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BUT WE NEED more than seriousness of purpose; we need seriousness of endeavor. There must be a definite rule of life in things spiritual as well as in things temporal. The followers of Christ should set aside faithfully and irrevocably certain periods of the day for being with his God in prayer and counsel. He should read a portion of his Bible every day. He should give his means to God's work to God's poor. He should practice self-denial rather than self-indulgence. These are Lenten exercises, not to be dropped as soon as Lent is over, but to become fixed habits of the life. The services in this church during Lent are intended to help you in the spiritual life. Therefore let us be serious in our endeavor to use them to the best advantage. Let us keep in mind the ideals of purpose, power, and prayer. The night cometh when no man can work; opportunities slip away all to soon, power unheeded soon slips from our grasp. May we then realize the blessedness of a devotional Lent, profit by it, lay hold of it, and draw near to our blessed Lord by reason of it.—Rev. B. W. R. Tayler.

AN ADDRESS TO "THE LIVING CHURCH."

N ORDER to understand the appended correspondence, it is necessary to explain what has drawn it out.

Some two years ago, a delegation of English Churchmen, headed by the Duke of Newcastle, visited this country in the hope of influencing Catholic Churchmen to lend financial and moral assistance to a plan whereby the (London) Church Review should be published jointly in London and New York, as a recognized Anglo-American Catholic weekly. The delegation visited several of our Eastern cities, and much interest was aroused in the project. It fell through, however, on the avowed ground, explained by Churchmen quite generally in the several cities visited, that the introduction of such a weekly periodical into this country would have the effect of dividing the support now given by Catholic Churchmen to The LIVING CHURCH, which they fully recognized as the exponent of such Churchmanship. The tender of the English committee was thus declined, the negotiations fell through, and with the close of the year 1902, the Church Review ceased to exist.

This failure of the plan proposed was in no sense, however remote, caused by any suggestion made by The Living Church. To none of the parties interested in the matter, nor to any of those whom they attempted to interest, did we signify the slightest opposition. It was wholly because Churchmen themselves perceived, as a business proposition, that the division of the field now occupied by The Living Church between two weekly periodicals would probably result somewhat disastrously, that their decision was made. Speaking of the matter now, for the first time we have ever uttered a word on the subject, we may say that the determination of our Eastern friends brought to us a sense both of gratitude and of relief. We felt that it was essential to the continued progress of the Catholic Movement in this country, that there should be here a fearless exponent of that Movement. We felt, further, that a periodical, however ably edited which for the most part emanated from

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of influence upon the Church at large, seemed to us rather

A like reticence has been maintained by ourselves concerning the overtures to us contained in the Address to THE LIVING CHURCH which follows. The latter has emanated and received its circulation and signatures wholly from the East, and in the desire of certain Eastern Churchmen to strengthen and build up what they recognize as the exponent of their own Churchmanship. The first informal tender of the overtures to us was in the shape of a question whether a largely signed request that The Living Church should remove to New York for its main office of publication, would be entertained. This we were obliged to answer negatively; we have not felt that such removal would be expedient, or that it would enhance the progress of the Catholic Movement. We felt that we could be quite as truly representative of the East as of the West, without such removal. The overtures then took the present shape of a suggestion that the East be recognized by the opening of a New York office and the addition of a New York imprint to The LIVING CHURCH. These overtures, as stated in our answer to the Address, we are able, through the cordiality of Messrs. E. & J. B. Young & Company,

It should be stated that several of the signatories to the Address following have noted that they had had no connection with the Church Review negotiations, but have signed as a general indorsement of the overtures; no doubt there are others who were interested in the negotiations whose names were unknown to the gentlemen who sent out the request for signature, and who would have taken pleasure in appending their signatures, had the matter been brought to their attention. There was no list of names available for the purpose, and common report was necessarily the only dependence. We of this office felt a delicacy about even suggesting names of probable signatories, and no such suggestions were made on our part, nor has there been any degree of instigation, however slight, from ourselves or from others in the West. The Address in its conception and its execution, is wholly the product of our friends in the East, and to those friends, as to all who have signed, we return cordial thanks.

THE ADDRESS.

"The undersigned, priests and laymen, desire to make known their recommendation that the good will and support of the movement which was recently made to establish New York headquarters for a Church weekly of Catholic principles should be transferred to The Living Church, which has already absorbed The American Churchman and Catholic Champion.

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THE REPLY.

MILWAUKEE, March 5, 1903.

Dr. Houghton, Rev. Dr. Chambré, Rev. Chas. W. Coit, and others:

GENTLEMEN:-The foregoing wholly unsolicited and unexed action on your part, is to us of The Living Church a hing incident. It is seldom in this busy world that busy stop to record their appreciation of the attempts of others what God gives them to do. Appreciation is always helpbut it is especially so in work so delicate as that which id upon an editor; that of being at once positive and temte, decided and unfailingly courteous, outspoken and yet Iful of those who will differ with him.

A periodical which records staunch convictions has both dvantage and a disadvantage in the strife for survival; dvantage because the public becomes accustomed to knowwhere to find it; a disadvantage because it is inevitable times will arise when its best friends will differ with the or in the opinions that he will be bound to express.

In an intellectual age, such as is our own, differences of ion must always be expected. Hardly can two intellectual be found who are in agreement on every subject. This is uism; but it is a truism that makes the work of the conntious editor very difficult indeed. He knows that as every issue arises, the frank judgment which he must express ediately will be contrary to that of some of his best friends most loyal supporters. He must write quickly, sometimes the immediate spur of the moment, that which will be in and in the hands of cold, thoughtful, unhurried readers thinkers, who are under no impelling necessity of haste, who will rigidly scrutinize every argument that he has ily written, and will relentlessly discover and point out fallacy in the logic or the infelicity of the expression, into ch the haste of the moment has led him. By those hurriedly ned words, the editor is, of necessity, judged. What wonder the tendency in journalism is toward "straddling" on the hand, until it becomes clear how public opinion is going, oward ill-tempered, carping criticism on the other! These the Scylla and the Charybdis that threaten the conscientious

Your own cordial action is taken, as a matter of course, a full recognition of the fact which may reasonably be med, that there have been times when the opinion of The NG CHURCH on some subject has differed from that of each vidual whose name is signed to the foregoing paper. That should be so is inevitable; that it will prove so in future qually so. That no one ought to consider that your signaes constitute unqualified endorsement of every position of LIVING CHURCH in the past—much less, of every position ch in the future it may maintain—is so patent that it can No he necessary to state it. Yet we of THE LIVING CHURCH from such mistakes—involve him alone, and not yourselves. opinions which he expresses are his alone. They involve neither you, gentlemen, individually, nor the Catholic Movement; much less, the Church. Those are far greater and broader than the mind of The Living Church. It is enough that you are able to find yourselves so frequently in agreement, that you recognize a common purpose to promote Catholicity in this American Church, and that you feel a cordial interest in maintaining THE LIVING CHURCH for these reasons.

BUT YOUR ACTION is gratifying also for reasons far beyond any personal consideration. It marks the end of the period when Catholic Churchmen were content to diverge into little groups, unsympathetic with the Church at large and even with each other. It is perhaps not strange, when one remembers the conflicts through which Catholic Churchmen have passed, that they should have been driven into an individualism which exaggerated personal idiosyncrasies and which tended to disintegrate rather than to consolidate. It is a danger of any forward intellectual movement, that personal characteristics may become magnified. The Catholic Movement is only in part an intellectual movement; but it is so in part, and it has passed through the phases which must distinguish such a movement. We have been growing together for some years. In no way is this new consolidation of forces more happily shown, than by this overture on the part of distinguished Eastern Churchmen to a Western journal. It was shown two years ago when, in the same year, the Bishop of Fond du Lac asked that his sparkling monthly, The American Churchman, and the distinguished group of Catholics in New York and Philadelphia asked that their brilliant journal, Catholic Champion, might each be consolidated with The Living Church. This, we plainly recognized, was not because either of those parties who made their overtures to us, were ready to sink their individualism into that of THE LIVING CHURCH, or to be bound by the editor's judgment, but because they recognized, in the same spirit that has animated you, gentlemen, residing, for the most part, in the farther East, that only by combining our forces can we hope to develop the strength of the Catholic Movement, and to impress it upon the Church at large. We shall no doubt always differ to some extent among ourselves, for Catholicity has no quarrel with intellectual activity, nor is it a dull solution of all problems-much less, a suppression of thought. It does, however, as we are all agreed, furnish the point of view from which all religious problems should be examined. More than that, it furnishes us with so large a purpose in common, and so definite a platform of principles, as to enable us to work unitedly together in one body. That is the meaning of the overtures made to The Living Church by The American Churchman, by Catholic Champion, and by yourselves. And only by utilizing and making our own, the combined intellectual and spiritual strength of these several groups of Churchmen, who unite in THE LIVING CHURCH, can we hope to make of the latter such an organ of American Catholicity as shall be worthy the name. This, with the assistance of each, we are seeking to do.

Nor does this common platform as Catholic Churchmen make us unsympathetic, or at enmity, with the Church at large. We are not a partisan group, closing up our ranks for a partisan contest; but rather do we perceive in the vast number of those who do not cherish quite our ideals, a latent Catholicity which is susceptible of development and training. This coming together of Catholic Churchmen need not strike the world as a declaration of war. It is rather an augury of peace. We believe not only in the Catholicity of the Church, but in the ultimate Catholicity of Churchmen. We seek unity, not divergence. Our ideal is that Catholicity may so expand that gradually it will embrace all Christendom; not by surrender or by minimizing what we understand to be involved in Catholicity, but by so putting it into practice as to commend it to Christian people at large. It is evident that Catholicity is succeeding as a factor in Christian Unity where negation has failed. We think it is also becoming equally evident that true, but unvaunted breadth of mind and of sympathy are charac-

teristics of Catholicity, rather than of its opposite.

who find themselves substantially in sympathy with its aims, are ready to unite in creating for it the constituency which is an essential element in its continued existence. We are so fortunate as not to be compelled to look to you for financial assistance; but for making the paper known to other Churchmen, and for interesting others in giving it their support through their subscriptions and their personal influence, we look to you, according to your cordial overtures. You will be glad, also, to learn that never has the increase in circulation been so pronounced as during the past few months; a happy augury of the advancing Catholicity in the American Church.

And you ask in return for a "New York headquarters" and a "Metropolitan imprint." It is impracticable that the actual place of publication should be changed. Circumstances and conditions have fixed it, and a change seems not to be possible. From Chicago and from Milwaukee The Living Church has gained its present position. Yet we are very glad, notwithstanding, to arrange for a New York headquarters and imprint for the paper. The former we have done through the prompt, generous tender of the courtesies of their house, extended by the firm of Messrs. E. & J. B. Young & Co., who quickly, on learning of these approaching overtures from yourselves, invited us to establish THE LIVING CHURCH in their quarters. That house, well known to many of you and to Churchmen generally, has long been the Eastern headquarters for all the publications of The Young Churchman Company. The relations between our two houses have uniformly been so close and so cordial, that in placing the house of the Messrs. Young at the disposal of THE LIVING CHURCH for this additional purpose, their estimable manager has only added one more to the many bonds which already tie The Young Churchman Company and the firm of E. &. J. B. Young & Company together. There, at their rooms, 7-9 West Eighteenth Street, New York, our friends will find THE LIVING CHURCH "at home" to them, with a host as genial as the world has produced. There THE LIVING CHURCH will be found on file and on sale, there subscriptions may be sent in and may be paid, there the many publications of The Young Churchman Company, as of their own and of the London Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge may be examined or purchased, and there their true Metropolitan hospitality will be displayed. Soon the consolidation between this old-time house and that of Thomas Nelson & Sons, already announced, will bring even larger facilities into the New York head-

So far as either the publication of the news or the formulation or expression of editorial opinion is concerned, the actual place of production is unimportant. The extensive use of the telegraph by the correspondents of The Living Church, probably to a degree never heretofore approached in the publication of a strictly religious paper, and the full and prompt mail reports, place the news facilities of The Living Church on the very strongest ground. Indeed, it so happens that more space is almost invariably accorded the East than the West in our news columns, and the South as well has its full share.

And for the rest, The Living Church is in no sense a sectional organ. Its position in the heart of the Middle West, surrounded by Bishops who staunchly hold up the banner of true Catholicity of the Church; by institutions at Nashotah and Chicago and Racine and Faribault and in the Cathedral cities of the neighboring Dioceses, that were formed to be the exponents of Catholicity and have vindicated their right thus to stand; and by Dioceses and men who stand for the highest ideals of Catholicity—gives The Living Church a truly Catholic environment.

But notwithstanding this, The Living Church is in no distinctive sense a Western organ. Its sympathies and its interests are as largely centered in the East and in the South as in the West. An age of easy travel leaves little excuse for provincialism of temper. In several editorial associates, in the corps of book reviewers, the news gatherers, the writers, the correspondents, and the subscribers and readers, the East contributes quite as largely to the success of The Living Church as does the West. The really Catholic spirit has in it no room for sectionalism.

And the aspiration of THE LIVING CHURCH goes beyond even that of presenting a national representative of American

CHURCH with The Church Times, and in many other way former has a localized home in England, as it has in New and Chicago, and the many cordial expressions which come to it from English Churchmen, lead to the belie: many will recognize it as the international exponent o glican Catholicity. Not even in England, we are tole European movements so intelligently portrayed as by European correspondent of The Living Church, whose residence successively in Cairo, in Constantinople, in I and in Paris, with his many trips to Russia, has given an insight into European movements such as few Engli American Churchmen could have. The Living Church can supplant the admirable weeklies which the Church al has in England, nor would it attempt so to do; but there large number in the mother country who are glad to stren the ties which already bind English and American Churc together, and who welcome the opportunity of support movement that must increase our common knowledge, not of each other in the Anglican Communion, but also o problems and the movements of the larger Church throu the world.

With assurances of the deep gratification which you dial Address has brought to us, and with the hope that we be enabled still more to draw Catholic Churchmen tog and to impress Catholicity upon Churchmen of all gray we are

Your Obedient Servant;

THE EDITOR OF THE LIVING CHURCE

THE humor in the following excerpt will be appreciated when it is remembered that the author purports to be sentative of a school of thought complacently describing as "Broad." Such an exhibition of pure, unadulte "breadth" is indeed fit for "a kind of ecclesiastical Puck" most humorous department. The excerpt is clipped from Boston Transcript; and of course we have no comments to

"To the Editor of the Transcript:

"As a minister of the Episcopal Church, I beg to ask tha do not take the utterances of the Chicago Living Church too ously. It is a kind of ecclesiastical Puck, a standing joke a rational and sensible Episcopalians of all schools. Nobody ever any attention to what it says save a few eccentrics in half-aunimportant Dioceses in the Middle West.

L. S. Oseorne "Newark, Feb. 21."

We may add that it is wholly by accident that this ticism appears directly following the complimentary Addre ninety-nine of the most distinguished Churchmen in the lbut it places the delicious humor of the former in a particular brilliant setting.

ANY will remember the indignant howl which wen some years ago when the late Dr. Ewer used the ex sion, "The Failure of Protestantism." Yet to-day that fa is notorious everywhere. At a recent gathering of New land representatives of the Baptist Social Union in Bo some dismal truths were told. "One hundred thousand monters live more than two miles from any church, and ignorant of the meaning of the word 'religion,'" said speaker. Can that be literally true? Representatives Connecticut and Rhode Island also, according to the Bo Post, "spoke to some length on the rapid decline of estantism in their respective states." "It has long been my liberate conviction that there is no immorality in a Wes mining camp that will compare or that will go beyond, the morality that you can find about five miles from a New land town," said the Rev. George E. Horr. "In 1840," said Rev. W. A. Davison, speaking of Vermont, "we reported 1 Baptists, or nearly 3,000 more than at the present time. causes of the decline are several. Among the most potent harmful have been the different 'isms."

The same story is told by the Congregationalist, the Henry L. Hutchins, whose tragic death on the day of his u ance concerning the dismal condition of parts of Connect

urch-goers and 39 per cent. of the children do not attend school. e main organization, as far as I could see, in that town was a brass nd, and this was fostered with a care that neither church nor acol-house received. Illiteracy, insanity, and imbecility were in is town in a marked degree."

"In Fairfield county is a town of nearly the same population, d in nearly the same degenerate condition. There are two churches re, but neither supports a preacher. Here is a class of people who ight be called the 'mountain whites of Connecticut.' These 'poor nites of the North' are becoming a new class in New England that being made out of the old New England blood, degenerated to its esent condition."

"Of the villages themselves it could be said that a sordid matealism or animalism seems to be literally growing about its doors. here is a belt, or region, between towns that presents frontier contions. Most of our brutal crimes occur in these regions. Absolute athenism seemingly reigns now in whole sections once occupied by e best types of Christian manhood."

And if this is the result of two hundred years and more of ew England's Protestantism, will any one deny that Protstantism has had its trial and has failed?

