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The Admiral, having expressed a wish to the rector, the Rev. Dr. Mackay-Smith, to render publicly his thanks to Almighty God for the success that had crowned his arms and for his safe return from sea, came to the morning service at the church for that purpose on Sunday, Oct. 8th. His intention had not been mentioned by the rector to any one, lest it might attract a crowd actuated by no higher impulse than curiosity. The prayers used were the one for thanksgiving for victory in the Form of Prayer to be Used at Sea in the Praver Book, and also the usual thanksgiving for safe return from sea. One or two slight alterations were made in the first prayer, the words "victories and deliverances which have crowned the past two years,' being employed in place of the phrase, "this happy victory," and also expression being given to the fact that it was at the personal request of the petitioner that the prayer was offered. In accordance with the spirit of the Church, no further allusion was made in the sermon or elsewhere to the Admiral's presence. He sat in the front pew, and afterward expressed to the rector the very deep and grateful feeling which had filled his heart as he heard the prayers read.

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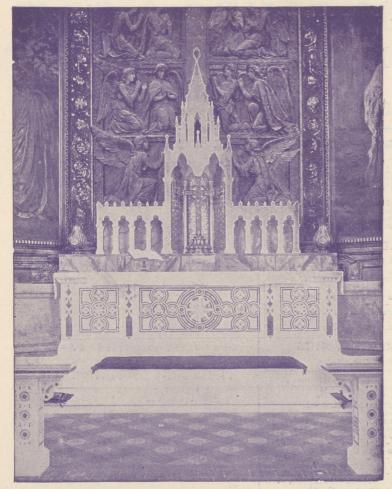
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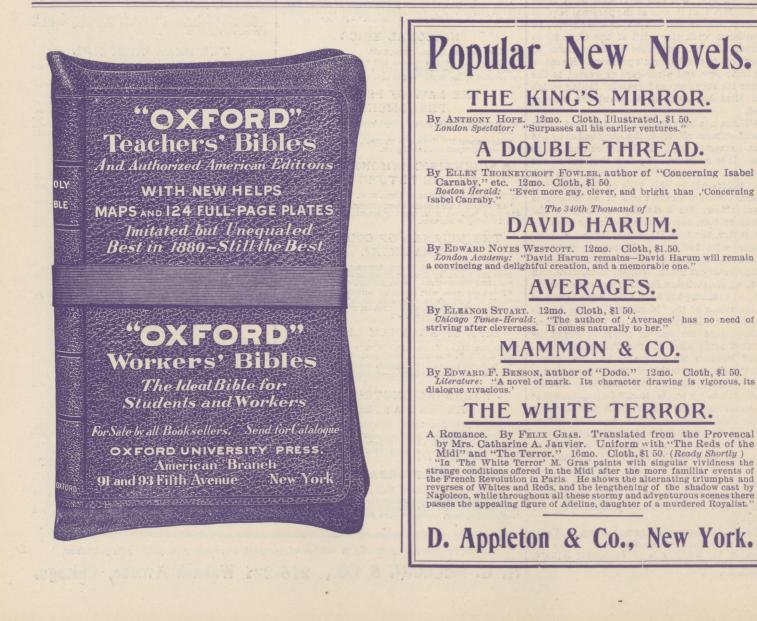
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Rev. Charles Wesley Leffingwell, Editor and Proprietor

Notes of the World's Progress

HE SUCCESS OF BRITISH ARMS on the part of the Emperor for an alliance and the only alternative was excessive tax. forever eliminated, marks the end of aggressive resistance to the march of civilization in Central Africa. The Khalifa, successor to El Mahdi who defeated and executed Gordon, was a power amongst the fanatical Dervishes, continually exciting them to war upon their enemies, the English. His escape after the decisive victory of General Kitchener was the incomplete feature of British success, and his final removal, with the complete rout of his forces, leaves the English in undisputed and peaceful possession of a vast expanse of territory which will now be placed under modern influences. Parts of the Soudan have inexhaustible agricultural resources, which can now be developed. Possession of the territory will also in a measure aid in the projection of the Cape to Cairo railway project.

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BROOKLYN IS THE SCENE OF THE bursting of a financial bubble, the maority of sufferers being people not in position to lose any amount of money. The plan, worked by one William F. Miller, under the name of the Franklin Syndicate, offered small investors ten per cent. interest weekly, and operated something after the chainletter abomination. It is said that an amount estimated at \$4,000,000 is involved in the swindle, and the manager, Miller, succeeded in getting away with about \$1,250,000, a greater portion of the balance having been returned to investors in interest payments. To those unacquainted with financial operations, the statement of Miller that his ability to earn excessive interest was through private information as to coming movements of grain and stocks, was credible. The only lesson to be deduced from the operation and collapse of the Franklin Syndicate, is that any plan promising more than legitimate returns from investments is in the nature of a gold brick.

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TIME WAS, BEFORE THE ADVENT OF the foreign correspondent, when the visit of one monarch to another did not have especial significance. But recent events serve to show the progress of modern daily journalism. Emperor William of Germany chose to pay a visit to his grandmother, Queen Victoria, and correspondence at once unearthed deep political significance. The visit is entirely unofficial, and not marked by official dinners or other demonstrations; yet, according to correspondents whose occult powers are singularly developed, the object is to settle matters in connection with the Transvaal war. While a guest of the Queen, Emperor William, accompanied by the Prince of Wales, spent a day with the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough, at historic Blenheim. As the Duchess was an American girl, we are advised that this call is significant, as indicating a desire ished in resources, as well as available cash,

last week in the Soudan, in which the between America, England, and Germany. Khalifa, as a disturbing element, was Great are the strides of modern journalism.

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ATEST ADVICES FROM THE PHIL-L ippines indicate a further weakening of resistance, and a probability that submission to American authority will soon be complete. While the movement to surround the principle body of Filipinos, headed by Aguinaldo, was not entirely successful, since the leader and the majority of his followers escaped through the meshes of the net, it served to

demonstrate to the natives the power of the American forces, and will thus have a salutary effect. Statements of prominent native leaders and former officials of the so-called Aguinaldo cabinet, now within the American lines, are in effect that disintegration is at work, and that the opposing forces are broken into small bands, unable to offer united resistance. The son and mother of Aguinaldo have fallen into the hands of the American forces, which is proof of the thorough demoralization of the Filipino army.

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FROM BEING A POPULAR IDOL, ADmiral Dewey dropped in a day, in the minds of many, to a subject for severe denunciation, and was quickly reinstated to popular favor. The action of a few unthinking and unreasoning writers in hastily denouncing the Admiral for transferring the gift home to Mrs. Dawey. was responsible for a storm of criticism, but subsequent events, of course, exonerated him completely. Critics were hasty, first, in speaking of the home as a gift of the nation, when the reverse was the case. The real gift of the nation was the thanks of Congress, and a handsome sword; the home was the gift or expression of a few thousand individuals. During the process of his transformation into a "hero," Admiral Dewey in no wise relinquished his rights as a private citizen, and whatever his action in regard to his home, there can be no just ground for criticism so long as it is retained for his use.

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THAT THE LIFE OF A "HERO" IS not altogether pleasant, albeit of desirable flavor, is no better illustrated than in the case of Brigadier General Funston. His experience as Colonel of the Twentieth Kansas afforded the opportunity for the man, and universal acclamation followed, as well as an appointment as Brigadier. Now envious friends and politicians spread tales regarding his career which on their face bear the stamp of untruth.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF SPAIN ARE drifting toward a climax which may result in civil war. The signing of the treaty of peace in Paris left Spain most impover-

ation. Catalonia is already in a state approaching revolution. At the close of the war the commercial classes of that province petitioned the government for radical financial reform, and the adjustment of taxation which is now injurious to commercial and financial interests. Commercial bodies throughout Spain endorsed this petition. The Catalonians demand complete self-government and self-taxation, paying a fixed quota into the imperial treasury. At present forty per cent. of the revenue raised in Catalonia goes to sustain a swarm of incompetent and unnecessary officials. Failing to secure the reforms asked, merchants of Barcelona refused to pay taxes, whereupon the government adopted stringent measures, suspending constitutional rights, and proclaiming military law.

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 $C^{\rm APTAIN\; LEARY, NAVAL\; GOVERNOR}_{\rm of\; the\; Island\; of\; Guam,\; one\; of\; the\; least\; of}$ our newly acquired colonial possessions, is inaugurating an order of things which may well be emulated by those officials who may later be placed in charge of more important stations. The natives of Guam, while docile if tactfully handled, do not possess a high moral code; neither are they characterized by habits of industry. In order to raise the tone of the island, and elevate his subjects to a better appreciation of the benefits they are to derive from becoming an American possession, Governor Leary has issued an important proclamation. Every inhabitant without a trade or habitual occupation is ordered to engage in agricultural pursuits and poultry raising, and those who have no land will be alloted a plot by the government. Polygamy will no longer be tolerated, and to enforce proper marriage relations, a civil officer is detailed to perform the marriage rite, to which the natives willingly submit.

FROM TIME TO TIME, REPORTS have come from Finland of distress and dissatisfaction caused by the Russianizing of the country. From present happenings, it does not appear that Russia is pursuing the most honorable course with respect to the Finnish people. Rather than submit to Russian government, and in a measure sink their nationality into that of Russia, many inhabitants of the country, particularly young men, are moving to establish themselves where greater liberty can be enjoyed. To this end a delegation recently visited Canada, and being satisfied that the country is ready with a hospitable welc me, have arranged for the settlement in a rich, but thinly populated, agricultural section, of a colony which will eventually number many thousands. Canadian officials have shown a disposition to make whatever concessions are necessary for the welfare of the immigrants.

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The News of the Church

The Sunday School

Public Lectures in New York

The course of lectures on "Christian Knowledge," under the auspices of the Sunday School Commission, has been extended to include a number of additional lectures. President G. Stanley Hall, of Clark University, lectured Nov. 18th.on "The religious content of a child's mind." and on Nov. 25th, Prof. F. M. McMurray, of Teacher's College, Columbia University, took for his theme, "The use of biography in religious instruction." Subsequent lectures will be delivered as follows: On Dec. 2nd, Prof. Chas. Foster Kent, of Brown University, on "The use of geography in religious instruction"; Dec. 9th, the Rev. Dr. Geo. Hodges, dean of the Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, Mass., on "The content of religious instruction," and Dec. 16th, Bishop Doane, of Albany, on "The educational work of the Christian Church." The chairman of the commission is the Rev. Pascal Harrower; the secretary, the Rev. Dr. W. Walter Smith, and the treasurer, Mr. Harry H. Pike.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Board of Missions

Eight branches have been established in South Carolina. The work of these amounted last year to about \$407.

The Iowa Branch

Under arrangements with the Bishop and the Board of Missions, the diocesan president has just completed a tour of 23 of the parishes and missions, the journey consuming between five and six weeks. Everywhere the outlook was found encouraging, the attendance at all the 23 meetings being at least double, and the interest three times what it would have been some years ago. The work of the Junior Auxiliary in the Sunday schools also received, it is believed, a decided impetus. New work was inaugurated at Albia, Boone, Chariton, East Des Moines, Mooar, Mt. Pleasant, and Oskaloosa, and the branch at Iowa City revived. Dyersville and Grace church, Council Bluffs, have also come into the ranks within the last few months, so that the Auxiliary is now organized in 44 of the parishes and missions of the diocese. The work of visitation and organization will be vigorously carried on through the remainder of the convention year. The influence of Bishop Morrison's missionary zeal is felt and recognized in every part of the diocese.

The Daughters of the King

The 7th annual convention was held in Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 15th-17th. On Nov. 15th, Quiet Hours were held in St. Luke's church from 3 to 5 p.m., conducted by the Rev. Wyllys Rede, D. D. The subject of the addresses were "The King," "The Kingdom," "The Daughters of the King;" silent prayer, meditation, and the singing of hymns between each one, concluding with a reconsecration to the service of the King. The service was a very solemn and impressive one, and was largely attended.

Nov. 16th, the convention opened with Morning Prayer and a corporate celebration of the Holy Communion. The Rt. Rev. Cleland Kinloch Nelson, D.D., delivered the charge to the convention. He said that this was the first national body of our Church people ever met in the far South, and spoke of the gratification felt by the people of Atlanta in having the convention in their midst. He said "the Order was an inner circle within the Church, whose work was only spiritual, and thus filled a place that no other organization occupies."

At 11:30 the delegates repaired to the Symphony Club House. The roll call showed 14 States represented, with large delegations from all the important cities of the country. Mrs. E. A. Bradley, of New York city, president of the

Order, made the opening address, reviewing the work of the past year. She stated that a movement had been started looking toward the organization of a junior branch of the Order, to be composed of young girls who have not been confirmed, with the purpose of fitting them to become members of the older Order. Mrs. Bradley also spoke of St. Luke's chapter in Atlanta, as having furnished a missionary from the Order, Miss Charley Warnock who is now doing missionary work among the girls and women of St. Peter's and Our Saviour parishes in Shanghai, China.

The secretary, Miss E. L. Ryerson, of New York, reported the work done during the past year: 44 new chapters have been organized, and a membership of over 1,000 gained. The Order has now 15,000 members, and flourishes in the United States, Canada, England, Australia, and the West Indies. In England the Archbishop of Canterbury is the patron of the Order, and the Bishop of London is the visitor, and organizes the new chapters that come in. Committees were appointed and reports made. Addresses of welcome were made by the rector of St. Luke's, the Rev. Charles A. Jessup, and Mrs. E G. Warner, of the Incarnation chapter, Atlanta. The Bishop remained through the entire meeting. Members of the clergy also were present. A delightful luncheon was served in the basement of St. Luke's church.

In the afternoon the subjects discussed were: "The motive of the work," Mrs. Leslie Pell Clarke, Orlando, Fla.; "The method of the work," Mrs. Wyllys Rede, Atlanta, Ga.; "The results of the work," Mrs. John Moncure, Philadelphia. From 5 P. M. to 6:30, an informal reception was tendered the delegates at the episcopal residence, by Bishop and Mrs. Nelson, assisted by the St. Luke's chapter and some of the leading Church people of Atlanta. Refreshments were served. At night there was a public meeting at St. Luke's. The church was crowded. Bishop Nelson presided. In the chancel, besides the rector of St. Luke's and dean of the cathedral, there were eight clergymen. Ad dresses were to have been made by the Bishops of Florida and South Carolina, but they were delayed in reaching the convention, and their subjects were taken by the Rev. T. C. A. Pise who spoke on "The motive of prayer," and the Rev. Wyllys Rede, on "The coming kingdom." The last speaker was the Rev. Albion W. Knight, dean of the cathedral, whose subject was "The life of prayer and service." The music was beautifully rendered by the full vested choir.

On Friday, the 17th, Holy Communion was celebrated in St. Luke's church at 7 A.M., Morning Prayer with litany at 10 A. M.; at 10:30 convention met in the Symphony Club House. The Rev. Mr. Jessupopened the meeting with prayer, after which the Daughters' hymn was sung. The subject for discussion was: "Our difficulties"; "In country," was presented by Miss Minnie D. Ryerson, of New York city; "In town," by Mrs. William Barnes, of College Point, L. I., and "In city," by Miss Irene R. Smiley, of Atlanta. This was followed by a conference on details of the work, closing with a question box. At 2 P. M., the following officers were elected: Mrs. E. A. Bradley, of New York city, president: Mrs. J. W. Peck, of New Haven, Conn., and Mrs. E. J. Warner, of Morrisania, N. Y., vice-presidents; Miss Elizabeth L. Ryerson, New York, secretary; Mrs. J. H. Kahrs, of New York, treasurer. The council: Mrs. Thomas U. Dudley, 'Kentucky; Mrs. Thomas L. Jones, Seymour, Conn.; Mrs. David Sisson, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. John B. Falkner, Germantown, Pa.; Mrs. John Moncure, Philadelphia; Mrs. F. P. Wells, Minneapolis; Mrs. W. L. Davenport, Anacostia, D. C.; Mrs. Still, cathedral church, Atlanta; Mrs. Denmead, Baltimore; Miss Minnie Ryerson, New York. Invitations were received asking that Minneapolis and Pittsburgh be candidates for the next convention, Bishop Whitehead

writing a personal letter, which was read during the session. A vote was given in favor of Plttsburgh. Addresses by Mrs. W. G. Davenport, of Anacostia, D. C., on "The work for girls," and by Miss Julia P. Morand, of New York city, on "Mission work," closed the convention which was one of the most successful in the history of the Order.

Canada

At the semi-annual meeting in October of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Board of Canada, the important step of organizing as an independent foreign missionary society was taken, severing connection with the old English Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, after much consultation, both with the S. P. G., and Bishop Awdrey, of Tokio, Japan.

Diocese of Quebec

A very interesting service was held in the cathedral, Quebec, on the Sunday before the Canadian troops sailed for the Transvaal. They left Quebec in the steamship "Sardinian," on the following Tuesday. Of the 1,000 men, 600 belonged to the Anglican Church. At the morning celebration of the Holy Communion 300 of the soldiers participated, and by special order of the General, none of the men left the church till the Celebration was concluded. The congregation remained also. The sermon was preached by the Rev. G. F. Scott. By order of the General, 500 copies of the sermon were placed on the "Sardinian" for use among the men. The Rev. John Almond, a young man who has been doing good mission work on the Labrador coast, volunteered to go as Church of England chaplain to the Canadian contingent. Mr. Almond graduated at Bishop's College, Lenoxville. The Bishop has given his clergy a choice of prayers for use during the war. He held several Confirmations in the township during the latter part of November, and arranged to consecrate the church at Kinnear's Mills, on St. Andrew's Day. A handsome brass altar cross has been placed in St. Barnabas' church, North Hatley, by Miss Jennie Daves, of Baltimore, Md., as a memorial of her father. The Rev. H. R. Sargent, of the Order of the Holy Cross, Westminster, Md., has been conducting a series of services in St. Matthew's church, Quebec, in connection with its dedication festival.

