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It has been arranged that the memorial to the late Archdeacon Norris should assume the form of the completion of the Bristol Bishopric Fund, a matter very dear to his heart. A large committee has been appointed.

It is stated that the Bishop of Toronto has gone to Europe to personally invite the Archbishop of Canterbury to attend the Provincial Synod in Canada in the autumn, when the consolidation of the Church in British America will be discussed.

A HEARTY welcome is being accorded in England to the Rev. E. C. Gordon, a nephew of the late Bishop Hanington, who has labored heroically nine years in Uganda. The climate and trials have told deeply on a vigorous constitution, but he hopes that with rest and care he will be able to return this year.

It is possible that the sermons of Cardinal Manning, preached while he was archdeacon in the Church of England, may be re-published, now that the author has passed away. Unlike Newman he strictly forbade the re-publication of his writings of former years, and in consequence the four volumes of his discourses have long been scarce and high-priced. Newman's estimate of Manning was that he was the greatest preacher of the Church of England.

THE Bishop of Durham makes it a rule to spend the whole of the income of his bishopric on Church and educational work. The late Bishop of Durham did the same. And there is good reason to believe that they are not alone among their brethren in this respect. It is well when money is in the hands of men who know how to use it, and have the heart to use it to the best advantage. To disparage such rich men as these is to wrong the cause of God and of His poor.

As will be seen in another column, the venerable Bishop of Texas will retire for a time from the active duties of his office. It will be remembered that an assistant-bishop was elected last year, who declined. Since then, no attempt has been made to proceed to another election. The Bishop, bending under the weight of years and cares, will seek by retirement, for strength to enable him to go on with

his work. We earnestly hope that his wishes and those of his diocese, will be realized.

MR. JOHN MITCHELL, chorister for about three-quarters of a century at St. George's chapel, Windsor Castle, was buried at Windsor recently. Commencing with the funeral of King George the Third, and terminating with the marriage of Prince and Princess Aribert of Anhalt, the veteran chorister had taken part in most of the royal christenings, marriages, and funerals at Windsor, during the above-mentioned period.

CANON INCE, Regius Professor of Divinity in the University of Oxford, has written a vigorous protest against the selecting for the proposed monument of Cardinal Newman, at Oxford, a site which is not more than one hundred yards from the place where Cranmer, Ridley, and Latimer were burnt by the Church of which Newman was a member. Canon Ince is not an Evangelical Churchman. The memorial has been subscribed for by Roman Catholics, High Churchmen, and Non-conformists. According to *The English Churchman* no evangelical names appeared on the list.

THE curate of a Norfolk parish, where the rector was non-resident, was in the reading-desk, when he was handed a note from the rector, who informed him that he wished to preach, but had forgotten his bands. These being as indispensable in those days as were banns in some cases to a marriage ceremony, the obliging curate untied his own bands, and when the rector had mounted the "three-decker" passed them to him. But, so the story goes—the string of the bands got into a knot and by one of those unaccountable coincidences that sometimes occur, the singers in the gallery struck up the anthem, "Loose the bands of thy neck, thou captive daughter of Zion;" and as they repeated the words over and over again, and one part echoed another, "loose the bands of thy neck—loose the bands—loose the bands," the hapless curate became more baffled in his hopeless endeavor to untie the knotted strings, and in his nervousness supposed the anthem to be directed at himself.

A MARYLAND correspondent in *The Church Eclectic*, thus concludes a letter on the Washington Church Congress: "To sum up in a few words: The marked features of the Congress seemed to be these, the clearer revelation of its party character, the obscure and thus the tacit condemnation of the great body of our bishops and clergy, its one-sided presentation of the thought of the Church, the vague and inconclusive nature of its discussions, and the studied silence of its leaders of former times. To those who look forward to an imminent contrast [contest?] with the Broad Church powers that be, the Washington Congress, taken as an index of their strength, need cause no overpowering alarm. It fell below the mark of previous years, and merited more than ever before, the name by

which it ought hereafter to be called, namely, the Broad Church Congress."

Church Notes, of Boston, remarks upon the proposed cathedral in Washington:

Were the contemplated structure to be but the cathedral church of the diocese of Maryland, the question would have but little interest in the other dioceses, but undoubtedly no such view of the situation will be taken. The cathedral of Washington should be the metropolitan church of the United States, and it should be designed with this ultimate result in view. In time, as the merits of the provincial system become better known, Washington will become the seat of the Primate of the American Church, and around the cathedral will gather the university, divinity school, convocation hall and offices that should be connected with the chief church in a great nation. It might not be wise or desirable to make now the District of Columbia a diocese by itself, the seat of the Primate or Archbishop of the American Church, but such a result must come in time as an administrative necessity, and the authorities who will have the construction of the cathedral in charge will undoubtedly have this destiny of their work in mind.

DR. LANGFORD, in *The Spirit of Missions*, says: "We have recently made the first shipment of carefully selected books for the Trinity Divinity school library in Tokyo. Of these \$350 worth was purchased with money contributed in response to Bishop Hare's appeal, and \$900 worth was contributed from their libraries by the Rev. J. W. Buckmaster, the Rev. F. W. Taylor, the Rev. W. L. Bostwick, the Rev. Prof. J. T. Huntington, the Rev. S. McQueen, the J. Owen Dorsey, the Rev. Prof. F. T. Russell, the Rev. Dr. W. G. Andrews, the Rev. P. G. Jenkins, Mr. Keble Dean of the General Theological Seminary, Miss Hunt of Connecticut, Mrs. Douglass, of Wareham, Mass., and by the Bishop White Parish Library Association. With two or three exceptions the books from the clergy were the result of the efforts inaugurated by the Rev. Mr. Bostwick, which were noticed in our last December number. Further contributions are solicited for the purchase of the many books not yet supplied, which appear on the list sent from Japan, through Bishop Hare."

THE Bishop of Derry, preaching to a crowded congregation in Londonderry cathedral, related an interesting incident in the life of the Duke of Clarence. In the March of last year the Prince attended at the enthronement of the Archbishop of York at considerable inconvenience to himself, surrendering some of those amusements which are delightful to young men of rank and fortune. His graceful and princely bearing, his exquisite deference to the age and genius and position of the great Archbishop Magee, were something wonderful to witness, and as he passed out of the room where he had been conversing with the Archbishop, the latter said in a softened voice these few words, which contained so high an eulogium, "What a gentleman he is!" Many princes had died young, but none he supposed had passed away with such

a tragic homeliness, none with so many tears. Royalty was a thing to be cherished, because it was the best school of enthusiasm, the best school of national conviction, it was the best part of the moral education of a nation.

AT the meeting of the Board of Managers, Feb. 9th, the treasurer's report to the 1st inst., showed a total increase as compared with the corresponding months of last year, of \$7,941.74, of which \$5,402.25 was specifically contributed for the arrearage. The Rev. Dr. Henry Anstice, of Rochester, and Mr. Wm. W. Frazier, of Philadelphia, were elected to membership in the Board, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations reported last month. The Board accepted a trust from Mrs. George Z. Gray, of \$5,000, to be invested under the name of "The George Forrest Fund," the income to be used by the port chaplain for the benefit of immigrants landing in New York. The amount has since been paid in. Communications were received from two committees in Chicago, with regard to what is to be known as the "Religious Exhibit" at the Columbian Exhibition next year. The Rev. E. R. Bishop, as a member of the Church committee, had called at the mission rooms also with reference to the arrangements. One week is to be given to the Church, and the local committee are anxious that the progress of foreign missions shall be shown by the presence on that occasion of representatives of the several nations. From China, letters were received from the Rev. E. H. Thomson, president of the Standing Committee, and five others of the missionaries. The Rev. Mr. Sowerby has been granted permission to hire the house at I-chang, until now occupied by the British consulate, pending the payment of the indemnity and the rebuilding of the missionary premises. Had not this opportunity offered, he would have been obliged, upon his return to his station, to have occupied a house boat. The Rev. Mr. Ingle, upon the request of the Rev. Mr. Locke, and by his own wish, has been transferred to the station at Hankow. With reference to the Japan mission, letters were received from Bishop Hare, the Rev. H. D. Page, president of the Standing Committee, and four others of the missionaries. The site for the Young Ladies' Seminary, in Bancho, Tokyo, has been purchased with the money contributed for the purpose by the Woman's Committee, of the diocese of New York, on Work for Foreign Missions. The Rev. Mr. Morris has entered upon duty in the Divinity School, and has accepted his former post as treasurer of the mission. The officers were directed to make arrangements for the departure of the Rev. Mr. Gring to his station at Kyoto, he having secured pledges for the amount required for his support for the first year. The committee on building the Church Missions House reported that the work of tearing down the old buildings upon the site, 279, 281, and 283 Fourth ave., has begun.

CHICAGO.

WM. E. MCLAREN, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop.

The next meeting of the Deanery of Chicago is to be held at the new Grace House, on Shrove Tuesday morning. The essay will be read by the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr.

The Southern Deanery held an interesting and profitable session at St. Matthias' church, Fairbury, on Feb. 9 and 10. Dean Phillips presided. The closing service, on Wednesday evening, was devoted to addresses on "The Position and Claims of the Anglo-American Church," delivered by the Rev. Messrs. Edwards, of Ottawa, Hammond, of Streator, and Dean Phillips.

CITY.—The congregation of the church of the Redeemer have insisted that their rector, the Rev. F. B. Dunham, should take a vacation for rest and restoration of health. Mr. and Mrs. Dunham have gone to Havana, Cuba, expecting to return for Easter. The Rev. Jos. W. Rushton will have charge of the parish in the absence of the rector. The Rev. Sidney T. Smythe will take a portion of the Sunday duty, assisted by Mr. Edgar M. Thompson, of the Western Theological Seminary. Although one of the youngest, the church of the Redeemer is one of the most flourishing parishes of the city, and is a favorable example of the extraordinary development that has characterized the Church life of Chicago during the last few years.

ROCKFORD.—Dean Peabody is visiting old friends, and brothers and sisters, in Florida, in search of health and strength, which his last attack of grip made necessary. The dean writes that he is improving slowly, and hopes to be home by the middle of March.

On Sunday last, the building formerly occupied by St. Clement's mission was used for the first time by the All Angels' mission to deaf mutes. The Rev. A. W. Mann officiated, assisted by the Rev. J. H. Cloud.

NEW YORK.

HENRY C. POTTER, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

CITY.—The Roosevelt Hospital has received a legacy of \$5,000 by the will of the late Maria L. Hotchkiss, for the endowment of a free bed, which will bear the name of the testator.

On the 5th Sunday after the Epiphany, the Rev. Wm. R. Huntington, D. D., preached a notable sermon in Grace church, referring to the relation of the Oxford movement to the enlargement of English religious influence throughout the world. He condemned the secession of Manning and others to Rome, and urged the importance of foreign missions as a factor in bringing about the unity and uplifting of the world, through the spiritual activity of the Anglican Church.

On Saturday, Feb. 6th, a new charity, to be called St. Chrysostom's Nursery, was formally incorporated. Its object is to maintain a temporary home for the children of parents who are unable to afford proper care, on account of illness or loss of work, and also for the children of mothers who are obliged to work out during the day hours. The nursery was begun over a year ago, and its first home was at 336 West 35th st. But it soon outgrew these quarters, and is now firmly established at 244 West 38th st. The treasurer's report for the year ending Dec., 1891, shows receipts of \$517.78, and expenditures of \$357.98, leaving a balance on hand, Jan. 1st, 1892, of \$159.80. The nursery is supported entirely by voluntary offerings, and has an income at present of about \$80 a month. It is an outgrowth of the work of St. Chrysostom's chapel, of Trinity parish. The officers are: The Rev. W. Everett Johnson, assistant minister of St. Chrysostom's chapel, president; Miss Alice May Elliot, vice-president; Miss Marie Louise Post, secretary; Mrs. Clara A. Conley, treasurer; Drs. W. L. Carr and P. T. Gibson, physicians; Mr. Hubert L. Satterlee, legal adviser. The trustees include the Rev. Thomas H. Sill, in charge of the chapel.