Surely, the antidote is the Catholic religion in all its ilness.

E SINCERELY hope there may be wisdom enough in the Wisconsin Legislature to defeat a pending bill to aunorize the Governor to invite the Governors of all other states send, with this state, deputies to a national conference to be eld in Atlanta for the discussion of the Negro problem. From ny point of view, the state of Wisconsin is the last in the nion that would be justified in taking such action. We have ere no Negro problem, and it is hardly consistent with that ractical humility which should characterize intelligent men, to ssume that our assistance in solving it where it is somewhat exatious, would be a large measure of help. If the state of beorgia should take the initiative, the case would be different; ut it would be as reasonable for the labor unions to try to ettle the banking law; or for the Filipinos to call a convention o settle the Mormon problem; or for the state of Massachusetts o interest itself thus in the details of Arizona irrigation, as or this state of Wisconsin to interpose its uninvited services y calling a convention in another state, to discuss a problem hat is far more pressing in the latter than in the former comnunity. It is true that the Negro problem, like each of these ther national questions referred to, concerns the whole counry; but it is also true that it is one that can best be solved by xperts, who have practical knowledge of the question, and not by theorists at a distance.

More harm has been done in the South by the intervention of well meaning people from the North into Southern difficulties, than by all the alleged anti-Negro sentiment that there may be found in the South. We earnestly trust that the Wisconsin Legislature will confine its attention to abuses nearer nome.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

INQUIRER.—The problem which you suggest is one relating wholly to the Roman communion, and we should hardly feel justified therefore in ttempting to unravel it.

W. P. T.-We can best answer your question by quoting the following

from Cutts' Dictionary of the Church of England:

"The spiritualities of a bishopric, says Sir R. Phillimore, Eccl. Law, page 77, do not mean the spiritual power and authority inherent in the episcopal office, but the coercive jurisdiction given him by the State for the better fulfilment of his office, such as the receiving of presentations, giving of institutions, admissions, etc., to benefices. The temporalities of a bishopric are all such things as form the endowment of the see, 'as manors, castles, lands, tenements, tithes, and such other certainties.' (See an Essay on 'The Bishop's Oath of Homage,' by J. W. Lea, 1875)."

A. L. T .- The proper color for Confirmations is white. But where Confirmation is administered, as is now customary, in connection with other services, the liturgical color for the day rightly takes precedence.

W. C. M.—We do not recall a poem entitled "Nothing but Leaves." Perhaps some correspondent may.

H. A. B.—(1). On its spiritual side the Church is an organism; on its temporal side, an organization—a kingdom.

(2) We do not catch your meaning in asking whether "any Divine influence [is] imparted from man to man or from man to things by personal contact." Divine grace is imparted through the sacraments, in each of which there must be some measure of personal contact. Unless this is referred to by your questlon, the answer would seem to require a negative.

The Parish Question Box.

Answered by the Rev. Charles Fiske.

[The questions answered in this column have been taken from those found in a parochial question box, where parishloners were asked to drop questions about doctrine, discipline, and worship. They treat, therefore, of subjects which are really inquired about among the members of an average congregation.]

HAT is meant by the authority of the Church? Is not the Bible our sole authority?

By the authority of the Church as the interpreter of the Bible we mean that in reading God's Word we must be guided by the Church's decrees. The Bible is a difficult book to understand; we need help in reading it, and the Church gives us that

Suppose some young students were studying the philosophy of Kant or Herbert Spencer. It would be of great assistance to them if they had a teacher to summarize for them the principles enunciated in the various works of these great authors; it would be of greater help if they had an authoritative interpretation of certain difficult passages. Now, the Bible is deeper, more profound, than any human writings, and in the decrees of the Church we have an authoritative interpretation of its contents. In the decisions of the undisputed general councils, we have the opinions of those who came immediately after the time of Christ and His Apostles, as to what the Bible teaching means; not, mark you, their personal opinions of what is truth, but their statement of what the Church has always understood to be the meaning of the sacred writers—an opinion as valuable as would be, for example, a letter from an intimate friend of the poet Browning, who had long known him and from conversations with him could tell what this or that passage in one of his poems meant.

In the creeds of the undivided Church we have an authoritative summary of what the Bible teaches. We are, so to speak, told: This is what the Church has taught. You will find a fuller explanation of each article in the Bible-which records the original statement of the truth by Christ, or the fuller interpretation of it by His followers, who were, after all, but members of the Church, explaining her teaching. Start with this teaching, ponder it; then read the Scriptures and find from careful study of their pages that the teaching is true.

In other words, we believe that the Church gave us the Bible-there was a Church organized, and teaching in the world before the Bible was written—and therefore the Church is the

one best able to interpret the Book she has given us.

This is very different from the popular evangelical statement that "the Bible and the Bible only is the religion of Protestants." You see what that theory results in: Every denomination finding a different faith and system, as each reads the Scriptures from a different point of view; different people going to the Bible to pick out what pleases them, or what fits in with their theory, and forgetting things of a different character that affect, qualify, and explain what they have accepted. No one is wise enough to choose out of the Bible even what is most necessary—and we shall best read its pages, if we take the summary of its teaching which the Church gives us in her creeds or in the decrees of her councils, and then study the Bible with these as a kind of syllabus, a sort of working hypothesis, which our further reading will prove, amplify and explain. Otherwise we are like children at a feast, picking out the sweet things we fancy and leaving the rest, to our hurt, and through our own fault.

IT IS THE WANT of appreciation of what we have that makes our life poor and often so uninteresting as it is, so devoid of inspiration. There is the delusion that has befallen many people, that life to be of any real value must be attended with extraordinary array of circumstances. Unusual and signal occurrences must conspire to create

SHOREDITCH SECESSION EXAGGERATED.

And Serious Attempts Made to Repair the Breach.

DECEASED WIFE'S SISTER BILL AGAIN.

Opening of Convocation.

SEVERAL EPISCOPAL TRANSLATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

London, Shrove Tuesday, 1903.

HE Church Family Newspaper, from enquiries of the Rev. A. M. Cazalet, priest-in-charge of St. Michael's, Shoreditch, and others, has learned that the statement (also materially modified in the Times, when it first appeared) as to the number of the members of the congregation of St. Michael's attending Mass at the Romanist Dissenting Chapel of St. Mary's, Moorfields, on the Sunday after the vicar's resignation, is a gross exaggeration. Nearly all the children who were kidnapped by the seceding Sunday School teachers have been got back, whilst many adults who strayed away to other English Catholic churches have now returned. The priest-in-charge has already won (says the Guardian) the hearts of many of the parishioners and the children. On Saturday week quite a number of the members of the congregation gave up their half-holiday to repair the ravages done to the schools by some of the irate seceders, where pictures had been torn from the walls, and three crucifixes broken. At evensong on Sexagesima Sunday Canon Newbolt gave an impassioned extempore address on the words in Psalm exxxvii. 5: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning." After pointing out various turbulent and critical epochs of Church history since the days of the apostles, he went on to say that the Catholic Church in this country, as elsewhere throughout Christendom, had always "emerged in safety." Doubtless there were some present there who had lived through very stirring times, and "knew the Church's power of revival and were proud of her scars." In conclusion, the preacher referred to the life of sacramental grace which was the heritage of every English Churchman, and said that "nothing could make him disbelieve the Church of England to be the true Voice of the Catholic Church in this country."

After the service Mr. Athelstan Riley addressed informally a meeting of the St. Michael's people in the school-room. He said (to quote further from the Guardian) his desire was to be with them in a time of great difficulty and to speak "as a layman to fellow-laymen, as a Catholic layman to fellow Catholics." He was there, too, as a Vice President of the E. C. U. Had Lord Halifax been in town he did not doubt that he would have been there. They knew that the E. C. U. was a society "which for half a century had spoken out boldly in defense of the Catholic Faith by whomsoever assailed—the Privy Council, the British public, the Press, or even the Archbishops and Bishops." He felt for them at St. Michael's with all his heart, and asked them "not to listen to those who would urge them to go backward or forward"; their strength was to "sit still," their duty to "stand by" the present priest-in-charge till the trustees appointed a new vicar. He knew some of the patrons, and he would use his influence with them "to send a good and faithful priest who would make no compromise as to the essentials of the Catholic Faith"—of which St. Michael's would yet "shine as a bright beacon." The priest-in-charge then thanked many of the congregation for their kind sympathy in his trying position, also Mr. Riley for coming and showing his sympathy. He exhorted all to help in allowing St. Michael's to do "a good work for God on Catholic lines," and show the "latent power of the Church of Christ."

It is now officially announced that, by desire of the Prince of Wales, Wednesday, July 15th (St. Swithun's day), has been fixed upon as the date for the dedication of the nave of Truro Cathedral, at which H. R. H. and H. R. H. the Princess of Wales have arranged to be present.

The Archbishop of York has intimated to the vicar of Bishopthorpe—the parish in which the Archiepiscopal residence is situated—his desire to build, at his own cost, the tower of the Church, as a thank-offering for blessings received during the 25 years of his episcopate.

The first practical step towards the erection of the new Liverpool Cathedral was taken on Monday fortnight, when the The Dean and Chapter of Windsor have made an excell appointment by selecting the Rev. the Hon. M. J. G. Ponsor vicar of St. Mark's, Swindon, to be vicar of Wantage. Dur his 24 years' vicariate at St. Mark's he has done a notably c structive work on Catholic lines; the parish being situated that part of Swindon which is wholly a creation of the Gr Western Railway and occupied almost exclusively by railv artificers and employees.

According to the *Daily News*, a new confraternity has co into existence in the English Church, under the designation the "League of the Catholic Name." The primary object the League is to rescue the name "Catholic" from popular litation to members of the Roman Communion; and it boast special hymn, bearing resemblance to a warsong.

An important meeting of the Churchmen and others terested in the preservation of the existing marriage law of t country was held under the auspices of the Marriage Law I fence Union in the Great Hall of the Church House, We minster, on the evening of the 13th inst., to protest against a attempts to legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister the present session of Parliament. The Duke of Northumb land presided, and amongst others present on the platform we the Bishops of London, Ely, and Salisbury, the Bishops St fragan of Reading, Barking, and Burnley, Lord Edmund T bot, M.P., the Right Hon. J. G. Talbot, M.P., the Right Ho Sir John Kennaway, the Dean of Peterborough, Dr. Randa late Dean of Chichester, Mr. H. W. Hill, Secretary of t E. C. U., and Mr. Burnie, the Lincoln's Inn barrister. A st ring address was made by the noble chairman, after which t Bishop of London, in introducing the resolution against t bill, said we do not ground our opposition to the measure " some disputed passage of the Old Testament," but we took o stand "on the absolutely undivided voice of Christendom." S John Kennaway, in seconding the resolution, urged that mer bers of Parliament should be made aware, by means of petitio and correspondence, that "there existed amongst the best their constituents strong opposition to this measure." Los Edmund Talbot, who belongs to the Romanist Dissenting bod said he welcomed such an occasion as this, when they and I "had the happiness of meeting on common ground." marriage with a deceased wife's sister, it was enough for him know that these marriages were unlawful in the Church Then followed a member of the Labor Representation Committee in the person of Mr. F. Rogers. Mr. Burnie, in h speech, held that the great practical argument against th measure was that it "necessarily proposed to put into the cru cible what was the very basis of modern civilization"-the la of Christian marriage. The resolution at the meeting was can ried with one dissentient. By the bye, only the sixth place i the ballot for Private Members' Bills has been secured for th Deceased Wife's Sister Bill of 1903, Sir Gilbert Parker bein the gentleman who has undertaken to be undertaker for it this

The Protestant party in the House of Commons is said to be jubilant because in the ballot the "Church Discipline Bill has preëminence as a Private Members' Bill. Its object is described by its supporters as one of much simplicity, namely, a merely embracing the abolition of the Bishop's veto and the substitution of deprivation for imprisonment.

At the opening of Parliament on the 17th inst., Dr. David son, in the House of Lords, took the oath and subscribed the roll as Archbishop of Canterbury. His introducers were the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of London. The Bishop of St. David's took the oath and subscribed to the roll on being entitled to a seat by rotation.

Both Houses of the Convocation of Canterbury met las Wednesday at the Church House, Westminster, for the despate of business. At 11 A. M. there was an offering of the Hol Eucharist in Henry VII.'s Chapel, Westminster Abbey, th Archbishop of Canterbury celebrant. The Lower House assembled under the presidency of the Prolocutor (Archdeacon Light foot), and here also a resolution was adopted in reference to th late Primate, moved by Archdeacon Kaye, and seconded by Canon Overton. As early as three o'clock in the afternoon the Prolocutor announced that he had no more business for the day

a have the work of Convocation put on a more business-like

Sure enough on the following morning session the anticipaexpressed in the House the day before was seen to have n well-founded, for the Archbishop came down and addressed members on this very subject. He would not dare to face, said, the responsibilities of the Primacy without the ready port of both Houses of Convocation. He believed he stood ne, amongst Archbishops during the past two hundred years, naving practical experience as a member of the Lower House. course the great desire of both Houses was to make Convoion as serviceable as possible to the Church and nation. ey had, indeed, learnt themselves, and they had taught many ple outside, that Convocation was very far from being an chronism in the Church of to-day; but he was also clear that time had come when they ought at least to consider "whether ne of their modes of conducting their business might not be ittle more brought into harmony with what they felt to be ways of doing similar business outside these walls." Certainly archaic phrase and custom "had a value ich perhaps they needed to cross the Atlantic to appreciate the full." Those who came from other shores "sometimes ke of the impression made upon them by the very fact of haic phrase and custom being still used to-day as in cenies gone by." (Hear, hear.) But there was nothing incomible in the retention of all that was best in their old phrasegy and customs and usages, and "the getting of themselves a le more abreast of the ways in which they would conduct iness outside these walls." He desired to ask the House to point through its Prolocutor, some of its members to serve a consultative committee. He was not prepared to advocate ly change in the constitution of either House of this sacred nod." But he asked for such a committee in order that it ght "advise the President as to changes which might be made the conducting of their business." The Archbishop certainly de himself quite en rapport with the Lower House, and ther made it clear to us all that he at least possesses a level d in Church business matters.

The House of Laymen for the Province of Canterburyugh a body without any legal status—also met last week at Church House, Lord Ashcombe presiding. The Archbishop, companied by the Bishops (or some of them), paid the House visit, occupying the chair. In addressing the members, he d the record of the work done by the House of Laymen since first session seventeen years ago "formed an important part the story of the life of the Church" during that period of ne. It was absolutely essential that the Bishops and the rgy should have "not only the outside cooperation but the istant fellowship and help in every way" of such an assembly the House of Laymen. In conclusion, the Archbishop sugsted that the time was ripe for some consideration of the thods and procedure in regard to the carrying on of the siness of the House. Upon the withdrawal of the Archbishop d Bishops the House proceeded to business, the chief matter ought forward being the reform of the ecclesiastical courts n connection with Lord Hugh Cecil's Ecclesiastical Suits Il. The main provisions of this Draft Bill are (1) the abolin of the appeal from the Provincial Courts to the Judicial nmittee of the Privy Council in all ecclesiastical suits inving questions of doctrine and ritual, and (2) that the Proicial Courts should be enabled to refer questions of doctrine ritual to the decision of the whole Episcopate of the Proves of Canterbury and York. Lord Hugh Cecil, in proposing Bill, said it was a fact, generally admitted by all the highest al authorities, that interpretation of the law in difficult cases ant changing the law. If this was so, it followed that the urch must have "a voice in the interpretation of the laws that ected her." He could then conceive of no better court which ould rightly interpret the mind of the Church than the whole nch of the Bishops. Lord Stanmore, in seconding the mo-n in favor of the Bill, said he did not bind himself to accept its details. But he considered that the noble lord had, at st, done one good thing in his resolution, and that was to pose the unsatisfactory power of the Privy Council. Mr. ancellor Dibdin said the Bill seemed to him to display

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and "give his full attention to introducing one which should be at least more practicable." The Chancellor then moved an amendment in favor of the retention of the appeal to the Crown. In the closing discussion, Sir John Kennaway, while admitting that the present state of things was deplorable, could not accept a proposal which proposed to put the final power into the hands of the Bishops. Lord Cranbrook earnestly advised the House to wait until the matter could be considered more fully. Mr. Sydney Gedge held that the Bishops were not chosen because they were men qualified to interpret law, many being confessedly ignorant of it. The somewhat heated discussion was finally cuit short by the adjournment of the House.

I have only time and space now to record—without any comment—the announcement in this morning's newspapers of the following batch of Crown appointments: The Bishop of Exeter (Dr. Ryle) to Winchester; the Bishop of Newcastle (Dr. Jacob) to St. Albans; the Bishop Suffragan of Thetford (Dr. Lloyd) to Newcastle; and the Rev. Dr. Robertson, Principal of King's College, London, and Vice Chancellor of London J. G. HALL. University to Exeter.

LEO XIII. AND BIBLICAL RESEARCH.

