhaps we can do it without awakening him."

But at the first attempt baby opened his blue eyes in a stare, and then his little rosy mouth in a roar which struck his mistresses of the robes with dismay. "There now! Was it frightened to death, poor little sing?" little sing?

It was, if screams meant anything. The skirt was received with contempt, as Marian slipped it on, with nervous hands, each other girl trying to help, with a pull down or a jerk up. The petiticant was looked upon as an abuse, and the dress as a crowning insult.

"Do bring the candy, Sue," said Marian, hot and out of breath, try-ing to button the dress, as Janet and Helen worked each at a chubby little foot. But rebellious baby choked on it, and turned black in the face, until every girl sprung up in terror just as Bridget opened the door and his mother ran it the room.

It would have been aggravating, if it had not been such a relief, to see that little rascal the moment he got into his mother's arms. With a big tear on each cheek, he turned and smiled as if he had meant it all for a joke.

Tears in the mother's eyes, too, as she poured out in a low voice a string of Irish blessings which everyone pretended not to hear, as Helen hastily sewed on the hoodstrings, made of a sash contributed by Louisa Alcott without her being consulted in the matter, and the others began clearing up the room. Then baby submitted like an angel to a round of kissing, and went away with a crow and a

"It's better than dolls," at length said Janet, very earnestly, as the last flannel rag went into the rag-

Yes, ever so much."

There was a pause, during which Marian's mother came in to suggest tea. "It was a cup of cold water given in His name," she said, softly.

"Bu, mamma, there are two more—children, I mean."

"Let's give a Saturday to each," proposed Helen.
"But they're too big to dress in

rags and doll scraps."
"Never mind," said mamma; "when your nimble fingers are ready, we'll see about something for them to work on. - Sydney Dayre, in Congregationalist.

THE LITTLE SOWER.

Bessie had got a present of a new book, and she eagerly opened it to look at the first picture. It was the picture of a boy sitting by the side of a stream, and throwing seeds into the water.

"I wonder what this picture is about," said she. "Why does the boy throw seeds into the water?"
"Oh! I know," said her brother Edward, who had been looking at the book: "he is soving the seeds.

the book; "he is sowing the seeds of water lilies."

"But how small the seeds look!" said Bessie." It seems strange that such large plants should grow from such little things."

"You are sowing such tiny seeds every day, Bessie, and they will come up, large, strong plants after a while," said her father.

"Oh, no! father; I have not planted any seeds for a long while." "I have seen my daughter sow a

number of seeds to-day.

Bessie looked puzzled, and her father smiled and said, "Yes, I have watched you planting flowers, and seeds, and weeds, to-day.'

"Now I know that you are joking, for I would not plant ugly weeds."

"I will tell you what I mean. When you laid aside that interesting book, and attended to what your mother wished done, you were sowing seeds of kindness and love. -When you broke the dish that you knew your mother valued, and came instantly and told her, you were sowing seeds of truth. When you took the cup of water to the poor woman at the gate, you were sowing the seeds of mercy. These are all beautiful flowers, Bessie. But I hope my little girl has been planting the great tree of 'love to God,' and that she will tend and watch it, until its branches reach the skies and meet before his throne,"

"And the weeds, father?"

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We'll work by our prayers, By the pennies we bring, By small self-denials-The least little thing-May work for onr Lord in his harvest.

Until, by and by,
As the years pass at length,
We, too, may be reapers, And go forth in strength, To work for our Lord in his harvest.

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For eight days the Bishop was in his confinement, while his men were allowed to go about the place. On the eighth day the messenger sent to the great chief returned, and on the same night there was a great deal of drumming and shout-ing among the natives. When our men asked what was the cause of the shouting among the villagers they were told that the great chief had given orders that the Mzungu should proceed on to Uganda to see the great chief. On the following day all the Bishop's men were disarmed in the morning, after which they were caught and tied two by two together, and then confined in different hats. At 5.30 p.m. the Bishop and the men were taken to a bush far away from the village, those who led the Bishop leading in Kobe, where he lived. I trus the way. When they got to the his successor may also come with place the dear Bishop and his cook the blessing of Ged upon him.

were those whom they killed first by shooting them, and the men were speared. Four men in a most providential manner escaped from this scene of murder to tell me low the Bishop got killed, and also how their companions groaned under the spears of the people they never offended. Of the four men who escaped, one is a Christian from Frere Town, one is from Rabai, and two are from Zanzibar. Their statement is precisely the same of the Bishop's death; but as to how they made their escapement is a mystery, to which I could not get a satisfactory account from either of them. The report is universally acknowledged by all the surrounding tribes that the white man who went towards the lake is killed.

CHRISTIANITY IN JAPAN.