The new site for St. Luke's Hospital has been finally decided. On Thursday, Feb.

11th, a purchase was completed by the trustees of a block of ground directly opposite the site of the proposed cathedral of St. John the Divine, and bounded by 113th and 114th sts., Amsterdam ave., and Morningside Park. The ground covers 45 city lots, and is 584 by 120 feet in dimensions, or about one-half again as large as the old property of the hospital. The price paid was \$500,000. This site is the finest in the city for the purposes contemplated. Its southern and eastern exposures, so important from medical considerations on account of sunlight, will remain forever unobstructed. The elevation is 120 feet above tide water, and on a ridge rising 175 ft. above the neighboring land, assuring fine ventilation at all times, and fresh air in the heated months of summer. The splendid bordering of the Morningside Park adds an attractive and desirable feature, which will be especially appreciated by the hospital staff, and by convalescents. Owing to the freedom from surrounding blocks of buildings, more of the ground can be occupied by hospital structures than at the old site, without diminishing the light or air. These structures will be begun as soon as proper plans can be prepared, the institution remaining in operation where it is until ready to remove. The trustees aim at a selection from the best models of modern hospitals, not only in this country, but in the various countries of Europe. In all probability not more than a section of the main edifice will be placed upon the plot at present, and this is expected to be of fine architectural appearance, and to involve a cost of about \$750,000. The material and style will be in harmony with the cathedral. Close by is the Bloomingdale Asylum ground, which Columbia contemplates securing for its new buildings. The combination of the cathedral, the new and handsome St. Luke's, and the many buildings of the new Columbia—the great university that is growing up under Church auspices,—together with other institutions now likely to be placed in this region, will make an architectural effect of greater splendor than is probably to be found anywhere else in the United States. It will give the Church clearly the architectural predominance in the city, with the influence and prestige therein involved. The completion of the needed edifices on the hospital grounds, will, after the first one is built, proceed gradually as means are supplied. Separate buildings are required for the treatment of different diseases (especially of pulmonary cases), and for the scientific investigation of the causes of diseases. The old site, down town, is for sale, and is estimated to be worth about \$2,500,000. The announcement of the purchase of the new site has awakened wide interest in the city.

The legal complications which have attended the attempt of St. Stephen's church to consolidate with the church of the Holy Trinity, Harlem, have reached a painful result. The clergy and vestries, and the bulk of the congregations of both parishes desired consolidation to take place. Everything was completed but the sealing of the legal documents, which were mutually agreed upon, and were drawn up ready for execution, when an officer of St. Stephen's church, who held the seal, but who objected to the union, refused to respect the action of his rector and vestry, and declined to execute them. Suits and counter-suits followed, as already reported from time to time in these columns. The project of union was based on the facts, that owing to changes in the city the congregation of St. Stephen's had dwindled away, while that of the church of the Holy Trinity had increased. St. Stephen's possessed a valuable property, while the church of the Holy Trinity was seriously handicapped by debt. Union would have resulted in removing a church from a site where it seemed no longer needed, and in establishing one strong parish, where need existed. The project had the approval of Bishop Potter. But litigation over it has proved disastrous to both parishes, and as a final stage, St. Stephen's has been compelled to mortgage

its property to the extent of \$35,000, to pay lawyers' fees, including those of the lawyers who have succeeded in defeating the wishes of the rector and corporation to remove. It is reported that the various law suits have been given up, and all hope of union abandoned. Meanwhile, since the resignation by the Rev. I. Newton Stanger, D. D., of the rectorship of the church of the Holy Trinity, the Rev. C. W. Bridgman, D. D., still in deacon's orders, is officiating. Holy Trinity has lost its chapel, which has become an independent church, as announced in these columns. The rectory is being overhauled, and Dr. Bridgman's family will soon go into residence.

The trustees of St. John's guild have definitely decided to enlarge that work by establishing a hospital for children, which will be conducted on the same principle as the midsummer hospital work. It will be located at 157 W. 61st st., at the start. The need of additional accommodations of this kind for the destitute poor of the city, has long been apparent, and it has been many times urged upon St. John's guild on account of the long experience of that society in caring for the poor, and its peculiar fitness for supplying the requisite organic co-operation of clerical and medical forces. The subject has been investigated by the trustees, and has of late been in the hands of a special committee of medical men. The building on W. 61st st. is to be furnished by the personal contribution of the trustees, and prepared for immediate occupancy. It will be absolutely free to all children of the poor, without distinction of color, nationality, or religious affiliation. And as further opportunity occurs, similar hospitals will be opened in different parts of the city, until a chain of them is established at points of need. The trustees appeal to the members of the guild and to charitable persons of the city to supply funds, as a considerable enlargement of the present revenues will be required, to meet the increased outlay involved by this substantial advance towards meeting the great problems that confront this earnest society. The officers of the guild are: Dr. Chas. A. Leale, president; Wm. Brookfield and James E. Fairchild, vice-presidents; John T. Faure, secretary; W. L. Strong, treasurer.

The church of the Holy Trinity, the Rev. E. Walpole Warren, rector, will be formally re-dedicated, upon the completion of the restorations, in a series of services beginning Sunday, Feb. 14th, and continuing during the week.

On the 5th Sunday after Epiphany, the annual service of the Junior Guild of the Iron Cross was held at the church of the Beloved Disciple. The sermon on the occasion was preached by the Rev. Chas. M. Hall, of Camden, N. J.

The Rev. Henry A. Adams, of St. Paul's church, Buffalo, N. Y., who has accepted an election to the rectorship of the church of the Redeemer, as already mentioned in these columns, is expected to enter upon his new duties at the beginning of Lent. The church is encumbered with a debt of \$65,000, but Mr. Adams is a man to make light work of that.

The new St. Agnes chapel has been successful in securing the services of Mr. G. Edward Stubbs as organist and choir-master, and he is hard at work in training a choir for the opening services. This is an appointment of great importance, for Mr. Stubbs has won a reputation at St. James' church, which places him among the very foremost choir-masters in this country. At the new chapel of Trinity parish he will have splendid material to work with, and may be expected to accomplish notable results. He was offered the appointment some time ago and declined it, but has since been induced to reconsider his declination. He will be succeeded at St. James' church by Mr. Alfred S. Baker, organist and choir-master of St. Peter's church, Morristown, N. J.

The 4th anniversary of the founding of the Church Periodical Club was suitably observed on Saturday morning, Jan. 30th, by a meeting in the parish house of the

church of the Ascension. The meeting was largely attended. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Henry Mottet, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Chas. P. Curtis; secretary, Mrs. J. S. Chapin; treasurer, Miss Florence Taylor. The death of Mrs. Fargo, foundress of the club, was remembered in a resolution, and a proposal was adopted looking to the creation of a Fargo Memorial Endowment Fund, the interest on which is to be applied to the purposes of the club. Arrangements were made for a new constitution and by-laws, and for the incorporation of the club, which has grown from a simple original to be a powerful organization with widely extended branches, ramifying into 36 dioceses. The secretary presented a report which indicated a steady increase in membership all over the country. The treasurer's report showed a balance in the treasury. The club has distributed 10,000 Bibles, Prayer Books, and Sunday school books, and about 12,000 Christmas cards. It has in circulation 44,000 periodicals of various kinds.

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—On Wednesday, Feb. 10th, at Evensong, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Reeves, Bishop of Mackenzie River, addressed the students on the work in his vast and wild diocese. A retreat for the students is to be held in Lent, by the Rt. Rev. W. C. Doane, Bishop of Albany, beginning at Evensong, on Tuesday, March 8th. The fourth in the series of addresses on "Parish Work," was given by the Rev. Henry Mottet, on the evening of Feb. 12th. On Saturday, Feb. 13th, the competition for the Seymour Prize for Extempore Preaching took place.

OHIO.

WILLIAM A. LEONARD, D.D., Bishop.

GAMBIER.—Harcourt Place Seminary is now in its 5th year, and making such substantial progress that a new building for additional accommodations is urgently demanded. Through the assistance of Hon. Columbus Delano and Mr. J. S. Ringwalt, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, financial arrangements have been made for the immediate erection of a large brick building which will be placed 20 feet south of Lewis Hall. The building will be about the same size as the new Milnor Hall at Kenyon Military Academy. The name it is to bear is not yet determined upon, but it is hoped that some friend of sound education will endow a scholarship in the school by the gift of \$3,000 or \$5,000, and that such a donor will not object to have the building bear his name, or some name that he may suggest. Mr. N. Monsarrat, President of the C. A. & C. Railway, a valued friend of the institution, has just contributed \$1,000 towards the building fund. This is the second contribution of \$1,000 from him. Miss Caroline S. Crocker, instructor in English, is spending the year abroad, in study and travel. For the past six months she has been in England, most of the time at Newnham College, Cambridge. She was already richly furnished for her especial work, but the profitable use she is making of the year abroad will enhance the interest of her department.

IOWA.

WM. STEVENS PERRY, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop.

The Rev. John Greeson, rector of St. James, Oskaloosa, has tendered his resignation, and will travel in Europe for a year in search of rest and health. The resignation takes effect March 1st, but he has been pressed to remain through Lent. It is hoped a successor will be appointed by Easter. There is a comfortable church, a small rectory, and an united congregation.

NORTH CAROLINA.

THEODORE B. LYMAN, S.T.D., LL.D., Bishop.

BREVARD.—Many vacant parishes might profit by the example of this mission. Being now without a pastor, the members of it are keeping up the payment of their regular dues, and depositing the growing total in the savings bank. No doubt the result will be the building of a much-needed parsonage.

MARYLAND.

WILLIAM PARET, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.
THE BISHOP'S APPOINTMENTS.

FEBRUARY.

- 14. Baltimore: St. Mark's. 11 A. M.; Memorial, 5 P. M.
- 21. Baltimore: Henshaw Memorial, 7 P. M.
- 24. Washington: St. John's chapel, 7:30 P. M.
- 28. Washington: Trinity, 11 A. M.; St. Paul's, 4 P. M.; Ascension, 7:30 P. M.

MARCH.

- 6. Holy Comforter, Baltimore, 11 A. M.; Waverly, 7:30 P. M.
- 10. Committee of Religious Instruction.
- 13. Georgetown: Christ church, 11 A. M.; St. John's, 4 P. M.; Grace, 7:30 P. M.
- 16. St. George's, Baltimore, 8 P. M.
- 20. Baltimore: Christ church, 11 A. M.; St. Barnabas', 4 P. M.; church of the Messiah, 8 P. M.
- 23. St. Luke's, Washington, 7:30 P. M.
- 24. St. Mary's, Baltimore, 8 P. M.
- 25. St. Andrew's, Baltimore, 8 P. M.
- 27. Washington: St. Andrew's, 11 A. M.; St. John's, 4 P. M.; Epiphany chapel, 8 P. M.
- 29. Committee of Missions.

APRIL.

- 3. Baltimore: Emmanuel, 11 A. M.; St. John Baptist, 4 P. M.; Christ our Saviour, 8 P. M.
- 5. Baltimore: Ascension, 8 P. M.
- 6. Advent chapel, 8 P. M.
- 7. St. Bar holomew's, Baltimore, 8 P. M.
- 10. Washington: Christ church, 11 A. M.; St. Mark's, 4 P. M.; Epiphany, 8 P. M.
- 11. Holy Innocents, Baltimore, 8 P. M.
- 12. Grace, Baltimore, 8 P. M.
- 13. Incarnation, Washington, 7:30 P. M.
- 14. St. Luke's, Baltimore, 8 P. M.
- 17. Baltimore: Holy Cross, 4 P. M.; St. Peter's, 8 P. M.