Diocese of Montreal

The Bishop held a Confirmation in Christ church cathedral, Montreal, on the 28d Sunday after Trinity. Land has been given for a new church in the south-eastern suburb of Montreal, which it is hoped will be erected next spring, to be called the Belcher memorial, in memory of the late Canon Belcher, who labored long in that district. There was a large attendance at the meeting of the Sunday School Institute at Shawville, for the county of Pontiac, lately. A number of the clergy were present.

Chicago

Wm. Edward McLaren, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop

It is pleasant news to the diocese to learn that, during the past week, Bishop McLaren has been feeling more like himself than for two months past.

Announcement is made that the annual meeting of the North-eastern deanery will take place on Monday, Dec. 5th, a month later than usual.

On Nov. 13th, the Rev. Dr. Wilson, rector of St. Mark's, read a paper before the Western Society of the Army of the Potomac, entitled, "The associations of the Potomac River." Under the auspices of the local Brotherhood chapter, he is now delivering a course of lectures, in the parish house, on Church history.

The Rev. G. B. Wright was called away to Michigan early last week by the serious illness of his mother,

The Rev. E. M. Thompson has been appointed to St. John's, Naperville; in connection with which is St. Andrew's, Downer's Grove.

A series of talks on the Book of Common Prayer is being given in the parish house of the church of the Redeemer, South Park, on Thursday evenings, under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, by Mr. E. A. Bernays. M. A., of Oxford University, England.

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An event of interest to Churchmen is the recent recording of a deed conveying the property at Johnson and 12th sts., 43 by 100 ft., to the Greek Church; the consideration named being \$10,000. The Greeks on the West Side who have now a settled priest, have re named the chapel Hagia Trias, or Holy Trinity. It will be remembered that the closing of St. Stephen's mission, three years ago, was necessitated by the removal of Church people, the neighborhood becoming a residence district of Greeks and Israelites.

Offering for St. Luke's Hospital

On Sunday last, as directed by the canon. Inasmuch as that taken up in Grace church amounted to \$1,300, or almost as much as all the churches of the diocese gave collectively last year, there is ground for expecting a handsome total this year.

The Clerica

The monthly meeting met at the Hotel Metropole, on Monday, Nov. 14th, on the invitation of Mrs. Stires, of Grace church. The gathering was almost the largest in the life of this association which has done so much in bringing together and making known to each other the clergymen's wives. There was a certain fitness in having this first anniversary at the residence of the rector of Grace; for the very first meeting at which the Clerica was inaugurated, was held at Mrs. Clinton Locke's house, thea chosen president, whose husband, the esteemed dean, had been for two thirds of a century rector of Grace church.

The Choir Festival

Held on the evening of St. Cecilia's Day in the three churches, and very well attended. In St. James', eight choirs were represented by an aggregate of 306 choristers from Ascension, Atonement, St. Mark's, Evanston; All Saints', Ravenswood; Our Saviour's, St. Chrysostom's, St. Peter's, and S'. James'. The combined choirs were under the direction of Mr. William Smedley, with Elias A. Breden as organist. The Rev. T. A. Snively, president of the Diocesan Choir Association, gave an address on the threefold aspect of Church music, as appealing to the senses, as an aid to devotion, and as an accompaniment to worship. At Grace church the Rev. E. M. Stires made a short address; here most of the South-side choirs were represented, the choristers numbering about 300; Har-rison Wild presiding at the organ, Gerald F. Stewart acting as choirmaster pro tem. At the cathedral the choirs represented, besides that of SS. Peter and Paul, were Emmanuel, La Grange; St. Barnabas', St. Luke's, Calvary, and St. Andrew's, about 200 representatives in all, with Arthur E. Fischer as choirmaster, and Ellis E Chamas organist. The dean, the Rev. L. Pardee, gave a short address. This eighth annual choir festival, while not so imposing a spectacle as when some years ago nearly 1,400 choristers sang on the stage of the Auditorium, yields to none of its seven predecessors in the elevating character of its music, or in the solemnity surrounding its rendition.

Conference of the Clergy

Thirty-two of the clergy attended the fortnightly conference in the library of the clergy house at the cathedral, on Monday morning, when the Rev. C. P. Anderson presided, and the Rev. Dr. Little, chairman of the committee on subjects, introduced "Scriptural difficulties," as the topic for discussion, in which several present participated.

Death of Mr. Calkins of Trinity Parish

loses one of its oldest members, for many years a vestryman, the diocese at large a venerable Churchman, and the community a highly respected citizen. Mr. Calkins, who was 76 years of age, was taken ill a few days ago at his summer residence, Lake Geneva. He leaves a widow, one daughter, and four sons.

New York

Henry Codman Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop

St. Margaret's church is contemplating the erection of a church building.

Improvements have been made to the property of St. Stephen's church, Melrose, Greater New York.

Bishop Hare, of South Dakota, will continue to act for Bishop Potter till about the middle of December.

The Church Temperance Society is moving for improved arrangements for the care and reform of inebriates, through means of a State reformatory.

St. Mark's Parish

Has undertaken a new work for women of the East side, to be centred at St. Mark's chapel, under the direction of Deaconess Von Brockdorf. A society known as St. Mark's Society for Work Among Women, has been organized to co operate, with the following officers; President, Mrs. Cornelius B. Mitchell; vice-president, Mrs. Howland Davis; secretary, Miss S. M. Shipper; treasurer, Mrs. Chas. E. Goodhue.

Church Periodical Club

At the 12th annual meeting just held at the Church Missions House, the Rev. Morgan Dix, D. D., D. C. L., occupied the chair. A plan for association with the Woman's Auxiliary of the Board of Missions, was considered. Officers were chosen for the ensuing year as follows: President, Miss Florence Taylor; vice-presidents, Mrs. D. T. Hoag, Mrs. B. W. Strong, Mrs. John Avery, Mrs. A. M. Sawyer, Miss A. H. Laight, Mrs. C G Lee, Miss E. P. Getty, Miss E. W. Fanning; general secretary, Mrs. J. L. Chapin; recording secretary, Mrs. George M. Christian; treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Johnson; treasurer of the endowment fund, Mrs. D. T. Hoag. Additional members of the executive committee. Mrs. Frank Shepperd, Miss Agnes Lathers.

Girls' Friendly Society

At the annual meeting of the council of the diocese, just held at Calvary parish house, the following officers were elected: President, Miss E. H. Wesner; vice-presidents, Miss C. E. Marshall, Mrs. G. W. Murdoch, and Miss Ford; chairman of the immigration committee, Mrs. J. S. Day; chairman on the committee on education, Mrs. J. S. Day; members of the council for three years, Mrs. W. L. Bull, Miss J. Du B. Roberts, Miss E. T. Agnew, Miss Campbell, and Miss Amy Rayson. The purchase of the summer house of the society, at Huntington, N. Y., has been secured, and \$5,000 is to be raised for alterations and the essential outlays involved. A conference was held at night, at which papers were read on "How should a girl's religion affect her home life?" "What are advantages and objections to domestic service?" "Should reading novels be encouraged or discouraged?'

Pennsylvania Ozi William Whitaker, D.D., LL.D., Bishop

An amateur performance of the "Mikado" was

given on Thursday evening, 23d ult., at the parish house of the South Memorial church of the Advocate, for the benefit of the embroidery guild.

Bishop Whitaker, on Nov. 20th, opened the exercises in celebration of "Philadelphia Day," at the National Export Exposition, with prayer, and invoked the Divine blessing upon American labor and commercial activity. There were about 2,000 present in the auditorium.

A Woman's Exchange

St. Mary's Aid of St. Mary's church, Hamilton Village, has organized a Woman's Exchange. In the death of Mr. Calkins, Trinity church Every one is invited to become a consignor.

St. Paul's Church. Cheltenham

On the 1st ult., the vestry unanimously elected the Rev. J. Thompson Cole, rector, in succession to the Rev. Dr. Edward W. Appleton who now becomes rector emeritus. On Sunday, 19th ult., the new rector conducted his first "Children's Church service."

Italian Church Anniversary

The 17th anniversary of the Italian mission church, L'Emmanuello, was celebrated on Sunday afternoon, 19th ult., in Holy Trinity church, Philadelphia, with appropriate services. The Rev. F. W. Tomkins who preached the anniversary sermon, took as his text, "The stranger that is within thy gates" (Exodus xx: 10), and dwelt on the duty which we owe the foreign element in our country. The Rev. M. Zara who is in charge of the mission, made a brief statement of its activity during the past year, and reported its affairs as being in a very flourishing condition.

The Northwest Convocation

Is endeavoring to erect a parish house for its new mission, at 25th st. and Lehigh ave., Philadelphia, and has about \$3,500 on hand for the purpose. The plans were prepared early last summer, but until the balance needed (\$2,500) is supplied, the building will not be begun. The Sunday School Association of the diocese has promised one half of its Advent offering, and it is hoped that other funds may be contributed early in the coming year, so that this muchneeded building can be erected. The mission is now located in a small rented house, but it needs more room for its work. The neighborhood is rapidly building up, and the site selected is just the place for a thriving church. The Rev. Dr. J. N. Blanchard is now dean of the convocation, in succession to the late Rev. Dr. Benjamin Watson.

St. Clement's Patronal Festival

Was celebrated with great dignity on the 23d ult. There were four celebrations of the Holy Eucharist in the early morning, and the fifth was at 11 A. M., sung by the Rev. A. W. Doran, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. C. C. Quinn and F. D. Ward. The sermon was preached by the Rev. H. H. Oberly, of Elizabeth, N. J. The music was Stainer in A, which was well rendered, the quartet of bassos adding greatly to the effectiveness. The service was preceded by a solemn procession around the church, during which the choir sang the triumphal "And O Zion, Blest City," from Gade's "The Crusaders." In the evening, the parish tea was held in St. Clement's Hall.

St. Timothy's Club Anniversary

St. Timothy's Workingmen's Club and Institute, of Roxboro, on Sunday evening, 19th ult., began the celebration of its 26th anniversary by attending services in the parish church. The anniversary sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Elwood Worcester. On Monday evening, at the club house, the Rev. R. E. Dennison, rector of St. Timothy's, and president of the organization, offered prayer, and subsequently addressed the members. He was followed by Messrs. J. Vaughan Merrick, G.W.Bromley, Wm.Johnston, and others. James Christie, on behalf of Henry Manger, a member, presented the club with lifesized water-color portraits of J. Vaughan and Wm. H. Merrick. The secretary reported that the organization had doubled its membership during the last year, and that it is in a more prosperous condition financially and otherwise than at any time in its history. The treasurer reported receipts, \$858 22; expenditures, \$674.77. Music was furnished by the Primrose Quartette, an orchestra, and by Mrs. Bert Christie on the piano.

Annual Dinner of the Church Club

Was given on Thursday evening, 23d ult., at the Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia. About 160 members and guests were in attendance. The rooms were decorated with chrysanthemnms,

and the table was arranged in the shape of a gridiron. George C. Thomas, president of the club, acted as toast master. On his right was Bishop Whitaker, and on his left, Bishop Satterlee. A number of prominent city rectors were present. Mr. Thomas delivered the opening address, referring briefly to the work accomplished in Kensington, during the past year, by the Boys' club. Bishop Satterlee followed with a powerful address on missions, and gave some interesting statistics of the Anglican Church. John H. Cole, president of the Church club of New York, spoke of "Indifference." The Rev. Dr. J. Lewis Parks, of New York, made a long address on "The theological situation," both past and present, and was loudly applauded. The Rev. Dr. S. D. McConnell, of Brooklyn, N.Y., followed with an address on much the same lines; and Geo. Wharton Pepper concluded with a discourse on "The ethics of controversy."

Iowa

Theodore Nevin Morrison, D.D., Bishop Trinity Parish, Muscatine

Nov. 8th, the Bishop visited this parish, the Rev. W. Parry-Thomas, rector, and preached to a crowded congregation. A class of seven received the rite of Confirmation; this is the se cond class during the year. The Bishop addressed earnest words to the newly confirmed. The new girls' vested choir did their part well. In answer to a fervent appeal from the he d of the diocese for funds for diocesan missions, there was a liberal response.

Hope Church, Fort Madison

The Bishop, on the 7th inst., held his second Confirmation in the past year, when a class of 10 was presented, making a total of 26 in 12 months. The Bishop preached an impressive sermon. The music was of a high order, even for this well-known choir. Simper's "Honor the Lord with thy substance," was the anthem, and the Sanctus and Benedictus from Gounod's Messe Solennelle were effectively rendered for the offertory, which was for diocesan missions. The guild of the Royal Cross tendered the Bishop a very pleasant reception in the rectory at the conclusion of the services, which was largely attended. In addition to the offering, pledges were given for about \$50 a year to diocesan missions

St. Paul's Church, Des Moines

During the summer this church was thoroughly cleaned, repaired, and newly frescoed, by direction of the vestry, and a costly velvet carpet for the entire church was presented by the Helping Hand society, the cost of the carpet and frescoing amounting to about \$1,200. On the first Sunday of October the annual parish choir festival took place, and \$250 was awarded in prizes to the choir boys. The vested choir numbers 75 voices of men, women, and boys, under the general direction of the rector, the Rev. J. Everist Cathell, S. T. D, Mr. James Farmer, organist, and Mrs. H. R. Reynolds, choir director. It is one of the very best choirs of the Middle West, and reflects great credit upon Mrs. Reynolds. On Sunday, Oct. 12th, Bishop Morrison inaugurated in St. Paul's parish a series of diocesan missionary services, to be held throughout the diocese. Addresses were made at the morning service by Bishop Edsall, of North Dakota, Mr. Arthur Ryerson, of Chicago, Bishop Morrison, and Dr. Cathell. At the close young men distributed blank pledge cards, with the result that \$1,200 was pledged for the missions of the diocese, payable before May, 1900. It would have been difficult to determine who was made most happy by the result, the Bishop, the rector, or the congregation. At 3 P. M. there was a large gathering of the Sunday schools of the city-St. Paul's, St. Luke's, and the Good Shepherd, led by the choir of St. Paul's. Bishops Morrison and Edsall made addresses full of inspiration. At the evening service Bishop Edsall preached to another large congregation. On the evening before, the men of St. Paul's parish gave a banquet at the Kirkwood House, in honor of Bishops Morrison and

Edsall and Mr. Ryerson. This parish has two candidates for Holy Orders, and two postulants, four lay readers, and a large and flourishing Sunday school, of which Mr. Henry S. Nollen is superintendent.

Ohio

Wm. Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop St. Mark's Church, Cleveland

The Oriental opera, "Egypta," under the auspices of the Men's Club, was given at Gray's Armory for three successive nights, to large and appreciative audiences. Over 200 singers are in the cast of the production, besides a chorus of 170 little children. The opera tells the story of the life of Moses, and the music, as well as the costumes and scenery, is beautiful. The proceeds of the entertainment are togo towards paying for the fine organ which has just been placed in St. Mark's church.

Massachusetts William Lawrence, D. D., Bishop

The debt upon the church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, has been reduced to \$796 from \$1,910.

Mr. C. B. B. Bowser, a Congregational minister, has come into the Church, and as lay-reader will have charge of Christ church, Rockdale.

St. John's church, East Boston, is now roofed, but some time will elapse before the consecration, as more money is needed.

Bishop's Appointments

DECEMBER

- 1. Evening, St. Luke's, Linden.
- A.'M., church of Our Saviour, Middleboro; P. M. Trinity church, Bridgewater.
- 5. Evening, Trinity church, Weymouth.
- Evening, St. John's, Fall River.
- 10. Fall River: A. M., church of the Ascension; P. M., St. James' and St. Stephen's; evening, St. Mark's.
- Evening, Grace church, North Attleboro'. 13
- 15. Evening, St. Paul's, Dedham.
- 17. Taunton: A. M., St. Thomas'; evening, St. John's.
- Evening, St. John's, Franklin. Evening, St. John's, Saugus. 22.
- 24.
- A. M., St. Michael's, Milton. 31. A. M., St. Mary's church for Sailors, East Bos-
- ton; evening, St. Mary's, Dorchester.

A Nurse Honored

A picture of Miss R. H. Walworth, one of the nurses in the Spanish-American war, and a true heroine of that event, has been hung in All Saints' parish rooms, Attleborough, after a short service to her memory, conducted by the rectors the Rev. J. L. Tryon. She was graduated from Vassar College in the class of 1896.