Who are to Serve as Consultors in the Papal Commission.

END OF ITALIAN CATHOLIC SOCIALIST MOVEMENT.

Dutch, French, and African News.

IS IS not unnatural, about and around the Jubilee of the Pope, which will be so shortly celebrated, Italy and all Roman countries are paying a tribute of affection and esteem that none will refuse to the venerable Pontiff. I apprehend that in the story of the history of his reign no event will be marked by a whiter stone than the constitution and carrying out of the work of the Commission for Biblical Research. I send a list (dry if you will) but interesting to dwellers in other countries than Italy, of those who have been added as correspondents abroad. The "Voce della Verita" (Feb. 1) publishes with other Italian journals, a full list of the consultors appointed by Leo XIII. to serve on the Commission of Biblical studies. So many have been added to the original list that the whole number is now made up to 40. Most of these late additions, however, will act as correspondents abroad, and will not reside in Rome or take personal part in the discussions. The moderately Liberal character of the commisssion is still fairly maintained, as far as one can judge from the better known names on the list. Among these may be cited: Monsignore Lamy, Professor at Louvain University; Rev. Charles Grannan, Professor at Catholic University in Washington; Rev. Dr. F. Kaulen, Professor of Exegesis in Bonn University; Rev. Dr. Schaeffer, Professor in Breslau University; Rev. T. Wetkert, of the Benedictines in Rome; Father Vincent Scheil, Professor of the Ecoles des Hautes Etudes; Rev. Dr. Schaeffer of Vienna University; Father Prat, S. J. Father David Fleming and the Abbé Vigoroux, are appointed secretaries of the commission.

In the sacred circle of the musical arrangements of the Vatican, a certain flutter has been caused by the resignation of the much revered director of the music of the Sistine chapel-Maestro Comm. Mustafa—after 50 years of "artistic triumphs," as the Italian organs call his work, and call it rightly so. That which will be more interesting to many is the fact of the appointment of Maestro Perosi, as his successor. Some three years ago this talented young priest passed through Paris and London; and some of his compositions were produced. A very general verdict given was that he had a great future before him. He is quite young. As intendente and controller of the music at the Papal Court, he had his field opened to him. It is rumored already that some radical changes will be made, but they are rumors.

The following, from the London Times, at the end of last month, touches another and marked episode in what may be called Vatican politics. I quote it at length, as the movement has created considerable comment from time to time in other countries beside Italy:

P. Murri called the lecture his 'Last Will and Testament.' The matter of the address was a kind of credit and debit account of his successes and failures amongst the poverty-stricken masses of Italy from the year 1897, when P. Murri began his vigorous agitation, until the present winter, when, in obedience to the Pontiff, laudabiliter se subjecit. The aim of the movement was a practical development of the so-called 'Christian Socialist Encyclical' of Leo XIII.; so that P. Murri has always asserted the Pope himself to be at least the indirect founder of the Italian 'Christian Democracy.' P. Murri said that he, and the priests and laymen who worked with him, could not ignore the plain fact of the hour, that there was a competition between the Socialists and the Church to capture the poorest of the poor in the towns and villages of Northern Italy. 'Our programme as a Christian Democracy,' said he, 'was partly to outbid Socialism, partly to confute it; hence we had a two-fold character: first, we were the advocates of the proletariate against their cruel oppressors and exploiters; secondly, we served as a wall of defence for the honest bourgeosie against the destructive foes of Italian Society.' cording to the Osservatore Cattolico, some of the aspects of the work of the extinct 'Christian Democracy,' in a modified form, will be transferred to the so-called 'Opera Dei Congressi Cattolici.' The collapse of the agitation will be a severe blow to 'Catholic Young

The Italian Government has decided that the fourteen millions which will be received from China, in compensation for the injuries done to its missions, and paid as indemnity, shall be devoted to the development of further missionary work in China. The Salesians of Dom Bosco, to whom the French Government has refused authorization to remain in France, intend to settle, it is said, in Roumania. They will obtain permission, it is believed, to create an "Italian School" in Bucharest. The Italian Government has consented to assist them with funds.

HOLLAND.

The Roman Church in Holland has suffered a great loss in the death of Mgr. Schaepman, who has died at Rome, whither he had gone to recover from the effects of long labors and ceaseless work. Of a soldier's family, he carried somewhat of the characteristics of his origin into his work for the Church. A poet [his principal effort in this direction was a poem entitled "The Pope," by which he gained his first distinction], and a writer of some eminence, his great power lay in the stirring eloquence which he threw into his sermons and addresses. Of herculean stature, his presence alone carried a force with it; and when there was added to this a zeal and energy marked by deep devotion to the cause of the Church, his influence often became irresistible. His work lay in unsympathizing fields, the Low Countries being especially Protestant of the Protestants, yet now three members of the actual government out of seven are Roman Catholics. This result is to be attributed to Mgr. Schaepman's influence. In 1880 he became a Deputy, an unknown thing—a priest in the Dutch Chambers; and soon he proved himself to be as good a man of business as he was a powerful orator. He was a personal friend of Leo XIII.

FRANCE

The Church in France is too proud of its title of eldest daughter of the Church to be behind the rest of the Roman world in offering its congratulations to Leo XIII. on the occasion of his Pontifical Jubilee.

The proceedings regarding the closing of the schools continue. A rumor has been current that if the French Government decides to carry out the project of expulsion with regard to the English (or rather Irish) College at Douai, the English Government will demand a compensation of 2,500,000 francs. The applications for authorization for the dependent congregations formed by authorized congregations continue to be made and their merits examined. Up to the present time, after examination of each individual claim, M. Combes has rejected 2,200!

The question regarding the nuns and their work is shifting ground somewhat. Finding how little sympathy is to be gained from the public under the simple facts of the case, the anticlerical papers are attacking the Sisters as being instruments in enticing girls away from their homes to enter convents, especially should they be supposed to be possible possessors of property. To this end certain stories are being trumped up,

borhood of Carthage, close to the Roman cisterns of Bo: Djedid. Also in Algiers, the excavations taking place at sand-buried city of Timgad, have led to the opening up o building supposed to have been a Christian church. This c wonderful in its remains and well-preserved antiquities, within easy reach of Constantinople.

Paris, Feb. 16, 1903.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

HAPPENINGS IN NEW YORK.

Lay Helpers in Session.

SPECULATION ABOUT G. T. S.

Bronx Mission.

NEW REREDOS IN EAST ORANGE.

The Lay Helpers' Association had its third annual serving in St. Thomas' Church, Wednesday evening of last we The church was well filled and there was marked interest in addresses. Bishop Worthington, Archdeacon Nelson, the I Dr. E. M. Stires of St. Thomas', William Jay Schieffelin, predent of the Lay Helpers, and Eugene M. Camp, head help were speakers. The Bronx missions, where lay helpers we were talked of by all speakers, Archdeacon Nelson urging importance of securing strategic sites while they are availa and Mr. Schieffelin the great and constant increase of Bronx Borough population. Among clergy present were Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, the Rev. Dr. August Ulma the Rev. C. A. Hamilton, the Rev. Alfred Duane Pell, and Rev. J. C. Smiley.

THE SEMINARY.

Discussion as to the probable successor of the late D Hoffman at the General Seminary is active. The new D will find much to do, for while buildings and equipment are cellent, it is felt that there is room for much improvement the seminary curriculum. The election is to take place Easter week and it is predicted that the choice will fall eit to the Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart, Dean of the Berkeley Divir School, or to Dean Robbins of the Albany Cathedral. This a feeling, however, that Berkeley will not relinquish Hart, who is considered invaluable there.

ST. THOMAS' CHAPEL.

The Bishop went to St. Thomas' Chapel for a Confirmat service on Friday of last week. He found the largest class the history of the chapel, 156 members, 30 more than ever fore. The Rev. R. R. Claiborne, the vicar, says that the chan to the chapel buildings, occasioned by the proposed widening 59th Street to make a suitable approach for one of the new Lo Island bridges, are not likely to come for two years or more that time will be used in getting the city's plans under way.

MANHATTANVILLE.

One of the up-town landmarks, the little frame build which has been occupied by St. Mary's Church ever since locality, now a thickly settled part of the city, was the ville of Manhattanville and far north of the then city, is to be to down. It will make way for a new brick and stone church which half, at a cost of \$20,000, will be built at once. I plans provide for a building 48 x 77 feet, with a square tow to be joined to present parish buildings. The rector of Mary's is the Rev. H. R. Hulse, under whose care the par has outgrown the old building.

THE B. S. A. STATE CONVENTION.

Brooklyn Brotherhood men are working on arrangeme for the State Convention, to be held in St. Ann's Church M 23d and 24th. Five or six hundred men are expected. I programme thus far arranged includes as speakers the Bisl of Niagara, the Bishop of Long Island, the Rev. Drs. Floyd Tomkins and Ernest M. Stires, and Mr. Hubert Carleton. reception to the delegates in the new Diocesan House planned. A meeting of the Long Island Assembly was held few days ago in St. Luke's parish house and committees wappointed to look after various convention details. At same meeting a spirited conference on "Lenten Work Brotherhood Men" was opened by the Rev. Dr. T. J. Lacey

made a new building desirable. Mr. William Braddon, man, is in charge under the supervision of the Rev. G. rton McMullin of St. Joseph's, Queens.

DOWN-TOWN SERVICES.

The Lenten services at the Church of the Holy Communheld daily, morning, noon, and afternoon, are remarkably attended. The location of the church, in the heart of the l shopping district, is an advantage for such special ser, thousands of people passing hourly. A series of organ als is being given on the Wednesdays of Lent at four and the same hour on Sundays there is a musical service. The r, the Rev. Dr. Mottet, says it is his ambition to have, not in Lent, but all through the year, services almost concustly through every day of the week. A daily noon-time ce has been held for a year or more and is always well uded.

AT ALL SOULS'.

At All Souls' Church the basement, heretofore little used, be altered during the summer to provide parish house ities. The church is built on land that slopes toward the 1, so that the basement entrance is really on the ground and large part of the space is well lighted. It is 100×75 in size and is to be divided into a Sunday School room guild hall, large enough to seat 600 people, a parlor, ten, two club rooms, and a choir room. The rector, the Dr. S. D. McConnell, is facing a problem in the matter to parish Seaside Home. He feels it to be a good work that ld be continued, but many of those who have supported it ust seasons are no longer in the parish. Five thousand dolis needed for which an offering will be made March 29th.

GIFT TO BARNARD.

Barnard College, the woman's branch of Columbia Unity, has a gift of \$1,000,000 with which a large plot of nd to the south of the college buildings has been purchased. donor's name has not been announced. The property adthat of the University proper, and is on Morningside ths, a few streets north of the Cathedral of St. John the ne. Columbia has now one of the finest college sites in country and its friends rejoice that it has been possible to ire the land at this time, for values are rapidly increasing, and being as high in price now as in any section of New save the down-town business neighborhood and the Fifth nue residence section. The total holdings of Columbia, ining Barnard and the Teachers' Colleges, is about fifteen There is also talk at Columbia of a probable purchase and on the New Jersey side of the Hudson River, almost site the University on the New York side. This will be for an athletic field.

BRONX MISSIONS.

Emmanuel mission, the latest started by Lay Helpers in the ix section of the city, is on 155th Street in a section where are few churches of any religious bodies. It was opened all weeks ago in a store which has been simply furnished. Indance at Sunday School and services is increasing from to week.

A contract has just been let for the erection of a parish e for the mission of the Advocate, Tremont, Bronx borough, ost about \$7,000. The Advocate mission is the largest in Archdeaconry, and its new site, purchased by the assistance rinity parish, is near the Borough building and the politand business centre of the district. Upon the site is a e-story dwelling, which is to be extended to the rear of the making an auditorium seating 400. The exterior will be ged, and a front built, to provide a parish office and ence hall. The parish house will occupy but one of the three of the site, fifty feet remaining for the church yet to be t. The Advocate mission was begun on April 2, 1899, with en Sunday School pupils and a dozen adults. Two laymen in charge. To-day there are 375 scholars, 200 communis, and the new parish house will be completed wholly free debt. The priest in charge is the Rev. T. Manley Sharpe, . Initial steps have been taken to incorporate the mission a parish.

form a background for the altar cross and furnishings and these are continued on each side by a screen which connects with the sides of the chancel. The upper reredos has three large panels in mosaic with "The Angel of Memory" on the left, "The Angel of Hope" on the right, with the "Angel of the



REREDOS, CHRIST CHURCH, EAST ORANGE, N. J.

Resurrection" seated before the door of the open tomb in the center. The inscription reads:

In
Loving Memory
Of his wife
MARY NESBITT PETTIT
1852 1892
and daughter
DOROTHY MAY PETTIT
1887 1902
This reredos
is erected by
James Pettit
A. D. 1903.

A mosaic floor has been laid in the aisles of Christ Church, Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, the cost of which has been largely paid by people who thus place memorials to deceased friends. At the entrance, in the center aisle and at the chancel end of all three aisles there are circular inscriptions laid in the mosaic, each surrounded by a design of bay leaves. Those of whom the work is a memorial are Margaretta Blunt, Owen J. Bowen, William C. Wainwright, Theodore Ward, and Maria Caroline Webb. The memorials are to be uncovered at the morning service next Sunday.

Mrs. Henry W. Lawton, widow of General Lawton who was killed in the Philippines a few years ago, has erected in the Church du Ste. Esprit a large tablet in memory of members of her family, beginning with Nicholas Bayard, a Huguenot minister who went from France to Holland in 1550 and died in the latter country in 1617. There are ten names on the tablet, the last being that of Colonel Robert Anderson, father of Mrs. Lawton, who defended Fort Sumter at the beginning of the Civil War. The tablet is a little over four by seven feet in size and was made by the Cox & Bulkley Company.

All Saints' parish, Brooklyn, unable to find use for its old church, has placed it on the market, and will apply the proceeds of its sale to the liquidation of parish indebtedness. The structure was erected in 1870. When it is sold, the rector, the Rev. William Morrison, says steps will be taken to erect a parish house upon the plot.

IT OUGHT NOT to be hard to live well one day. Anyone should be able to carry his burden, of fight his battle, or endure his sorrow, are stand at his post or do his work just for one day. Anyone

Helps on the Sunday School Lessons. JOINT DIOCESAN SER IES.

SUBJECT-"The Life of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ." Part II.

By the Rev. ELMER E. LOFSTROM

ST. PETER'S DENIAL OF OUR LORD.

FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT.

Catechism: XIV. How many Sacraments? Text: I. Cor. 10: 12. Scripture: St. Luke 22: 34-62.

ROM one point of view to-day's lesson is a sharp contrast to that of last Sunday, the Agony in the Garden. There we saw Jesus preparing Himself for trial and temptation, by agonized prayer, which was answered by an angel coming to strengthen Him. Here we have St. Peter, warned of the conflict with Satan and told just what form the temptation would assume, going to meet it with perfect self-confidence, having slept instead of praying as commanded by the Master (v.40).

The sequence of events is as given here by St. Luke. First the warning to St. Peter and the Apostles, either in the upper room or on the way to the Garden; the arrival at the Garden; the agony and the three-fold prayer; the arrival of Judas with the officers and soldiers; the betrayal and the proffered resistance of St. Peter, who cuts off the ear of Malchus; Jesus heals it; He is led away to the palace of the High Priest to be tried; the disciples all forsake Him and flee; but presently St. Peter and St. John return and follow to the palace. The denial takes place there while the trial goes on.

From the story of St. Peter's denials we may learn many lessons: among them these:

- There is safety and strength in faith.
- There is danger in self-confidence.
- There is danger in separation from Christ.
- Repentance should follow sin.
- (1) Jesus' warning to St. Peter is significant. The author of the temptation is plainly pointed out. Satan has asked for the Apostles, to try or prove them (you in v. 31 is plural). But for Peter, He has prayed. And prayed what? Not that he may be spared the trial, not that he may be guarded by some outside power. In him, as in us all, free will must be respected, but there is a source of strength in Peter himself if he will use it—his faith. That is Jesus' prayer for him: that his faith fail not. He there points the way to safety in time of temptation. It agrees exactly with the words of His intercessory prayer: "I pray not that Thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldst keep them from evil" (St. John xv. 5). Here He shows how they must be kept by the strengthening of their faith.
- 2. And St. Peter indeed has faith, but not of the right kind. His faith is in himself. He protests that he is not only ready to go to prison and death itself with Him, but "Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended" (St. Matt. xxvi. 33). And when, after this confident assertion, Jesus warns him explicitly of the approaching denials, he, and all the Apostles assert their loyalty unto death (St. Mark xiv. 31). Right here let the text come in to bring out the truth and to reassert the same warning which the Master gave to St. Peter. "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." Satan gets much of his strength over us because of this fault in us; that where we are weak we think we are strong. The sin which is nearest to us is the one of which we are least afraid. Much of the power of the temptation would be gone if this were not so, for then should we be prepared to fight it; lacking self-confidence we should ask for faith and help to overcome it. Self-confidence will carry St. Peter right up to temptation, but will not carry him through. At the last moment a sudden fear assails him, and what faith he had, is gone. St. Peter was always bold and daring, but caution and fear once aroused, he went to the other extreme. This is

trial without prayer for help, as in the Garden He agoi until that Help came.