BALTIMORE.—Opening services were held in the new Henshaw memorial church on Sunday, Jan. 31st. In the morning the Bishop preached, and in the afternoon special services were held, and a sermon delivered by the Rev. Julius E. Grammer, D. D. In the evening the sermon was preached by the Rev. Hobart Smith, of Garrison Forest, Baltimore Co., a former rector of Henshaw mission. The church is a pretty structure, the front being of white stone. The interior decorations are artistic. The church has been built entirely by subscriptions collected by those interested in the work.

The 21st annual report of the parochial charities of St. Paul's parish, for 1891, has been published. It says: "The contributions to the charities have been larger the past year than for any year since 1877. The sum was \$5,772.15. The treasurer's report shows these appropriations: Church Home and Infirmary, \$2,000; boys' school, \$2,915; expenses of St. Paul's House, \$721.65; expense of printing and collection, \$135.50. The money for St. Paul's House was for repairs and fuel, and \$160.41 were given for the mothers' meetings. The running expenses were \$1,836.96. The board received from persons living in it was \$1,839.36. The boys' school received \$2,915, the balance of \$4,010.54 coming from an investment. Twenty-five boys are given a living and education. The school supplies boys for the choir. Twenty-five is the limit of the accommodations, and applications for admission are far more numerous than can be received." The report says: "We look forward to the time when the school, like the orphanage for girls, will no longer need yearly appeals, but will stand firm on an endowment. For more than eighty years the orphanage was supported by annual subscriptions. Since 1883 it has asked nothing. The last two legacies came from persons not belonging to St. Paul's. Mr. Wm. G. Harrison's was \$5,000, and Mr. J. H. Wood's, of New York, \$2,000. For the present we must ask for \$3,000 for 1892." The report is signed by the Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, S. T. D., the rector.

The Rev. W. W. Williams, D.D., has been elected secretary of the Standing Committee of the diocese, in place of the late Rev. Augustus P. Stryker.

Miss Hannah B. Gaither, who died Jan. 14th, bequeaths a large sum to charitable objects. The Church Home and Infirmary is bequeathed yearly ground rents amounting to \$450, for the maintenance of a room in the Home, to be occupied by one woman, to be selected by the rector of Emmanuel church. Ground rents aggregating \$630 are left to the Home for Incurables, to maintain two rooms, the occupants to be designated by the board of managers. The rooms are

to be known as the Hannah B. Gaither rooms. The Nursery and Child's Hospital receives \$2,000, the Boy's Home, \$5,000, the Baltimore Orphan Asylum, \$10,000, and the Home of the Friendless, \$5,000, absolutely. To the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the diocese of Maryland, is left \$5,000, for the relief of disabled and superannuated clergymen. The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society receives \$5,000, to be applied to domestic missions.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Christ church, East Washington, recently opened a mission in a room on 1st st., between M and N sts. The attendance at the Sunday school has already outgrown the capacity of the apartment. The rector of the church will, with the aid of the chapter of St. Andrew's Brotherhood, hold stated services there, and some of the ladies of the parish conduct in the same room a sewing school for little girls, which meets every Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Calvary church, situated on Madison and 8th sts., the Rev. J. A. Aspinwall, rector, was opened for public worship on Sunday, Jan. 24th. The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. John H. Elliott, D. D. The little church is built of brick, neatly finished, and has a seating capacity of 510 persons. The congregation of the parish, which is not yet a year old, expects to build a much finer and larger church in a few years.

The Rev. Jas. McBride Sterrett, D.D., and family, of Faribault, Minn., have arrived in this city, where they will make their future home. This step has become necessary in consequence of the poor health of Dr. Sterrett, which demands a milder climate in the winter season. Dr. Sterrett, who occupies the chair of Ethics and Apologetics in Seabury Divinity School, has not yet severed his connection with the school, but will return in the spring and devote himself to his classes to the close of the school year.

Thieves broke into the church of the Epiphany on Sunday night, Jan. 17th, and carried away the silver Communion service, a gold watch, and a dictionary, the latter two being found in the study. The Communion service consisted of two silver goblets lined with gold, and a pitcher of the same material.

The Bishop has been notified by the financial committee of the proposed cathedral in this city, that within the last three weeks an additional amount of \$30,000 has been pledged toward its construction.

FREDERICK.—The work on the contemplated improvements at old All Saints' church will be commenced as soon as practicable. An architect will examine the structure, which was built in about 1818, and if the walls are substantial, will retain its present style of architecture, also its arched roof, which was the original one. Those of the parishioners who feel the deepest interest, and who will be probably the largest contributors, are loath to see the entire demolition of the structure. Though the front remain as it is, the old crumbling wood work will be replaced by new, and the windows will be modernized. The interior will be heated by steam, wainscotted, neatly frescoed, and provided with comfortable seats. The lower floor will be used for a chapel, with the wings for guild rooms. The second story, approached by new and convenient stairways, will be the Sunday school. The chapel will be connected with the church by a corridor, thus affording easy access to both buildings. Five thousand dollars have been contributed, of which the Sunday school gives \$3,160. An individual donation of \$2,000 will purchase an organ for the chapel, as a memorial of a dear and faithful teacher, who a few months ago was called to her heavenly home.

WOODVILLE.—At a special meeting of the vestry of St. Paul's church, held on Jan. 25th, appropriate resolutions were adopted relative to the death of the late Thomas Henry Perrie, for 16 years a member of the vestry.

CENTREVILLE.—The congregation of St. Paul's church, held a congregational reunion on Monday, Jan. 25 (St. Paul's Day).

The services were interesting and impressive. At the close, a meeting of the congregation was held for the purpose of raising money to improve the church property. Some \$2,500 was subscribed, including some previous subscriptions. About \$4,000 is needed. A splendid lunch prepared by the ladies, was enjoyed by a goodly number at the rectory. This year being the 200th anniversary of the establishment of the metes and bounds of St. Paul's parish, it is proposed to enlarge and beautify the church, which was formerly located at Hibernia, near Centreville, and was built of brick imported from England. When it was found expedient to move to Centreville, it was torn down, and part of the material used in the erection of the present building, which is very solidly constructed.

ANNAPOLIS.—The Rev. Dr. Dashiell has resigned the professorship of Latin and Greek in St. John's college.

NEW MARKET.—By the will of the late Rev. James Stephenson, S. T. D., of New Market, all of his library and his philosophical and astronomical instruments are bequeathed to the University of the South at Sewanee, and \$3,000 is bequeathed to found the Stephenson scholarship in the General Theological Seminary in New York, the scholarship to be at the disposal of the Bishop of Maryland.

TOWSON.—Trinity church, the Rev. Wm. H. H. Powers, rector, will be enlarged this spring.

MINNESOTA.

HENRY B. WHIPPLE, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.
MAHLON N. GILBERT, D.D., Ass't Bishop.

APRIL.

- 1. Waterville, St. Andrew's.
- 3. A. M., Duluth; St. Paul's: 3:00 P. M., Holy Spirit; 7:30 P. M., West Duluth, Holy Apostles.
- 5. 7:30 P. M., Tower, St. Mary's.
- 6. " " " " Rush City, Grace.
- 7. 3:00 P. M., Goose Creek, St. James'; 7:30 North Branch, St. Thomas'.
- 10. Minneapolis: A. M., Gethsemane: 3:00 P. M., All Saints'; 7:30 St. Paul, Christ church.
- 11. St. Paul: 7:30 P. M., Messiah.
- 12. " " " " St. James.
- 13. " " " " (St. A. P.) St. Matthew's.
- 14. " " " " (M. P.) St. Mary's.
- 15. 10:30 A. M., St. Paul, St. Peter's; 7:30 P. M., Minneapolis, St. Luke's.
- 17. A. M., St. Paul, Christ church; 3 P. M., Stillwater, Pentecost; 7:30 P. M., Stillwater, Ascension.
- 19. 7:30 P. M., Caledonia, Trinity.
- 20. 3 P. M., Dresbach, St. James'; 7:30 P. M., Dakota, St. John's.
- 21. 7:30 P. M., Wabasha, Grace.
- 22. " " " " Pine Island, Grace.
- 23. " " " " Frontenac, Christ church.
- 24. 10:30 A. M., Lake City, St. Mark's; 7:30 P. M., Winona, St. Paul's.
- 25. 7:30 P. M., Waseca, Calvary.
- 26. " " " " Albert Lea, Christ church.
- 27. " " " " Wells, Nativity.
- 28. " " " " Fairmont, St. Martin's.
- 29. " " " " Blue Earth, Good Shepherd.

MAY.

- 1. Minneapolis: A. M., St. Paul's: 3 P. M., St. Matthew's; [7:30 P. M., Grace].
- 2. 7:30 P. M., Lake Crystal, All Angels'.
- 3. " " " " Shakopee, St. Peter's.
- 4. " " " " Belle Plain, Transfiguration.
- 5. " " " " Henderson, St. Jude's.
- 6. 2 P. M., Lexington, St. Paul's; 7:30 P. M., Le Sueur, St. John's.
- 8. A. M., Mankato, St. John's; 7:30 P. M., St. Peter, Holy Communion.
- 10. 7:30 P. M., Sauk Rapids, Grace.
- 11. " " " " St. Cloud, St. John's.
- 12. 3 P. M., Ashley, St. John's; 8 P. M., Sauk Centre, Good Samaritan.
- 13. 7:30 P. M., Fergus Falls, St. James'.
- 15. 10:30 A. M., Alexandria, Emmanuel; 3 P. M., Reno, Zion; 7:30 P. M., Glenwood, St. Paul's.
- 16. 7:30 P. M., Wadena, Grace.
- 17. " " " " Oak Valley, Trinity.
- 18. 8 P. M., Eagle Bend.
- 22. 8 A. M., Marshall, St. James'; P. M., Island Lake, St. George's.
- 23. P. M., Lake Benton, St. James'.
- 24. " " " " Sleepy Eye, All Souls'.
- 25. " " " " Redwood Falls, Holy Communion.
- 26. 3 P. M., Good Thunders, St. Cornelia; 8 P. M., Beaver Falls, Christ.
- 27. 7:30 P. M., Olivia.
- 29. St. Paul: A. M., St. John's; 8 P. M., St. Stephen's.
- 30. 8 P. M., Cannon Falls, Redeemer.

NORTHFIELD.—A very successful Mission has just been held in All Saints' parish, the Rev. Geo. H. Mueller, rector. The missionaries were the Rev. Messrs. A. J. Graham, of Minneapolis, and C. M. Pullen, of Shakopee. They began their work

on the 4th Sunday after Epiphany. Morning, afternoon, and evening, each succeeding day, the attendance continued to increase to the last. The subjects which they took up were: "The Fatherhood of God," "Jesus Christ," "The work of the Holy Spirit," "Sacraments and Sanctification," "Human Responsibility," "Rewards and Punishments." The closing services on Saturday and Sunday were taken by the Rev. C. D. Andrews, of Christ church, St. Paul, and if attendance is any standard by which to judge, the Mission was in every way successful.

SPRINGFIELD.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, S. T. D., LL.D., Bishop.

The trustees of the diocese are now able to announce that the fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate amounts to \$9,000. A meeting of the trustees will be held this month, to elect a member of the corporation to fill the vacancy caused by the lamented decease of the chairman, Mr. John S. Bradford.