Mission for Seamen

Mr. Stanton H. King, the efficient superintendent of this mission in Charlestown, is carrying on a large work among that class, and keeping them from the many temptations that surround the docks. The mission is open daily from 8 A. M. to 10 P. M., and every sailor is welcome to make the place his temporary home. **The Boston Clericus**

Edward Atkinson read a paper on "The fourth dimension in political economy," before the Monday Clericus Nov. 20th. In the paper he took occasion to deny dogma and creed, and scouted the idea of man working out his salva. tion in this world. He said he could not be an Episcopalian, because of the fallen nature of man taught in the Book of Common Paayer.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

A conference was held in the church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, Nov. 23d. The service was conducted by the Rev. George J. Prescott, the rector. Mr. Jas. L. Houghteling, of Chicago, made an address, and said he had a message of cheer and courage. There never was a time, when the spirit of good was working more mightily in the hearts of men than it is to day. The mission of the Order was to spread right eousness, and this could be done by a spirit of loyality to the Brotherhood. The need of comradeship was urged. It never followed that because a man simply belonged to the Brotherhood, he was safe. Loyality to the Church represented and encouraged loyality to the Brotherhood. A social time was spent afterwards with Mr. Houghteling in the parish rooms.

Girls' Friendly Society

There was a diocesan conference in St. Paul's chapel, Nov. 23d. Representatives were present from all over the State. Miss McIntosh presided. "Some of women's opportunities," were discussed by Miss Olive Dodge, of St. Paul's, Malden. Miss Amelia Bennett, of St. Anne's, Lowell, read a paper on the same topic. "Æsthetic opportunities" were talked about by Mrs. W. E. Gardner, of Swampscott, followed by Miss Mary Ryder of Beverly. Miss Annie B. Ellison, of North Andover, read the first paper on "Educational opportunities," followed by Miss Ethel Preble of Boston. Miss Edith M. Howes spoke on "Economic opportunities," defining the word, opportunity, as a chance to work with God. Miss Elizabeth H. Houghton, of Cambridge, spoke on "Political opportunities" of women, showing what splendid work they are doing in various municipalities "without making any fuss about it."

North Dakota Samuel C. Edsall, D.D., Bishop

A beautiful little church has just been com pleted for St. John's church, St. Thomas, the Rev. D. H. Clarkson, priest-in-charge. As the building has been entirely paid for, it is expected that Bishop Edsall will consecrate it in a few weeks.

St. George's church, Bismarck, the Rev. A. A. Joss, rector, has been removed from its hitherto inaccessible location to a more centrally located lot, and is undergoing enlargement.

Gethsemane Church, Fargo

Work has been commenced on the new church puilding. A fine brown stone foundation has been in place for a year past, and it has now been determined to complete the structure in wood. in order to avoid the burdensome debt which would have been incurred had the original plans been carried out.

Visitations by the Bishop

Bishop Edsall has just returned from a visita. tion in the extreme western part of the State. He visited St. John's church, Dickinson, of which the Rev. J. P. Lytton recently resigned the charge, and Medora, in the famed "Bad Lands," where he succeeded in establishing a weekly lay service and Sunday school. No o her religious body holds service in Medora. Bishop Edsall is anxious to obtain three or four priests at once for various points in his jurisdiction, where a minimum stipend of from \$600 to \$800 can be guaranteed to an earnest and tactful clergyman.

Nebraska

George Worthington S.T.D., LL.D., Bishop

The Annual Convocation

Held in Grace church, Columbus, on Nov. 13th-16th. On Monday evening, Evensong was followed by a paper on "The differences between the Episcopal and Roman Churches," by the Rev. W. R. McKim. Daring the session Holy Communion was celebrated every morning at 7 A.M., Morning Prayer was said at 845 A.M., Evensong at 7:30 P. M. Papers were delivered as follows: Three on "Casuistry," by the Rev. J. Williams; one on "Parochial assessments," by the Rev.W. A. Mulligan; "Marriage and divorce," by the Rev. C. H. Young; "Is not the Church too worldly and too formal?" by the Rev. I. P. Johnson; "Differences between the Episcopal Church and the denominations," by the Rev. Dr. Reilly; three papers on "Bible instruction," by the Very. Rev. Dean Fair; "Need of a diocesan house for educating candidates for the sacred ministry," by the Rev. Canon Silver; "Printers' ink in parish wors," by the Rev. A. T. Young. Wednesday night after Evensong, the Bishop coadjutor delivered a powerful address on "Missionary work." A reception was tendered the Bishop and clergy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stires. Thursday afternoon some of the clergy accompanied Bishop Williams to Genoa, where the Indian school was visited. Evensong was said in St. Andrew's church, which was dedicated at that time. Confirmation was administered, and a number of Indians were confirmed and received crosses, given by Bishop Hare of South Dakota, and presented by Bishop Williams. The next annual convocation is to be held at Blair.

Vermont Arthur C. A. Hall, D. D., Bishop

St. Margaret's Chapel. Middletown Springs

The formal opening of the new chapel occurred on Monday evening, Oct. 9th, the consecration being deferred until its cost shall be fully paid. Bishop Hall officiated, assisted by the present rector, the Rev. Geo. B. Clarke, and the late rector, the Rev. E. H. Randall. This neat and commodious chapel was built by the Ripley Lumber Co., of Poultney, and the architect was Mr. G. H. Ingraham, of Boston, who gave his services; the windows and stained glass being furnished by R. Geissler, of New York. It is a frame edifice, finished with Georgia pine, ceiled, and with a large cellar. Its cost, with the site, was \$1,200; the debt still remaining on it being less than \$100; the grounds are graded, and the whole is a very ornamental as well as useful addition to the village. At the opening service, the Bishop congratulated the people on the laudable work done, and also expressed his gratitude to those of the denominations who had so kindly and fully sympathized with, and helped it on. At the service, the volunteer choir was re-enforced by two Baptist ministers, and one Congregationalist. Among the gifts, besides those in money, for the chapel, we note the following: A memorial window for a son, by Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Clark; also one for her father, the Rev. John Randall, formerly of Arlington, Vt , by Mrs. Dr. A. C. Norton ; brass vases, for her mother, by Miss Roe, of Albany, N. Y.; altar linen, by the present rector; Eucharistic vestments and cotta, by St. Margaret's Sisters, of Boston, Mass.; a cabinet organ, by the Rev. E. H. Randall; a marble font, by Colonel Proctor, of Proctor; an oak lectern, by Mrs. Hickok. Chief credit for the success of this enterprise is due to Mrs. Dr. A. C. Norton, who has worked early and late for it during many years. She has been ably assisted by Mrs. A. A. Clark, and Mrs. Knapp, and others. But for the rector's energy and zeal, as said the Bishop, the chapel could not have been built this year. Under his auspices, some \$500 has been raised during the year; in addition to frequent services here, he is in charge also at Poultney (two churches), and at Wells-four stations in all, involving much travel and labor.

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Maryland William Paret, D.D., LL.D., Bishop

A new pulpit has been presented to the church of the Holy Innocents', Baltimore, by the vestry and the Rev. Wm. M. Dame, of Memorial church. The pulpit is octagonal in shape, and is made of walnut, and beautifully carved. It has been placed in front of the column on the left side of the chancel, and adds much to the appearance of the chancel, which was recently improved. The cost of the pulpit was about \$400.

All Saints' Parish, Calvert Co.

Miss Elise Chew, of Chicago, has presented handsome brass altar vases in memory of Mrs. Jane Benson Chew, her grandmother. The congregation of the church has decided to build a small parish hall, which is much needed, a d work on same will be begun as soon as sufficient funds are raised.

Associated Missions

The Rev. Frank B. Randall, deacon, is doing excellent work under the direction of the Archdeacon of Annapolis. He holds weekly services at Curtis Bay, Jessups, and Glen Burrie, and at

each point results are encouraging. In the near future in his visiting, Mr. Randall will take in Annapolis Junction, where the archdeacon is able to give only Sunday services, and where the people need a rector. Mr. Richard C. Norris, lay reader, will take two of the services at Curtis Bay each month, enabling Mr. Randall to add two Sunday services at Savage to the fortnightly services which have been maintained by Mr. Daniel M. Murray, lay-reader. The work of the Associated Missions up to the present time is as encouraging as could be expected.

Springfield Geo. F. Seymour, S.T.D., LL.D., Bishop Chas. R. Hale, D.D., Bishop-coadjutor

The Bishop has gone East, to take his duty at Cornell University from Nov. 19th to Nov. 26th, as lecturer on the Sage Foundation.

The Rev. Dewitt L. Pelton, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of Bloomington, at the conclusion of his review of his three years' pastorate, tendered his resignation, to take effect as soon as it can be accomplished. Mr. Pelton further announced that it is his intention, as soon as possible, to enter the priesthood of the Church. Mr. Pelton has been in the Presbyterian ministry seven years, during four of which he was in charge of a church at Adams, N. Y., and three in the Blcomington church. His congregation is one of the largest and most influential in the State, and his work has been most successful.

Pittsburgh Cortlandt Whitehead, D.D., Bishop

The Northern Convocation

Met in Trinity memorial church, Warren, Nov. 21st and 22d, beginning with Evening Prayer and sermon by the Rev. J. H. B. Brooks. Wednesday morning, celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 7:30, a short business session, after which the Rev. Dr. H. M. Clarke read an exegesis of St. Luke xxii: 19. A review of "Richard Carvel," by the Rev. James McLaughlin drew a number of ladies to this session. An essay on "Christian Socialism" by the Rev. A. R. Kiefer, brought to the floor a number of speakers in the general discussion. At the closing session in the evening Dr. Morris S. Guth, a layman of the parish, read a critical essav from an expert's point of view, on the "Relation of religion to mental aberration." Dr. Guth is chief of the medical staff at the State Hospital for the Insane at Warren. He disproved the popular fallacy that religion was in any great degree responsible for mental affections, contending that in most cases some prior cause could be found; but inasmuch as religion-the relation of man to his God, the Hereafter, sin, and its consequences-formed so large a part of man's life, it was but natural that such themes should become more or less pronounced after insanity of certain kinds had set in. Dr. Guth's paper was listened to with more than usual interest, and drew forth an enthusiastic discussion.

Bequests to Missions

On Nov. 15th, there was admitted to probate the will of Mrs. Mary Ann Hogg Brunot, widow of the late Hon. Felix R. Brunot, of Allegheny City, who entered into rest on Nov. 2d, in her 78th year The following are some of the bequests to institutions and missions: St. James' church, Penn ave., Pittsburgh, \$5,000; Allegheny branch of Church Army, \$1,000; St. Thomas' church, Oakmont, \$2,000; All Saints' mission, Allegheny, \$1,000; American Church Missionary Society, endowment for salary of a missionary in diocese of Spokane, \$10,000; missions in China, Japan, and Africa. \$5,000 each; missions in Cuba and Hayti, \$2,000 each; in Mexico, \$5,000; Indian mission at Greenwood, S. D., \$5,000; Indian missions in South Dakota, at Bishop Hare's discretion, \$5,000; missions in Utah and Nevada under Bishop Leonard, \$3 000; in Oklahoma and Indian Territory, under Bishop Brooke, \$1,000; in Montana, under Bishop Brewer, \$2,000; at Defiance, under Miss Thackera, \$1,000; in Southern Flori-

da, under Bishop Gray, \$1,000; in Laramie, under Bi-hop Graves, \$2,000; in Western Texas, under Bishop Johnston, \$1,000; in Alaska, under Bishop Rowe, \$2,000; in Kansas, under Bishop Millspaugh, \$1,000; St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Va., \$3 000; St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C., \$3,000; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3,000; Leper's School in China, \$8,000; American Church Missionary Society, for Miss Roff's salary for six years, \$3 000; Miss Sybil Carter's work among Indians, \$2,000; missions in New Mexico and Arizona, under Bishop Kendrick, \$1,000: Colored Commission, \$5,000. In addition to her bequests to missions and charities, aggregating \$123,000, by the death of Mrs. Brunot the will of her husband, Felix R. Brunot, becomes operative, which leaves large sums to charitable institutions in the two cities of Pittsburgh and Allegheny, as well as numerous and generous gifts to the several departmets of the Church's work.

A New Church at Braddock

Trinity parish has been worshiping the last few years in a temporary edifice, but is now looking forward to a new church building, to be presented by Mrs. M. E. Kinsey, one of the faithful parishioners, its cost being a gift to her from her son in-law, Mr. C. M. Schwab, president of the Carnegie Steel Co. Bishop Whitehead is superintending all the arrangements.

Washington

Henry Yates Satterlee, D.D., LL.D., Bishop

St. Monica's League

The first meeting for the winter was held in St. John's parish hall, Nov. 14th. There was a good attendance of members. The Rev. Dr. Mapp who has recently been assigned by the Bishop to the charge of a new mission among the colored people in Southeast Washington, showed the need of such work in that part of the city, and the kind of aid required in the beginning. A house has been selected in which to hold services and Sunday school, for which furniture is needed, and some help for heating and lighting. A grant of money was voted from the treasury, and other gifts added by members of the league which will have a special interest in this mission from the name, St. Monica, having been given it by the Bishop. The Rev. Mr. Pollard, archdeacon of North Carolina, spoke of the work of the Church in his jurisdiction. A grant of \$50 was voted, half to be devoted to the work at Littleton, N. C., and the rest to be used at the archdeacon's discretion.

Church of St. Michaeland All Angels

On Sunday, Nov. 19th, was consecrated by the Bishop who also celebrated the Holy Communion and preached the sermon. The church was formerly St. John's chapel, till in 1893, a separate parish was formed, and the Rev. Clarence W. Bispham became its first rector. The Rev. W. R. Turner, formerly assistant at the Epiphany, took charge in 1897, and at Easter of last year, the indebtedness on the edifice was paid. The building has been much improved since its erection.

Western Michigan George De Normandie Gillespie, D.D., Bishop

Arrangements are being made for the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the organization of the diocese in December next.

The Bishop has vacancies in small parishes and in the mission field, with salaries ranging from \$600 to \$700 per annum.

Church improvements at Traverse City

Grace church has been the recipient during the past summer of several articles of use and beauty. In July, Mrs. James Morgan, of Chicago, placed a fine vocalion in the church, adding a transept and a new window. In addition, she has recently presented the church with an imposing carved oak lecturn, and a prayer desk and stall of the same material. Through her generosity, also, a new carpet has been provided for the vestry room. Through the kindness

of Messrs. F. Garland and Perry Hannah, the grounds have been sodded and much improved. The church has also been painted. Since the Rev. C. T. Stout has taken charge, nearly \$800 has been expended in improvements.

Southern Virginia Alfred M. Randolph, D.D., LL.D., Bishop

The Petersburg Convocation

The fall meeting began its sessions in the church of the Good Shepherd, Guns' Hill, Dinwiddie Co., Oct. 31st, and continued three days. The attendance was exceedingly good. Officers were elected for the ensuing year, the Rev. Frank Mezick taking the place of the Rev. Reuben Meredith as secretary, the latter having removed to Nelson Co. All Saints' Day there was a celebration of the Holy Communion. The evening was devoted to a Brotherhood service, the Rev. H. L. Derby and the Rev. John Rideout making interesting and helpful addresses. On Thursday in the afternoon, the usual missionary service was held, when stirring addresses were made by the Rev. John Rideout and the Rev. O. S. Bunting.

Long Island

Abram N. Littlejohn, D.D., LL.D., Bishop Advent Services

At a meeting presided over by the Bishop, and held in the rooms of the Church Club on the 13th inst., arrangements were made for holding special services during Advent in the centrally located churches. Those designated are All Saints', St. Ann's, St. Peter's, Christ church, Clinton st., and Christ church, Bedford ave. At these churches services with address are to be held daily, the Bishop to name the preacher.

Fiftieth Anniversary of St. James, Newtown

This anniversary of its consecration was celebrated on Sunday, Nov. 19th. An interesting historical address from the rector, the Rev. Edward M. McGuffey, extended back to the organization of the parish, nearly two hundred years ago. In 1704 the Rev. William Urquhart was sent from London by the Society for the Propogation of the Gospel. He officiated alternately at Jamaica, Flushing, and Newtown, the two latter being regarded as parts of the Jamaica parish. After five years of extremely hard work owing to prejudice against the Church of England, Mr. Urguhart died. A memorial of him was erected in the porch added to St. James'church last spring, which bears on its walls "This porch is in bronze, this inscription: erected to commemorate the labors of the Rev. William Urquhart, who laid the foundation of St. James church, Newtown, in 1704, thereby opening the doors of the Church of God to this community." Mr. Urquhart was succeeded by the Rev. Thomas Poyer, in 1710, who was sent from London by the same society. He found that the rectory had been seized by dissenters. Undaunted, he began his labors, distributing books, papers, and tracts, and giving many house to house lectures. He was unable, however, to break down prejudice, and in 1718 wrote to the society that the shop keepers refused to sell him provisions, and that the miller sent back his grain unground. In 1731 he obtained permission to return to England, but as he was preparing to depart, was seized with small pox and died. In 1733 the Rev. Thomas Colgan became rector of the three parishes. He had been assistant at Trinity church, New York. His private means, his amiable wife, and his force of character, gave him an advantage over his persecuted predecessors. His congregations increased, and in 1733 he secured a grant of land for a church. It was signed by 100 free holders, and to-day is in a state of perfect preservation. In 1735 a church was erected which is now used for Sunday school purposes. In 1848 the present edifice was built, and also a church in Jamaica, and one in Flushing. Mr. Colgan died in 1755, having conquered in a great degree colonial prejudice against the Church. In 1755 the Rev.

Samuel Seabury, Jr, afterward first Bishop of Connecticut, became rector, and was succeeded by the Rev. Joshua Bloomer. In 1772 he conducted a lottery for the purchase of a church glebe for the Jamaica parish. He died after 20 years of rectorship. After several changes at St. James', the Rev. Samuel Cox, D. D., dean of the cathedral, Garden City, became rector. Under his administration the church was enlarged and beautified. Dr. Cox. in 1888, was succeeded by the Rev. W. H. Burr, who remained until Easter, 1890, and then the present rector took charge. Since then the church has been repaired, and there have been erected an organ, reredos, font, lectern, and church porch. The building has been recarpeted and recushioned. Two memorial windows have been placed. In 1904, St. James' will celebrate her 200th anniversarv.