(3) Another reason for the sad outcome of St. Po trial was his separation from Christ. This appears from facts: (a) Jesus not only warns His disciples; He does He can to prepare them for what is coming (vs. 35-38). is why He reminds them of the time He sent them out tw two. At that time, did they lack anything, though He wa visibly with them? To impress it still more upon them waits for their answer. But now a greater trial than th coming, for which that former experience could only p prepare them. Now they would need all their own stre as well as faith, for a separation from Him of another was inevitable. They fail to understand His warning, and Peter and another produce swords, showing how material their application of His words; and so He sadly dismisse subject: "It is enough."

Latham (Pastor Pastorum, p. 432) suggests that the mi of His foretelling St. Peter's denial was also intende strengthen the Apostles for this trial, for it assured them He still had the same miraculous power He had been exerci though now He would not use it, lest the people gathered a feast should have rallied to His side and made impossible triumph of His foes. It should have shown them the volu iness of His submission. It should have shown them to these words did not, that He who knew their hearts w still be spiritually near them and sustain them even th forcibly separated from them in body.

(b) The other fact which brings out the danger of se tion from Christ is that "Peter followed afar off." That includes more than material distance, as shown by the n tive. St. John, known to the High Priest, went in "with Jo into the palace. He took his stand openly as a friend and safe. St. Peter, on the other hand, took his station among enemies of Jesus, and that was the beginning of his tempta It does not seem that he recognized it when it came. He has knew that he was denying his Lord (v. 61). Tempta never come to us in naked guise. Peter lied, but it was because he was afraid for his life. There was probabl danger of that, as shown by St. John's conduct. His ten tion perhaps came in the guise of fear that he would be pu and separated from his Master. That seems to have been dread. He shifted his position three times. He could fled if he had been afraid. And he may not have though was doing wrong in lying to his enemies. It is the look o Master and clear ringing of the cock's crow that brings is home to him with a full sense of what he has done. He out and wept bitterly. Self-confident, relying on his strength, following afar off instead of openly, he had sinned

The lesson would be only half covered if the rej ance of St. Peter were ignored. "When thou art tu strengthen thy brethren," he had been told, and this laying of the weakness of his own powers in which he trusted, i him for that very duty when rightly accepted. Judas was s too, but it led to remorse, not repentance; to further sin, n restoration. Peter went out and wept bitterly, and was fi restored to full favor and his old place by the risen saviour John xxi.). His sin was great, but true repentance follo and his sin was blotted out. There is no sin so great th

will not be forgiven if true repentance follows.

THE DIVORCE SCOURGE.

CARDINAL GIBBONS recently referred to the divorce mills social scourge more blighting and more destructive of family than Mormonism." Episcopal circles are also taking drastic a upon the matter of marrying divorced persons, and the probab is that they will take almost as radical a stand against it as the [Roman] Catholic Church, for which Cardinal Gibbons spea There is no question that if the divorce evil is not checked

only a matter of a few years until it will overthrow the mar system as now constituted. Already it has practically revolutio popular thought on the home relations, especially among the y

It is not well to shut our eyes to the plain facts of the The divorce movement is world-wide. Apparently it is gaining creased volume and momentum every year. What is the me of it? Is it simply a temporary craze that will pass, or is it a

Correspondence

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CHARITY AND TRUTH.

the Editor of The Living Church:

A LATE issue of this paper appeared an article under he head of "A Badly Warped Soul," in which the author es statements that arouse the indignation of every loyal rchman. He says he "cannot accept with faith many gs laid down in the olden time for our belief," and "mins of the Church who do not believe all that is expected of n, or laid down that they must."

The Church, from the earliest times, has stood boldly for truth; nothing more or less than the truth; as given by ist and handed down by the Apostles. The priest or minr who errs from that path, leaves the precept of St. Paul (II. i. 13), and is false to his solemn ordination vows. When the man appeared who has formulated better doctrines a our great Redeemer? Or when has it become necessary frop any of Christ's teachings, to make the road easier to ation? If "these things" were necessary "in the olden e," they are just as necessary to-day. True, the doctrines the Church have never been more explicitly defined than at present day. As the Church advances, the more clearly the Scriptures be understood. Not one doctrine is adced by the Church which cannot be proved as well by the le, as by tradition. If the author of that article doubts, him take Christ's advice: "Search ye the Scriptures."

Who are we, that we should say of Church Doctrine, "This elieve, and this I do not believe"? Are we not, on the one e, setting up a little popedom of our own? And, on the er, imitating our Protestant brethren?

The person that has been baptized, confirmed, and reared, the Church, is under obligation to believe all the Church ches. If he takes away from that, he is an undutiful and worthy son (St. James ii. 10).

It is more humiliating to our religion, that such statents as, "a badly warped soul," and "there is no Christ in soul," etc., should be used by one who calls himself a urchman. I will refer the author of the article to St. Matt.

1. Let him learn charity before he points the road to ers.

S. J. Hedelund.

York, Nebraska.

DR. EWER ON THE NAME OF THE CHURCH.

the Editor of The Living Church:

HE editorials which have appeared in The Living Church, and many of the letters which have been written, together the "Milwaukee Memorial" itself, have so completely and disfactorily demonstrated the need for the correction of the esent local title of the Church that little remains to be said. Shought, however, that it would be interesting to call attention this time to what the Rev. Dr. F. C. Ewer, of blessed memory, id on this question, nearly 35 years ago, in a course of serons delivered in Christ Church, New York, on "The Failure Protestantism." Many of your readers are doubtless familie with these sermons, which have been published in book rm, but it is interesting to recall his words so long after they are uttered:

"We find persons even in the Church who glory in that which known under the term 'Protestant.' And such persons would tripphantly ask, 'What! is not our Church Protestant?' 'Are we not e Protestant Episcopal Church?'

Church, according to the Use of the United Church of England and That is to say, The Prayer Book of The Church—of God's Church in England. This title recognized that there was only one Church. Very well; before the Revolution it was the same in America. After the Revolution, it became necessary for the Churchfor God's Church—to have a Prayer Book suited to its wants in America as an independent nation. A General Convention was held here. That Convention expressly declared that in whatever it did, it was 'far from intending to depart from the Church of England in any essential point of doctrine.' Now that Convention was an exceedingly small body, for the Church in America almost died during the Revolution. But before the Convention was held several preliminary meetings of Churchmen convened. The calls for these meetings were issued by irresponsible persons; and in those calls those private individuals—those irresponsible persons—designated the Church as the 'Protestant Episcopal Church' as though God had a dozen other different kinds of Churches. It was their mere notion to call it so. Very naturally (considering the times) the same name, having thus been brought out, was used in all the subsequent letters that passed to and fro concerning the movement, and was continued in the summons for the first General Convention. It was used by the few individual members of that Convention in their speeches. It got into resolutions they offered, and into other documents that were adopted by the Convention. It continued its stealthy advance and got on to the title-page of the Ritual that was adopted. Who put it there? What printer, what private member of a committee, what unauthorized person? In vain have I searched the records of those early days, to find that the Convention ever adopted the title-page to the Prayer Book. . The fact is, the question concerning a proper title for the Church never came up. . The name has wrought us untold harm and loss. It has falsified our position in the eyes of the public. . . Alas that the fifteen or twenty gentlemen who met in the General Convention immediately after the Revolution, and at the opening of the independence of the American Catholic Church" (that was what Dr. Ewer called it 35 years ago) "should have left us as a heritage that unfortunate title, 'Protestant Episcopal'! For what does the word 'Protestant' indicate to the popular mind? Why in general terms, a violent opposition to all that is Catholic. . Again, the term 'Episcopal' simply refers to our Church government. Why, brethren, you might as well call New York an 'Anti-Mormon Gubernatorial State,' and fancy that you have thoroughly defined your commonwealth as to dream for an instant that the title 'Protestant Episcopal' is, ever was, or ever could be, a befitting name for the great American fraction of the One, Holy, Catholic Church in all the world. But thank God the fifteen or twenty wise gentlemen who in the eighteenth century took such action as has resulted in foisting this heritage of 'Protestant Episcopal' as a title upon nearly forty vast Dioceses" (now many more) "in the nineteenth century, were not permitted by the Catholic Church elsewhere to carry out their intentions of laying violent hands upon the Creed itself. Thank God that that Creed does not read, 'I believe in the Holy P. E. Church of the U. S. A.' Thank God that it still reads as of old, 'I believe in One Catholic and Apostolic Church."

Yours truly,

Boston, March 1, 1903.

ROBERT T. BABSON.

MUTILATION OF PRAYER BOOK OFFICES.

To the Editor of The Living Church:

N YOUR issue of February 28th your correspondent, the Rev. Leighton Hoskins, says: "We at least who maintain the Catholic practices attacked at the Church Congress, do not regard the Book of Common Prayer as an 'approximation' to Catholicity, but as truly Catholic." Now, I wish to applaud that sentiment, and in view of it to ask, on what principle of consistency and loyalty to the Prayer Book, those who agree with Mr. Hoskins can proceed to mutilate its most sacred Office in their services. The Eucharistic Office of the American Book of Common Prayer is a unit, and as such expresses the mind of that Branch of the Church into which we have been baptized, concerning that most solemn Institution of our Lord. Its several parts follow one another in regular sequence and are all essential to its completeness, except those that are in their nature discretionary or occasional, like the Decalogue and the exhortation. How, then, do certain priests find it consistent with the Catholic character of that office (not to speak of loyalty to the Church), to omit the Prayer of Humble Access and the Thanksgiving after Communion, and to give practically no opportunity to the people to receive, at certain celebrations? The rubrics with regard to these things are mandatory, and the

THE ABUSE OF AMUSEMENTS.

To the Editor of The Living Church:

HAVE read with much pleasure Bishop Huntington's pastoral on "the Abuse of Amusements." Who can but admire the sweet reasonableness with which he modestly asserts, and firmly maintains, his position on the question.

But what will the self-centered youth of the day say to it? They will pronounce the Bishop to be "an old man who has lost his taste and capacity for amusements; an 'old fogy'; a 'back number'"; as I well remember that our good Bishop Coxe was affirmed to be when he criticised some of the uses—which he felt to be abuses—of our modern times. And this pronuncia mento will settle the question finally in the minds of our ingenuous, and ingenious youth. They will go on amusing themselves, "in season and out of season," in the world, and in the Church.

Why will not some of the young men, who are prominent in the Church, and influential in their parishes, and outside of them, too, speak plainly about this excessive desire to be amused, as our good Bishop Huntington has done? The Church is suffering from it. The principle of Christian giving for the Lord's sake is receding into the dim distance, and looking sadly towards the card parties, and theatrical entertainments, and shows and amusements of all kinds, which are being given "for the benefit (?) of the parish." So that it now seems to be taken for granted that nothing can be done in the parish without the element of amusement being contained in it. No spiritual society can be maintained for a spiritual work, without the accompaniment of suppers and entertainments.

How long can you hold such a society together to-day, if you leave out the amusement? Imagine Dorcas inviting her fellow workers to an afternoon tea for the benefit of her sewing society! Or "the beloved Persis who labored much in the Lord," getting her young friends together for a series of lectures "appropriate for Lent," to raise funds for her work among the poor saints in Rome! Spiritual work should be carried out on spiritual lines, and not be conformed to "the fashion of this world."

I am not deprecating sociability in Church life. I do not think that we have enough of the right sort. I am no ascetic, frowning on the amusements natural and necessary to our human conditions. But I entirely agree with the Bishop that there is an "abuse of amusement." The call to drive this abuse out of the Church of God should come not only from us "grave and reverend seigneurs," but from the young men, to whom also the spiritual care of souls is committed by the Holy Ghost.

Canaseraga, N. Y., March 3, 1903. Yours truly,
A. SIDNEY DEALEY.

THE INVOCATION OF SAINTS.

To the Editor of The Living Church:

THE remarks of your London correspondent in his letter, published in your issue of February 28th, concerning the action taken by the Bishops of London and Exeter in regard to what he calls "the Catholic practice of Invocation"—remarks which I refrain from characterising—have prompted me to transcribe the following paragraph from the writings of an Anglican divine of the highest reputation, who certainly knew "the real position of the English Church on this matter," quite as well as "the Rev. Darwell Stone and others of our Catholic theologians" for whose utterances your London correspondent is so earnestly hoping:

"Against invocation of any other than God alone, if all arguments else should fail, the number whereof is both great and forcible, yet this very bar and single challenge might suffice; that whereas God hath in Scripture delivered us so many patterns for imitation when we pray, yea, framed ready to our hands in a manner all, for suits and supplications, which our condition of life on earth may at any time need, there is not one, no, not one to be found, directed unto angels, saints, or any, saving God alone. So that, if in such cases as this we hold it safest to be led by the best examples that have gone before, when we see what Noah, what Abraham, what Moses, what David, what Daniel, and the rest did; what form of prayer Christ Himself likewise taught His Church, and what His blessed Apostles did practise; who can doubt but the way for us to

IS ANOTHER HYMNAL NEEDED?

To the Editor of The Living Church:

FEW days since we read the expression, "Too m hymnals," with a comment.

The sentiment of one hymnal is good, and yet we want more hymnal.

I am confronted daily with rivalry in Church homes Sunday Schools caused by cheap hymn-books. There is with music for about 1,000 hymns bound in stiff boards, cos 20 cents each by the hundred. Sankey's Gospel Hymns (wonly), substantially bound in paper, costs \$7.50 or \$8.00 hundred. This has 700 hymns. The cheapest Church hym with music for 679 hymns costs \$1.00 each, without music cents each.

"Our Church Work, Buffalo, published 89 hymns and canticles (without music) for \$10 per hundred; Crothers Korth, New York, published one of 50 hymns and canticles \$5.00 per hundred; Jacobs, Philadelphia, advertises 101 hymand canticles for \$7.00. We want a Church Hymnal with mand canticles set to chants including all our hymns at 25 each or \$20 per hundred, and the same without words for \$1.00 per hundred. Until we have these, we cannot compare with undesirable books.

I need about one hundred of the first and 2,000 of second. There must be other missionaries who need as more more.

Will not some enterprising publisher or one of our Pra Book Societies or some energetic committee furnish us wit book that is in reach of every one? We shall be greatly happered until this is done.

C. K. Nelson,

Atlanta, Ga., March 3, 1903. Bishop of Georgia.

[From some considerable knowledge of the publishing trade, the having no pecuniary interest in the publication of the Hymnal, we that the foregoing letter of the Bishop of Georgia requires an explanat postscript. The reason that Gospel Hymns is sold at so much lo price than the Church Hymnal is that the constituency which uses former is probably a hundred times greater than that which uses latter. Hence, the former can profitably be produced at a much lo price. But in saying that "the cheapest Church Hymnal with music 679 hymns costs \$1.00 each," the Bishop certainly failed to consult catalogue of The Young Churchman Co., where he would have discove that Messiter's Hymnal may be obtained for 40 cts., Darlington's 67½ cts., and Hutchins' for 75 cts. Each of these also includes chants. As for the edition without notes, the Bishop forgets that order of General Convention a royalty on each copy is paid to the A and Infirm Clergy Fund. This action was deliberately taken for benefit of that fund, and it is of course inevitable that it should incre the cost of the Hymnal. When the Church called Protestant Episcopa able, like interdenominational Protestantism, to publish books for a c stituency of anywhere from ten to thirty million people or more, th conditions will be changed. Until then we shall continue to be "grea hampered," and the publishers of Churchly literature who try to prod their works at a minimum of cost, will be more "greatly hampered" st That is a part of the penalty we pay in hard cash for the disunity Christendom.—Editor L. C.]

HE CALLED IT THE AMERICAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

To the Editor of The Living Church.:

AM responsible for using the term "American Catholic descriptive of one of our clergy, as it appeared in the Minr sota items. At the festive board sat a Presbyterian divine, as a priest of this Church. I used the term by way of contra This priest says daily (if he recites his office), "I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church"—not, mind yo "One Protestant Episcopal Church."

As this Church is located in that portion of America commonly called the United States, the logical inference is that the Church here must be American Catholic. The description true, both to the letter and spirit of the Church. Had the unique feature occurred in England, I should have described him as a priest of the English Catholic Church. The Church of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales are localized and descriptive. Why not the Church in America? or to shorten the appellation, the "American Catholic Church"? I believe the day is not far distant when this Church will be spoken of ever where—even in Rome—as the American Catholic Church Protestant Episcopal belongs to the "Moravians," Catholic, the Church established by Jesus Christ, His Apostles, and the successors. "Render unto Casar." etc.

ve wealth to the coming generation, you can at least restore l bequeath to the Church and her children, the Church's e and lawful name. Talk it up in your Sunday Schools, tries, and Bible classes, preach upon it, do everything lawto bring it squarely and intelligently before the people. The ure generation will rise up and call you blessed.