The chapter of the deanery of Bloomington met in St. Thomas' church, Thomasboro, Feb. 9th, 10th, and 11th. The opening service was held at 7 P. M., Tuesday, Feb. 9th, the Rev. Dean Dresser, preacher. At the missionary meeting on Wednesday evening, addresses were made by the Rev. Dr. Dresser, the Rev. Messrs. J. C. White, and F. H. Burrell. The closing service was a semi-choral celebration of the Holy Communion, with the Rev. Dr. Dresser as celebrant, the Rev. J. C. White, deacon, and the Rev. F. H. Burrell, sub-deacon. The services were well attended, and it is hoped will be productive of much good. At the business meeting of the Chapter, encouraging reports were made of work done by the clergy outside their own parishes. It was decided to unite for work at Clinton, where hitherto the Church has been unknown, but now promises fair. The place of holding the next meeting was left for decision at some future time.

CITY.—St. Paul's pro-cathedral has suffered the loss of its parish warden, Mr. John S. Bradford, who departed this life on Thursday, Jan. 28th, in his 77th year, after a brief illness. He had been for many years a vestryman of St. Paul's, and in 1887 became a parish warden, and for several years was treasurer of the parish. He was prominent in the Synod of the diocese, in which he sat as a lay delegate since the organization of the diocese. He was a member of the Board of Equalization, chairman of the trustees of the diocese, and one of the provisional deputies to the General Convention. He also served for some time as treasurer of the diocese. He was buried from the church, of which he was a faithful and consistent member, on Saturday, Jan. 30th, a large number of prominent citizens being present to pay their last tribute of respect to his memory. The service was conducted by the rector, assisted by the Bishop, and the vestry of St. Paul's acted as honorary pall-bearers.

FLORIDA.

EDWIN GARDNER WEED, D.D., Bishop.

A very nice little church has been erected at Interlachen, Putnam co., and the good people deserve much credit for their earnest efforts in collecting funds and building such a Churchly and tasteful house of worship. The visitor, on entrance, feels at once that "This is none other than the house of God." The minister in charge had the vestry and churchwardens elected and appointed in due course, and the beautiful little church was consecrated on Dec. 13th, last. A Confirmation class has been in course of preparation, and the visit of the Bishop is again anxiously expected. Though consecrated, the church is greatly in need of some very desirable requisites, such as an alms basin, litany desk, baptismal font, sedilia, and prayer desk, and chancel chairs. This is a very delightful and healthy locality, and is becoming quite a winter resort, and now that a fine church is erected and regular services each Sunday are kept up, it will quickly be settled by many Church people from the North, who desire or need to escape the rigor of their own climate.

PENNSYLVANIA.

OSI W. WHITAKER, D.D., Bishop.

PHILADELPHIA.—The Year Book of the French church of St. Sauveur has just been published. On Jan. 1, 1892, there were 1,382 foreigners on the register: French, 944; Swiss, 169; Belgian, 136; German, 77; all others, 56. Of this total number, there were: Roman Catholics, 850; Protestants, 532. During the past two years, 180 new foreigners have received Holy Communion at St. Sauveur's, 73 of whom have been received and confirmed by Bishop Whitaker, not one of whom had originally been an Episcopalian. The Holy Communion is celebrated every Lord's Day, and a homily is addressed to the worshippers. At Evensong, the regular sermon of the day is delivered. In the parish building are rooms for the vestry, the Sunday school, the library, and a hall for lectures and entertainments. In connection with its religious mission, St. Sauveur's accomplishes a benevolent work, which, during the past year, is thus stated: 41 persons have been provided with suitable positions; 4 placed in "homes"; 63 financially assisted; 52 provided with more or less decent clothing, etc. There is a chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, "The Guild of St. Sauveur," open to all communicants; and "The Society of Lady Patronesses," consisting of American women who are interested in the work of this mission. The annual expenses (including interest on a loan of \$4,000) are placed at \$2,800. The church has its own Prayer Book, Hymnal, Catechism, and literary journal, *L'Avenir*, now in its 12th year, and self-supporting.

Tuesday, 2nd inst., being the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, was observed as parish day at St. Simeon's church. In the morning the Holy Eucharist was offered, and the Rev. Edgar Cope, rector, made an address. At the evening service, the sermon was preached by the Rev. G. H. Yarnall, and the annual report was read, which stated that during the past year increasing activity and aggressiveness had marked all the departments of Church life. Since last parish day there have been Baptisms, 85; confirmed, 84; marriages, 19; burials, 29; services, 301; number of communicants, 615. The entering of the new church on Easter Day, worshipping there without any indebtedness on the building, and the transition from a mission to a parish in less than five years, are events which have never heretofore transpired in any parish in the diocese. The Sunday school attendance has increased during the year 10 per cent, and the scholars now number 700. Over 80 young men and boys are connected with the junior and senior classes of the gymnasium. St. Simeon's Yearly Beneficial Association has 106 members. The chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been very active. On May 1st, prox., the mission becomes an independent parish. The property is valued at \$100,000, and the only incumbrance is a ground rent of \$8,000 (principal).

The annual meeting of the Church Home for Children was held on the 2nd inst., in the parish building of Holy Trinity church. The Rev. Dr. C. Ellis Stevens presided. The treasurer's report showed that the receipts amounted to \$13,136.48; present balance, \$168.77. Total invested fund, Dec. 31, 1891, was \$158,808.33. No death has occurred in the Home for over nine years, which is unusual in a family of over 100 children. The object of the Home is the training of young girls as domestic servants. The chaplain reported Baptisms, 2; confirmed, 7; communicants, 25. An address was made by the Rev. Dr. Stevens.

Miss A. C. Davis, chief of the Nurses' Training School at the Episcopal Hospital, has left to take charge of a similar school at Detroit, Mich.

The surplused choir of St. Peter's church, in parting with their choirmaster, Mr. J. D. Martin, who goes to the Toronto cathedral, have presented him with a substantial token of their regard, expressing their regret in taking leave of so able a teacher.

The annual meeting of the contributors to the Educational Home was held on the

4th inst., in the Lincoln Institution, of which it is an adjunct. The report of the Board of Managers gives the present number on the rolls as 102 Indian and 8 white boys; total admissions since the opening of the Home, 703. The first Indian pupils were received in 1884, since which time there have been 239 boys, representatives of 9 tribes. There were 2 deaths during the past year, both from consumption, and these were the only fatalities in a period of five years. The treasurer's report showed receipts, \$22,800.44; present balance, \$634.61. The officers of the board of council were then re-elected, Bishop Whitaker being the *ex officio* president.

The Convocation of Germantown met in Grace church, Mt. Airy, the Rev. S. C. Hill, rector, on the 9th inst. In the morning the sermon was preached by the Rev. Thos. A. Tidball, D.D. In the afternoon a business meeting was held. The treasurer reported a balance in the treasury of \$429.32. Favorable reports were received from the Olney, Newportville, and St. George's missions. Mr. Hunsicker stated that he thought convocation would shortly acquire possession of a church property at Plumsteadville, when a clear title would be obtained. The dean of the Convocation, the Rev. Dr. J. DeWolfe Perry, stated that it had been suggested that a committee of three laymen from each of the eight convocations should be named to solicit subscriptions for the Diocesan House. The amount needed was \$100,000, of which \$19,000 had already been promised. Messrs. Houston Buckley, and Merrick were appointed to act for this convocation. The invitation of the Rev. Walter Jordan to hold the next meeting at St. Martin's church, Oak Lane, was accepted. After supper in the beautiful and commodious parish building, which, with the rectory and church, forms a quadrangle, leaving its open side toward the avenue, a short missionary service was held, in which the vested choir assisted, and addresses were made by the Rev. L. B. Ridgely and Mr. Geo. C. Thomas.

The mid-day Lenten services for business men, which have been held with such increasing success during the past few years at St. Paul's mission church, in the very centre of the business community, are to be held again this year. The services will be limited to 20 minutes, as heretofore, and will consist of a hymn, versicles, and an address. It is proposed to have one clergyman take charge for each week until Holy Week, when there will be one for each day. When these services were inaugurated three years ago, they were held only in Holy Week, but they were so well attended that in the following year they were maintained during the entire Lenten season. This year they will be made still more noteworthy by having a weekly series of addresses by a few of the prominent clergy of the Church. Among those who are expected to take part are Bishop Whitaker, Bishop Coleman, the Rev. Father Huntington, the Rev. O. A. Glazebrook, and others.

A Quiet Day for women will be held on the second Thursday in Lent, March 10th, in the church of the Holy Trinity, to be conducted by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Whitehead, Bishop of Pittsburgh. Sessions 9:30 A. M. to 1 P. M., and from 2:30 to 5 P. M.; Holy Communion at 9:30 A. M.

A conference of Churchwomen will be held in the lecture room of the church of the Holy Trinity on the second Friday of Lent, March 11th. Morning session from 10 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. Topics for consideration: 1, Clubs for working girls; 2, The responsibility of Christian women in social life. Afternoon session at 2:30; topic: A woman's responsibility in regard to missionary work. Two papers will be read.

The Rev. Dr. H. M. Baum, editor of *The Church Review*, has recently been lecturing on the History of the Christian Church under the auspices of the Church Historical Society, with marked success to large and appreciative audiences; and to accommodate suburban residents, he repeated the course in the parish building of St. Peter's church, Germantown.

The Rev. John P. Peters, Ph. D., former-

ly a professor in the Divinity School, but now of the University of Pennsylvania, is announced to deliver a course of three lectures, commencing Feb. 15th, on the "Religious History of Israel." Dr. Peters, as chief of the Babylonian Expedition, was recently sent out by the university to make original explorations. The syllabus is as follows: I. "Early religious ideas of the Hebrews and their relation to those of kindred and surrounding nations;" II. "The Prophets, or the progressive and spiritualizing tendencies;" III. "The priesthood and the temple, the ritual, its development, meaning, and effect." The lectures are to be delivered in Association Hall.

The trustees of the university have elected Bishop Whitaker as one of five chaplains to serve during the current year. Their plan and method of work will be as follows: The year is divided into 10 months, each chaplain serving 2 months, and being present at the university 5 days a week from 10 to 11 A. M. A quarter of an hour will be spent in the chapel, and the remainder of the time in the Provost's quarters in conversation with such of the students as desire it.

The treasurer of the Italian mission has acknowledged the receipt of \$1,000 for the building fund, being the Advent offerings of the Sunday schools of the diocese.

The will of the late Rev. Dr. Garrison was probated on the 11th inst. His entire library is bequeathed to the Philadelphia Divinity School.

The Rev. Thomas A. Tidball, D. D., rector of St. Paul's church, Camden, N. J., has declined the professorship of Systematic Divinity in the Phila. Divinity School.

The Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass has become rector of St. Paul's memorial church, Upper Providence.

Referring to the notice in our last issue of the institution of the Rev. Dr. C. Ellis Stevens into the rectorship of Christ church, it should be stated that the Prayer Book presented by Bishop Whitaker to the new rector was the original volume, still preserved in the Church, containing the MS. alterations, from which the American Prayer Book was adopted. Bishop Coleman, in his sermon, emphasized the fact (as stated in *THE LIVING CHURCH*, Oct. 10th last), that since 1777 until 1891, there had been but three rectors, two of whom had died in office and the third is the present rector *emeritus*. The sacramental vessels used in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist were those presented to the parish by Queen Anne, and are inscribed: "*Anna Regina in usum Ecclesie, Anglicanæ apud Philadelphiam, A.D. 1708.*"

EDDINGTON.—A beautiful silver chalice and paten have been presented to Christ church, on which are inscribed:

Presented to Christ church, Eddington, by Joel H. DeVictor, in memory of his wife, Martha S. DeVictor. Entered into rest, June 14th, 1886.

A ciborium made from the silver and money contributed by the parishioners, has also been received, it is marked:

Presented by the parishioners of Christ church, Eddington, as a special offering.