St. James' Church, Brooklyn

The corner stone of the building which is to replace the old edifice, was laid Nov. 19th. Shortly after four o'clock the procession of clergy, vestry and choir left the little wooden building now being used as a place of worship, and marched to the new site. The service was read by the Rev. Chas. W. Homer, rector of St. James. The stone having been placed in position, and an announcement of the inscription and contents having been read, the Rev. Dr. S. D. McConnell addressed the congregation. Appropriate musie was rendered by the vested choir. The church promises to be one of the handsomest in the city, and will cost about \$70,000.

Los Angeles

Joseph Horsfall Johnson, D.D., B.shop There are several vacancies in the missions of this diocese, and one important parish is without a rector.

The mission of the Messiah in Santa Ana, the county seat of Orange Co., has been for the past eight years under the charge of the Rev. W. B. Burrows who has ministered also to congregations at Tustin, El Toro, and one or two other places. Mr. Burrows had a serious illness some months ago, and for change of air spent the summer at Denver. He returned recently much better, but will give his throat a prolonged rest. He will make his residence in Los Angeles. Mr. Burrows has discharged the duties of secretary of the Board of Missions with great interest and efficiency, from the time of the organization of the diocese in 1895, and he will doubtless retain that office.

The Rev. J. H. McCrackan, of the mission of the Ascension, Sierra Madre, has gone to Germany, on account of the death of a relation who had resided there for several years. He will probably be absent about a year.

The parish of Christ church, Los Angeles, has been vacant since the beginning of June, by the resignation of the Rev. Alfred S. Clark. The Rev. George T. Dowling, D. D., is at present engaged temporarily to (fficiate and preach on Sundays.

Southern Ohio Thomas A. Jaggar, D.D., Bishop Boyd Vincent, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor

St. Paul's Church, Columbus

Narrowly escaped total destruction by fire on the night of Nov. 11th. Sparks from a defective smoke-stack fell upon the roof and ignited the shingles. The roof of the west side of the chancel was burned off, and the flames made their way through the south end of the nave to the yellow-pine ceiling which was so damaged that it will have to be replaced by a new one. The chancel furniture, the pews, and the carpets were seriously damaged by water. The entire l ss is covered by insurance. Repairs on the church had just been completed, at a cost of about \$2,000 The official boards of neighboring Methodist, Presbyterian, and Baptist Churches offered the use of their chapels, but St. Paul's parish house will accommodate the congregation until the church can be repaired.

The Columbus Deanery

The autumn meeting was held in St. Luke's church, Marietta, Nov. 13th and 14th. The subject for discussion after Evening Prayer on Monday was, "The essentials of missionary effort"; subdivided, the Rev. W. H. Hampton urged the importance of "The missionary spirit"; the Rev. J. D. Herron spoke of "Knowledge"; the Rev. F. W. Bope, of "Prayer"; and the Rev. John Hewitt, of "Giving." On Tuesday morning occurred the ordination recorded elsewhere. At the afternoon session the Rev. Dr. S. N. Watson read an able paper on the subject, "Who shall confer jurisdiction on the clergy, the Bishop or the vestry?" Dr. Watson argued for the conferring of jurisdiction by the Bishop, under certain statutory limitations. The subject was quite generally discussed by those present, since it had a bearing upon a canon proposed by the Bishop at the last annual convention of the diocese, and which will come up for action at the next convention. A committee appointed at the preceding meeting of convocation, reported a canon which looks to the re-organization of the missionary work of the diocese on a plan which gives each deanery the power to disburse its own funds, and also confers increased powers upon the deans of convocations. This canon, after full debate, was adopted and ordered printed for general distribution in the diocese, as it will be presented to the next convention. A special committee reported resolutions of regret on parting with the dean, the Rev. Geo. P. Torrence, who goes on Dec. 1st to begin duty as archdeacon in the diocese of Michigan City, with headquarters at Marion, Ind. The Rev. Dr. Watson was recommended to the mission committee of the diocese to fill the vacancy created there by the resignation of Mr. Torrence. The Rev. John Hewitt was elected to succeed Mr. Torrence as dean.

North Carolina Joseph Blount Cheshire, Jr., D.D., Bishop

The Charlotte Convocation

The regular meeting was held Oct. 24th and 25th, in St. Paul's church, Monroe. Reports were made of the work in the various parishes. The Rev. Charles Fetter spoke on "The mission work of the convocation, and Its support." "At the night service the dean held a conference on "The spiritual life." Addresses were made by Messrs. Hoffman, Fetter, and Parkman. There were celebrations of the Holy Communion each day, and sermons.

Arkansas

Henry Niles Pierce, D.D., LL. D., Bishop Wm. M. Brown, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor Board of Missions

An important meeting was held at Little Rock, on the 7th inst., in the parlor of the Capital Hotel. Bishop Brown presided, and made the important announcement that he made application to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, at its October meeting, for an increased appropriation of \$3 000, which was granted. This, with the \$1,500 which the diocese has been already receiving from the general Board of Missions, would make a total of \$4,500 from that source. In order to secure so large an appropriation, the Bishop was obliged to undertake the raising of \$4,500 from this diocese, and from his frends North and East. In this connection, the Bishop announced his intention of placing two general missionaries, with the title of archdeacon, in the field at once. One of these will reside at Little Rock, and the other at Fort Smith. The Rev. Charles H. Lockwood and the Rev. R. W. Rhames have been offered the appointments, respectively. In addition to the two archdeacons, a general missionary will be placed in the field in the near future.

First Services at Atkins

The missionary at Morrilton, the Rev. I. M Merlinjones, held the first services of the Church a few weeks ago at Atkins, a town on the Fors Smith branch of the Iron Mountain railroad

were held in the Methodist church, and were well attended. At the morning service, an infant was baptized. This was the first time that dozens of those present saw either a Baptism or a clergyman in robes. The first services have left good impressions, and some of the people are thinking. Services will be held once a month.

Michigan City John Hazen White, D.D., Bishop

Under the auspices of St. Andrew's Brotherhood (lately organized), the rector of St. Paul's, Hammond, has arranged a course of lectures on "The Church." The Diocesan delivered the opening address Nov. 8th, on "The Authority, Origin, and Development of the Church." It was a clear, yet simple exposition. The next address will be delivered in December.

Virginia

Francis M. Whittle, D, D., LL. D., Bishop Robert A. Gibson, D.D. Bishop-Coadjutor

Bishop Gibson, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Meade, Jones, and Ellis, recently consecrated the Green Springs chapel, near old St. John's church, Louisa Co., which was begun a number of years ago, during the rectorship of the Rev. Robb White. The sermon was preached by the Bishop.

The anniversary of all the Sunday schools comprised within Henrico county, was held in Richmond on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12th. As no one church in the city of Richmond can hold all, Holy Trinity and St. Paul's were crowded from chancel to doors. Addresses were made in Holy Trinity by the Rev. H. M. Duhring, of Philadelphia, and in St. Paul's, by the Rev. Dr. Niles, of Sing Sing, N. Y.

The Davis Memorial Tablets

Nov. 8th, the tablets placed in St. Paul's church, Richmond, by Mrs. Jefferson Davis, to the memory of her daughter, and by her daughter, Mrs. Hayes, to the memory of her four brothers, were unveiled with simple, yet impressive, ceremony. A fine address was made by the Bishop of West Virginia. The organist, Prof. Reinhardt, played the funeral march composed by him and first played when the remains of Mr. Davis were brought from Mississippi for re-interment in Hollywood cemetery, Richmond.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

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Nov. 16th, the Richmond Local Assembly gathered in large force in the Sunday school room of Grace church. The Rev. Dr. Niles, of Sing Sing, N. Y., made a splendid address. The assembly discussed the subject, "What are the needs of the Brotherhood for better work in 1900?" There were a number of speakers, and in the course of their remarks, changes in the rule of service were proposed nd oiscussed at some length. Mr. John W. Wood, the general secretary, announced that at a special meeting of the National Council, held in Philadelphia on the 15th, it was unanimously decided that the National Council for 1900 should be held in Rich. mond. The announcement was received with a tumult of applause.

Tennessee Thomas Frank Gailor, D.D., Bishop

Church of the Advent, Nashville

Evensong was solemnly sung by the vested choir, with a solemn procession, for the first time in the history of the parish, on All Saints' Day. Bishop Gailor visited the parish Nov. 12th, and held a conference with the congregation relative to filling the existing vacancy in the rectorship. The rite of Confirmation was administered to three persons, presented by the Rev. E. J. Batty, an English priest occupying a chair in the city High School, who has been conducting the services for the past five months. This parish, which has always been noted for its strong Churchmanship, is a struggling one, and

and a very important cotton centre. Services if any parish has any old "ornaments of the ish for 27 years, and when his death occurred Church, or of the ministers thereof," to dispose of, they will be most acceptable: violet Eucharistic vestments being just now especially desirable for the coming season of Advent.

Central New York F. D. Huntington, D.D., LL.D., Bishop

The Rev. C. H. Mockridge, D. D., rector of St. Paul's church, Watertown, N. Y., has been appointed acting dean of the First District, in the absence of the Rev. Dr. Herrick, ho has gone for a prolonged visit to California on account of

Bishop's Appointments for December

- 5. P. M., Forestport.
- 6. A. M., Oriskany Falls. 8. P. M. Fulton.
- P. M., Aurora or Cayuga.
- P. M., Cleveland, 15
- 17. East Syracuse.
- A. M., Moravia.
- 24. A. M. Manlius; P. M., Fayetteville.27. Evening, Baldwinsville.
- P. M., Pulaski. 28.

St. Paul's Church, Watertown

Under the guiding hand of its rector, the Rev. C. H. Mockridge, D. D., is increasing largely in membership and financial power. A circular was issued recently by the vestry to the congregation, setting forth the improved financial condition of the church, and its encouraging outlook for the future.

19. Evening, Auburn.

Western New York Wm. D. Walker, D.D., LL.D., Bishop

St. James' Mission. Tonawanda

A lot has been bought on the corner of Delaware and Minerva sts. by the members. A temporary structure is being erected, which it is expected would be ready for occupancy early in November. The mission is in charge of the Rev. L. F. Scofield and the Laymen's League. Church to be Built at Perry

Steps have been taken towards its immediate erection. Plans have been submitted by Mr. F. W. Brown, architect, of Buffalo, and a suitable lot has been secured. The building will be part of stone and part of wood, and will present a very attractive appearance when completed. The services are in charge of the archdeacon.

Albany

William Croswell Doane, D. D., LL. D., Bishop Anniversary of Christ Church, Herkimer

The 10th anniversary of the consecration of Christ church was celebrated Nov. 7th. An early Communion service was conducted by the Rev. C. C. Edmunds, former rector of the church, and at 10:30 and 7:30 services were held with elaborate musical programmes. At the 10 o'clock service the Bishop preached a sermon on Christian citizenship, and in the evening, the Rev. Mr. Edmunds preached the anniversary sermon. The following are interesting figures of the work done in the parish since 1855: Total number baptized, 831; confirmed, 491; marriages, 242; burials, 352. The record for the past ten years follows: Baptized, 210; confirmed, 159; marriages, 69; burtals, 105. The present strength of the parish is 126 families, or a total of 505 persons, of whom 204 are communicants. During the past ten years, offerings have been given amounting to \$31,345 80, which includes \$8,000 of the cost of Church property, and \$800 for diocesan missions. After the even ing service an informal reception was tendered to Mr. Edmunds at the parsonage. The offerings at the anniversary service amounted to over \$700.

Memorial to Rev. J. Livingston Reese

At St. Paul's church, Albany, at the morn. ing service, Sunday, Nov. 12th, the handsome new window erected in memory of the Rev. John Liviogston Reese, D.D., was un. veiled. Dr. Reese had been rector of the par-

last year his friends in this city thought it befitting that a window should be erected to his memory. The subject is "The Good Shepherd." In its construction over 3,000 pieces of glass are used.

St. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville

A beautiful brass pulpit was dedicated on Sunday, Oct. 29th, presented by Mrs. Avonia A. Tilford. The memorial tablet bears this inscription .

To the glory of God and in thankful remembrance of His inestimable blessing vouchsafed through His Church to His servant, Herbert W. Tilford, born 1859 died 1899

Mr. Tilford entered the Church in this parish, and for a number of years was one of its most devoted members and a working member of the vestry.

Oklahoma and Indan

Territory Francis Key Brooke, D.D., Missionary Bishop St. Philip's Church, Ardmore, I. T.

The parish school opened its second term Oct. 16th, with a good attendance. Most of the pupils are poor white children who have no free school advantages, and pay very little for tuition or books. It is doing good work among a class of people who know absolutely nothing about the Church and her ways.

St. Mary's, Paul's Valley

The first services in the new church were held Sunday, Nov. 5th. Choral Morning Prayer was sung at 10:30, by the Rev. H B. Smith, of Ardmore, minister in charge, assisted by the Rev. Frank C. Smith, of Shawnee, Okla., and a vested choir of 20 voices. A Sunday school was organized in the afternoon with 25 members. Choral Evensong was beautifully rendered by the large choir, at 7:30. This church is the result of a year's work by the Rev. Henry Smith, being ably assisted by the hard-working Church people of the place. This bids fair to become one of the best missions in this section of the missionary jurisdiction.

Minnesota Henry B. Whipple, D.D., LL. D., Bishop

M. N. Gilbert, D.D., LL.D., Bishon-coadjutor

The ladies of St. Clement's church, St. Paul. cleared \$150 by the sale of their Recipe Cook Book.

The St. Paul Clericus met at St. Clement's church. After the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, several papers of an interesting nature were read.

Board of City Missions

Closed its fiscal year with all outstanding debts paid off, and a small surplus in the treasury to begin afresh. Reports from the outlying missions show they are doing good work, and are in a flourishing condition. Several new missions will, in all probability, be opened up thi, coming year.

St. Paul's, Winona

The new guild house, presented by Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Youmans, is completed, and will soon be formally dedicated. Mr. Youmans has expended about \$13,000 in the erection of this building. It is constructed of Winona stone; is located in the rear of the church, and corresponds to it in architecture. The first floor is given up to the auditorium and chapel which are so arranged that they can be thrown into each other, the former being 54x40 ft in size. A class room and kitchen and serving rooms are also on this floor. In the basement there is a large drill hall, game room for the children, and a choir room. On the third floor is the rector's study, a room exclusively for the use of the men of the parish, kindergarten room, ladies' room, and two class rooms. The whole building 1s very complete, and the generous gift is greatly appreciated by the members of the parish.

Editorials and Contributions

HEN the Life of Cardinal Manlished, it caused a good deal of agitation in Roman Catholic

circles. It was not contended that the writer was not true to the facts, but rather that it was highly indecorous, not to say reprehensible, to expose the inner workings of various transactions with such unvarnished frankness. Mr. Purcell, however, seems to have stood ready to defend the positions of his book against all comers. It is well known that he was afterwards entrusted with the work of preparing a life of Cardinal Newman. Unfortunately, as he was completing this labor, Mr. Purcell became ill, and shortly after, passed away. It was announced that the biography was ready for publication, and it has for some time been eagerly looked for. Now it leaks out that it has been withdrawn. Such is the method of the Roman authorities. But it is a policy which in a large measure defeats itself, for the suspicion immediately arises that there are strong reasons for such a suppressionthat there are facts which will not bear the light. The policy of suppression arouses distrust rather than allays it.

T the recent synod of the diocese of A Dublin a debate took place upon a matter which, in the Irish Church, comes under the head of "Ritualism," and is regarded as one of solemn importance. It appears that a certain Mr. Hunt, in examining the tablet erected in Christ church cathedral to the memory of the late Archbishop Plunket, was startled and shocked to observe that the deceased prelate was represented as wearing a "ritualistic and illegal vestment." Accordingly, he introduced into the synod a resolution requesting the alteration of the monument. So far as can be discovered from the discussion which ensued, the offensive vestment consisted of a stole with crosses carved upon it! There is nothing remarkable in the fact that a member of the Irish Church should feel called upon to object to the cross under any circumstances, but considering the character and weight of the assemblage on this occasion, one could hardly look for the kind of reception accorded to Mr. Hunt's complaint. Instead of a burst of laughter, he was listened to with the most solemn gravity. Every one concerned acknowledged the seriousness of such facts, and from the Archbishop and. dean, down to the canons and other clergy, regret was expressed that such a thing should have happened. Though the design (drawn precisely after that of Archbishop Trench's monument) had been submitted to them, none had noticed those dreadful crosses. The dean promised to have them erased, if it could be done without injury to the tablet, and that henceforth the greatest care should be taken to guard against the introduction of such superstitious emblems. The wonder is what becomes of the Irish sense of humor on such occasions?