In the Anglican Liturgy one of the prayers speaks of "the od estate of the Catholic Church." They are not frightened the term Catholic as much as we are.

"American Catholic" is the only true designation for the urch in the United States. W. L. CULLEN.

St. Paul, Minn.

THE FORGOTTEN PERIL OF THE PRIESTHOOD.

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GRAVE moral offence on the part of a clergyman brings down censure or even deposition. The list of those who no longer permitted to enter our pulpits or stand at our ars is one of which it is impossible to think without pain. the Church, as in the army, it is probable that the fear of en condemnation, the scorn of old companions, all that is mprehended within the sad words "loss of caste," acts as leterrent. Strong men are kept from gross sin by their lofty rposes and by the grace for which they daily pray. Weak are better for knowing that transgressors have felt the oral penalties which some dread as the erring priests of arner days dreaded being handed over to the secular arm.

While superficial jesters laugh at heresy, it is a fact that out men who have taken the vows of ordination dread all ought of falsehood. As Hamerton says: "The regular permance of priestly functions is in itself a great help to permence in belief by connecting it closely with practical habit, that the clergy do really and honestly often retain through e their hold on early beliefs which as laymen they might have st." Thoughtful clergymen who are charged with teaching at riance with what they have sworn to teach are prone to justify eir position, if possible, by citing from great divines or early thers. The danger of losing faith is real, and painful exaples may easily be found; but it is a recognized peril, and cause it is recognized is less to be feared than the deadly idertow which has ruined a number of clerks in Holy Orders.

The greatest danger for each individual clergyman is, of urse, his own besetting sin, whatever that may be. But the ost serious peril of the priesthood as a class is laziness. Inlence is too soft a word, and laziness will do better.

Everyone knows clergymen who are overworked, and quite number of them have worked themselves to death. It may be at the percentage of zealous, industrious, over-tasked men as high among the clergy as among any other class of persons. ut the lazy clergyman can neglect his work without incurring stant shame and disgrace. If a business letter is dictated the enographer is expected to send the latter that day, and probply by the next mail. If a clergyman writes to a brother at distance that Mr. and Mrs. X—— have moved into his parish, e recipient of the letter may call on the new-comers at once, may wait six months, or may forget the matter altogether. a vestryman tells the rector that somebody is seriously ill, here may be a call within twenty-four hours or the call may deferred, through sheer laziness. A woman whose brother ad long been skeptical of the truth of the Christian religion, rew anxious over that brother's illness, and sent word to the ector of the parish. The requests failed to bring the rector to ne house, the sick man lingered through several weeks, and ne Sunday morning the notice of the man's death was handed this shepherd of souls. An invalid, desirous of Baptism, ent word to the rector of a parish and, six weeks afterwards as able to leave her abode, but those six weeks had not heard is footstep on her threshold. Doubter and believer alike can ell such stories. The parson would like to finish a book that is ery interesting, or it would do just as well to call to-morrow, r he would rather drop in and play a game of lawn tennis, or is a warm day and he wants to take a ride, and a blind sufferer aits, hoping that an ordained servant of the Living God will

shirks exist, and the habit of shirking can easily grow. It cannot grow in railroad circles, for the man who is not ready for his train must seek other employment. Soldiers and sailors cannot shirk; neither can traveling salesmen or newspaper reporters. In many occupations work must be done, and done in good time, or the negligent are called to an account.

With a priest the case is different. A large part of his work rests between himself and his Judge. If a cripple would like to see him to-day, and he defers his visit, simply through laziness, for a week, the vestry do not ask questions, and the Bishop is not informed of the case. No canon can solve the problem; it is too high, too low, and too broad for canons; and the only human being who knows what a shirk he is, is himself.

How many or how few the shirks may be is a matter of conjecture; but the sad fact is that a clergyman can shirk without losing his standing. Rules, rubrics, ecclesiastical machinery are powerless. It is possible to keep up appearances, and yet to neglect duty; because hundreds of the calls that appeal to the conscience are not matters of public notoriety. The open sin or the gross heresy may be reached; but who knows how the days and evenings of a clergyman are passed? Oftentimes he is prevented from calling by pressure of other duties. On the other hand, he can, if he is small enough, sit under the tree with a novel because he is not absolutely compelled to pay a certain visit to-day, although he is perfectly aware that the call should be paid to-day. Extremes meet, and the priest who likes hard work can get plenty of it, while the priest who wants to shirk without open disgrace can find his golden mean.

HAVE YOU EVER wrestled with Religious Doubts? Sometimes, not the bottom of our knowledge only, but the very bottom of our faith in goodness, seems to give out. Perhaps some fearful tragedy has happened. Death or pain on its mighty scale has stalked abroad; or some great sin is triumphant, and the dishonest man, the mean man, the selfish man is exalted, while goodness has to hide its head, and it seems indeed as if it were madness to talk about the Eternal Righteousness. Perhaps our own life disappointments have soured our hearts and blurred our eyes, till the brightest scene of pleasantness would wear November grays, and we say, "It is always winter, and never spring to us." Perhaps dear old ideas round which our gratitude and reverence have twined are in decay, as new light breaks in from undreamed-of realms of thought; from an evolution theory upsetting and resetting all our history of providence; from a theory of mechanism in mind and morals, which seems at first glance to turn ourselves into physical automata and to dim all hope of a life beyond the body; from a vision of Law, Law, Law, till we see no room in the universe for a Law-giver, no place in our experience for singing songs and looking gladly upward. And then, if you have felt these doubts and wrestled with them, not bidding them go, not letting them go, but holding on to them, and thinking deeper, reading farther, looking more patiently and less dogmatically,-above all, living more purely and unselfishly,-have you not found the chaos turning, at least by patches, into cosmos, as the brown fields of April take on their green? Have you not caught here and there a vision, which, for the moment, made the old peace come again? Have you not found that life, the greater bringer of mysteries, was somehow also the great solver of mysteries? If not you, many a man has thus "beaten his music out" from the solid arguments of despair; has known what it is to pass from drifting doubts, not into certainties, but into a trust that has to be spelled with capitals, if printed, and can tell its meaning best, not by any explanation, but by cheer and serenity and a feeling as of awed triumph in life and in death!-W. C. Gannett.

"There is all the tonic of unexpected encouragement from an unthought-of quarter in that forcibly expressed resolution whereby the National Educational Association, led by Dr. Butler of Columbia, declared in favor of the restoration of the Bible to the public-school room," rejoices the Interior (Pres.) of Chicago. "Generally the teachers of the city and town schools of the country, thought themselves by great majority Christian men and women, have felt that their relation to the public forbade them to express an open opinion upon a question involving certain religious and anti-religious prejudices. But a bolder and more discriminating spirit animated the great convention at Minneapolis. As the highest exponent of the public-school life of America, the National Educational Association has definitely committed the influence of the teaching force to the proposition that the Bible has a proper and rightful place in the scheme of secular education, even under a Government divorced from



Lenten Reading.

Meditations on the Passion of our Most Holy Redeemer. Part I. By the Rev. Alfred G. Mortimer, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's, Philadelphia. New York: Longmans, Green & Co. Price, \$1.00 net.

The high and general appreciation accorded to Dr. Mortimer's previous work of this kind, will insure to this new volume of meditations a hearty welcome. These addresses were delivered in the Lent season of 1902, and are printed from the stenographic report. The meditations are eight in number: "Jesus Washing His Disciples' Feet," "The Institution of the Holy Eucharist," "The Agony in Gethsemane," "The Betrayal," "Jesus Before the High Priest," "Christ Before Pilate," "Christ Before Herod," "Pilate Condemns Jesus."

We are glad, thus early in Lent, to commend this deeply spiritual and helpful book to all who cherish the longing and the determination to follow Christ, again and faithfully, through the scenes of His Passion.

E. W. W.

Spiritual Studies in St. Matthew's Gospel. By the Rev. Arthur Ritchle, Rector of St. Ignatius' Church, New York City. In two volumes. New York: Longmans, Green & Co.

When the first volume of this work was published, about three years ago, we wrote a favorable review of it; and now after a continued use of that volume and a reading of the second volume, we are glad to say that, all things considered, it is the best book of its kind that we know.

Father Ritchie combines, in a very remarkable way, sound exegesis, founded principally on St. Chrysostom and St. Augustine among the Fathers, and Stier and Lange among modern writers, and good sound common sense and practical wisdom. The exposition of each passage is clear and definite and then the three points are drawn out in logical sequence.

It is refreshing in these days of compromise and cowardice, to find a writer who is not ashamed or afraid to say just what he means—and who declares the whole counsel of God with entire freedom and quite simply and clearly.

All devout persons who are trying to make meditations, and who find it a difficult spiritual exercise, should obtain this work and use it until they can learn to trust themselves without a book. Books of meditation for Anglican Catholics are rare, and so we are doubly thankful to have this eminently sane and sober book to put into the hands of our people.

F. A. S.

Some Actors in Our Lord's Passion. By the Rev. Hermann Lilienthal, M.A. With an Introduction by the Rt. Rev. Thomas March Clark, D.D. New York: Thomas Whittaker. Price, 80 cents net.

The reverend author of these addresses writes with a freshness and a vigor which interest at once, and hold attention to the close. His book will be useful for both public and private reading during Lent. The field traversed is similar to part of the field chosen by the late Bishop Creighton for his Holy Week addresses in St. Paul's Cathedral, in 1898. The following personages are depicted, with careful analysis of their character and the participation of each in the events connected with our Lord's Passion: Judas, Simon Peter, Caiaphas, Pontius Pilate, Herod, and Barabbas. Two sermons are added; one for Good Friday, and one for Easter. The venerable Presiding Bishop furnishes a graceful and appreciative introduction.

Other Religious Books.

Bible Studies in the Life of Christ, Historical and Constructive. By Henry T. Sell, D.D. 12mo, 160 pp. Chicago: Fleming H. Revell Co. Price, 50 cents net.

The Rev. Dr. Sell is the author of several very helpful manuals for normal students and Sunday School teachers. This also is a practical and helpful book for the same class of persons. It is clearly planned, it is definite in its historical statements, in its chronological statements, and in its geographical statements. It cannot fail to aid anyone beginning the historical study of the Gospels.

The book, however, has a strange defect. We did not expect it to present the life of the Saviour from the standpoint of the Kingdom of God, for that is a standpoint too often unknown to denominational writers. But we are surprised at the unnatural and arbitrary manner in which Dr. Sell has divided the life of the Lif

The old, old way of cutting up Christ's Ministry into the pieces to fit the space between the Jewish Passovers is bad enou but Dr. Sell's is far worse. He actually cuts up the Lord's Ministo fit three twelve-month spaces from January first to January fir Could any division be more unnatural? The inevitable result blows. Events the most closely connected are thrown into differ divisions of the ministry, its perfectly natural development is scured, and its real unity is hidden from the student. A. A. B.

Sermons. By the Rev. Jacob S. Shipman, D.D., Rector of Christ Chur New York City. New York: E. P. Dutton & Co.

This book of sermons will be to many who love the auth somewhat akin to the speaking again of a voice that has been still Dr. Shipman was a strong, reverent, and painstaking preacher. many respects, his sermons are marvels. In reading them, we a struck with the uniform evidence which they bear to the thought earnestness of the man who spoke them. There is no trace of has preparation. The themes are well thought out, and are present with a becoming dignity of utterance.

Short Daily Prayers for Families. Compiled by the Rev. Samuel Ha D.D., Professor in the Berkeley Divinity School. New York: Lonmans, Green & Co. Price, 60 cents net.

Dr. Hart has furnished an excellent manual of prayers for t in families. The book is exceedingly attractive in make-up: if the quality of paper, its large and distinct type, its ruhricat head-lines. The prayers are from ancient sources, well chosen, a skilfully alloted to the days of the week. We miss, however, so mention of the Betrayal in the prayers for Wednesday, and of t Holy Eucharist on the day of its institution, Thursday. Not a few the use this book will wish to add for their own use some modistinct mention of the departed. What, for example, could be mosuitable for Saturday than the well-known prayer of John Hen Hopkins: "O Blessed Jesus, who on this Thy hallowed day of redicts lie sealed within the stony sepulchre, give sweet rest as refreshment," etc.

Dr. Hart's book of short prayers is one of the very best we have seen, and we bespeak for it the appreciation which it well deserve Its use in families, very many we hope, will make for righteousne and domestic piety.

The King's Garden, or The Life of the World to Come. Compiled W. M. I. Jay. New York: E. P. Dutton & Co. Price, \$1.25 net.

This book, a compilation throughout, is a very thesaurus nearly all that has been written, poetry and prose, touching "tl life beyond." With marvellous industry and good taste, the author has brought together from widely separated sources many treasure and arranged them under suitable and striking headings. To mol such diverse material into a book could not have been an easy tasl and the reader will be amazed to find with what skill it has bee done, in this particular case. The King's Garden will find man appreciative readers, and will shed not a little comfort upon God sorrowful ones.

Social Problems.

Man, Men, and Their Master. The Bedell Lectures for 1901. By the R Rev. Henry C. Potter. New York: Edwin S. Gorham. Price, \$1.0 net; by mail, \$1.07.

The most significant part of these lectures by the Bishop of New York is their arrangement into three heads or chapters, viz., The Ir dividual, The Corporation, and The State; because these are the three subjects which to-day are occupying the attention of the thinking portion of the community. The reconciling of the rights of each a against the other, and the illustration of their respective responsibilities, is undoubtedly what the author has intended to do. Anothis he has done to some extent, yet not wholly. He has merely prepared the way for a more exhaustive treatment. Our wonder it that Bishop Potter, with all he is called upon to do, is able to throw out any new and suggestive thoughts.

The value of these lectures, apart from their subject matter lies in the contributions that Bishop Potter makes by way of per sonal anecdote and illustration. It is in this contribution to the discourse under consideration that the author is unsurpassed, and it is precisely this contribution that throws a light upon the whole text, which would otherwise seem at times to be disjointed, if no disconnected. And this personal contribution shows the Bishop of New York to be always at sympathy with the hard working struggling individual, who will not be crushed by any unconscionable corporation, who looks forward with confidence to a state that shale one day embody and exemplify the high and loving maxims of the Son of Man.

W. P.

A Country Without Strikes. By Henry Demarest Lloyd. With Introduc

act, a case which, as we read, compels us to admire the patriotism ich prompted its enactment and leads us to hope that some day differences between capital and labor will be adjusted by the ong arm of organized society, which is the State.

The act, like all new departures in economics, had in its iniency, some faults, a number of which have since been rectified. e only fear is lest it be amended by its enemies to work harm, d then be repealed in all its provisions. It seems, however, to ve secured the good will of the community, and if this be so, public

inion will safeguard it and keep it intact.

Mr. Lloyd's chapter on "What it Costs and Pays" is most conncing, and makes us long to have some such legislation in our own nd. Whether we shall have it or not in the New Zealand way, all recognize, especially since the anthracite coal strike, that e community has rights no less than the employers and the cmyed in many, if not in all commercial enterprises; and the comunity will insist, with ever stronger voice in the future, that all Terences between capital and labor be arbitrated. Compulsory bitration indeed is the only hope of commercial salvation, for when ssions and prejudices arise and contend between capitalists and orking men, these seem to prefer the destruction of a trade or siness to the success of those with whom they differ; and the struction of a trade or business cannot be effected without a sultant loss to the community. What is desired above all things the United States is stability in trade, and nothing will conduce much to this end as peace between the classes and masses, which ll only be secured by some scheme of compulsory arbitration.

Compulsory arbitration, of course, looks towards the organizaon of both capital and labor, and this is a gain, for by it trades' nions are no longer considered to be irresponsible but responsible dies and arc held to strict accountability; on the other hand, pital, by arbitration, will not be permitted by close and secret ganization to crush out all equitable demands, nor will it be peritted to regulate wages by prices, but rather prices by wages, for bitration always demonstrates that no man should be asked to ve on less than a "minimum wage," that is, on returns for his work hich will irretrievably deprive him and his family of the means developing his, and their, humanity.

Fiction.

y the Ramparts of Jezreel. By Arnold Davenport. New York: Long-

This is another of the almost endless succession of romances hich are founded on Bible history. The principal characters in is story are Jezcbel, Jehu, the prophet Elisha, and a daughter of ne prophet Elijah, who is called Idalia. A good deal of Old estament history is woven in with the fiction, and the whole results a story of the "blood and thunder" order, which is called the romantic school of literature."

It is a presumptuous thing for anyone to dare to mingle truth nd fiction as these romancers do, and when they play fast and loose

ith God's Holy Word it seems little short of sacrilege.

The author writes in newspaper English, and even uses such a rite and commonplace expression as "a sickening thud" in referring

Jezebel's being cast to the dogs.