Thursday, Jan. 21st, being St. Agnes' Day, was appropriately observed by the St. Agnes chapter of the parish guild. At 7:30 A. M., there was a celebration of the Holy Communion for the members. At 8 P. M., Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. H. B. Bryan, rector, after which four young women were received into the membership of the chapter. The Rev. G. W. Barhydt made a beautiful and appropriate address. A good congregation was present.

NORRISTOWN.—Two new chapters of St. Andrew's Brotherhood have just been organized in this borough.

CALIFORNIA.

WM. INGRAHAM KIP, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.
WILLIAM F. NICHOLS, D.D., Asst. Bishop.

SAN MATEO.—St. Matthew's School has for twenty-five years occupied the well-known buildings near the village of San Mateo. It has long been evident, however, that the rapid growth of the village and the need of larger school accommodations would make removal to a more secluded and roomy site desirable, in order to meet the

growing opportunities and demands. Such considerations led to the purchase, several years ago, of the property known as the Mahé Estate, situated about one and one-half miles west of San Mateo. The estate comprises over 80 acres, and is situated on the first rise of the foothills, just above the level of the valley. The site commands a fine view of the Bay of San Francisco, with Mt. San Bruno to the north, Mt. Diablo in the centre beyond the bay, and the Contra Costa Range and Mt. Hamilton to the extreme south. The buildings now completed are placed on three sides of a quadrangle. The main building has been named in honor of Bishop Kip. It is three stories in height, with a high and well-lighted basement, in which are armory, reading rooms, music rooms, officers' rooms, bath rooms, and offices. A reception room, secretary's office, library, private offices of the rector and head master, and the school room, 45 x 38 feet in size, are on the main floor; besides five well-lighted and spacious recitation rooms. On the second floor is an assembly room, for lectures and entertainments, dormitories, etc. The department for younger boys will remain, as heretofore, entirely separate from the larger school, and Tyler Hall has been erected for this purpose. Adjoining the dining hall is the chapel. The suite of rooms above the dining hall and chapel will be occupied in part by the rector's family, and also as the infirmary. Both steam and hot air will be used in heating, and the lighting will be by electricity throughout.

TEXAS.

ALEXANDER GREGG, D.D., Bishop.

The venerable Bishop, after a faithful service of a third of a century in the State, is forced by declining health to retire, for the present at least, from the active duties of the Episcopate, and to turn over to the standing committee of the diocese such executive functions as under the canons of the Church and its usages, they are competent to perform.

On the 7th ult. the standing committee of the diocese, through their secretary, Mr. Robert M. Elgin, of Houston, communicated to the Bishop the following resolution adopted by the committee:

Whereas, The Bishop of the diocese, at our last annual council, asked relief in the choice and consecration of an assistant bishop; and whereas, the diocese, through misfortune, failed to meet this request for relief; and whereas, the standing committee has been advised of the Bishop's increased physical weakness, and consequent inability, without great fatigue, to fulfill his appointed visitations;

Therefore, be it resolved, That the standing committee, solicitous of the Bishop's physical condition, and believing that rest is the only thing that under the Providence of God is needed to restore him to us, request that he will, during the present year, take the needed recreation, and in the meantime devolve upon the standing committee such duties as may be appropriate under the circumstances.

To this Mr. Elgin has received the following reply:

Mr. ROBERT M. ELGIN, Sec'y, Houston, Tex.

AUSTIN, Texas, January 9.—My Dear Mr. Elgin: I received yesterday with grateful emotions your official communication of the 7th instant, on behalf of the standing committee of the diocese, expressive of their sympathy for me in my present feeble condition and inability to meet my appointed visitations. And I very greatly appreciate the action of my brethren, praying God's blessing on their efforts for my relief and the welfare of His beloved Church in this diocese.

It is with a deep sense of love and gratitude that I receive this communication, and I shall act on your suggestion and use every means which God has put in my power to restore my health, that I may resume my work in the fall, with renewed strength, if it be His will.

I leave the whole matter of correspondence with my brother bishops to the standing committee, feeling sure that all necessary arrangements will be perfected by them.

Commending them to God's gracious love and protection, I remain your affectionate friend and Bishop,

ALEXANDER GREGG.

All official communications intended for the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese, should be directed to the Rev. S. M. Bird, President of the Standing Committee, Galveston.

CENTRAL NEW YORK.

F. D. HUNTINGTON, S.T.D., LL.D., Bishop.

BISHOP'S APPOINTMENTS.

MARCH.

2. A. M., Whitesboro; P. M., 3 o'clock, Clinton.
3. New Hartford and Chadwick's Mills (united).
6. Syracuse: A. M., St. John's; ev'g, St. James'.
13. Utica: A. M., Holy Cross; P. M., St. George's.
27. St. Paul's, Syracuse.

APRIL.

1. Ev'g, St. Peter's, Auburn.
2. P. M., Moravia.
3. Cortland, McLean, and Homer.
10. Oswego; ev'g, Fulton.
11. Ev'g, Horseheads, Big Flats, and Millport, united.
12. Elmira and Wellsburgh.
13. Waverly and Smithboro.
16. Rome: P. M., 4:30 o'clock, Zion; ev'g, St. Joseph's.
17. Syracuse.
- 18-19. Grace, Trinity, and Calvary, Utica.
20. Ev'g, Cazenovia.
29. Ev'g, Skaneateles.

SYRACUSE.—The new St. James' church in James st. was opened Sunday, Feb. 7th, by Bishop Huntington. The church is one of the oldest, and it is the second free church in the United States. This edifice was built to replace the handsome sandstone structure in Lock st., which was burned to the ground on Sunday morning, March 15th, 1891. Some of the stones of that old church which was built under the personal inspection of its rector, Dr. Gregory, especially part of the arch, were saved and put in the new church. The building is of Fulton brown sandstone, fashioned after the 13th century English style of architecture, and the interior is finished in oak and Georgia pine. The present seating capacity is about 600. The building is valued at \$50,000.

The singing on this occasion, which was very well done, was by a mixed choir conducted by Charles W. Douglass, who commenced drilling them a fortnight ago. The Rev. Dr. James M. Clarke, secretary to the Bishop and former rector of St. James', spoke of the past; the Rev. Charles Ferguson, the present rector, spoke of the present, and Bishop Huntington was to speak of the future. After the addresses of the former and present rector, the Bishop said that, apprehending the congregation would be wearied with the lateness of the hour, he would withhold his address till another occasion.

MICHIGAN.

THOMAS F. DAVIES, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

The year book of St. Andrew's church, Ann Arbor, just issued, shows excellent progress in the work of the parish. During the two years of the rectorship of the Rev. Henry Tatlock, the number of communicants has increased from 364 to 504, the number of families in the congregation from 226 to 351.

The situation in the Northern Peninsula is much improving. In the west, Ironwood is temporarily supplied by the Rev. W. M. Tooke. The Rev. Percy G. H. Robinson, of Burk's Falls, Ont., diocese of Algoma, will assume charge of Ontonagon about Feb. 20th. Iron River and Crystal Falls are doing well under the occasional visits of the Rev. W. Ball Wright. Lay services are maintained at both places, and there have been of late several adult Baptisms. A lot will be secured for a church at Crystal Falls.

Iron Mountain, Norway, and Republic have been re-opened by the Rev. W. P. Wharton, lately from England, with encouraging prospects, though the flooding of two great mines has caused much loss at Iron Mountain. The Rev. W. Ball Wright will give up a part of his time from Menominee to prospecting on the "Soo" line eastward. Visits have been made at L'Anse and Calumet, and these places will have regular visits as soon as the archdeacon's assistant is on the ground. In the eastern part of the archdeaconry, Mr. Rowe reports great activity. Mr. Kelk Wilson, of St. Ignace, is soon to be made deacon, and Mr. Mulligan, at Sault Ste. Marie, will give up his own time to work as soon as his candidacy for orders is confirmed. The Rev. Mr. Stimson is working at missions at Wilson and Nadeau. Services will also soon be held by Mr. Wright at Harmansville. At Marquette, congregations and offerings are improving, the

archdeacon has a weekly Celebration and daily services. The Sunday school gave an entertainment before Christmas, the proceeds of which provided a tree for one of the missions in Mr. Rowe's care. A woman's society has begun work. The Rev. Mr. Cross has been officiating at Hancock.

ALBANY.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S.T.D., LL.D., Bishop.

WATERFORD.—A quartette choir has taken the place of the volunteer chorus choir that formerly rendered the singing in Grace church. The music is of a very high order of merit, enriching and beautifying the service, and gives promise of a larger Church attendance.

LANSINGBURGH.—A flourishing and vigorous chapter of St. Andrew's Brotherhood has been organized recently in Trinity parish, and bids fair to become a very efficient agent in Church work. The annual meeting of St. Stephen's mission was held at the mission rooms on the evening of the 5th inst., at which there was a large attendance. This mission was started July 1st, 1891, by the Rev. C. M. Nickerson, D. D., who on this occasion reported as follows: Contributions from all sources, \$646.33; of this amount, St. Elizabeth's Guild contributed \$60; members of the mission, \$107; and the Sunday school, \$47. The remainder was donated by members of Trinity church. The Sunday school numbers 70, and the average attendance is 65; \$95 was subscribed for the continuance of the good work, which promises hereafter to be self-supporting. Measures are already under way towards erecting a church edifice.

MECHANICSVILLE.—Services were resumed in St. Luke's church on the 7th inst., after a suspension of several months, owing to the parish being without a rector.

TROY.—Stephen E. Warren, who died on the 7th inst., was one of the prominent supporters of the church of the Holy Cross and the Mary Warren Free Institute. He was noted for his great kindness of heart and practical sympathy for the suffering and oppressed, as well as his deep interest in Church work.

DELAWARE.

LEIGHTON COLEMAN, S.T.D., LL.D., Bishop.

The Bishop has arranged for a Quiet Day for the clergy, on Thursday, Feb. 18th, to be conducted by the Rev. H. Y. Satterlee, D. D., of New York, at Bishopstead, Wilmington.

St. Mary's chapel, Bridgeville (memorial to Bishop Lee), was opened with a service of benediction, by the Bishop, on the Feast of the Purification B. V. M. Services were held at 6:30 A. M., 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M. The request for a service of benediction was read by Dr. Martin, of Seaford, and the letter of benediction by the Rev. M. L. Woolsey, rector of Seaford, and priest-in-charge of the mission at Bridgeville. The Bishop preached from St. Luke xi:22, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The offering, which was liberal, was toward the debt on the church. A large congregation was present. Services were held on the evenings of Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Sunday, at which the following were the preachers: The Rev. T. G. Littell, D. D., the Rev. Messrs. C. M. Armstrong, A. I. du Pont Coleman, G. I. D. Peters, and the Bishop of Easton. The chapel is a pretty structure, and has a seating capacity of 150. A number of memorial gifts have been presented to the church.

There will be a Quiet Day for Women on Thursday, March 24th, conducted by the Rev. W. B. Bodine, D. D., at St. Andrew's, Wilmington.

NEWARK.

THOS. ALFRED STARKEY, D.D., Bishop.

RUTHERFORD.—At Grace church on the 2nd Sunday after Epiphany, the rector, the Rev. Francis J. Clayton, vested Master John Peters, chorister, with the red ribbon, rector's medal of merit. When the vested choir was organized, the rector stated that at the morning service on the first Sunday of each month, the boy, who during the previous month had been present at every rehearsal and service, and had been perfect

in department, would be vested with a silver medal, known as the "rector's medal of merit." The medal was to be worn with a blue ribbon at all the services during that month. Any boy who kept the medal for three consecutive months was to receive a duplicate medal, engraved with his name and date, and worn with a red ribbon. He was to wear it upon all high festivals and also during any month, when entitled to wear the blue ribbon medal. Master John Peters is the first chorister to receive the red ribbon.

The Rev. Mr. Clayton who has been sick with *la grippe*, is almost entirely recovered.