MR. CARROLL D. WRIGHT, United States Commissioner of Labor, finds the problem with which he has to deal a very embarrassing one. He considers the various solutions which have been offered, and the experiments which have been tried, and dismisses them all as inadequate. While he has faith to believe that sometime and

somehow a solution will arrive, he conning, by Mr. Purcell, was pub- fesses his failure to discern on what lines a əsttlement will be accomplished. Meanwhile, he is of opinion that the nearest approach to a panacea is the "decent treatment of employes." Perhaps it will be found that this is not only a "near approach," but that it is the panacea. It is only necessary that "decent treatment" should be definedscientifically defined, to use the language of the period. We think it is indisputable that in the majority of cases, where trouble occurs, apart from outside interference, between employers and their men, it is owing fully as much to the arrogant and overbearing attitude of the former, or their representatives, as to grievances arising from the wage scale or the conditions of work. Men do not want "charity," in the ordinary sense of that word, but they do want to be regarded as men and not as beasts of burden or as mere machines; that is, they want, as Mr. Wright says, "decent treatment." This is, in reality, to come back to the Christian standpoint and the golden rule. It appears, then, that the wisest investigators of the evils of society, after many experiments, are forced back to the old fundamental principles for which religion stands, human sympathy and consideration. Those who have the destinies of others in their hands are bound to endeavor to understand what it means to "put yourself in his place," and to act upon the principle of human brotherhood. The Christian preacher may take courage. After all that has been said, and in spite of the temptation to which he has, perhaps, sometimes yielded, to hail some new scheme as a universal panacea, he finds himself brought back to the simple teaching of our Blessed Lord.

- - -Adopting the Church's Methods

WE have been much interested by a letter in a diocesan paper from the rector of a prominent parish in a Southern city. He informs his brethren that he had been accustomed to administer the sacrament of Holy Baptism after the congregation had dispersed, and only in the presence of the interested few who remained for the occasion. But not long since, moved by some weighty remarks of his bishop on the dignity of this great sacrament, and the obligation under which the minister lies to administer it in the face of the congregation either at Morning or Evening Prayer, after the second lesson, he "finally made up his mind to follow the Church's directions." He administered Holy Baptism at Morning Prayer, presumably on a Sunday, for "as the day was remarkably fine, the church was well filled." The result must be told in his own words:

The congregation, to my surprise, not only rose in a body as soon as the first word of the Exhortation was uttered, but joined most heartily in the entire service.

But greater still was my surprise when members called upon me for the special purpose of expressing their gratification. One wished me to understand "that it was most instructive." Another came to tell me "that it was the first Baptisms he had attended for ten years," and so on. The result was a revelation to me, and came as a further refreshing proof that he who follows the rubric will ever be found on the right side and in true sympathy with the large majority of his congregation.

This must have been as gratifying as it was surprising to the priest who had at last conformed to the Prayer Book in this particular matter. But the good pastor proceeds to give a bit of advice to his brethren of the clergy, and says, with delightful naivete, "I volunteer this experience for what it is worth. If any of my brethren of the clergy who may read this statement, have not yet adopted the Church's method in this matter, I respectfully suggest that they give it a trial."

WE are not criticising our reverend brother personally, or his action or advice, when we say that unconsciously he uncovers the secret of much of the weakness of the Church. How can any priest, we venture to ask, be satisfied with himself or his position ecclesiastically and morally, if he has not "adopted the Church's methods" in this and other matters pertaining to his priestly ministrations? He may possibly be not quite well-informed in regard to the Church's methods, through defective instruction, or prejudice, or carelessness; but if his ordination vows mean anything, and if he esteems his commission as a bishop, priest, or deacon as a reality, he must know that he is sent forth by authority, as an officer of the Church, to do his work as a minister of Christ, and "so to minister the doctrine and sacraments, and the discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as this Church hath received the same, according to the commandments of God; so that he may teach the people committed to his care and charge with all diligence to keep and observe the same."

WE venture to say that most of the criticism-not always gentle-that has been inflicted upon clergy who were strict observers of the rubrics of the Prayer Book, and who earnestly endeavored to ascertain their legal and historical interpretation, would never have been uttered if their critics had themselves tried to "adopt the Church's methods." The manly acknowledgment of the clergyman to whose letter we have referred, will lead many others. we earnestly hope, not only to make the successful experiment of "adopting the Church's methods," but of going a long step further, that of reaching the conscientious conclusion that they are not, and never have been, at liberty to adopt any but the Church's methods, wheresoever she has definitely prescribed them, as good Churchmen surely ought to do.

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Some Common Mistakes

BY THE REV. FRED'K S. JEWELL, D. D.

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NINTH. It is a mistake for a Churchman to call himself, or allow himself to be called, an Episcopalian. The Church gives him no warrant for the use of the term, and there is, in fact, no Episcopalian Church. Besides this, to call one an Episcopalian, is to class him as a sectarian, and treat the Church as a mere sect. Like a score of other religious denominations in the Protestant world, it is sectarian in both form and designation. What is more than this, like those sectarian names, it is altogether partial in its differential force. For example,

so-called churches are Congregational or Presbyterian, according te their peculiar tenets as to Church government. The Church is neither solely nor chiefly differentiated from these other bodies by its form of government. She is One, Catholic, and Apostolic, and Episcopal only as she is Apostolic. In short, her grand distinction is that she is the Church. The only proper name, then, for those belonging to her communion is Churchman. Only that will her intelligent and loyal members call themselves.

TENTH. It is another of these both Church and self-belittling mistakes to make use of the term, "this Church of ours." This is again to reduce the Church to the level of a mere sect or denomination. "This Church of ours," and "that Church of theirs," run quite parallel as only different species of the same general kind. The use of these possessive terms is consistent enough where a body of people frame a Church according to their own notions or choose its connection because it suits their prejudices or preferences. But the Church does not belong to us, we belong to it. We neither made it, chose it, nor became possessed of it. We have no proprietary rights in it, and may neither alter, barter away, nor abandon what belongs to it. Neither have we any right to make our connection with it, nor our continuance in it, a matter of mere personal preference or convenience. As divinely instituted by our Lord, set in order by the Apostles, and by God Himself providentially kept to our times, it is simply our duty to accept it, conform to it, and maintain it, whether we altogether like it or not.

- & -Sunday Observance

FROM THE CONVENTION ADDRESS OF THE RT. REV. WM. N. MCVICKAR, D. D.

BELIEVE that no earnest, faithful Christian can observe the drift and tendency of the times without the most anxious apprehension as to results in the growing nonobservance of this holy day. That there is this drift there can be no doubt. One has but to recall the situation of thirty, twenty, or even ten years back, to be sadly convinced. of it. And the saddest thing about it is that this drift is not confined again to the world around us, but is as marked, nay, one might almost say, more marked within the Christian Church itself. The tendency to curtail the time devoted to God's worship, to compromise on a single service, and that of the shortest and most meagre character, and often not even this, while the rest of the day is given over to selfishness and festivity, suggests an awful contrast to the quiet and happy Sundays that our childhood's memories bring back to us, with their precious opportunities of spiritual growth, and the cultivation of the cognate graces of family life.

> "Sweet day, so cool, so calm, so bright, The bridal of the earth and sky."

How it stands out among the sweetest memories and influences of our lives! And if all did not prize alike its proffered privileges—at least a sense of decency and propriety prevented the open violation of its holy hours. It was considered a piece of vulgarity for people to show in any way a public disregard for what others held so sacred. How changed all that is now! When the very members of the Church themselves not only neglect their opportunities, but lead the way for others who cannot be supposed

to care as they should for them, in the day's secularization. We are not Puritans, we do not plead for a negative Jewish Sabbath, albeit we recite at God's altar its Jewish demands, and pray that "our hearts may be inclined to keep" them. We recognize the blessed liberty with which Christ has made us free; but it is not a liberty to be used as an excuse simply for self-indulgence, or to strike at the dearest and most precious of God's gifts to man. One thing is certain--that with this day and its keeping in some sense sacred and apart, is bound up not only the interests of religion, but the very life of man's highest nature. Secularize it, give it over to mere enjoyment, make it simply a holiday in place of a holy day, and it will not be long before the spiritual nature to which that day is the supreme opportunity, will grow feeble and die. Every other faculty has its chance of exercise and growth through the long week, and hence is strong. The higher nature and its capacity demand one day at least, that it may live and not die. The reason, I am sure, why in the most critical hours of life men find their spiritual powers, their faith, their hopes, their grasp on God, so weak and unavailing, is due to the paralysis which comes from non-use and exercise. And can there be a more fatal calamity for any one than this? Whatever excuse there may be for the poor, tired men and women whose week-day life is one long, unbroken grind, to take part of Sunday for free exercise and fresh air in the country,-and I would not deny them--surely it is mere wanton indulgence on the part of others who are masters of their time, to snatch that right for themselves. More than that, it is a piece of pure selfishness, when their pleasure necessarily binds extra burdens for those who must serve them. Here again there is a call for Christians, and I urge it with all love and sincerity, to take their stand and lift their ideals before the world. Make Sunday again what it was a quarter of a century ago, as we once knew it, a happy, bright, lovely day, because first of all a holy day, devoted primarily to thoughts of higher things, to communion with God, and then to the cultivation of the simple enjoyments of family life.

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Advent and Epiphany Appeal

BELOVED BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:-The plea and the appeal to the Church this year for a quickened and deepened interest in her missionary work, have in them the two great facts-ability and opportunity-out of which comes, as never came before, the plain and positive call of duty. Never has wealth poured into the places where men store their treasures on the earth, with more startling abundance than in this year. "The floors are full of wheat," and "the vats overflow with wine and oil." The ventures and enterprises of business find millions of money poured into them to swell the increasing accumulations of gain. The ingenuity of men is well nigh exhausted in the effort to find channels for the almost endless expenditures of money, in investments, in amusements, in luxury, in display. And even the insatiate greed of covetousness is content and satisfied. Is it not time for us to pray that God "will pour out His Spirit upon all flesh"; "upon the servants, and the handmaidens," upon "the old men, and the young men," upon "the sons, and the daughters," that they may "dream the dreams" of higher spiritual possibilities, and see the visions of the splendid opportunities that lie before them?

First of all, are the open doors into which we have alreadypentered. There can be no withdrawal of support, no lessening of energy, no

lowering of interest, as to any one of all the undertakings for which this Church is responsible to God. Africa and China and Japan, with their teeming populations, touched with the new life of a civilization which must be evangelized if we would win these nations to Christ, have so far only centres, here and there, of Christian influence, which cry out for the increase and extension and enlargement of their life. It is no longer merely the call to make haste to save the souls of men; no longer the plea to bring to humanity, everywhere, the news of that blessed power of the Incarnation which lifts all human nature up toward God. It has become now, especially in the great Empire of Japan, the simple question whether we shall allow a mere veneer of pagan polish to call itself civilization, or whether we shall teach them the ethics of the Gospel and the religion of the Cross. In our own land, Ethiopia lifts up pleading hands to God, asking, in the name of humanity and of the closer brotherhood in Christ, that we shall care for the enormous number of colored people (one tenth of our whole population) whom we have endowed with the responsibility of freedom, and whom we must set free from ignorance and superstition, lest they become or remain "the servants of sin." The ever-extending population, crowding to the farthest Territories, has its close claim upon us, to take to those stray sheep the folding and the feeding which the Good Shepherd charges us to give to all His flock.

There is no city without its slums. There is no diocese without its mission stations. There is no lessening demand of duty to the Indians. We have made ventures, that must be maintained in Mexico and Brazil. And now, with a sudden surprise, we are compelled to deal with what are well called "The Increased Responsibilities;" since Puerto Rico is our very own, and Cuba in close relation to us as a people, and since our gold has bought, and our armies are occupying parts of, the Philippine Islands. It sounds like Isaiah's prophecy fulfilled: "Pathros and Cush and Elam and Shinar and the islands of the sea."

What shall we do? The spies bring back, as of old, the double story of great opportunities and great difficulties. Shall we side with the brave men or the cowards? Taking faint-hearted counsel with our fears is not the way of Christian men. The very difficulties are but encouragements to greater energy. Aiming at the farthest point, reaching for the remotest places, so, and so only, can we accomplish our undertakings and achieve success.

They struck two keynotes in the Missionary Council in St. Louis, which ring clear and true as the voice that cried in the wilderness: "Every opportunity for the spread of Christ's kingdom means the duty of immediately taking up the work." "Every new work undertaken by the Board of Managers will be supported by the Church." Not now, then, the missions in twenty-two missionary districts, and in the forty-two home dioceses; not now the Indians and the colored people; not now Africa and Japan and Mexico and Haiti and Brazil; not now the twenty two bishops and 1,600 other missionary workers, the hospitals and orphanages and schools-not these only now, but, besides these, and in order to rouse ourselves to care for these the better the broader outlook, and the farther reach and the fuller effort to do our duty as preachers of a pure Faith and teachers of a pure morality, in the countries where the decay of morals has followed upon a corruption of the Faith. Our armies of occupation will not fulfill their mission if they open the way only to trade, only to power, only to wealth. We are not in these new places by God's will, unless we are there to "make known His way upon earth, His saving health among all nations."

The Board is pleading for more money and more men. It is pleading still more earnestly for the high motive behind these gifts. Pitiably disproportionate as are the men that give themselves and the money that men give to the needs and demands, pitiably disproportionate as both are to the men that give themselves to earthly aims and ambitions and the money that is spent on the perishing and passing interests of time, still more pitiable is the disproportion between the eagerness of our devotion to selfish concerns and our feeble indifference to the cause of missions, which is the spirit of the Church's breath and the blood of her life. We are as blind men, with clay upon our eyes, sealing their sightlessness into total blindness, until we go and wash in that "pool of Siloam, which is by interpretation, Sent." "Let us go, therefore"for this is the type of the Messias-to Christ; "let us go, therefore, and wash, and come, seeing."

By order and in behalf of the Board of Managers.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, J. H ECCLESTON, JOHN I. THOMPSON, JOSHUA KIMBER,

Church Missions House, Advent, 1899.

-x-Letters to the Editor

BASELESS AND INJURIOUS ASPERSIONS To the Editor of The Living Church:

The imputation so wantonly cast by the Rev. M K. Schermerhorn upon the honesty and good faith of the rank and file of the clergy of the Church, merits an indignant rebuke. A story told of Bishop Wilmer, of Alabama, I think, seems apropos. On one occasion while traveling, his train was wrecked. As the good Bishop extricated himself from the car, a drummer who was doing likewise, exclaimed: "We all came mighty near going to the devil that time!" Quick as a flash the Bishop retorted: "Speak for yourself, sir! Speak for yourself !!" Comment is unnecessary. F. W. T.

"IRREFUTABLE" CRITICS

To the Editor of The Living Church:

"The Protestant Episcopal Prayer Book is cumbered from beginning to end with words and phrases which bind it to the biblical and traditional errors which Dr. Briggs and his fellowcritics are so irrefutably pointing out." So writes the Rev. M. K. Schermerhorn, a clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a member of the American Unitarian Association. Now, Mr. Editor, I take strong exception to the affirmation of the above writer as to biblical and traditional errors "which Dr. Briggs and his fellowcritics are so irrefutably pointing out." The higher critics (so-called) with Dr. Briggs, etc., have not yet, so far as I have read, "irrefutably" pointed out any errors in the Scriptures. They claim to have done so, but they have so far failed to substantiate that claim. They, like the late Mr. Ingersoll, have used the word of God deceitfully; they misquote their opponents of the conservative school, and then with a flourish of trumpets tell the religious world they have irre. futably pointed out errors in the Holy Scriptures, and some clergymen believe them. Let me give you a case in point: A recent writer of the Dr. Briggs' school of interpreters states, quoting Prof. Green from Hebraica, 1889, vol. x, p. 140, "The critical partitions of Genesis have been gradually elaborated during more than a century by a succession of scholars of the great. est eminence, who have expended upon it an immense amount of learning, ingenuity, and patient toil, until they have at length brought it into a shape in which it is accepted with substantial unanimity by European critics of widely different schools of thought and very various grades of belief and unbelief." Such is the quotation from Prof. Green, seemingly on the side of the higher critics; but the vital part of Dr. Green's statement is purposely left out by the writer very ingeniously. I give here Prof. Green's concluding words from same paragraph: "Nevertheless, it is not the weight of authority, but the force of the arguments, which is decisive. And the fluctuations of critical opinion in the past, and particularly the rapid and extensive changes

which have taken place in the most recent times, caution us not to regard its present state as one of permanent equilibrium "Headds elsewhere: "Able scholars in Germany, France, Holland, and Great Britain are lifting their voices in opposition to the general critical drift, and it would seem as though a reaction had already begun." This Dr. Green wrote me, Jan. 3, 1897.

In view of such an authority, I respectfully ask my clerical brother where the word "irrefutably" comes in? The data from which the higher critics work is arbitrary and imperfect, and the conclusions false. I would urge my good brother to look up a recent issue of THE LIVING CHURCH, and he will find a very able article applying the principles of interpretation used by the higher critics to a well-known short poem of Burns, which principles give to that poem three authors. An argument that proves such an absurdity with one of Burns' poems, cannot very much affect the Holy Scriptures. With our late lamented Bishop Neely, of Maine, I believe that "the Bible is the Word of God."

J. C. QUINN.

Winn, Me.

WE DO STAND IN SOLID RANK To the Editor of The Living Church:

I suppose there i; not a priest in the Church who read the article headed "Prayer Book Rigmarole," in your issue of Nov. 11th, but was highly indignant, and readily repudiated this Rev. M. K. Schermerhorn and his statements. Your issue of Nov. 25th is before me, and it is with a feeling of considerable comfort that I have glanced through the articles of the Rev. Mr. Gilbert, and the Rev. Dr. McKnight. Permit me to add my voice of approval to these, and to repeat the refrain of my brother, John Mills Gilbert, "Thank God, we of the priesthood can stand in solid ranks and still proclaim our unshaken faith in the Church, and in her familiar forms of devotion."