Because General Lew Wallace was able to write Ben Hur and in such a great literary triumph, it by no means follows that very writer of fiction can use the Word of God as a foundation of is romance and be equally successful. From Maric Corelli's carabbas, down to this last of the series they are generally worthess; and had better be forgotten as soon as possible.

ovey Mary. By Alice Hegan Rice, author of Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch. New York: The Century Co. Milwaukee: The Young Churchman Co. Price, \$1.00.

That we should hear again from the author of Mrs. Wiggs was nevitable after the success of that work; that the same pleasing tyle would be so happily continued in another volume, as it has been n Lovey Mary, was hardly to be hoped, but it has been accomplished. 'he two stories are happy little bits of fiction, showing how sunhine may be found in the midst of poverty and trouble if one will eek it. The "Denominational Garden," in which the "stately lilies nd azaleas" are "'Piscopals," for excellent reasons which Miss Viny elates, is most entertaining.

Art Biography.

lbrecht Dürer. By Lina Eckstein. London and New York: E. P. Dutton & Co. Price, 75 cents.

In this pretty little volume and at trifling cost is given, with nany good illustrations, a fair account of the life and works of one f the world's greatest painters and engravers. Though never holdng the first rank, in England, his work was highly esteemed in Italy, nd time has added to his fame in other countries. Rafael thought

Papers For Lay Workers.

By Mary J. Shepperson.

PITYING LOVE IN THE CHRISTIAN WORKER.

HIS does not mean maudlin sentimentality, for often severity shows deepest love. Our Lord was severe in His treatment of the money-changers in the Temple. The Apostles recommend it in certain cases. Yet, hear St. Paul wishing himself accursed for his brethren's sakes, and see Jesus weeping over Jerusalem. It was a tender look from his Lord that melted St. Peter; "he went out and wept bitterly."

"Don't cry," said a hardened girl. "I never had anyone cry about me before, nobody cared enough."

Poor child! Only nineteen, and just out of prison, with a reputation for being one of the worst girls in Boston!

"You don't treat me as though I was very wicked. Everyone else does. Do you know?"

The reply was:

"God is so very patient with me, I must be patient with others."

"But do you know what they say about me? And it is all true."

"I know, my child; but then, I know what God says about me, and that's all true, too."

"But, Sister, you can't speak of us in the same breath. You are very good, and I am not good at all."

"Jesus says, 'There is no one good but God.' We have all sinned, and God counts both big and little sins."

Was the sense of sin belittled in this girl? Was she made to feel that she was a noble Christian character? Not at all. The way was only opened for giving her the Gospel. Sister respected her, and felt that she must respect herself.

"Why don't you tell me how bad I am? They all do, and end up with hell, and the devil waiting for me," said one.

"You know better than I do about how bad you are. Someone else is waiting for you, too, besides the devil."

"God. He says, He 'waiteth to be gracious' unto us." "Us? Well, that doesn't mean me. That means you."

"Oh, no. He says 'Whosoever cometh to Ilim, He will in no. wise cast out."

"Yes; He's speaking of ordinary sinners. I'm an extraordinary one. Worst case known in twenty years!" and the woman laughed.

"May I read to you some? I brought every one a little book of verses, and you are not well enough to read yourself."

"Well, I can't stop your reading," was the gracious reply. "But I don't want to weary you."

"Most of them never think of that. I'm not the kind to be wearied. The Presbyterian minister, the other day, read so much about the lake of fire that I told him I'd send him there to prepare the way for me. He didn't stay after that. I wish he had, for I'd ha' liked to punch his head.'

It seemed prudent to follow the Presbyterian minister's example, but the woman commanded fiercely:

"Read! Can't you, after all the talk you've had about it?" Promise after promise fell upon her ears, of forgiveness and of God's great love. At last came the verse: "The mercy of God endureth forever."

"Stop!" cried the woman. "Is that there, or arc you lying?"

"No; it's there." "Well, if it's there, it'll likely stay long enough for me to see it. Pass the book over."

She looked at the words herself, and then asked, as one dazed:

"What do they mean?"

Like a little child she listened to the story of the Cross,

don't mean He loved me then!" and the bitter tears flowed. It recalls the verse:

> "What didst Thou ever see in me, .That Thou didst deal so lovingly?"

"If it was not for God's grace," said a wise Sunday School teacher, "any one of you girls might commit some terrible crime. We never know the germs of sin in our hearts, until they appear as deeds." This statement was once repeated to a wrong-doer with good effect.

"How is your child?" asked a clergyman.

"Dying, I thank you."

"Oh, I am sorry, and how sorry Jesus must be for you!"

"He sorry? He care? Oh, no! I can bring thousands who will testify to the same thing. You know He doesn't care. It is only your place to say so."

"My child," said the aged man of God, "I could not preach Christ for money. I love Him too well. Don't you suppose, I know what it is to have a little child die? I can't comfort you; only God can."

"But He might have the mercy to kill him outright, not by

"Lord, let the night pass and the Day-star arise in this heart," said the clergyman, very quietly. His prayer was an-

"Years after," said the lady, "sometimes at the Lord's Table would come the question, 'Do you know now, how much Christ loves and cares?' I don't believe I ever shall know, for He loves and cares so much!"

She had learned in part the incomprehensibleness of the "love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

"Have you ever thought-I say it with all reverence-of the politeness of God?" said a well-known preacher. "He does not take a club, but says, 'My son, give Me thy heart." Let Him be our model. "God hates the sin, but loves the sinner. We sometimes, however, confound the two. A deep sense of sin, its terrible strength, its awful wages-death-this alone can give us love for the sinner. Our sense of sin, too, is only deepened as we behold the Spotless Lamb of God. Looking at Jesus, holding Him before others in His purity, His patience, His gentleness, this alone can transform us or them into His image. Study the effect of the vision of Christ upon Job, St. Peter, St. John, etc. Let us ask the spirit to impress the lesson, then shall we "win souls and be wise."

A WITHERED ROSE.

I gathered up a withered rose, one day, Its leaves no longer fresh, its blossom turning to decay, And 'twixt a cherished book's well-fingered leaves I hid it safe away.

I gathered up a shattered hope, one night, Its form no longer fair, its promise scattered in despite, And in my heart's most secret chamber, dim, I buried it from sight.

I found my rose-dust after vanished years, Its fragrance rare and sweet with Memory's mingled joy and tears, And in my heart a white-winged spirit rose In beauty reappears.

I disinterred my hope with trembling, when I found 'twas needed sore in sorrowing hearts of fellow men, And there, and waiting for me in God's heaven, My fair hope lives again.

-KATHRYN C. WHEELER.

REST.

"Lighten our darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and by Thy great mercy, defend us from all perils and dangers of this night."

> Slowly the rays of daylight fade, The sun sinks in the glowing West; O'er its last beams there comes a shade, The Night Wind softly whispers, "Rest." Grim Darkness shrouds us like a pall; Sweet Slumber, gift of Nature, blest, Steals gently o'er us, one and all; Sleep doth our wearied souls invest.

But tho' the night be long, and drear, And perils lurk on every side

Sister Madeleine's Godchild.

By Ellen Fleming Charles.

CHAPTER I.

T WAS at Saratoga, on a warm, sultry morning in the heig of the season that I first met Sister Madeleine. I, with oth butterflies of fashion, had just visited my favorite spring as with the ennui of idleness, was longing for something new, wh my eye happened to alight upon her sweet face. She had be directing and comforting a poor, old woman, and was turning in the direction of St. Ann's, when it occurred to me that no was an opportunity to make a peace offering for some of n frivolity, by a donation to this Episcopal Sisterhood. So, wai ing all ceremony, I approached her, saying that I was Mi Sabine from Philadelphia, and should very much like to vis their wards. She accordingly invited me to accompany h home, and I have lived to bless the day I did so; for through h instrumentality I am leading a higher and more useful life.

During the weeks and years of intimacy this friendsh brought about, I discovered that others like myself, were i fluenced to make her the recipient of their confidences; ar once, while receiving a visit from her (during a time of gre affliction) in talking over her past, I remarked that she mu be the possessor of enough that was startling and romantic i the lives of others, to fill a book; was she at liberty to reve something that would while away the gloom that surrounde us? She replied that she could tell me quite a little romanc the sequel of which had occurred during her recent visit Barbadoes, whither she had accompanied one of the older Si

ters, whose health required a change of climate.

"But," said Sister Madeleine, "I must go back five or si years to find the heroine of my tale. Among those most pron inent in her interest and gifts towards the Mother-house & B—, was a Miss Harding, a charming and beautiful girl, whos sad, sweet face, and winning smile, impressed everyone wh beheld her, with a feeling of sympathy. She was from Ne York, and reported to be very wealthy. But her lonely life an mourning garb indicated a more simple life than is usual wit a great heiress. She singled me out as a friend, and ofte spent an hour with me when I was off duty, and I learned o events in her life, that had robbed this world to her of all it brightness.

"Elsie Harding was an only child, but had for her com panion and playmate a cousin, two or three years her senion the son of her mother's widowed sister, whose residence wa next their own. They grew up like brother and sister, and when Oliver Olmstead finished his collegiate course and went abroad on his travels, he still corresponded with his 'dear little Elsie -although she had grown into a slim young lady of more than medium height. In describing the places he had seen, and the people he had met, he spoke of a young Barbadian, somewhar older than himself (a descendant of some of those adherent of the royal cause, that had sought a refuge on that lonely island from the troubles in England) who was visiting a sister in London, a Mrs. Pomeroy, the wife of a member of Parlia ment. Oliver had become very much attached to him, so the were not surprised when he wrote them that he had persuaded his friend to visit the United States as his guest. Knowing her cousin's fastidious taste, Elsie was rather curious to see this

"It was a lovely spring morning when they arrived, and Oliver had the satisfaction of feeling that the first impression received by his friend could not fail to be a pleasing one.

foreigner, which, on the other hand, was enough to prejudice her

parents against him.

"Elsie was taking a final survey of her girlish self in the long pier-glass, when, with a merry shout, Oliver was in the room, pressing kiss after kiss upon the glad, upturned face Behind, at some little distance, stood Wilfred Dunscomb, ar amused smile lighting up his dark features as he watched Ol iver's cousinly audacity; but he also noticed how charmingly the fair girl looked in her creamy cloth grown adorned with a burnet lough how, they could not well have told. That they loved uch other their eyes declared before a word was spoken. From 1e first, Elsie's father and mother had been suspicious of the tranger who so frequently invaded their household, and more 1an once Mrs. Harding had expressed her sentiments in regard 1 his prolonged visits; but they could not prevent the lovers' 1 tercourse, as Wilfred generally came with Oliver, and the 1 ree rode and drove together.

"On one of these drives a slight accident occurred which aused them to alight, Oliver staying with the coachman until le damage was repaired. Wilfred and Elsie walked on alone, iving the impatient lover an opportunity to declare his love, hich he did in tender, passionate words, entreating her to become his wife. With downcast eyes, she shyly admitted her ove for him, but she earnestly besought him simply to be her riend until her father and mother, knowing and liking him etter, should become reconciled to the idea. He answered that he time could not be long, as he was in honor bound to speak other father before taking his departure.

"Cognizant of Oliver's and her Aunt Margaret's approval, any contrived to see each other constantly, until at last Dunsomb decided that he must disclose the true state of affairs to Ir. Harding; and one morning while Elsie was out with her nother, the impetuous lover sought the interview he desired, ssuring Mr. Harding of his love and devotion to Elsie, and that e would make such settlements upon her, that she should never e deprived of any of the luxuries to which she had been accusomed.

"Mr. Harding replied that his consent was impossible; ather would he have his daughter marry the poorest American, han a stranger, however wealthy he might be, who would take er away to a foreign land.

"Wilfred met Elsie as she drove up to the door, and she new before he spoke that her worst fears had been realized. She endeavored to comfort him by telling him that she would e so true, that it would overcome their opposition in the end, f he would only have patience; that they loved her too well o make her life miserable.

"But she found them more obstinate than she thought. She implored, entreated, was so utterly wretched that it brought in a fit of illness, from which she slowly recovered. Wilfred emained with Oliver until she was better, then he wrote her a atter of farewell, saying that he held her to her promise to be rue to him, as he would be to her, as long as his life should ast. Not a word of disrespect towards her parents or a hint of lisobeying their authority. He sent it by Oliver, who delivered to before Mr. Harding. After reading it, Elsie handed the etter to her father, while Oliver expressed his opinion of Wilfred's rejection in very forcible language.

"As the months slipped away, Mrs. Harding, with a mothr's tenderness, began to show signs of relenting; and while Dliver remained at home, they were enabled to send messages of undying love to each other. But, alas! Oliver was offered secretaryship by a friend, who had been appointed Minister o one of the foreign Courts, and which, suiting his inclinations, vas accepted. With his departure, all the pleasure of life and lopes for her loved one, died within her. Her father, who, vith all his indulgence, had always inspired her with fear, now became more and more morose, and at times seemed abstracted anxious. Among Mr. Harding's friends, was a man whom ne had started in business, who, of late years, had gained great scendency over him. Although considered a familiar friend of the family, Elsie had always distrusted his fawning and selfsatisfied manner; and now she began to read between the lines, he cause of her father's persistent dislike towards the young Englishman. This man had induced her father notwithstandng his shrewd business abilities—to enter into speculations which had proved disastrous to his interests and which were the cause of his moodiness.

"But trouble never comes alone. In the midst of her father's uneasiness, came a blow to her already breaking heart, in the shape of a newspaper containing the marked announcement of the engagement of W. W. Dunscomb to the sister of Nelson Pomeroy, M.P. Not being able to send him a letter (as she had promised) she thought he must have misinterpreted her silence and felt that all was over between them, though at

constant recriminations, together with her father's careworn face, so worked upon her overburdened heart, that when he came to her with an offer of Nicholas Crosby's hand, stating that by her acceptance, she would enable him to recover his standing in the commercial world, for the disgrace of a failure would kill him—a thing of which she had but little doubt—she at last consented to save her father's name, and wrote a letter, at her parents' request, to Wilfred Dunscomb, congratulating him on his engagement and announcing her own.

"How she managed to live through that time she never knew. Mr. Crosby was much older than she, and had the tact to refrain from acting the lover towards a woman so wholly indifferent.

"But this state of affairs was suddenly brought to a close by the arrival of a letter to Miss Elsie Harding, post-marked Barbadoes. She thought if her father and mother had known of its contents, they would never have allowed her to receive it. It was from Wilfred, saying that he did not understand for what he was congratulated, unless it was for being released from a most false and heartless woman; had she been true, she could easily have ascertained that William Warren Dunscomb was the man about to marry Miss Pomeroy.

"This reproach, and the knowledge that he had indeed been true to his plighted troth in spite of her doubts, proved too much for her already over-wrought nerves. A short time after, she was found unconscious on the floor of her room, with the indignant letter tightly clasped in her hand. She was laid upon a couch and restoratives were applied; but reason had fled, and it was many days before it returned, and weeks that she remained an invalid.

"But the shock of her illness had diverted her father's mind from his pecuniary difficulties, and by the time Elsie was convalescent, some money her mother's brother had invested for his sister, had doubled, and enabled Mr. Harding to meet all his liabilities. In the meantime, he had learned the real character of Nicholas Crosby, and acknowledged his daughter's aversion to have been just. It was pitiful to see him try to repair the injury he had done her. All that wealth, luxury, and travel could do, was done; but, as he said, his bright little Elsie was gone forever. A year or two after this, her father took a severe chill, which resulted in his death, and her mother soon followed him, so thus she was alone in the world, trying to make others happy, with the dross that brought no happiness to her. It was all, she said, that made this earth endurable, to know that she was relieving the wants and anxieties of others. She gave but little to charitable institutions, there were so many that would give in no other way. She shunned publicity, and it was amusing to hear of the stratagems to which she resorted, to find out the necessities of those who would conceal their poverty and troubles from this cold and censorious world.

"In this way, Elsie Harding was constantly doing good; truly identifying herself with the wearers of the silver cross, in rescuing girls and boys from the slums of vice and misery. And although not lacking the admiration of men, who would gladly wed beauty and wealth, I felt that she was still true to her first love. But at last her restless activity demanded a change, and she went on a long promised visit to California, and my duties being so numerous, our correspondence gradually ceased. It was then that I found that I had been selected to accompany Sister Agnes to a warmer clime."

(To be Continued.)

LINCOLN'S PROMISE.

WHILE a member of Congress, Abraham Lincoln was once criticised by a friend for "his seeming rudeness in declining to test the rare wines provided by their host." The friend said to him:

"There is certainly no danger of a man of your years and habits becoming addicted to the use of wine."

"I mean no disrespect, John," answered Lincoln, "but I promised my precious mother only a few days before she died that I would never use anything intoxicating as a beverage, and I consider that promise as binding to-day as it was the day I gave it."

"But," the friend continued, "there is a great difference between a child surrounded by a rough class of drinkers and a man in a home of refinement."

"A promise is a promise forever," answered Lincoln, "and when

The Family Fireside

THE WINGS OF A DOVE.