PATERSON.—The Rev. T. W. Nickerson, Jr., rector of St. Paul's, has been sick for some time. He spent a few weeks in Washington, D. C., and is now in New York City with his father-in-law, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, dean of the General Theological Seminary. The Rev. A. W. Eaton of New York City, has conducted the services at St. Paul's, during the illness of the rector.

NEW JERSEY.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH, D.D., Bishop.

The Rev. Charles March Pyne died at Elizabeth on Thursday, Feb. 4th, in the 53rd year of his age. At the first call for volunteers, in the late war, he enlisted in the National Rifles of Washington. He held the rank of captain, and lost a limb in active service. After the war he studied theology, and graduated from Berkeley Divinity School. For a time he was connected with the editorial staff of *The Churchman*. He was also for several years assistant minister in St. John's parish, Washington. The burial services took place in St. John's church, Elizabeth, on the afternoon of the 5th Sunday after the Epiphany. There were present of the clergy, the Rev. Messrs. O. A. Glazebrook, F. M. McAllister, H. H. Sleeper, R. B. Post, and Hazlett McKim. The pall-bearers were ex-army officers from the Loyal Legion and George Washington Post, of New York.

MORRISTOWN.—Mr. A. S. Baker, the gifted organist of St. Peter's church, is to leave for New York in May. Mr. Baker has been offered the excellent position of organist and choirmaster at St. James', New York. Mr. Baker has been so well-known in Morristown, that he will be much missed personally, as well as from a musical point of view.

INDIANA.

DAVID B. KNICKERBACKER, D. D., Bishop.

The Rev. A. W. Mann visited his mission in Indianapolis on Sunday, Jan. 24th, and officiated twice. The Holy Communion was administered at the first service, and Holy Baptism at the second. A third service was held at the State school for deaf-mutes just outside the city limits.

THE PLATTE.

ANSON R. GRAVES, Bishop.

The second annual convocation of the missionary jurisdiction of the Platte met in St. Mark's church, Hastings, Jan. 26th, and continued two days. All the clergy—10—were present, with Sister Hannah, deaconess. After the celebration of the Holy Communion, the Bishop read his annual address, which was full of interest, and in a most hopeful spirit. According to the address, the jurisdiction has made remarkable progress in both spiritual and material ways. The outlook is most cheering. Last year was one of trial, the drought and crop failure, and the financial depression, with consequent removals from the jurisdiction, were most discouraging. The Bishop has been continuously in the field, with the exception of two short trips, taken in the interest of the work. New places have been opened during the year, and services held for the first time where the Church was unknown. An eight days' Mission was held at Broken Bow in February, with good results. In August, the Bishop delivered lectures to the five divinity students and a lady worker, at the episcopal residence. The Confirmations were 165, at 27 different places, the largest number, 40, being at Broken Bow. This, with 63 confirmed in 1890, makes 228 total since the jurisdiction was set apart. This number is over half as

many as were confirmed in the same territory in a period of 20 years preceding. There are 18 lay readers, 1 priest has removed on account of health, and 4 priests have been received. The following land has been acquired during the year: One acre in Kennedy, with sod church; three lots in Calloway, with church; one lot in Chadron, with rectory; two lots in Ord, with dwelling house; one lot in St. Paul; two lots in Wellfleet; three lots and church at Hastings, formerly owned by the vestry; two lots in Red Cloud, in exchange for two undesirable lots, and one lot in Holdrege, All the Church property in the jurisdiction, with one exception, is now, or will shortly be, in the possession of the Bishop, as trustee. During the year, a new church, built of sod, has been erected at Kennedy, at a cost of \$100 to the Bishop, the materials and labor being furnished by the congregation. At Calloway, 300 or 400 population, a frame church, 24x44, has been built, at a cost of \$1,265, of which amount \$500 came from the Society of the Double Temple, and the balance, with three lots, was given by the people, who have only a monthly service by the missionary at Broken Bow, and Sunday lay services by two young men of the place, who also carry on a Sunday school, the third largest in the jurisdiction. At St. Paul, a building formerly used as a saloon was purchased, and fitted up for services. At Holdrege, a school house has been bought for \$300, for services. The little church at Red Cloud, where Bishop Clarkson preached his last sermon, has been removed from the outskirts of the town to desirable central lots, and refitted, by the efforts of Sister Hannah. The debts on Church property, which had, for the most part, been incurred before the erection of the jurisdiction, have been either largely decreased, or entirely paid. At Grand Island, a debt of \$10,000 has been recently paid, and the church consecrated. The Bishop hopes that before long the Platte shall be known as the jurisdiction with no Church debts. The Episcopal Fund amounts to \$74.95, but is intended to reach, eventually, \$50,000. The Church school at Kearney is being erected. The central building, of brick, to cost \$7,500, is built to the first story, and will go on in the spring. The Bishop has received for the two dormitories, from friends in the East, \$4,809, which is not sufficient as yet. The Bishop reiterates his recommendation that women be elected on vestries. In North Platte, last year, four women served on the vestry, with good results. The ladies' guilds and societies have acted on his recommendation of last year, and formed a general guild. The address concludes with a reference to the circular recently sent to the clergy, urging that a five minutes' address before the sermon, on a systematic scheme of instruction on the Church, the Bible, and the Christian Year, be delivered each Sunday.

The business of the Convocation extended through the day. The Standing Committee was appointed, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Oliver, the Rev. Wm. Lucas, and Messrs. W. C. Tillson and H. M. Oliver. The Rev. W. S. Sayres, of Broken Bow, was appointed secretary of the convocation. It was decided to publish a diocesan paper. A permanent committee on Christian Education was appointed; also, a committee to continue the work of petitioning the Diocese of Nebraska for a division of funds. Dr. Oliver was appointed professor of theology in the school at Kearney. In the evening, stirring missionary addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Brown, Snavelly, Sayres, Osborn, and Bates.

The next day, delegates to the General Convention were chosen: *Clerical:* Rev. Dr. Oliver; alternate, Rev. J. M. Bates. *Lay:* Mr. F. E. Bullard; alternate, Mr. H. M. Oliver. The rest of the day was devoted to woman's work—reports and discussions. Mrs. H. M. Oliver, of Hastings, was appointed president of the General Guild, and Miss Anna Kraumph, of North Platte, secretary. The Convocation adjourned, to meet next June at North Platte.

LONG ISLAND.

ABRAHAM N. LITTLEJOHN, D. D., J. L. D., Bishop.

BROOKLYN.—St. Ann's church, the Rev. Dr. Reese F. Alsop, rector, is an example of a successful free church. The congregations are large, the fine property is kept in good working condition, and all departments of parochial activity show healthy vigor. A new feature of work is a series of local services, held by St. Andrew's Brotherhood, on Tuesday evenings, with attendance of people of the neighborhood. One of the assistant clergy of the parish usually conducts the service, with brief forms from the Prayer Book, and delivers a short and practical talk. Laymen of the Brotherhood also say a few words. The parlors where such services have been held have been well filled, and many young men have been attracted. President Low, of Columbia College, formerly Mayor of Brooklyn, has long been the active superintendent of the parish Sunday school, which is a model in its way. Besides his parochial duties, the rector is practically interested in outside missionary and charitable work of the diocese.

A meeting of the Southern Convocation of Brooklyn was held at Christ church, the Rev. A. B. Kinsolving, rector, on Feb. 2nd. At the afternoon session, routine business was transacted. The Rev. Dr. W. D. Fiske, of St. Andrew's church, reported the progress of that parish to be such that a new and larger building was urgently needed, and he requested aid in securing a suitable site. A committee was appointed to consider the question, and report at next session. A project for experimenting with Italian mission work was also referred to a committee. The mission work at Windsor Terrace was voted a grant of \$400 toward the support of a missionary. The Rev. Stevens Parker, D. D., resigned the secretaryship, and the Rev. Albert F. Tenney, assistant minister of St. Ann's church, was elected to succeed him. After refreshments in the Sunday school room, a missionary meeting was held at night. Addresses were made by the Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D. D., on work of the archdeaconry, and by the Rev. G. A. Carstensen, on the work now being done at the new parish house of St. Bartholomew's church, New York.

WINDSOR TERRACE.—A fine new church has been built for the mission congregation established by the Rev. T. G. Jackson, of St. Paul's church, Flatbush. A clergyman will soon be appointed to take charge of the work as an assistant of St. Paul's.

HUNTINGTON.—Through the exertions of Miss Annie Paulding and a few friends, a coffee house was established some time ago. It has been successful, and has lately been enlarged into a People's Room, which has the promise of a wide support.

MAINE.

HENRY ADAMS NEELY, S. T. D., Bishop.

PORTLAND.—The Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul was especially observed in the Cathedral as the 25th anniversary of the consecration of the Bishop. Morning Prayer was said at 9 o'clock, the services being choral, with full choir. At 11 o'clock the anniversary service began with the familiar processional hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers," the choir and clergy passing down the side aisle preceded by the processional cross and the banner of the cathedral, and going thence by the centre aisle to their places in the chancel. The clergy in procession were the Rev. Messrs. C. E. O. Nichols, T. L. Allen, H. W. R. Stafford, J. S. Colton, Walker Gwynne and Canons Ogden, Lefingwell, Washburn and Sills, the Rt. Rev. the Coadjutor Bishop of Fredericton (Dr. Kingdon), wearing his convocation robes, white stole beautifully embroidered and scarlet chimere, and the Bishop of the diocese. The other clergy present were the Rev. Messrs. Asa Dalton, D. D., J. W. Sparks and C. L. Short. Immediately after the processional hymn the Bishop seated in his chair at the entrance of the chancel received congratulatory addresses from the clergy, laity, and the congregation of the cathedral.

Canon Sills then presented to the Bishop several subscription books in which under

the following form subscriptions had been made amounting to over \$2,500.

We the undersigned, being persuaded that no personal testimonial to our beloved Bishop and rector on the 25th anniversary of his services among us, would be so gratifying to him as a united effort on the part of the parishioners to raise a considerable sum towards the erection of a Parish House hereby agree to pay the sum set opposite our names at the date specified.

The Bishop was much moved by the kind words spoken, and especially by the effort which had been made by the parishioners towards the erection of a parish house.

At the conclusion of the addresses which struck the key-note of the anniversary service, the Office of the Holy Communion was begun. The service was that by Tours in C, and was well rendered by the choir under the careful training of Mr. Carter, the organist. The Bishop was Celebrant, the Coadjutor Bishop of Fredericton read the Gospel and the Rev. W. Gwynne the Epistle. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. Samuel Upjohn, D. D., now of Philadelphia, but for 14 years a priest in his diocese. Bishop Niles having arrived during the sermon made at its close a brief address.

After the service the Bishop and clergy dined at Bishop Neely's invitation at the Preble House. The Bishop was at home to his friends after 4 o'clock, and very many took that opportunity of expressing their regard and offering their congratulations.

The Episcopate Fund which in 1867 amounted to about \$3,000 is now completed and amounts to over \$50,000, and yields a sufficient support for the Bishop, making him in consequence independent of parochial cares and obligations.

PITTSBURGH.

CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD, S. T. D., Bishop.

The tenth anniversary of the consecration of Bishop Whitehead was celebrated on the 26th ult. at Trinity church, Pittsburgh, where the consecration took place. St. Paul's Day, the real anniversary, fell on Monday, which made it impossible for those at a distance to reach the city in time. The services were conducted by the Rev. A. W. Arundel, rector of the church. In his address Bishop Whitehead said:

I take comfort in the consciousness of ties of love and friendship ever growing stronger, knitting our hearts more and more to each other and to God. I would not forget ere we pass on to other matters, the names and faces of many taking part in that service, especially the honored Bishop of Pennsylvania, (Stevens), who presided on that occasion. Of the clergy, some have passed away, and very many belonging to the diocese have removed to other fields of work, one of them, as we are proud to say, to be a bishop himself. I cannot fail to make cordial recognition of innumerable kindnesses from clergy and laity, and of a hospitality which enables me to count my homes by hundreds in every quarter of the diocese.