NORMAND B. HARRIS. Hammond, La., Nov. 26, '99.

Personal Mention

The Rev. James B. Avirett, rector of St. James' church, Kittrell, has been appointed by Bishop Horner as missionary at Murphy.

The Rev. Waldo Burnett, after a honored ministry of many years, has resigned St. Mark's, Southborough, Mass.

The Rev. John Davis, D. D., has resigned the chair of Church History, Trinity Divinity School, Tokyo, Japan, and accepted a call to St. Paul's church, Evansville, Ind. Address accordingly.

The Rev. P. B. Eversden has resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Marysville, Kan., and accepted a call to St. Paul's, Coffeyville, Kan.

The Rev. Dr. J. B. Falkner, of Germantown, Pa., with Mrs. Falkner and Miss Grace Falkner, who have passed the summer in Derbyshire, England, have gone to Italy for the winter.

The address of the Rev. Warren C. Hubbard is changed to 144 Halsey st., Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Rev. Jesse Higgins has resigned the rectorship of Calvary Monumental church, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Rev. J. S. Jewett, Jr., has resigned the rector-

ship of St. Paul's church, Albany, N. Y. The Rev. Arthur Mason should be addressed at 119

E 57th st., New York city. The Rev. George Nattress has become the assistant

at Emmanuel church, Boston.

The Rev. Robert G. Quennell is to be addressed at 133 W. 11th st., New York city.

The Rev. Edward S. Stone, of the diocese of Vermont, has taken charge of the church of the Good Shepherd, Rocky Mount, for six months from Oct. 1st. The Rev. E. R. Sweetland has charge of St. John's church, Millville, Mass.

The Ven. Archdeacon Tiffany, D. D., should be addressed at 37 E 39th st., New York city.

The Rev. Chas. H. Vandyne should be addressed at 1473 Amsterdam av., New York city.

The Rev. Thomas Worrall has accepted the curacy of St. Paul's church, Burlington, Vt.

To Correspondents

W. L. H.-Will the writer of the letter on the subject of "Federation of Churches," send us his address. A letter is waiting for him.

DEC. 2, 1899

Ordinations

On Sunday, Oct. 15th, Bishop Morrison ordained the Rev. Milton Sherk Runkle to the priesthood, the rector presenting the candidate and the Bishop preaching the sermon. The Rev. Messrs. A. C. Stilson and George Gibson assisted in the ordination. Mr. Runkle is rector of the church of the Good Shepherd, Des Moines, Iowa.

The Rev. F. C. Walton, recently a minister in the Reformed Episcopal Church, was ordered deacon, Nov. 14th. in St. Luke's, Marietta, S. Ohio, by Bishop-Jaggar, to whom he was presented by the Rev. Dr. J. F. Ohl. The Bishop preached the sermon which was a plea for the revival of the diaconate of the Primitive Church, and was assisted in the service by visiting clergymen.

On Sunday, Nov. 19th, in Trinity cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio, Raymond H. Edwards, formerly a Presbyterian minister, was ordained deacon by the Rt. Rev. William A. Leonard, Bishop of Ohio. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Canon Watson. The Preface to the Ordinal and the Epistle were read by the Rev. Canon Hall. The sermon was preached by the Rev. George iH. McGrew, D. D., and the service was directed by the Rev. H. L. Gaylord, curate. Mr. Edwards is appointed to serve at the missions of the Redeemer and the Atonement, in Cleveland.

Died

DAY.-In Newington, Conn., Aug. 19, 1899, Edward T. Day, for many years senior warden of Grace church, aged 82 years. Also, on Nov. 6, 1899, A. Louisa Day, wife of the late Edward T. Day, and daughter of the late David Woodruff, of Newark, N. J.

ROBERTS.—The Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, D. D., rector of Emmanuel church, Chestertown, Md., in the diocese of Easton, at the Church Home and Infirmary in Baltimore, Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1899, aged 68 years.

WRAGG —Entered into the rest of Paradise, Thursday morning, Nov. 16th, at the home of her nephew, Mr. E. O. Sheftale, Quincy, Fla., Mrs. Josephine Lewis Wragg, in the 51st year of her age.

Appeals

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N. B.—The report on domestic missions, together with the bishops' reports of the several missionary districts and the report of the Commission on Colored Work and the report on foreign missions, including the reports of the several bishops abroad, and of the presbyter representing this Church in Mexico, are now ready for distribution. Please send for copies.

AN urgent appeal is made for \$200 for the chapel fund of the church of St. Thomas and St. Denis, Wando, S. C. This amount will make possible preliminary building operations, and \$700 will erect the building. Gene ous Churchmen are appealed to for aid in this important work. Send contributions to the REV. R. J. WALKER Lock Box 549, Charlestown, S. C.

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The Living Church The Editor's Table

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The Judgment

BY C. N. HALL

The pride of wealth must come to naught,

The pride of place must fall, When God shall ask, "What have ye wrought?" On that last day of all.

Then he who, rich, had haughty grown, And he with pride of birth, Their souls must come before the Throne To tell their deeds of earth.

"The wealth, the place, I gave in fee, But did ye feed My poor; And did no debtor go away

Despairing from your door?

"The helpless, friendless and alone, Oppressed by the strong; And did ye make their cause your own, And toil to right their wrong

"And were ye strong with gentleness, Was Justice still your guide; And did ye honor Truth no less, When by the world denied?

"Were there no children poor on earth, To whom your wealth could bring A childish laugh, an hour of mirth, Relief from suffering?

"Go hence! The wealth was only Mine; The place, by Me bestowed.

Ye should have made them gifts divine. Ye did make them your God.

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The Benedictus

XCEPT Magnificat, we have nothing so beautiful and appropriate for daily use in the daily offices, as Benedictus. The tremendous and entrancing theme of the Incarnation, as forespoken "by the mouth of His holy prophets," as shown forth in the light that lightened the Gentiles, is nowhere else so grandly treated. One might be glad to attend Matins at some inconvenience every day in the year, if only to join with two or three met together, to sing or say this magnificent hymn, yet the American Church, for a hundred years cut out of it all but four verses, while it cast out the Magnificat altogether (the explanation was weak enough: "All generations shall call me blessed," could not apply to us, and we could not say it with sincerity!). Now we have both these grand Gospel anthems; but permission is given to cut the Benedictus as before, except on four days in the year. A letter in The Churchman, from Mr. F. M. Burgess, states the case admirably:

The fact that the Church seems to allow this mutilation, and prints it with a break after the fourth verse, which I could never understand, ought not to weigh for an instant with any one who appreciates the blessed significance of the Incarnation. That one is not obliged to do a thing is a mighty poor reason for leaving it undone. We are not required by the Church to make our Communion but three times a year, yet what earnest Christian would be satisfied with that? The "Benedictus" is not long enough to offer

any excuse for omitting more than half of it. and that the most beautiful and helpful part. Why not break up the Te Deum and the Bene dicite? They are much longer, and in point of inspiration and Scriptural authority, there is no comparison with the Benedictus. But what right have we, anyway, habitually to cut to pieces such an inspired hymn? Besides, what a poor and ineffective climax is made by the words, "from the hand of all that hate us," when compared with these: "To give knowledge of salvation unto His people for the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, whereby the Dayspring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to If it is guide our feet into the way of peace." too much effort for the choir to sing it, let it be read. I cannot feel that this is a matter of indifference.

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Pen-and-Ink-lings

UT of 2,186,800,000 letters that passed through the British postoffice last year, there were as many as 8,500,000 which the officials managed not to deliver. In those opened at the dead letter office, property of the value of \$3,600,000 was found.

THE Lutheran World is credited with the following: "When a man goes after an astute editor, he should be sure to have his spelling-book along. Recently, in one of the papers I read, the editor was addressed thus by some well-meaning brother of the pulpit, whose exegesis, it is to be hoped, is better than his orthography: 'Doctor Editor, allow me, with all due deference, to ask whether it is the mule or the ass or the fool or the nave that is in you.' In true architectural invective, the editor comes back at his assailant, and tells him that he is a transept, denounces him as a cathedral, and, to make certain that he has got even, says that he is St. Peter's piled on top of St. Paul's."

 $\mathrm{E}^{\mathrm{CCLESIASTICAL}}_{\mathrm{distinguished}}$ themselves by the following statements: "The services opened with the requiem chant, followed by other lauds and matins for the dead. Then came the pontifical high mass for the soul of the departed." And again, in describing a new church, one of the ornaments was "a brass relief of the Lord's Supper."

VISITORS in the Presbyterian Cemetery at Dover, Del., found in a distant section the cemetery, some forty feet apart, of graves of three young women. They are the wives of Alexander McClyment, a former assemblyman and well-known citizen of the early part of this century. On the slab of Sarah who died in 1811, aged twenty-one, is inscribed: "O Monster! My heart is torn asunder by this ghastly wound." In 1816, Elizabeth, the second wife, died, aged twenty-two, and her tomb contains words even stronger: "Insatiate Archer! Would not one suffice?" But in 1825, when Elizabeth, the third wife, died at the age of twenty-five, the sorrow-stricken husband wrote: "Thy shaft fell thrice; and thrice my peace was slain."-Philadelphia Inquirer.

WOMEN, as well as men, can ride on the cars"-such is the translation of paragraph number two in the rules, or notice

to the public, prepared by the Korean president of the Seoul Electric Railway Company. The introduction of this trolley line is "the first step towards civilization in the 'Hermit Kingdom.'" Formerly women were not allowed on the streets in the daytime, but a curfew-bell was rung at eight o'clock in the evening, after which hour the men were required to remain in-doors, while the women took their exercise.

HE work of building an electric railway from the Governor's residence, outside the West Gate, through the heart of Seoul to the new tomb of Empress Min, beyond the East Gate, was begun last year, and completed in May of the present year. Japanese were employed as motormen, and native Koreans as conductors. For several days in May the cars ran over a portion of the route: the service was liberally patronized, and the enterprise appeared to be well established. On the 26th, however, when the president of the company and a few guests were en route to the imperial tomb, the first accident occurred-the child of a native was caught under the wheels and killed. But it so happened that the population of Seoul had for weeks been indulging in somewhat unscientific speculations as to the cause of a drought which afflicted the land, and now they either thought or pretended that the cause had been discovered. To quote from the Korean Repository: "The electric wires, some say, cut off the influence of Heaven: others affirm that as the power-house is built on a sacred spot, there can be no rainuntil the obstruction is removed." The people lost their self-control, stoned the company's employes, battered the car to pieces, and threatened to destroy the power-house; but the authorities gained control, and order was restored.

GOD'S ANSWER

The cry of man's anguish went up unto God, "Lord, take away pain!

The shadow that darkens the world thou hast made, The close-coiling chain That strangles the heart, the burden that weighs

On the wings that would soa Lord, take away pain from the world thou hast made, That it love thee the more!'

Then answered the Lord to the cry of His world. 'Shall I take away pain,

And with it the power of the soul to endure, Made strong by the strain

Shall I take away pity that knits heart to heart, And sacrifice high?

Will ye lose all your heroes that lift from the fire White brows to the sky

Shall I take away love that redeems with a price And smiles at its loss?

Can ye spare from your lives that would climb unto mine

The Christ on His cross?" -Julia Larned, in The Independent.

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An Athletic Papyrus

BY WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, D. D., LL. D. MUSCULAR Christianity will be glad to learn that one of the papyri discovered by the Egypt Exploration Fund, and but just pronounced upon by our experts, is a detailed list of the winners in all the thirteen events which formed the Olympian games for a series of about seven years. Its essential value is, that no complete list of all the events for even a single Olympiad has hitherto been found, or is known to be extant.

But this fact is enhanced by the circumstance that the papyrus covers the time when Pindar and Bacchylides were composing odes, yet extant, in honor of the Olympian victors, and that it furnishes independent testimony for assigning accurate dates to these famous compositions. Thus, Odes IX, X, XI, of Pindar are now shown to have had wrong dates. It will be remembered that some twenty of the poems of Bacchylides were obtained in 1897 from a edited by Dr. Kenyon unique pryusand who has been of service to our scholars in heir critical study of papyri. By this papyrus of the Olympian victors, Bacchylides receives an extension of sixteen years of literary activity.

Nor is this all. Chronology in Greek plastic art is aided. Pausanias, the topographer, states that near the close of our second century, many statues at Olympia bore the names of victors and sculptors, which the German explorers at the site confirm. Our papyrus fixes the year of a victory, and consequently of the sculptor whose plastic art commemorated it. To illustrate this point: Polycleitus, of Argos, is now shown to have flourished only a little later than Phidias, and Pythagoras appears to have continued his work down to about the same period.

-X-The American Negro*

 \mathbf{I}^{T} is no exaggeration to say that Booker T. Washington to day is the best known Negro in the world, and one of the greatest workers for the uplifting of the black people. A man born in slavery, without any advantages of birth, position, or wealth, who in eighteen years can from nothing build up a Normal Industrial School of a thousand students, with property to the value of \$300,000, with influence felt throughout the whole South, is an inspiration to all, whether white or black. The man who has done this, and more, is the author of this book—"The Future of the American Negro." Such a man deserves to be heard, and his ideas are worthy of serious attention.

Mr. Washington's book is in part a collection of papers on the Negro problem, written at various times for the magazines. Naturally, perhaps, there is repetition, and we also fault his style at times. These are minor defects. We have here a book which ought to be read by every student of this problem, and by every worker in the field. Mr. Washington passes in quick review the history of the Negro, from the introduction of slavery in 1619. From fourteen slaves then brought to this country, the number has grown to nearly ten millions--almost, if not quite, one-tenth of the whole population. This fact alone compels us to realize the seriousness of the problem, for "for better, for worse," these people are with us, and must influence the whole of our American life. In the State, as in the Church, it is true that we are all members one of another.

The author dwells with pleasure on the fidelity of his race, both during the civil war and in the Spanish-American. It is with pardonable pride also that he points to the progress the Negro has made in the thirty-five years since the war ended. Mr. Washington is largeminded, a man of wide experience, and is consequently able to look at the subject fairly. He is not blind to the faults and weaknesses of his people, which he rightly ascribes in large measure to 250 years of slavery. Neither does he shut his eyes to the fact that the white people are influenced for good or ill by the presence of this multitude of blacks. "I know that wherever Negro life touches the life of the nation, it helps or hinders; that wherever the life of the white race touches the black, it makes it stronger or weaker. . . . I know that only

*The Future of the American Negro. By Booker T. Washington. Boston: Smal', Maynard & Co. a few centuries ago they went into slavery in this country pagans, that they came our Christians; they went into slavery as so much prop erty, they came out American citizens; . . . they went into slavery with the chains clanking about their wrists, they came out with the American ballot in their hands."

The Negro problem is one that must be solved -for the sake of whites as well as blacks. There can be no peace until it is settled; something must be done. Some have thought that education would do it, and large sums of money have been spent in teaching Negroes Latin, Greek, Hebrew, philosophy, history, etc., etc., and the results in many cases have been disastrous. A race just out of slavery had not the capacity for such ed ucation; there was no foundation on which to build. It is not strange, therefore, that a disinclination and dislike for manual labor were begotten, and that ability to commit crime was increased. For while the intellect was cultivated, heart and conscience were but slightly touched.

Others again have advocated the removal of the black people to Africa, that there they might work out their own salvation apart from whites. But, aside from the enormous difficulty of transporting ten millions of people to a foreign country, Mr. Washington points out this insuperable objection—there is no place in Africa for them! That country either belongs to, or is under the influence of, the various European Powers, who would not permit such an occupation. In the opinion of the author, and others, the place for the Negro is in the South. He knows the South, and the people there know him, and have more sympathy with him than others. Mr. Washington thicks that the salva-

tion of the Negro lies in his being rightly educated. He would therefore have the Negro educated industrially, religiously, mentally. The schools should teach him in many cases the very simplest elements of cleanliness of person and home: how to work, and to the best advantage; to be saving, and so learn the value and power of property. With this, his religion should become more rational and less emotional-more practical. The intellect would not be neglected; and so being truly educated, the Negro would take his place in the South, and show what was in him. Not politics, but character, will enable him to make his way with the whites. As a race, the Negro is in his infancy, and possesses the weaknesses and faults of such a people, consequently he must not expect to be received at once as one of the favored race. It is Mr. Washington's judgment that "during the next half century, and more, the Negro must continue passing through the severe American crucible. He is to be tested in his patience, his forbearance, his perseverance, his power to endure wrong,-to withstand temptations, to economize, to acquire and use skill,-his ability to compete. to succeed in commerce, to disregard the superficial for the real, the appearance for the substance; to be great and yet small, learned and yet simple, high and yet the servant of all. This, -this is the passport to all that is best in the life of our Republic; and the Negro must possess it or be barred out."

The book ought to produce good results. With the knowledge of that which is being done at Hampton, Tuskegee, and other places, workers in this field everywhere should be encouraged, and feel that their efforts are being crowned with success.

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OMMY AND GRIZEL, J. M. BARRIE'S new work, has finally been completed, and will be published in Scribner's Magazine It will begin with the new volume (January number) and will run throughout the year-illustrated by BERNARD PARTRIDGE.

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OLIVER CROMWELL, by THEODORE ROOSEVELT, will not be the history of a mere student, compiled with much research, but with little experience of affairs. It will show

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THE BOER WAR will be dealt with in Scribner's (like the Span-

ish War) with vivid, complete descriptions by eye-witnessesaccompanied with the best photographs. The first articles will be by H. J. Whigham, who has already reached the front.