H, THAT I had the wings of a dove, for then would I flee away and be at rest."

Whatever the stress of grief or loss under which David uttered this longing cry for rest—whether pursued by the envious Saul, or mourning over the bier of Abner, or going weeping up the mountain-side because of recreant Absalom—true it is that through all the generations of men, from his sad day to our own, the same prayer has found like utterance in multitudes of weary hearts.

The pathos of the world's weariness—its failure and its desire breathes in this simple prayer.

But we do not think of its simplicity, its very naturalness, the spontaneousness of choice.

When the "stormy wind and tempest" overwhelmed the Psalmist, he cried, "O that I had the wings of a dove":—"I would haste to escape." He asked not for the eagle's wings to soar to the solitudes of the cliffs of the rocks; not for the angel's wings for higher flight, even into the heavens of Peace—but the light pinions of the gentle dove, to be uplifted and outborne into some breathing spaces of an atmosphere, pure, vivifying, yet not far distant from earth and companionship.

And so true is this instinct of the human heart for sympathy in its solitude, that even in the "dreary wastings of a great sorrow," it must keep somehow in touch with other human hearts.

St. John, alone in the desert, was not alone. He had, doubtless, his consciousness of the not remote haunts of men. And even if this were wanting, he was environed by the spirit of Christ, and his wilderness was peopled with visions of a listening throng and a coming visitation.

And though the poet fixes our limitations: "Wings for the angels but feet for men," and though his dreamer of flight "awakes on a pillow of stone"; still the symbol, the Christian symbol, is the expanded wings—the dove; and the symbolism is aspiration—the Holy Spirit; and wherever a weary soul looks upward to the symbol, he has caught something of inspiration, poise, uplifting, and is entering into his prayed-for haven of Rest.

C. M.

EVERLASTING VIM.

By Louise Hardenbergh Adams.

TELL you, we're goin' to have a cruel, hard winter, feathers an' corn shuks tell that; it'll be a pincher when she comes," half-groaned old Uncle Ash, with a queer draw of his sun-dried face, and a hitch of his chair nearer the fire.

Mrs. Ash was knitting a gray yarn stocking for her husband; the creak of her rocking-chair stopped as she dropped her work into her lap. The fall wind whistled, and shook the house in a dreary way, that had in it a foretaste of what it might do later.

"Sakes, alive!" exclaimed Mrs. Ash, with a shiver. "How that wind blows. Now pa, it ain't no use to git morbid; if we have a cold winter, why, we must stand it like we do other things; an' anyway we've no call to fret, with all our wood-pile. When I was tradin' in town, yesterday, I heard talk 'bout the folks in the towns where they use coal, an' can't git any to burn, on 'count o' the strike, an' I tell you, I was thankful we wasn't them."

"I know that, ma; but when things goes wrong, somebody ain't got vim 'nough to do their part. Why, ma! I says, time an' ag'in if folks each does his best, why that ends the thing. Stands to reason takes a powerful strain to set everythin' wrong when even jest a few goes 'cordin' to his size o' right."

Uncle Ash picked up a big stick of wood, and emphasized his remarks by throwing it into the stove with a bang.

Ash, decidedly. "Folks that has 'll have to give what they's got, money, or wood, or time; jest the passin' on from the plate o' plenty. Then everyone 'll be doin', not talkin'; an' whe folks is freezin', might say at our very door, we can't stop t ask 'em how they got in that fix? an' why they don't git out No; what we've got to do is to share our fire with 'em, an' d it quick, or they'll die."

Her shrewd, kindly face glowed. She looked earnestl at her husband, for she well knew while he had the reputatio of being an easy-going man, he was really a stingy one. Per haps she never even acknowledged it to herself, but she knew it, and patiently did her best to make up for what he left ur done; and to rouse his kindly nature into sympathy for other knowing in the end it would gain the ascendancy over his low of saving.

Uncle Ash sighed ruefully.

"Now go easy, ma. You see we don't know the inward o' this thing, an' I can't fur the life o' me see how we ar 'sponsible. Life's a chore, any way we ken fix it, an' if folk ain't got everlastin' vim 'nough to work at somethin' else whe things gits all tied up, they've got to make the best o' it. Now ma! I don't know if you ken rightly git my idea, but seem to me all these troubles are like the big knot the teacher wa a tellin' of in the lit'rary meetin'. Nobody could untie th thing, till one feller come 'long, an' he woppered with his sword an' got her open that way. Now somebody's got to cut this kno some way, an' then the thing's ended."

"Well, when the Lord's ready, He'll raise up a man wit a sword, or mebbe a pair o' shears, to cut the knots o' thi world. You nor me ain't called to do that, fur as I know. I we was, we'd be driven desperat' that way; but we've got some thin' else cut out fur us with our plenty. Oh, pa! can't you hea the poor, starved, frozen children cryin'? I declare!" exclaimed Mrs. Ash, her soft brown eyes full of tears, "when I look out a the wood lot you saved for Henery, an' I hear 'bout how the folks'll die, frozen with cold, I can't stand it; fur you know, pa some o' 'em children might have been his, if our Henery had lived."

She knit faster, while the low rocking-chair creaked amournful refrain.

Uncle Ash gave a choking laugh:

"He'd had to have a big family if he left 'em all."

"Well, if there's so many, more folks need to help," she cried earnestly. "When it's the worth o' dollars or trees, se over 'gainst children, an' babies; fur if you don't want to help the big folks, think o' the little, white-faced skeleton babies with their stomachs all drawn up small from bein' empty so long; an' how they'll freeze solid in their mothers' arms." Mrs Ash was overcome by her own picture. She looked at her hus band through bitter tears. "An' folks'll walk in their wood-lots an' see trees fairly cryin' to be cut an' sent to save them babies lives, an' they won't have 'nough what they call everlastin vim, to do anythin' but watch fur some feller with a sword, way off some place, 'stead o' takin' an axe an' doin' their share to home."

Uncle Ash looked at her with a grim twist about his mouth He crossed his knees and jogged one foot; then changed and jogged the other, grumbling a few strange words in an undertone.

His wife knitted silently. She knew the time to speak was past. Presently Uncle Ash moved stiffly across the kitchen and wound the old clock.

"Nine, ma; an' time we was turnin' in," he said, with a funny look in his wife's direction, "'specially if we're to git up early, fur I want to go to town an' see 'bout sendin' some dry cordwood into the city. Deacon Warren said, the railroads was takin' it fur nothin'. There's considerable in the north lot, might as well go to thaw out your frozen babies; but I do say if folks had vim 'nough they'd no need o' bein' so blamed poor."

"I think, pa," said his wife winding up her yarn and sticking the knitting needles through the ball with a look of great satisfaction, "there's a sayin' 'bout our havin' the poor always, an' someway I think that's to keep us sort o' touched tender to give, then we git back the good o' it, feelin' we're part o' the

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Church Kalendar.



Mar. 1-First Sunday in Lent.

- 4-Wednesday. Ember Day.
- 6-Friday. Ember Day.
- 7-Saturday. Ember Day.
- " 15-Third Sunday in Lent.
- " 22-Fourth Sunday (Mid-Lent) in Lent.
- " 25-Wednesday. Annunciation B. V. M.
- " 29-Fifth Sunday (Passion) in Lent.

Personal Mention.

THE Rev. CHARLES W. BOOT, associate rector of the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, Md., has declined a call to the rectorate of St. Mark's Church, Johnstown, Pa.

THE Rev. T. D. BRATTON, D.D., rector of St. Mary's School, Raleigh, N. C., has been called to the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Selma, Ala.

THE Rev. W. F. Cook, formerly Archdeacon in the Diocese of Indianapolis, assumed charge of Grace Church, Oelwein, Iowa, March 1st.

THE Rev. H. W. CRYDENWISE has resigned the parishes at Copenhagen and Champion, N. Y., and accepted an appointment to Christ Church, Susquehanna, Pa., to take effect April 1st.

THE Rev. C. P. DORSET has been placed in charge of St. Peter's mission, North La Crosse,

THE Rev. ARTHUR DUMPER, curate at Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohlo, has accepted a call to the rectorate of St. Paul's parish, Norwalk,

THE Rev. CHAS. J. FRENCH has resigned his charge of St. Paul's parish, Pomona, Cal., and has accepted a call to St. Paul's parish, East Las Vegas, New Mexico, which will be his address after April 4th.

THE address of the Rev. J. U. GRAF is changed from Jacksonville to Palatka, Fla.

THE Rev. WM. E. HENKELL of Harlem, N. Y., has declined the call extended to him by the Church of the Messiah, Gonzales, Texas.

THE Rev. W. T. JACKSON, Ph.D., rector of Trinity, Emmettsburg, Iowa, has been appointed Dean of the Sioux City Deancry of Iowa.

BY A RE-NUMBERING of the city of Lexington, the address of the BISHOP OF LEXINGTON has been changed from 74 to 436 West Sixth St., Lexington, Ky.

THE address of the Rev. JOSEPH McCONNELL is changed from Mesilla Park, New Mexico, to Douglas, Arizona.

Chapel of the Holy Innocents. Dr. Niles is of the class of 1886.

THE address of the Rev. LUTHER PARDER is changed from 18 South Peoria St., to 639 Chicago Avc., Chicago, Ill.

THE address of the Rev. F. A. SAYLOR is East Tawas, Mich.

THE address of the Rev. L. T. SCOFIELD IS Northfield, Vt.

THE Rev. F. H. STUBES, late of Baltimore, Md., is in charge of Christ Church and St. Edward's mission, Eau Claire, Wis.

THE Rev. T. P. THURSTON, rector of St. Paul's Church, Winona, Minn., has accepted the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Minneapolis.

THE address of the Rev. E. J. H. VAN DEER-LIN, is St. Stephen's Rectory, Ballard, Wash.

THE Rev. ELIOT WHITE of Newark, N. J., has accepted the rectorship of St. James' Church, Long Branch, N. J.

THE Rev. F. M. WILSON of Edwardsville, Ill., has accepted a call to 'Macomb, Ill.

ORDINATIONS.

PRIESTS.

MILWAUKEE .- At All Saints' Cathedral, on the Second Sunday in Lent, by the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rev. EVERETT E. WILLIAMS, deacon, a graduate of Nashotah, formerly missionary at Alva, Okl. The Rev. Dr. C. B. B. Wright was preacher and the Rev. Frank A. Sanborn presented the candidate. Mr. Williams will become missionary at St. Thomas' Church, Milwaukee.

MINNESOTA.-On Friday, March 6th, Christ Church, St. Paul, the Rev. GEORGE DUN-LOP was advanced to the priesthood by the Bishop of the Diocese. The Rev. Messrs. Peake, Holmes, and Dray joined in the laying on of hands.

Mr. Dunlop has been connected with Christ Church from his boyhood, and was a Sunday School scholar when Bishop Gilbert was the His most efficient work perhaps was in the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the Junior and Scnior Chapters. He preached his initial sermon at Christ Church at the high celebration on the Second Sunday in Lent.

DEPOSITIONS.

SOUTH CAROLINA .- The Rev. BENJAMIN M. Anderson, Presbyter of the Diocese of South Carolina, having declared to me in writing, his renunciation of the Ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and having requested his deposition from the same, this is to give notice, that in accordance with the Canon law of the Church, I did pronounce Sentence of Deposition upon the said Benjamin M. Anderson, Presbyter, in Trinity Church, Columbia, in the presence of witnessing Presbyters, on Friday, the 20th day of February, A. D. 1903.

Nothing in the premises of Mr. Anderson's renunciation of the Ministry, or in my act of Deposition, affects his moral character. ELLISON CAPERS,

Bishop of South Carolina. REV. E. N. JOYNER, REV. CHURCHILL SATTERLEE, REV. W. P. WITSELL, Witnessing Presbyters.

DIED.

CROCKER .-- Wednesday, March 4, 1903, at her home in Milwaukee, in the 83d year of her age, Mrs. Augusta Crocker, widow of the late Hans Crocker, and daughter of the late Paraclete Potter. Burial from All Saints' Cathedral, the Bishop of the Diocese and the Cathedral clergy officiating.

"Her children rise up and call her blessed."

GATES .- Entered into rest, at the home of her son, E. H. Gates, Plymouth, Conn., SARAH ELIZABETH COOK, widow of the late Edward T.

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MEMORIAL. MRS. MATILDA T. CAMP.

CAMP .- Entered into life eternal, on Jan. 28th, 1903, at the home of her grandson, R. V. Dey, 311 D Street N. W., Washington. D. C., MATILDA T. CAMP, daughter of the Rt. Rev. John II. Hopkins, first Bishop of Vermont, and relict of the Rev. N. W. Camp, D.D., in the 85th year of her age.

"Grant her, O Lord, eternal rest. And may light perpetual shine upon her."

The announcement of Mrs. Camp's death will cause a feeling of personal loss to Church people in many Dioceses in the United States. She survived her husband, whose labors she shared for more than sixty years, and to whom she was a most devoted wife. She was a loving mother, and a true missionary.

Her illness extended over a period of more than a year, and was borne with the beautiful Christian spirit which characterized every act of her life.

Of her thirty-seven descendants, seven are of the fourth generation.

"Her children shall rise up and call her

MARGARET HARRISON WHITTINGHAM.

The members of the Diocesan Council of the Girls' Friendly Society in Maryland, desire to record their heartfelt appreciation of the example of unswerving rectitude and untiring zeal set before them in the life of Miss MARGARET HARRISON WHITTINGHAM, who on Feb. 11, 1903, passed from the Church Militant to the Church Expectant.

When the Girls' Friendly Society in Maryland organized its diocesan Council in November, 1879, Miss Whittingham was elected President, which office she resigned in November, 1896. She was then made a member of the diocesan Council.

She was placed by the Central Council G. F. S. A. on both the finance and publication committees in 1894 and 1895; and in 1896 on the publication committee. To this latter office she declined renomination on account of a multiplicity of duties. These responsibilities she fulfilled with fidelity.

From its formation, in all its deliberations, the Society has felt the touch of her strong personality and deep spiritual nature, recalling vividly the intellectual powers of her father, who was for nearly forty years the Bishop of Maryland.

Some lives there are so simple and so true, so high and holy, that all unconsciously they leave an impress everwhere within the radius of their influence. Just such an environment of sanctity encircled the life of Miss Whittingham, and those nearest her in sympathy and love have a legacy of beautiful memories, and the consolation of holy hopes.

"We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.

"Make them to be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting."

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MARRIED.

McCarten-Hilliard .- In St. Paul's Church, Monroe, N. C., on Thursday evening, Feb. 19th, after evening prayer, by the Rev. C. A. Lemon, IREDELL, youngest son of the Rcv. Francis W. and Maria Nush HILLIARD, to MARY, youngest daughter of Mr. John E. McCarten of Monroe. No cards.

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The Religious Education Association. Organized at Chicago. By the Convention for Religious Education, Feb. 12, 1903.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Albany Journal tells the following tale in explanation of the difference between the words "collection" and "offering":

"A certain small boy had a dog which he had named Fido. One day at dinner the boy's father noticed him taking the best of the portion of roast beef which had fallen to his lot and placing it on another plate. Upon inquiry the father learned that the meat was

for Fido.
"'My son,' said papa, 'it would be better if you ate that meat yourself and gave Fido

some of the scraps which are left.' "The boy protested, but the father was obdurate. At the conclusion of the meal the boy took out to Fido a plate heaped with

scraps of the roast.
"'Here Fido,' said the boy, 'I wanted to make you an offering, but here is only a collection."

The Church at Work



PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE OF BISHOPS.

AN INVITATION has been sent out, by thority of the House of Bishops, to all Bishops of the Anglican Communion the American continents asking them to te part in a Pan-American Conference of such Bishops to be held in the city of shington during the first week in October. is is in accordance with a plan that was reloped at the last session of the House Bishops, the committee to whom it was erred and who are responsible for the ination, consisting of the Bishops of Keneky, Ohio, and Washington. The purpose the gathering will be somewhat similar that of the Lambeth Conferences, which brace the Bishops of the whole Anglican mmunion, and of course it will have no sislative authority, but will be purely conltative. It is probable that the subjects Christian Unity and missionary work will the chief matters for discussion.

ALBANY.

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

Bishop Doane's Anniversary.

BISHOP DOANE celebrated on March 6th e 50th anniversary of his ordination as acon, which latter event took place in St. ary's Church, Burlington, N. J., his father, en Bishop of New Jersey, officiating. easant feature of the anniversary was the csentation to the Bishop of a handsomely und volume in which, upon separate leaves, ere pasted short autograph letters from ch of the clergy of the Diocese, expressing his own way his congratulations with some ndly sentiment toward his Bishop. lume was prepared under the direction of committee of the clericus of Albany and coy, and was presented by the members of at committee on the anniversary day.