The service was a full choral celebration of the Holy Communion.

The Woman's Auxiliary presented the Bishop for use in the work of the diocese, as part of the offertory, the sum of \$333. The Pittsburgh branch of the St. Barnabas Guild for nurses, presented the Bishop with a beautifully embroidered white festival stole, of wonderfully fine needle-work, enriched with topazes.

Immediately after the service, the Bishops and clergy went to the Seventh Avenue Hotel to dine. The chairman of the reception committee read letters of congratulation from Bishops Howe, Rulison, Scarborough, Peterkin, and Vincent, who had been invited, but found it impossible to attend. Bishop Whitaker was then warmly welcomed, and responded in a speech of most affectionate congratulation, which was heartily applauded. The appointed speakers were then called, and responded in the happiest manner. The first was the Rev. R. S. Smith, patriarch of the Southern Convocation, and rector of St. Peter's church, Uniontown. He was the oldest presbyter present, and one of the four still living in the diocese who were here when it was organized; the others are the Rev. Dr. Crumpton, the Rev. Dr. White, of Butler, and the Rev. Dr. Purdon, of Titusville. Other speakers were the Rev. Drs. Purdon and White, and the Rev. Messrs. Herron, Israel, Bragdon, Corser, and Ar-

undel. The following table will give an idea of the growth of the diocese in ten years:

	1882	1891
Clergy in the diocese.....	40	63
Parishes.....	58	75
Missions.....	11	35
Communicants.....	5838	9928
Sunday School Teachers.....	585	780
Sunday School Scholars.....	5428	7956
Parish churches.....	57	63
Mission churches.....	17	27
Rectories.....	14	27

From the parochial reports the following figures are taken: Confirmations, 7,362; Baptisms, 11,162; marriages, 1,995; burials, 4,517. Contributions—Parochial, \$1,514,332.54; diocesan, \$181,112.33; extra-diocesan, \$138,443.54. Total, \$1,833,878.41.

MISSOURI.

DANIEL S. TUTTLE, D. D., Bishop.

BISHOP'S APPOINTMENTS.

APRIL.

3. St. Louis: a. m., St. George's; p. m., Good Shepherd.
7. Mammoth Spring, Ark.
8. Thayer.
10. St. Louis: a. m., cathedral; evening, Grace.
12. Crystal City.
17. St. Louis: a. m., cathedral; evening, All Saints.
10. 10 a. m., Trinity, St. Louis, annual meeting Orphans' Home.
22. Columbia.
24. St. Louis: a. m., Holy Communion; evening, Holy Innocents.
26. Hannibal.
28. Potosi.
29. Irondale.

MASSACHUSETTS.

PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., Bishop.

The Western Convocation met at the parish house of St. Mark's, Adams, on Feb. 9; 17 of the clergy were present. The Rev. Phillip Washburn read an essay on "Remission of Sins." At 6:30 p. m., tea was served by the ladies of the parish. Evening prayer was said at 8. The Rev. Messrs. Wm. Grosvenor, Arthur Lawrence, and J. C. Brooks took part in the services. The addresses were on "The Church's Message to Men," by the Rev. W. A. Holbrook, "The Church's Message to Women," by the Rev. Mr. Fisher; and "The Church's Relation to Children," by the Rev. Dr. Newton. At the devotional meeting, on the 10th, after the Celebration, the addresses concerned topics of the spiritual life, and were delivered by the Rev. Messrs. F. P. Clark, C. W. Duffield, and J. C. Brooks. The next meeting will take place at Greenfield, in June.

BOSTON.—In the parish rooms of St. Paul's church, on Feb. 11th, the Bishop met a number of laymen, representing the various parishes in and around the city, and conferred with them in reference to the needs of the City Board of Missions. He showed how the old Boston was rapidly presenting problems to the Church, which required the service and money of the laymen, who must not be contented with the work in their own parishes, but extend their usefulness to the multiplying opportunities of the mission field. The Rev. F. B. Allen outlined the work, and described the good already accomplished by the Board, with a hope that every layman would become interested in it. Addresses were also made by Messrs. Robert Treat Paine, J. D. W. French, Robert H. Gardner, and others.

The funeral of the Rev. Dr. Lambert took place at Trinity church, on Monday, Feb. 8th, at 10:30 A. M. The Bishop, the Rev. A. St. John Chambres, D. D., and the Rev. Charles Arey, D. D., officiated; 35 clergymen, in their robes, were in the procession. The interment was at New Bedford. At the request of the Bishop, the clergy met afterwards in one of the rooms of the church, and addresses were made upon the life and ministry of the much-beloved clergyman. A committee of three was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions upon his loss to the diocese which he had served so many years.

St. Andrew's church observed the 10th anniversary of the rectorship of the Rev. Reuben Kidner, by giving him a reception in the parish house, on Chambers st., Monday, Feb. 8th.

LOWELL.—On Sunday, Feb. 7th, the Bishop confirmed, in St. Anne's church, 30 candidates, and 28 in St. John's church.

GREAT BARRINGTON.—The Rev. Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., is the new rector of St. James' church.

CONNECTICUT.

JOHN WILLIAMS, S. T. D., LL. D., Bishop.

HARTFORD.—The death of the Rev. Leopold Simonson was a result of the prevalent epidemic, la grippe, followed by Bright's disease. He was born July 16th, 1827, in Dresden, Saxony. For a number of years he resided at Berlin. Subsequently he lived in Trieste, and later at Constantinople, in Bucharest, and in England. He also traveled extensively through Italy, Servia, and Greece. In 1054 he came to this country, and for a time was settled in Baltimore. In 1858 he came to this city. For years he was instructor in modern languages at Trinity College. Later he was appointed instructor in German at the High School, which position he held for 20 years. During the last two years he had been interested in the propagation and introduction of the world-language—Volapuk. The professor was a linguist of more than ordinary ability. He was as thoroughly at home in French, German, and Italian as he was in English, which he spoke fluently. He also knew about a dozen other languages with a greater or less degree of thoroughness. He read Greek as readily as English or German. He had done a good deal of translating into German. Among these works might be mentioned "Lossing's History of America." Professor Simonson was one of the pioneers in editing German text for American schools. He was the compiler of the *Balladen Buch*, and Hans Andersen's *Bilderbuch ohne Bilder*. Professor Simonson was beloved by all who knew him. He was a man of gentle disposition, very conscientious, good-natured; always ready to take the part of the oppressed. He had deep convictions of what was right and just, and was never afraid of expressing them. He was truly and sincerely religious. Nearly 20 years ago he took orders in the Church, and had been honorary assistant at St. John's church in East Hartford. The funeral was held on Jan. 25th, in St. John's church, East Hartford. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. J. McCook, assisted by Professor Flavel Luther, both of Trinity College, and both intimate and life-long friends of Professor Simonson. The faculty of the High School met at the school building soon after 10 o'clock, and attended the funeral together. Nearly all the teachers were present. The funeral was also attended by a large number of the pupils, by whom the professor was greatly beloved.

BRIDGEPORT.—St. John's church, through its energetic rector, the Rev. Wm. H. Lewis, has taken vigor up steps for the establishment of a coffee house. Necessary capital has been subscribed by generous laymen, on the share plan, a manager has been employed, and a suitable building fitted up.

SYMPATHY.

FROM AN ADDRESS BEFORE ST. ANNA'S GUILD OF THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NEW YORK, BY THE RECTOR, THE REV. GEORGE H. HOUGHTON, S. T. D.

Of the classical literature that was read by me in my early days, there was, in particular, builded into my mind, there to remain, and to exert its influence my life long, a line of a Roman poet, an author, strange to say, who wrote plays for the theatre, and a statement made by a Greek author, in the choicest words of his charming tongue, concerning the practice of an ancient Eastern king.

The Latin line, the line of the Roman playwright, is the line: *Homo sum: humani nihil a me alienum puto.*

Now, before I go on to say what I intend to say about this line, as to its meaning and its early, life-long influential building into my mind, let me tell you something which the origin of the line, and the place where, when first publicly heard, it elicited an universal applause, recall as regards my own experience and practice—something of my personal experience and practice, which

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Through the twilight into darkness,
Daylight glories gently fade,
And by exquisite gradations
Sunlight passes into shade;
Ever between light and shadow
Some soft middle-tint is laid.

As in all the world around us,
So through all the world within;
Daylight joys in twilight linger
When our nights of grief begin;
Over sadness broods the memory
Of the gladness that has been.

In the Church, by such transition,
Changes now the Christian Year;
And between the light and shadow
Mellow middle-tints appear—
God's great love and glory blending
With our night of evil here.

Ere the Lenten shadows deepen,
While before our dazzled eyes
Fades Epiphany's great splendor,
Blessed twilight veils the skies,
And the star of Bethlehem lingers
Over where the young Child lies.

There is a practical purpose, as well as a poetical sentiment, in what has been called the "Lenten Penumbra." While this pre-Lenten season serves to temper and attune the spirit in harmony with the solemn environment into which it is about to enter, it also affords a much-needed opportunity for considering ways and means, and arranging plans for the best possible use of Lenten opportunities. Like all other seasons or occasions of especial interest, Lent will yield its best results only as it is entered upon with serious purpose and earnest preparation. The Church would not have us come upon the solemn season abruptly; she would have us pause upon the threshold, to collect our thoughts and gird up the loins of our minds. And as we stand here in the twilight we should ask ourselves: How shall we make this Lent a "dear feast" and gather from it great blessing and renewed strength?

LET us regard Lent as a sort of training school for the development

of the soul, a special season for spiritual exercise. As a man who goes into a gymnasium to strengthen his body, or into the college to gain intellectual power, subordinates other things to these ends, and for the time lives by rule more strictly than is thought needful in the ordinary course of life, so must the devout soul determine beforehand the rule and order to be observed in this precious season, and follow it without wavering. All secularities that may be dispensed with consistently with duty, should be avoided, and exercises of religion, self-denial, and charity should be engaged in.

THE statement of the general principle is, perhaps, sufficient; yet there are many to whom further suggestions may be welcome. As to avoiding excess in secular business and pleasure, we all know that the tendency to such excess is characteristic of our American people. We are always at the maximum of nerve strain and excitement. Yet there is a minimum in nearly all business, which for a time may be maintained without serious impairment of interests; a minimum of social recreation that is consistent with friendly intercourse. By a prudent curtailment in one or other of these directions, time and strength may be saved for the real Lenten work of discipline and spiritual edification. Even this abridgment of lawful business and amusement is, in itself, a valuable discipline.

THE discipline of self-denial and self-control must, however, be brought to a more continuous exercise. A single or occasional act cannot be relied upon for development, physical or spiritual. Systematic, repeated, successive movements are required. Here comes in the benefit of abstinence; it may be every day, from delicacies; or on certain days, as Wednesdays and Fridays, from flesh, food, of which nearly all our people eat too much every day in the year. Abstinence from meat every Friday in the year and twice a week during Lent, would be a hygienic gain to young and old except to those who are engaged in exhaustive manual labor. It would be, at the same time, a due conformity to the law of the Church which requires that Fridays be observed as days of "abstinence;" and abstinence is more appropriate, to mark the day on which Christ's blood was shed, than that which refrains from food for the procuring of which the life of an animal has been taken. There are other ways and means of abstinence, besides fasting, but this is of most general

application, most easily reducible to rule; and it is rule and system that we must have in our spiritual as well as in our physical and mental development.