SENATOR HOAR: "Harvard Fifty Years Ago," and paper on the Massachusetts Bar in the days of Choate and the other historic legal giants.

ERNEST SETON-THOMPSON, author of "Wild Animals I Have Known," will con-

tribute to early numbers of the Magazine a notable group of stories--all illustrated by himself.



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WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE: several more of his stories of picturesque phases of Western public life.

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are among those who have already written short fiction for the forthcoming numbers.

ART FEATURES include, beside the uncommon illustrations for "Cromwell" and the other pictorial plans mentioned, special articles on art and artists, such as "Puvis de Chavannes," by John La Farge, to be illustrated, in color, from the great artist's work; special illustrative schemes by E. C. Peixotto, the young American illustrator, who is making a pilgrimage through France for the magazine; and by Walter Appleton Clark, Dwight L. Elmendorf, and others. Also color-printing and colored covers.



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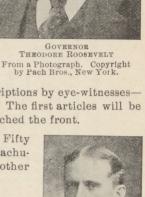
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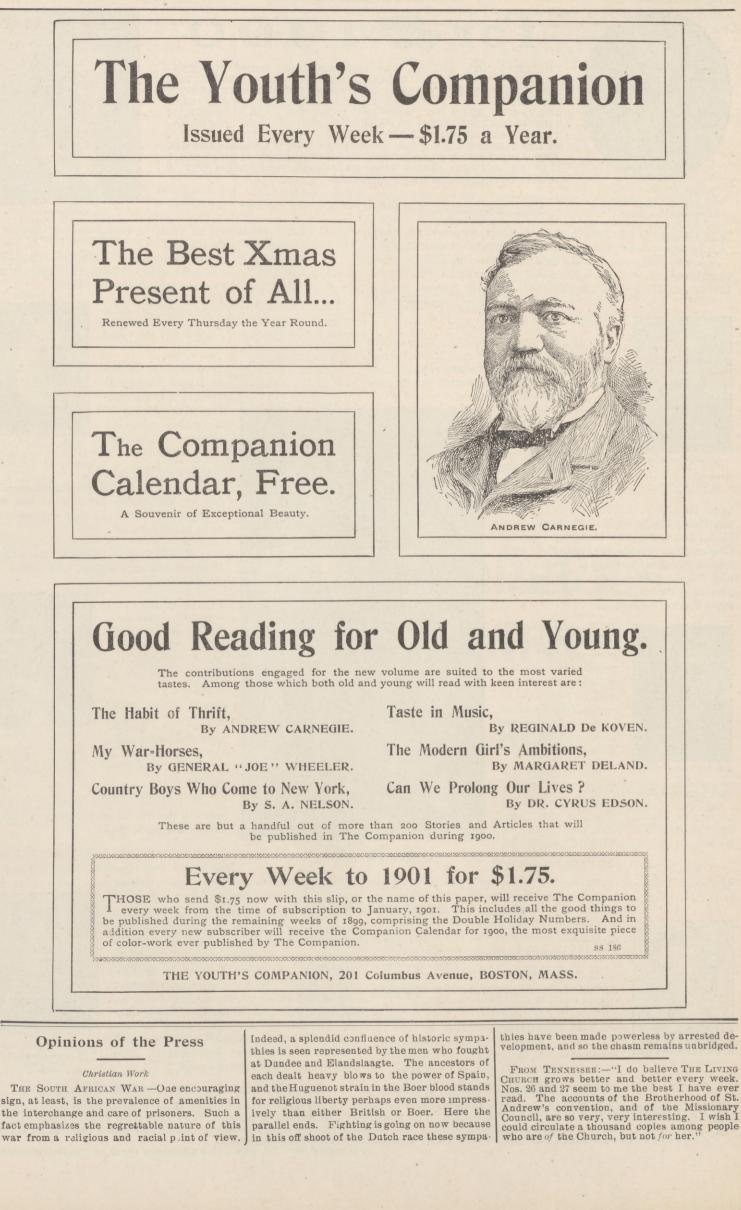
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Book Reviews and Notices SOME CHRISTMAS BOOKS

FREDERICK A. STOKES COMPANY MESSRS. lead the procession of gift bearers for the holiday time. To their taste, enterprise, and skill the public is indebted, every year, for some of the choicest specimens of illustrated and richlybound holiday books. The following are among the attractions they offer for the present season:

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"THE GOLF GIRL" has her innings in these days, and a prettier tribute to her grace and skill can nowhere be found than this book, with its colored illustrations by Maud Humphrey, and verses by Samuel Minturn Peck. Price, \$1.25.

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Now that we are speaking of Messrs. Dutton & Co.'s recent books, we should note "THE LIFE SAVERS," a story of the United States Life Saving Service, by James Otis. This is one of the best books of this season, or any season, well illustrated by half-tones from photographs. The cover design is striking. The book is well made, and the subject is one of intense interest. The life-saving service to which it relates is a great and noble work, the extent and value of which, perhaps, few understand.

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MESSRS. J. P. LIPPINCOTT COMPANY, Philadelphia, make their contribution to the enjoyable books of the season, in a notable edition of Mother Goose's Nursery Rhymes, with 250 pictures by Frederick Burr Opper. It may be described as Mother Goose adapted to grown folks. Mr. Opper calls it "the eighty year

anybody not much past that age. We pity the man who has outgrown the capacity to enjoy his droll sketches. It should be kept within reach for hours of depression, and where it will also be handy for the amusement of the young ones during the children's hour.

MESSRS. HARPER & BROS. issue a handsome volume of PETER NEWELL'S PICTURES AND RHYMES. Perhaps the artist is best known by his illustrations of "The House-Boat on the Styx." His style is original and unique. He imitates no one. It is a queer blending of carica. ture, realism, and fancy. His rhymes are as piquant as his pictures, and the combination is irresistible. Yet, perhaps the best thing in the book is Mr. Bangs' introduction, which is very forceful and funny.

The Fun and Fighting of the Rough Riders. Fy Tom Hall. New York: Frederick A. Stokes Company.

Lieutenant Hall has told the story of the Rough Riders from a rather different standpoint than that of other writers who have found the subject attractive. After reading the book we have a less clear idea of the individual characteristics of the men who composed that now famous regiment, than we gain from Governor Roosevelt's work, but we know perhaps better the organization as a whole and its outside relations. The author is one of those fortunate individuals who can see the humorous side of things, and this quality, always in evidence, together with his excellent literary style, has aided in producing a most readable book. The author has endeavored to present to his readers the brighter side of the shield, not dwelling upon the more sad and pathetic incidents, yet in many instances we are led to read between the lines, and our impressions of the sufferings of the regiment are not the less strong that they are not more emphasized. Altogether, the book stands well to the front in the literature of the recent war.

The Marble Faun; or The Romance of Monte Beni. By Nathaniel Hawthorne. With Forty-eight illus-trations. Boston and New York: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price, \$3 a set.

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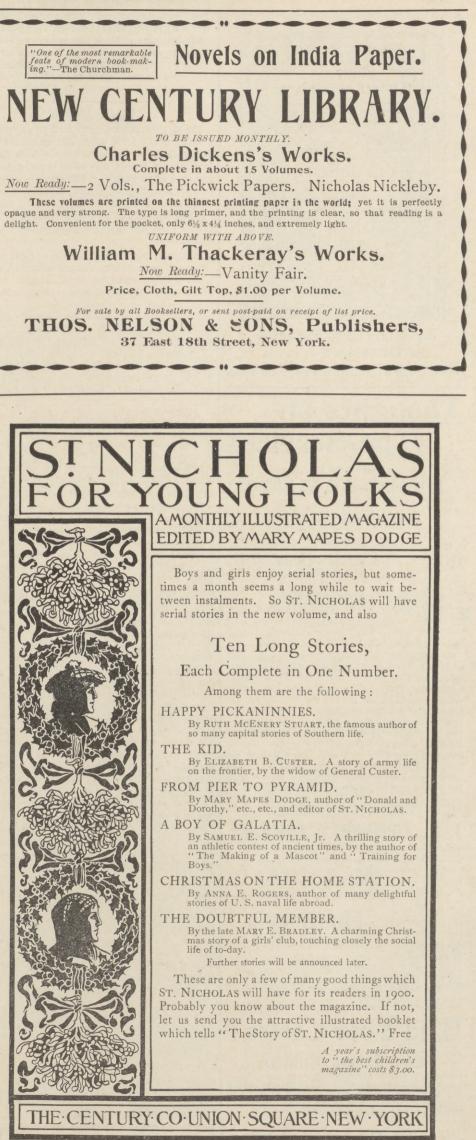
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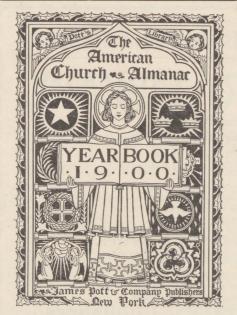
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Literature, a weekly international gazette of criticism, published by Harper Brothers, maintains its high standard of excellence. It addresses only a limited class of readers, so limited that we feel sure the periodical cannot be a source of profit. The number for Nov. 17th contains a spirited article on style, entitled "Ars Prosaica," a perfectly delightful French paper by Coubertin, a short but pointed study of Erasmus, and very many pungent reviews of current books. We are thankful to find the usually poor short story omitted; \$4.00 a year, or 10 cents a copy.

The Thanksgiving number, American edition, of The Quiver has for the frontispiece a bright colored plate, "Choosing the Wedding Gown," from the painting by Wm. Mulready, R. A. Another full-page picture is the "Sistine Madonna." The first of the "Stories of the Abbey Precincts," by Agnes Gilberne, gives promise of a very interesting series. Another serial is be gun, "The Lady of the Manor." There is a story also of Thanksgiving Day. All these, and others, are handsomely illustrated. "Children's Memorials" gives description and illustration of interesting monuments to the young. A complete story by Lilian Quiller-Couch, is short and sweet and touching. Scripture Illustrations, etc., furnish serious and helpful reading. [Cassell & Co., New York. \$1 50 a year]

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The Nineteenth Century for November contains only two articles on the South African conflict, but one of them, "After the Present War," by Edward Dicey, C. B., is based upon the as sumption of that sweeping British victory which has not yet begun to be very discernible. "The Battle of Trafalgar; an Unpublished Narration," is a most interesting account of that famous action, by an officer who was then lieutenant, or first officer on the "Bellerophon," and afterwards, captain. "The Intellectual Future of Catholicism" (meaning Romanism as distinctly papal), by W. H. Mallock, strikes us as the shallowest article we ever happen to have read on the subject of the relation of Rome to its religious opponents. An article that ought to attract wide attention, is that on "The Plague in Oporto," by A. Shadwell.

Our English cousins have a sublime assurance which compels a sort of admiration, not to sav respect. In the leading article in *The Fortnightly Review* for November, as in *The Nineteenth Century*. the political future of South Africa is settled before the British troops have achieved one important victory—in fact, before they have

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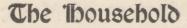
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Little Saint Perpetua

BY ELIZABETH L. STURGES

I CALLED her so at first because she bore the name of that eager young martyr; then as I came to know her better, I saw the halo round her faded hair, and recognized her for the saint she was. She, too, middleaged and weary, prayed the prayer of the young Perpetua, a prayer for "patience under corporal pain." How often she prayed it none knew, for her face was as serene as a summer sky, and she did not talk of the vagaries of her vertabræ, as she brightly expressed it, but out of her mouth proceeded words of the sweetest submission and birdlike notes of gentlest joy.

She sat at her window above the noise and dust of the city street, and watched the world from this point of vantage. That there are advantages in a "sick" view of things, a rudely healthy person will probably most stoutly deny. I am one of these, and Miss Perpetua rebuked me times without number for my murmurings on her account.

"Do you not remember," she said to me once, "what Emerson tells us? 'For everything you have missed,' he says, 'you have gained something else.' Dear, nothing is truer. You see in me a little chair-ridden invalid, denied the delights of the story book of out-door nature "thy Father has written for thee," and for all the upright ones of earth. You look at me with pity. 'Oh, the monotony of her days!' you exclaim. 'No walks or riding, no golf, wheeling, or tennis, no full breaths of pure, keen air, no bounding joy of life. Yes, I miss much, but this I have gained, and I believe God gives the knowledge more fully to His shut-in children because they need it the more-I am learning how should be read the human chapters in the nature book. What you read in stones and running brooks, I get from the postman and the newspaper boy. Epictetus says that a lover of wisdom should train himself to become a spectator of God and His works. We stay-at-homes are better prepared than you to philosophize thus."

"Yes, dear saint," I said, "but the reaching the point where one can philosophize."

Miss Perpetua smiled a trifle sadly. "Ay, there's the rub," she answered.

"I know I could never do it."

"Oh, yes you could. God does not require of us the impossible. I was very impatient at first, very rebellious, I am so still at times. This is one way I take to cure myself." She took from the table a fat little manuscript book. "Here is where I think on my marcies," she laughed. "Sweetheart, if you ever become a shut-in, you will understand the comfort of a book like this. The first pages of mine are not fit to read, they are so bitter and rebellious. That was when I first became ill, and had not learned that there were any mercies to reward. I have not destroyed them, for they are my stepping stones, and it does me good to look back and see what progress I have made. Now I am accustomed to the quiet of my days. I find interest in everything. This outer world you tread on is my most fascinating study. I love to look from my window at the hurrying swarm in the street below, and observe from this eminence the ways of the busy hive."

"Of the wasp's nest, you mear. Oh, little

petticoated Teufelsdrockh, what seest thou from thy high watch tower?"

"Sweetheart." Miss Perpetua loved to use the dear Southern pet names, "the world is not a wasp's nest. That is one thing I have discovered. There is far more of honey making than of poison brewing, if you could but see it. Don't be cynical, dear. It is a silly habit young people think themselves bound to acquire. The older one grows the more that verse from the Psalms appeals to one: 'Whereas the goodness of God endureth yet daily.' Oh, no, there is no room for cynicism in God's world. There now, 'if I philosophize any more, may I be hanged.' Play me my Goetz Sonata, and then we will read the 121st Psalm together. They will put us both in excellent tune I think.'

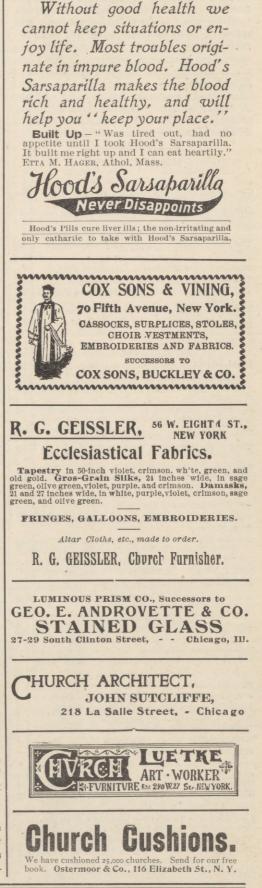
Miss Perpetua was more than fond of music, it was to her God's voice. A small piano stood in one corner of her sitting-room, and on it she would have me play all the sweet low sonatas and andante movements that I knew. Mendelssohn, Haydn, and many of the lesser German masters were more to her than all the sermons that ever were written or preached. She loved books, too, and read much, for she was learned in the "Humanities." She seldom let a day pass without a quiet hour with Shakespeare, and middle-aged woman as she was, always read her Iliad in the original. She studied the Greek and Roman philosophers a good deal, but would put them down with a sigh.

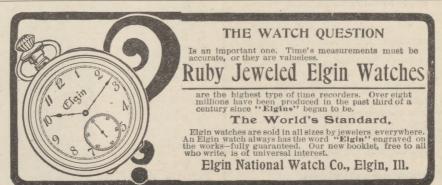
"Oh, my dear, so near, so near to the eternal truths; only a little more light. What a pity they had to spend their lives in gropeing and almost touching."

Of the moderns, Robert Louis Stevenson was her favorite. She would pat his books with a friendly hand, and say: "A good man and a brave. He was sick and continually in the prison of his bodily pains, yet he knew it not, or regarded it not, so hopeful, true, and bouyant was his soul."

There were many pictures on Miss Perpetua's walls, prints of the old masters, most of them, with an occasional water-color of some hauntingly lovely bit of nature's soul. I asked her one day which of her treasures helped her most. She pointed to Guido's Mater Dolorosa "She knew what sorrow and suffering was, and bore them without faltering. What are we that we should grumble at our petty ills?"

This is only a glimpse of my dear little saint. I wish that a larger part of the world could have known and loved her. "I am such a weakling, such a cumberer of the ground, I can do so little for my fellows," was her constant cry. But indeed I think she accomplished much more than she knew, for when she slipped away, there were many in our street who missed the pale face at the window, which used to smile so cheerfully down upon them all. Miss Perpetua always made me think of a bunch of English vio-





lets, so modest and small to look at, yet so far-reaching in their fragrance. Ah, dear saint, you can see now, can you no⁺, that you left our dingy street the sweeter and holier for your presence among us? Surely, no ignoble life's work; surely sheaves enough for you to take to the Master of the vineyard.

We miss her sorely, but could not bid her linger, since all her spirit longed to be away. Sweet saint, she too had her vision of the golden ladder. And then I think her pure and violet shining was seen by God, and that He needed her, and so she was "tae'en by Him to deck His Paradise."