The following is an extract from a letter recently received:—The progress of Christianity in Japan has been very remarkable in the last few years, the number of Christians having almost doubled between 1882 and 1884 from 5,000 to 10,000. The attitude of the press and Government has passed through a marked change during 18845. The Liberal paper continually advocates the adoption of Christianity, as the only means of raising the masses, and also of making Japan stand forth as a trustworthy state among the comity of nations. Formerly this paper bitterly op-posed Christianity. In Government schools local persecution of schoolmasters and policemen for embracing Christianity has been sternly reprimanded, and, for the first time, the Governors of Kiyote Fre and of Hiogo Ken were present at the celebration of some decennial meetings of Christian schools in Kiyoto and Kobe. The predecessor in Kiyato was very rabid against Christianity. For all this I do not think that the attitude of the Press and Government has done much to induce people to become Christians so much as the reverse, for the earnestness among Christian bodies, which showed itself in more careful living, and more eager preaching and witnessing for Christ, and the undoubted interest in the message of truth and salvation, which was stirring among the heathen, had been already clearly manifested before the change of tone.

The attitude of missionaries with regard to the revision of the treaties has also tended to a more favorable prospect of their aims and work, and our lamented Bishop Poole was identified with this desire of missionaries that the Japanese should be more trusted in regard to the treaty revision, as he had been (perchance) president in a conference where that question was discussed and voted upon. We have lost our first English missionhave lost our first linguish mission-ary Bishop very early. He will be missed and lamented by all out here; and, indeed, he seemed a very able man, with broad sympa-thies and power of embracing large topics. I trust that there will be some quiet memorial raised to him in Kobe, where he lived. I trust his successor may also come with

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Better not marry than marry a budding drunkard. Better be without a husband if the husband will not be without his foaming glass. -Christian Statesman.

A local option liquor law has passed the Legislature of Virginia. The wholesale liquor dealers of Richmond, as quoted in the Richmond Dispatch, agree in stating that the passage of the law has already seriously diminished their sales. Retail dealers are buying only from hand to mouth, not knowing how soon they may have to discontinue business. An enthusiastic conference of temporance workers of Richmond and vicinity was held on the 6th inst. A resolution was adopted calling a State Local Option Convention at an early day. A campaign fund was begun, and two hundred dollars subscribed on the spot. The work will be begun at once in all parts of the State. Under the law, onefourth of those who voted at the ast preceding election must sign a petition before a local option elechon can be ordered.

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THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.—At the latest accounts the prospects of the High License bill in the New York Legislature were considered favorable. The Chairman of the Excise Committee had sent to New York for a lawyer familiar with the bill to come to Albany, and go over the measure point by point. The object was to point out to the Committee the reasons which had led to drafting the bill in its several features, to indicate the strong points, and any possible defects, and to answer any questions which the Committee might raise concerning it. The measure was to have a thorough and careful examination, and it was believed that on an early day it would be reported favorably to the Assembly. -Temperance.

When the Church Temperance Society was formed in the fall of 1881, one of the first dioceses to give it a fair hearing at the diocesan convention was Massachusetts. The organization has moved slowly but certainly forward; and Massachusetts is now the only diocese. with the exception of New York, where a paid secretary is employ-ed. At first it was doubted whether there was strength enough in the Church to stand alone and become the exponent of a new creed in temperance reform. The last remnant of that doubt fled when Tremont Temple was packed from floor to ceiling to hear the Bishop of Rochester and other speakers at their annual diocesan meeting in 1884. Bishop Paddock has used trenchant words on the duty of the Church to temperance in more than one of his convention addresses; and by far the best speech at the Temperance Centenary at Boston, arranged by the Law and Order League, was certainly his.— Robert Graham.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPER-ANCE SOCIETY .- The Bishop of Liverpool presided at the annual meeting of the diocesan branch of this society, and in opening the proceedings said they were all banded together to resist the evil which was the cancer of society in England, and to promote the cause of temperance. How much of an evil it was he need not tell them, but he would earnestly impress upon them to relax no effort and strain every nerve to diminish intemperance throughout the land, and thereby to promote thrift, mo-rality and religion. He firmly believed that every one who was con- 51-3 Organist Christ Church, Ottaw

A Parliamentary return of all nected with the cause of tempernumber of drinking places to be found, and he trusted as long as that state of things existed they would go on shoulder to shoulder, hand in hand, continually fighting on against the great enenmy of Christ's cause, of true morality, and of the prosperity and welfare of the country in which they lived. He appealed to every patriot, to men of every political color, and to every Christian person, whether of the Church of England or the chapel, to come forward and help the cause they all had at heart.

> Bishop Paddock, in his address before the Law and Order League of Boston, said: "All the salaries of all the ministers in America are only seventeen million, of dollars, and all the Church property, salaries, and contributions for missionary work here and in foreign lands, put together, amount only to four hundred and thirty millions; but intoxicating drink costs all that and five hundred and thirty-two million besides, and then ruins 100 bodies and souls where the churches can save one.

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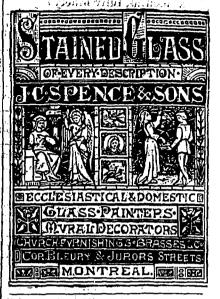
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