PERHAPS one of the most ready and needful means of fasting, for many people, is the curtailment of secular reading, novel reading and newspaper reading; both are destructive of time and demoralizing in their influence upon mind and morals, unless very carefully guarded. One cannot travel in the street cars, even after dark, without seeing men and women straining their eyes with eagerness over cheap novels or badly printed newspapers,—mere scum and froth. Churchmen who are in earnest to make the most of Lent will endeavor at this season to make the least of newspaper and novel reading; and let the Sunday paper go over to Monday, if it must come into the house at all.

SOME of the time saved from secular reading and "society," during Lent, should be given to reading of a more serious and elevating character. Reading that is strictly devotional cannot, of course, be long continued, though it should have its allotted time each day. There is much other reading on the lines of Church doctrine and Bible truth, character and duty, that is to edification. We are to grow in knowledge as well as in grace. We should direct our Lenten reading to acquire a better comprehension of the Church, her ways and works, and of those things which a Christian ought to know and believe for his soul's health. The Book of books, we fear, gets very little study from the busy men and women of our time. There is the Psalter, which we prize as a treasury of worship, seldom opened except in Church; there are grand sermons which are seldom called for from the shelves of the booksellers; collections of devotional poetry comparatively unsought and unread; devout meditations upon the deep things of God, profound discourses upon the mysteries of life, wise directions for the acquirement of the wisdom that is better than rubrics, precious words of consolation and encouragement for all who are weary and heavy laden.

A RIGHT preparation for Lent requires well-considered decision of some things about which the pastor's advice should be sought. It may be permitted to us to suggest, however, some points to which attention should be given. There is the question of attendance on special services; of receiving the Holy

Communion, and preparation for it; of contributing to the work of missions, and of personal participation in that work. There may be poor to be visited and relieved, youth wandering in forbidden paths to be sought out and rescued, lukewarm Churchmen to be interested again in the work of the parish, strangers to be welcomed, men careless about religion to be brought to church, children to be found for the Sunday school. In these, and in many other ways, genuine missionary work may be done, and such work is twice blessed. A distinct, but not too severe, rule of self-denial must also be adopted, keeping in mind that it is better to perform a small duty well than a large one imperfectly, and that to undertake more than is prudent is discouraging and harmful.

THE LOWER CRITICISM.

The word criticism as applied to anything sacred has an ugly sound. It suggests fault-finding and contradiction. But in the scientific use of the word this objection disappears. Here it signifies, or ought to signify, a method of discovering truth and of estimating its value.

As applied to the Bible there are two kinds of criticism, the "lower" and the "higher." The first of these of which we propose to speak at present, concerns itself with the study and comparison of the manuscripts which have come down to us, the translations into various languages, the quotations and references to be found in ancient writers, all this for the purpose of ascertaining as exactly as possible the very words of the original documents. This kind of criticism was pursued in the early Church, and as soon as it became evident that through the very large number of copies spread abroad, many of them written carelessly by ill-instructed scribes, errors and mistakes were becoming abundant, measures were taken by the authorities of the Church to set forth more perfect editions. Such a work was entered upon in the year 332, when Eusebius, one of the best scholars of his time, undertook to provide fifty careful copies for the churches of Constantinople. Other work of the same kind was done in other places at this period, when new and splendid churches were springing up in every direction. The four earliest manuscripts which have been preserved belong to this period and are examples of the same care. Scholars tell us that the New Testaments of the fourth century are more accurate than the common run of those of the second and third centuries.

In the year 383, St. Jerome undertook a thorough revision and, substantially, a new translation of the Bible into Latin. He was a well equipped scholar and had access to all the learning of his age. He used the oldest and best Greek manuscripts which he could find, and introduced many changes into the Latin text. His translation continued to be that of the Church of the West, without change, until the year 1695. It will be seen that his work involved very largely what is known as the "lower" criticism.

Learned men, whether they have any proper claim to the name of Christian or not, are at liberty to spend their time on this kind of study if it attracts them, and the results may or may not be valuable to the Church. Up to a certain point, the "science" of the Christian and the non-Christian are the same, that is, so far as the ordinary "canons" or rules are concerned by which the probabilities are ascertained and weighed in favor of or against a particular reading. But when the non-Christian critic adds to these, other rules which go with his non-Christian attitude (as that the Apostles or other sacred writers could not have known or believed a particular doctrine, for example, the Divinity of the Son, or that a particular fact was unknown to them, as the supernatural conception and birth of Christ, and that consequently all expressions or passages which would prove the contrary must be elided), then the Christian scholar parts company with him. To him the presumption is in favor of those very things which the other assumes to be false.

Now this work of critical scholars is no doubt of great use in ascertaining with more or less probability the exact words of the writers. Certainly, to those who think that Christianity at the first was constructed out of a previously existing written record, or that it is to be so constructed now, such work may be of supreme importance.

But the relation of the Catholic Church to the New Testament Scriptures is a little different from this. It is well known, or ought to be well known, that Christianity and the Church existed over a large part of the world, that there was a definite "doctrine," a "fellowship," a "breaking of the bread," and "prayers," before a line of the New Testament was written. Members of the Catholic Church, founders and others, wrote the books, and ultimately the Church set them forth and gave them her *imprimatur* as the inspired and authoritative Scriptures. Their earliest and most permanent use was for devotional reading in the churches. Accordingly,

what the Church was solicitous about was that the forms in which she used these books should be such as to convey adequately and effectively what the writers recorded as fact and what they taught as doctrine. It does not appear that she was ever greatly concerned about the very words. It was sufficient for all intents and purposes if the original thoughts were conveyed.

The truth is, that among all the hundreds of divergencies of which we sometimes hear so much, there are none which affect a single teaching of the Catholic Church. The exact reading may be one thing or another, but no doctrine is touched. This may explain why the Church is comparatively indifferent about this particular kind of criticism, and why new versions are not taken up with any great enthusiasm. The Church herself is the "pillar and ground of the truth," and she is satisfied if the form in which she uses the Scriptures suffices to convey the true teachings and thoughts of the inspired writer, without being too anxious about the matter of verbal precision, which after all can never be attained with absolute certainty. Take even what may be considered an extreme case, the three witnesses in the fifth chapter of the First Epistle of St. John. The actual words may or may not have been penned by St. John himself, but they convey no false idea of his teaching; on the contrary, they are entirely in accord with that teaching. Therefore it becomes a matter of comparatively little importance, for the purposes for which the Bible is read in the Church, whether this perfectly legitimate expansion of his thought is allowed to stand or not.

The Church may, in her own time, take advantage of the results of modern critical scholarship so far as she finds it of use to do so for her own proper ends. Meanwhile she is well assured that her Scriptures contain no error which affects either the truth of the narrative or the truth of doctrine. Until, by her own authority, she sets forth a new version, no officer of hers has any right, by virtue of his superior learning, to introduce corrections or make omissions.

We have restricted our remarks at present to what is designated as "lower" or textual criticism. At another time we shall have something to say on the subject of the "higher" criticism, as it is called by way of distinction, which is causing so much anxiety of late years in so many quarters, and which the enemies of Christianity, with much exaggeration and distortion, are endeavoring to make use of to the subversion of our holy religion.

SERMON NOTES.

THE UPLIFTING HAND.

BY THE RT. REV. DR. WHITEHEAD, AT CHRIST CHURCH CHAPEL, PHILADELPHIA, JAN. 17, 1892.

"Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up." St. Mark ix: 27.

No one who carefully reads and considers the Holy Gospels can fail to note how frequently, as if He loved to do it, our blessed Lord brought Himself into actual, personal, physical contact with those to whom He ministered. He could dispense blessings at a distance. He could speak the word and be obeyed. There was no necessity laid upon Him to use visible means of cure, to be in the presence of those whom He would bless. And yet how often, in all the Gospels, do we read such incidents as this where Jesus, descending from the glories of the Mount of Transfiguration, vouchsafed to take a personal, sympathetic interest in the boy with the deaf and dumb spirit, and, after casting out the foul visitant, took the exhausted sufferer by the hand and lifted him up.

When mothers desired a blessing for their children, they brought them that He should touch them, and he sat them on His knee, laid His hands upon them, and blessed them. When the blind men came to Him, not content with words of cheer and authority, it is written that He reached out His hand and touched their eyes; so also He touched the ears and the eyes and the tongue of the man who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech; and even the repulsive leper, breaking all bounds of conventionality and decorum, could not by his reckless presumption turn the Lord's compassion away from him. It is recorded for great comfort in our sin and need, that even to him, vile as he was, the Saviour showed marvellous condescension, "He reached out His hand and touched him." You would not have done it, nor I. But the Master did it, hallowing thenceforth all sickness and pain, all human needs of whatever sort, making each a blessed opportunity, and sanctifying by His touch, the human senses of sight, healing, and speech, and exalting the sense of touch as one of the highest, if it is not indeed the best, instrumentality in the furtherance of His kingdom.

And so we come to the one word of counsel and encouragement which I desire to utter on this occasion. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew seeks to fulfill the duty, shall I not better say, to enjoy the happy privilege, of helping the churches, and then the Master, in verily uplifting the children of God by personal contact. The rule of prayer keeps the channel open whereby the life-giving power of the risen Head flows perennially into the hearts of those whom He has already touched and lifted up, and made members of Himself. The rule of service sends every brother to lay hands of love on others, getting them on their feet, unstopping their ears, opening their eyes, unsealing their lips, helping them to walk, and bringing them, as Andrew did his brother Simon, more and more closely to Jesus.

Gaze daily into the Master's face; hearken diligently to His words of instruction and of cheer; grow into His likeness and learn to think His thoughts, and speak His words, and do His deeds. And as by His precious spirit, He Himself lives more and

more within you, the love which constrained Him to lift the whole race nearer to His heart shall make it the very joy of your lives to reach out the same uplifting hand to every one who needs you. Daily contact with Him will surely bring us in more intimate contact for good with all His brethren.

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FROM A FRIDAY EVENING LECTURE, BY THE REV. R. H. GESNER, B. D., RECTOR OF ZION CHURCH, MORRIS, N. Y.

"And the Gospel must first be published among all nations." St. Mark xiii: 10.

The Gospel is to be published, made common, not by the living voice alone, but by the written and printed word, through the medium of Church newspapers and periodicals.

You know how people regard their village or county paper. To the tired merchant or farmer, it is almost indispensable as he draws his chair within the benignant radiance of the evening lamp. He will tell you that he must be "posted," that he must keep up with the times, that he must know what is transpiring in the neighborhood, in the State, the nation, the world. Yet if you say to him: "Do you take a Church paper?" he will speedily find occasion to change the subject!

Yet is it reasonable that a man should allow himself to get behind the times as regards the things pertaining to the kingdom of God? Ought he not to keep "posted" on the work, the progress, the conflicts, of the Church? Will he say: "I hear enough about the Church on Sunday to last me through the week?" No man can hear too much about the life and growth, the trials and the triumphs, of the kingdom of God. No pastor, however faithful, can take the place of an earnest, fearless, well-edited Church paper.

What I have said implies that every family ought to take a Church paper because it helps to keep them in touch with the Church at home and abroad. When a parish thinks only of its own narrow interests, cares for nothing outside of its own limits, it is afflicted with that bane of corporate life, parochialism! It is much like a man who thinks only of his personal ease and comfort, who pays no heed to the need and suffering of his fellow-men, who, unlike Sir Launfal, bestows not so much as the passing coin of a kindly word or a whispered prayer for the crying ills of a maimed and bleeding world, but goes his way with steeled and indifferent heart.

From such a working of parochial life, the Church paper helps to deliver us, to keep us in unceasing communication with the great world of Christianity outside of us. It stimulates our zeal with the knowledge of the labors of other lively members of Christ. It aids in infusing the missionary spirit, as we read of the needs of the Church in foreign and domestic fields.

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