After Miss Perpetua left us her little Book of Mercies was given to me. Here are a few extracts from it. If they are of help to any, I know my little saint will be glad of heart.

This is written towards the front of the book:

""'Tis all men's office to speak patience." How their senseless babblings anger me. If they were scourged as I am, would they cry peace, peace, when there is no peace, no, nor never can be for such as I. Why God, if there is a God, permits this pain-racked, useless thing I know not, unless he be a God of blood and sacrifice, and I supply another victim for His altar. "A cripple for life!" What would you say my snug patience preachers, an that knell were rung in your ears? Kill yourself, perchance, if you did not fear a worse beyond."

This next is selected at random from about the middle of the book, and is one of many such.

"A warm, sun-flooded autumn day. What a joy to merely be alive! In the fields and woods I know the golden-rod is beckoning with its feathery arms. Oh, to respond to its sweet invitation, to gather great armfuls, to crush it to me, and smell of its spicy breath. And the purple iron weed standing so royally beside its golden neighbor, it too would bow its plumed head and welcome me. Ah, well, what use to sigh for nature's gaudy ornaments when there are the perfect flowers of holiness and love to strive for? And by and by I hope that God will let me see the purple and gold of His royal palaces for autumns without end."

"Remember your mercies, Perpetua, for they are many. How good of God to give me books and pictures and music to help my quiet life. And my friends, the people in the street below, I wish they knew how fond of them I am. There is the morning sunshine on my floor, and the little sparrow sitting on the housetop yonder. How kind of Him to place that tree just where its swaying branches can tap, tap on my window pane. Its gentle fingers take away half the loneliness of my wakeful nights. But this is the best and greatest and most wonderful of all my mercies, that God, through Christ, is teaching me and leading me to a wider knowledge and a deeper faith in Him."

"A sunny garden flower, with no room for its roots, and too much sunshine for its head. This is what I would have become in the old life, the life of ease and careless, rosy health. How much faster I am growing in the quiet shade, how clearly can I sometimes hear God's voice walking in my garden in the cool of the day."

"March 7th, St. Perpetua's Day. I her namesake hold it in grateful remembrance for this one thought of hers, and it is all the excuse for being that she will ever need. It has helped, and is helping, me more than I can say. 'Nothing will happen,' she said, 'but what pleases God, for we are not at our own disposal.' "

These are the last words written in the book, written with a tremulous, feeble hand the day before God took her:

"I think the spring is long in coming this year. My little birdie and his mates are here full soon for sunshine and swaying leafy boughs. Oh me, I am tired, tired! I too 'wait my springtime and am cold like these.'"

A CHICAGO hotel manager employed a handy man, going by the name of "Bill," to do his window washing. One morning Bill, instead of doing his work, was amusing himself by reading the paper, and, as bad luck would have it, the manager looked in.

"What's this?" he said. Bill was dumbfounded. "Pack up your things and go," said the manager.

So poor Bill went to the office, drew the money which was owing to him, and then went upstairs and put on his good clothes. Coming down, he went to say "good-by" to some of the other servants, and there he happened to run across the manager who did not recognize him in his black coat.

"Do you want a job?" asked the manager.

"Yes, sir," said Bill.

"Can you clean windows?"

"Yes, sir."

"You look a handy sort of fellow. I only gave the last man five dollars, but I'll give you seven."

"Thank you, sir," said Bill; and in half an hour he was back in the same old room cleaning the windows this time, and not reading the paper.

"THE doctor said he'd put me on my feet again in two weeks." "Well, didn't he do it?" "He did, indeed. I had to sell my horse and carriage to pay his bill."

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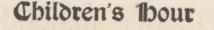
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Virginia's Air Castle

A SEQUEL TO "THE GIRLS OF ST. DOROTHY" BY IZOLA L. FORRESTER

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CHAPTER V.

T was a splendid sleigh. Back in the autumn days it had been a hay wagon, and rumbled back and forth with its sweetscented loads from field to barn, but now instead of wheels it had broad, smooth runners, and rows of seats on top, with warm blankets, and straw and Buffalo robes in plenty. Virginia was given a place of honor between Eleanor Edsall and Mollie Gray, while Madge sat beside Tony up in front. There were four horses, the old white Cherritt team, and Mr. Edsall's bays, and they started off through the moonlit town with steady, even trot, keeping time to the jingle of the bells.

"Where are we going, Bobbie?" asked Madge, her eyes brightening as she sleigh whirled through the main street, and around the corner that led to the railroad bridge.

"Going to have some fun," shouted Bobbie, standing up on his seat and waving his cap. "Keep your feet off the baskets underneath the seats, girls, and Jerry, don't squeeze Benjamin too tight."

Jerry sat on the front seat with the driver, holding something carefully in his lap, and all he did was nod and wave one disengaged hand.

The horses drew near to a little, low house down by the marsh, and Madge's eyes filled with happy tears as a great cheering and blowing of horns went up in honor of the little green house that had been her home for so long, and then they hurried on down to the bridge, and over to the bay shore road.

When this was reached, Mollie gave a quick cry.

"Oh, now I know!" but a well-aimed snowball from Bobbie checked further utterance.

"Just keep your information to yourself," he said sternly, or you may go sit on the edge with Jerry and hold Benjamin."

By the time the solitary light in Miss Pugsley's window came in view, more than Mollie had guessed Bobbie's mission, and when the steaming horses drew up before the little white gate, it did not need his urgent injunction to make them keep quiet. In front marched Bobbie and Jerry, carrying the turkey between them, and when Miss Pugsley's tremulous voice asked, in response to their knock, who was there, the former replied promptly:

"Benjamin Franklin."

The door was opened cautiously, and Miss Pugsley peered out over the lamp she held, one hand shading the light, and her face was anxious and puzzled. The boys raised the bundle in the shawl, and Benjamin stuck his long neck out and blinked sleepily.

"We've brought him home," said Bobbie cheerfully, "and there's a whole lot of us, and we've brought some things to eat, and if you don't mind, we'd like to have a surprise party on you."

"If she didn't mind" The old lady's

cheeks flushed happily as she set down the lamp and threw open her door and heart for the merry crowd to enter.

After it had all been explained by Bobbie, and Jerry had made the presentation speech, and Benjamin Franklin had been received back into the bosom of his family, the girls helped Miss Pugsley unpack the baskets of good things to eat, and there was a feast fit for a king, and far better and happier than many a king has enjoyed.

Towards the end of it Bobbie was seen to approach their hostess, and talk to her privately. She demurred, but he persisted, and finally turned and rapped on the floor for silence, with a pine stick from the woodbox.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he began. "Boys and girls, and Benjamin, Miss Pugsley is going to make a speech."

"Speech! Speech!" called Tony and Art. and Miss Pugsley smiled nervously, and took off her spectacles.

"I haven't anything special to say," she said softly, "only I want to thank you all, and to tell you what dear boys and girls you are, for my own sake and for Benjamin's sake, too; for when you're old and all alone, dears, sometimes even a turkey may be precious to you."

"'Rah for Benjamin!" cried Tony, and the girls joined in the shout, too, until the little house rang with the merry echoes.

"It's the best thing we've done for a long time," said Dave emphatically, on the homeward journey. "Bobble, you're a brick. I'm afraid since it got too cold to meet in the barn, that the Excelsiors are a back number."

"But you musn't be this spring," Mollie added hastily. "The older we are the more we can do, you know. And I think that this year we ought to combine forces, and do something really great; not just be good, but do something!"

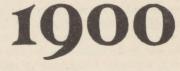
"Hear! Hear!" came a fervid response from the corner where Jerry and Bobbie sat. "You girls think up a scheme and we'll help, if its starting an orphan asylum, as long as you behave yourselves and do as we say."

It was a careless word said in jest, but Eleanor caught it, and her eyes looked thoughtful and happy the rest of the way home. When the sleigh stopped at the Edsall home, she stood in the snow-covered pathway, and said:

"I've got an idea!"

"Stick a pin in it," advised Bobbie, calmly. "They die easy that way."

"Now, don't, Bobbie," replied Eleanor seriously. "This is earnest. When the Sisterhood meets on Monday afternoon we will talk it over, and if it can be done this



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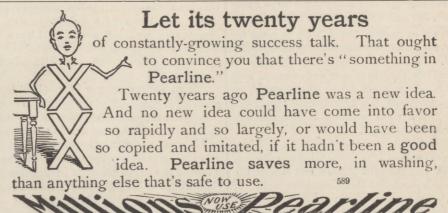
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"What is it, Nell?" called Mollie, her curiosity fully aroused.

"Something like Bobbie's orphan asylum, without the orphans," answered Eleanor laughingly, and not another word would she say, but said good night, and ran up the path with Jerry.

"I wonder what it is," said Madge, later, when she and Virginia paused a few minutes in the nest to get thawed out before going to bed.

"Something good. Nell's ideas are al-ways good," replied Virginia decidedly. "Only I don't see how she is going to start anything really great here in Ottawa."

Madge seated herself on the rug, her hands clasping her knees. The book which she had been reading aloud that morning was open on the floor beside her, and she was looking at the inscription on the flyleaf, written in a large, firm hand:

"Dick Hardy, Christmas, 1898."

"Who was he, Virgine?" she asked suddenly, and a change came in the tired, listless face above her.

"He was my brother," Virginia said proudly, her eyes bright, but with a halfsorrowful expression in their gray depths. "Older than Tony, almost seventeen now, and he is so strong and brave."

"Why, I never knew you had a brother," exclaimed Madge in surprise. "No one knows here, do they?"

"Not one," said Virginia, slowly; "papa does not wish it known. Dick has not been home for a year, not since we left Chicago."

There was silence for a few minutes, and then Madge broke it.

"Is he at college?" she asked interestedly, but Virginia's eyes were full of tears, and she shook her head.

"I do not know where he is," she said unsteadily. "You must not tell any one, or mention his name before papa. It is late, and I hear mamma's step in the hall. Goodnight, and don't think of me or my trouble. You have had enough of your own to bear.'

And Madge kissed her and went to her room, but it was long before her wide, brown eyes closed that night, and she wondered why the world was so queer, and even wealth could not bring happiness.

(To be continued.)

Meteors of 1833

MRS. SARAH P. HALE has a distinct re-membrance of the great meteoric display of 1833, and a reference in these columns to that wonderful phenomenon recalled it to her mind. She says that at the time she was a little girl, and was living with her family in Pennsylvania. At 4 o'clock, the hired man who had a room upstairs, alarmed the family by shouting that the whole heavens were coming down. The scene, Mrs. Hale says, was a most impressive and beautiful one. The meteors were coming down as thick as snowflakes. They did not shoot across the heavens like the ordinary meteor, but appeared to come straight down, and not to stop until within a foot or two of the earth, when they disappeared. They descended on all sides about the house. Many thought that the world was actually coming to an end. The Second Adventists had predicted the universal cataclysm for about that time, and they were averring that this was the beginning of the end. Of course, one who witnessed that shower would never forget it.

Everybody Has One Slow Foot YOU may think this a very silly question to raise, but is it? There is no catch about it. It is a simple, demonstrable fact which you can prove to your own satisfaction in a very few minutes.

If you will take any pavement that is clear of other pedestrians, so that there shall be no interference, and walk briskly in the centre, you will find that before you have gone a hundred yards you will have veered very much to one side. You must not make any conscious effort, of course, to keep to the centre, or you may do it, but if you will think of something, and endeavor to walk naturally, it is a hundred to one you cannot keep a direct line.

The explanation of this lies in the peculiarity of one foot to walk faster than the other. Or, to be more correct, perhaps it should be said that one leg takes a longer stride than the other.

It is well known, for instance, that if one is lost in the woods, the tendency is to walk in a circle and eventually to return to the starting-point. This demonstrates the fact, also, that one foot walks faster than the other.

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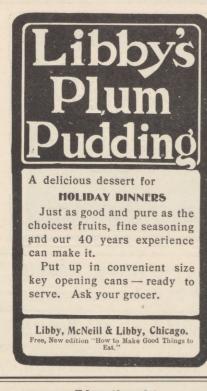




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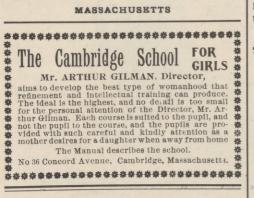
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Among the things that are thrown away are a variety of baskets, varying in shape from the under-sized strawberry basket to the more generous one capable of holding two or three doz en of eggs. A strawberry basket held under running water and scrubbed lightly with a brush may be freed from fruit stains. Having received the freshening, paint the outside with blue, white, or pink enamel, or with any of the metalic paints, applying the latter with their own special medium or with French glue, or thin with mucilage. Line it with silesia, sateen, or India silk. The baskets in which grapes are bought may also be so treated. Various uses f r these baskets will suggest themselves, to hold silver, etc. Enamel may be bought in pound cans and applied by almost anybody.

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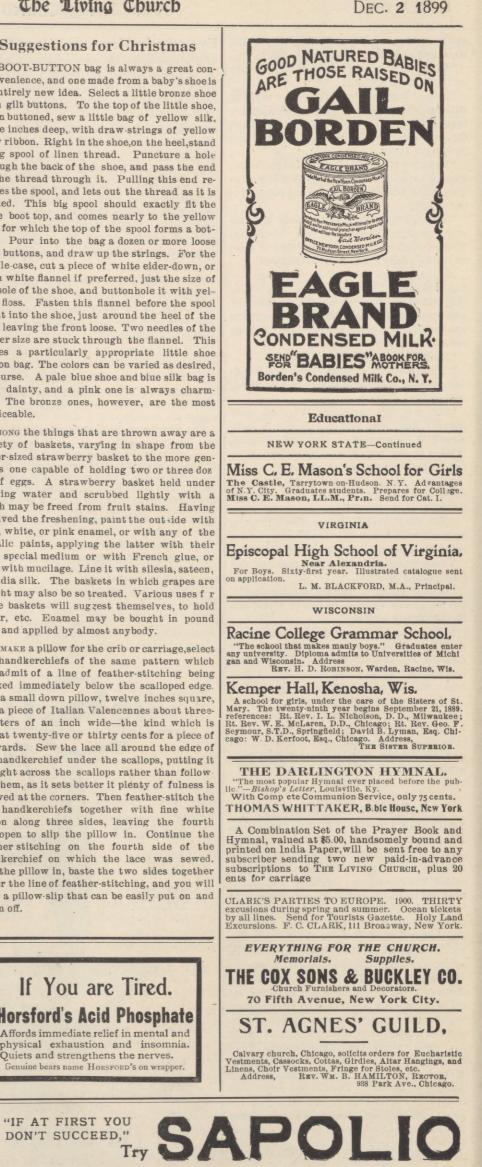
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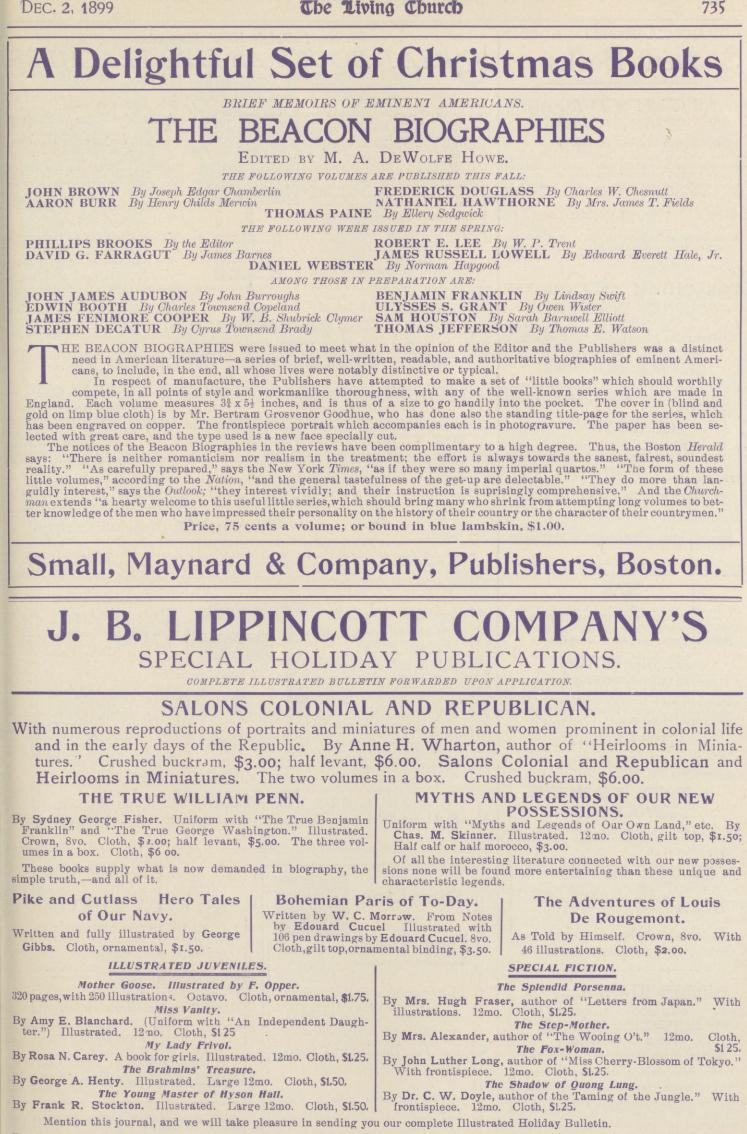
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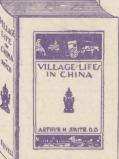
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