The preface, written by the chairman of e committee, and having the signatures of I the members of it, is as follows:

o the Right Reverend William Croswell Doane, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Albany:

"Our Dear Bishop-On this day, March 6, 003, the fiftieth anniversary of your ordination the Diaconate, we have been commissioned to resent to you this volume, which consists of the stograph signatures of the clergy of your Diose, who, in this simple way, desire to express you their reverence and love, and their adiration for your eminent work for Christ and

"The half-century of your ministry has regisred significent expansions of thought and meth-I in the history of the Church in this land, and e recognize that you, by your wisdom, courage, and power of administration, have been one of ne foremost personalities and influences which ave determined the dominant lines of those ex-

"We recognize, moreover, that what you have ven to the American Church has accrued to the onor and dignity of the Diocese, whose foundaons you have laid, and whose Cathedral city ou have adorned with great institutions of earning and charity and worship. This little olume is a token of our appreciation of all this, ut especially of our deep respect for what you re, and the loyal trust and affection in which ou have bound us to you by all that you have een to us. With loving congratulations and deout prayer that God may give you many years f strong and joyous service in His Church, we

BY THE WILL of the late Anna J. Smith recently probated in Troy, an estate of \$1,100 includes a gift of \$100 to the Rev. Edward W. Babcock, rector of Holy Cross Church, to be used for church offerings at his discretion. Also \$130 to Mrs. E. W. Babcock to be given to the Child's Hospital, Albany, St. Margaret's House of Albany, and other charities, according to her discretion. The Rev. E. W. Babcock is named as executor.

ARKANSAS.

WM. MONTGOMERY BROWN, D.D., Bishop. Plans of the Woman's Auxiliary.

St. Paul's branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of Fayetteville, Arkansas, has formulated a plan for raising a fund to be paid to the widows and families of deceased clergymen in the Diocese of Arkansas at the time of their death. The object is to assist in defraying the expenses of the clergyman's illness and death. The plan is as follows: Everyone who desires to contribute, is requested to give \$1.00, and to pledge himself to pay an additional dollar at the time of the death of a clergyman, which may occur in the Diocese. In this way a fund will be always on hand. Seldom is it that a clergyman can make any provision for the future. He has become poor that many may be made rich. Upon the death of a clergyman the Bishop of the Diocese shall inform the treasurer of the diocesan branch; and in behalf of the Woman's Auxiliary, she shall forward the amount on hand to the widow and family of the deceased clergyman. We desire the cooperation of all the branches throughout the Diocese, in order to reach a greater number of Church people.

The above plan for the assistance of widows and families of deceased clergymen, at a time when sympathy and aid are most appreciated, was conceived by Mrs. J. J. Vaulx, former president of St. Paul's branch Woman's Auxiliary, Fayetteville, Arkansas. Mrs. Vaulx is the wife of the Rev. J. J. Vaulx, rector Holy Trinity, West Palm Beach, Fla., who was rector of St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, Ark., for 26 years, and greatly beloved by his people. The interest evinced by Mrs. Vaulx in the Church in Arkansas, both local and diocesan, will remain a pleasant memory to her co-workers.

CHICAGO.

WM. E. McLaren, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop. Chas. P. Anderson, D.D., Bp. Coadj.

Brotherhood Assembly - Woman's Auxiliary-The Mission at St. Peter's - City Notes-Wheaton-Mission at Rockford.

A MOST ENTHUSIASTIC General Assembly meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held Feb. 12th in the parish house of Trinity Church. The ladies of the church very graciously provided for 200 Brotherhood men and friends, in the form of a splendid repast, and no one went away hungry. After the supper a half hour was put to splendid use to get better acquainted, which opportunity was made the best use of, as many who had not met each other before, did so on that night.

At 8 o'clock the General Assembly meeting was opened. The chairman of the Local

the duties of each Brotherhood Man regarding especially the Lenten noonday services. held at 70 Adams St., and was followed by a general discussion, participated in by Mr. Courtenay Barber, Mr. W. N. Sturges, Mr. Geo. Macauley, and Mr. Chas. Fetterly. The Rev. Harold Morse of the committee ap-pointed for the Lenten noonday services, asked for united cooperation in these services and the sentiment was expressed that the committee could be assured of the best kind of coöperation from the Brotherhood.

We then had the treat of the evening in a masterly address by the new rector of Trinity Church, the Rev. Z. B. Phillips, an ardent, enthusiastic Brotherhood man, who spoke on the subject of "Be Strong; Acquit Yourselves like Men," which was given close and earnest attention on the part of all pres-

The meeting then adjourned with a hymn. It is hoped that many more meetings of this kind will be held in the near future, which will be the means of bringing closer relations between man and man in this great Brotherhood work for Christ and the Church.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY observed "United Offering Day" at its regular monthly meeting held in the Church Club rooms, Thursday, March 5th. Instead of the usual addresses, interesting letters, descriptive of their writers' work and country, were read from the four women sent as missionaries from the Diocese of Chicago. These were read by members of the parish to which each missionary formerly belonged. Miss Farthing, in Arctic Alaska, spoke of the favorable showing of the mission churches along the route between Anvik and Circle City. In her cheerful letter which portrayed the method of travelling in that icy land, she spoke of the many delights she found in her work, which more than compensated for the separation from friends. Owing to ill health, Miss Higgins was unable to return to her station at Cape Mount, Africa, in the autumn as she expected; therefore the letter from her was written in Georgia, where she is recuperating. She mentioned the effective work she has been enabled to accomplish, by speaking for St. John's Church, which now promises to be the finest along the West African Coast. Miss Higgins recounted her endeavors to forward the education of the number chosen and qualified for special work. Eighteen young persons under her supervision are being specially helped so that they may later spread the "glad tidings" among their own people. After the reading of this message of hope, Mrs. Hopkins announced that the day's offering would help to increase the \$300 yearly supplied by the Chicago Branch for the education of one of the most promising of Miss Higgins' protegés, now in Liverpool. The letters from Dr. Glenton and Dr. Stevens, both located in Shanghai, China, enumerated pathetic instances connected with their hospital work there. Dr. Glenton spoke of the native prejudice to foreign medicine and methods of nursing. The president, Mrs. Hopkins, announced the formation of a new branch in St. Timothy's Church, and told of the disposition of the interest money amounting to \$100, from the legacy left the Chicago Branch by Miss Shields of Wheaton. She

Thirty-three branches were represented by seventy-two delegates. Noonday prayers were said by Bishop Morrison of Iowa.

THE SECTIONAL meetings of the Junior Auxiliary, have proved successful substitutes for the annual meeting, tried in the past two years, more members being able to be present. The north side meeting, Jan. 17th, at St. James', was attended by nearly 200 delegates. The south side branches met on Jan. 31st, at Grace Church, with an attendance of 120. And at the West side meeting at St. Barnabas', Fcb. 14th, 85 responded to the rollcall. The result of Mrs. Duncombe's visits in the year, to 26 parishes, will partly be seen from the statement, that there are now in the Diocese, 37 branches of the Junior Auxiliary at work, and 9 of the Babies' Branch, the Junior work having been organized in thirteen parishes and missions during the past year. The newest branch is at St. Paul's, Rogers Park, and the members have pledged 25 gifts for the box for South Dakota. Of the 1,000 gifts needed for Pine Ridge, about 500 have been promised from the following parishes: St. Mark's, Grace, St. Andrew's, Trinity, St. Barnabas', St. James'; St. Paul's, Rogers Park; St. Mark's, and St. Luke's, Evanston; All Saints', Ravenswood. This is to be a Christmas box and it must be sent in the early fall. It is therefore necessary that in many parishes the work must be accomplished this spring.

On Sunday night St. Peter's Church was completely filled, every seat, including chairs, being occupied, and several men left standing, being the closing service of the twelve days' mission. In his final address, the 44th since the morning of Ash Wednesday, Dr. Lloyd made an eloquent appeal for loyalty to the American Catholic Church, the first to hold services on the shores of the North American continent, the Church to which fealty is primarily due, from her venerable antiquity, her ancient planting here, her stand for American liberty, and the devotion of her sons who were the leaders in American independence. It was a brilliant close of a mission, the influence of which is already being felt in the parish and community.

Here are a few of the noticeable external features of the mission: 1st, The attendance: at the daily 7 A. M. Eucharist an average of 35 to 40; on Sunday, nearly 100. At 10 A. M. the addresses on the Church and the Sacraiuents were heard by an average of 75. The 4:15 P. M. service, with addresses on "The Great Truths of Christianity," was attended by daily average of 250. On the two Sundays, March 1 and 8, for men only, with "Social Purity" as the subject, the attendances were each about 400; while the evening congregations have been 350 on an average during the week; but on Sundays nearly 750, that on Friday, the 6th, nearly as great. 2nd, The enthusiasm and fervor of the singing, apparently participated in by every soul present. 3d, The large proportion of men at the first and last services of each and every day. 4th, The considerable number of "those from without." 5th and lastly, whereas the rector's Confirmation class numbered between 125 and 130 when the mission began, it is now nearer 200 than 130; and he may be able to present 175 on the 20th, many being adults. The expense of the mission, including unstinted use of printers' ink, and distribution of literature, in all \$280, was met by two offertories on Friday and Sunday. After his closing address the missioner, in as formal a manner as he had received it, divested himself of his stole, and handed it back to the rector, thus signifying by symbol,

unequivocal answering of letters found in the "Question Box."

VERY INTERESTING have been the Lenten Saturday morning gatherings in the Church Club rooms, instituted by the Woman's Auxiliary for instruction in missionary work. Announcement is made of a Quiet Day for the Daughters of the King to be conducted in Grace Church by the Rev. W. C. DeWitt, on the 24th inst.

ON SUNDAY LAST in the mission of All Angels at Trinity, the Bishop Coadjutor laid hands upon a class of deaf-mutes, presented by the Rev. A. W. Mann.

THE BISHOP COADJUTOR has issued a stirring appeal for missions. In anticipation of the numerous Confirmations coming on just before and after Easter, at which the classes promise to be very large, he went to southern Indiana on Monday last for a week's rest.

TRINITY, Wheaton, under the energetic and much appreciated charge of the Rev. R. Rowley, is prospering as never before. Recent measures indicating steady onward progress are, the entire repainting of the interior of the church, payment of \$200 on the adjacent lot, doubling of the incumbent's salary, and now the entire recarpeting of the church. Mr. Rowley finds the services, six on Sunday, so taxing, that he is looking forward to being relieved of the mission of St. Mark's, Glen Ellyn, two miles away, and now almost able to support unaided a priest-incharge.

A SIX DAYS' mission at Emmanuel Church, Rockford (Rev. N. B. Clinch, rector), conducted by Archdeacon Webber of Milwaukee, commenced on the 6th inst.

CONNECTICUT.

C. B. BREWSTER, D.D., Bishop.

Death of Kantaro Takami-Mr. Warner Resigns—Lenten Arrangements—Tragedy in New Haven.

KANPARO TAKAMI, a native of Japan, died in Middletown, Conn., early on the morning of Sunday, March 1st. Mr. Takami was the first of his family to become a Christian; and he came to this country to prepare himself for the ministry and for missionary work among his own people. After preliminary study at St. Stephen's College, he entered Trinity College, Hartford, in 1894. He proved himself a youth of excellent character and of good mental ability, and was held in high esteem by his instructors and fellow-students. At the end of his sophomore year he showed signs of derangement of mind, and in December, 1896, he was removed to the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane, where he remained until the time of his death, which was caused by tuberculosis. He was a very quiet patient, and could rarely be persuaded to speak, his "Good-night" to his nurse on the night before his death being his only words for some

The funeral service was held on Tuesday, March 3d, in the chapel of St. Luke, at the Berkeley Divinity School, and the burial, by the kindness of the authorities of the Church of the Holy Trinity, was in the lot belonging to that parish in Indian Hill Cemetery. The Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart, who had been one of his instructors in college, officiated, Rev. Dr. John Binney, Dean of the divinity school, reading the lesson, and six divinity students, formerly students at Trinity College, and one of them a classmate of Mr. Takami, were the bearers.

greatly prospered under his wise administ tion, and his enforced retirement is dee regretted.

THE LENTEN preachers at Trinity, Sou port (the Rev. Edmund Guilbert D.D., 1 tor), include the Rev. Messrs. Mackenzie & Sherman, Archdeacons Booth and Buck, & the Rev. Dr. Lewis.

THE GENERAL SECRETARY of the Broth hood of St. Andrew, Mr. Hubert Carlet recently gave a plain talk in the parish hor of Trinity Church, New Haven. He welcomed by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Bak and spoke on the need, the reasonableus and the efficacy of the principles of the ord Mr. E. C. McAllister, the traveling secreta will, about the first of June, enter the D cese for work in behalf of the Brotherho This will be undertaken by the permissi and with the cordial sympathy of the Bish

MRS. REBECCA CHAPIN died recently Barrington, R. I. She was the mother the rector of Barrington, the Rev. Willia M. Chapin, and a former resident of Ha ford. Mrs. Chapin had reached the age 87 years.

AT HOLY TRINITY, Westport, on Sund evenings during Lent, there will be a spec course of sermons by the rector, the Rokenneth Mackenzie, on "Some Present-d Confirmations of the Truth of the Bible."

A TRACEDY was enacted at Trinity Churn New Haven, last Sunday night. Mr. Ale ander Page, an aged parishioner, entered t vestibule with his daughter, preparatory taking his accustomed place in the churc Feeling ill, he sat down just inside t church, and there he died almost instant. The body remained in a sitting posture, at the fact of his death was not discovered from little time. Mr. Page was 78 years age and well known in the city. His dea was caused by heart disease.

DELAWARE.

LEIGHTON COLEMAN, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

Quiet Hour in Wilmington.

THE BISHOP conducted a "Quiet Hou for the diocesan clergy immediately prece ing the regular monthly meeting of the Cle ical Brotherhood, March 3d. At the meeting which followed there was a discussic concerning "How to Reap the Fruits Lent." The discussion was opened by the Bishop, and afterward there were though from the Rev. Robert W. Forsyth of St. Mathew's Church, Philadelphia, and from man of the priests of Wilmington.

HONOLULU.

H. B. RESTARICK, D.D., Miss. Bp. Parish Organized at Hilo.

THE BISHOP found more than fift Church people in Hilo at a recent visitation and took steps toward the organization of parish to be called St. James'. The Re S. H. Morgan becomes rector.

IOWA.

T. N. Morrison, D.D., Bishop.

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BISHOP MORRISON has made a number of appeals in various parishes in behalf of discesan Missions recently. In every case the response was generous and the interest manifest. Throughout the Diocese a feeling of hopefulness prevails, and, while no very largundertakings are under way, yet a stead advance is noticeable in all directions. A

Green is the foremost religious body of town, and is full of good works, in spite heavy burden of debt, gave to the same \$\(\xi\) \$236. In response to an appeal, Trin-Church, Iowa City, gave \$170, the largest ever contributed for Missions by this sh. The Rev. Dr. Cornell, now happily vered from his recent illness, is now in the ge of this important work in this college and town, and the state of the same of the

GRACE PARISH, Decorah, under the Rev. McVettie, recently come, is making exent progress. A new rectory costing 00, has been purchased, upon which only nall indebtedness remains, and upon the lop's visitation ten were confirmed.

St. John's, Dubuque (the Rev. John C. e, rector), recently had the privilege of isit from the Rev. F. W. Merrill, the rch's missionary to the Oneida Indians. Merrill made an excellent impression his illustrated lecture on that work, also gave a series of interesting lectures. Church history, which proved most helpto the congregation. Mr. Merrill was ted by good congregations, who showed r interest in the work by liberal contrions.

THE ADVENT Sunday School offering is ally being gathered. In a recent report special representative, the Rev. C. H. ungton, of the Diocesan Board of Missonted that \$235.17 had thus far been ived. More is looked for.

THE MISSION at Newton, though without iest, has put its church building in thorh repair and added a furnace to its plant.

THE LAYMEN are taking an active interin the apportionment for general miss. A recently constituted committee has a circular letter to the clergy, urging nons on Missions and offerings. Many the clergy have pledged themselves both preach upon the subject and give their gregations an opportunity to contribute.

LONG ISLAND.

FREDERICK BURGESS, D.D., Bishop.

Death of Richard M. Upjohn.

RICHARD M. UPJOHN, distinguished both t Churchman and in his profession as an nitect, passed to his rest at his home in oklyn on March 4th. He was born in land in 1828, but was brought to this atry in infancy and was educated in New k where, and in Brooklyn, his home has from the first. In becoming an archi-Mr. Upjohn followed his father's proion, entering the office of the latter in 6 and afterward being admitted into the tnership. His specialty was ecclesiastical public architecture, his best independent k being the Cathedral at Fond du Lac, Capitol at Hartford, Hobart College rary, the entrance to Greenwood Cemy, New York, St. Paul's and St. George's rches, Brooklyn, etc. He was brother he Rev. Samuel Upjohn, D.D., of Philadela, the Rev. James A. Upjohn of the Dioof Fond du Lac, and Sister Anna Hobart, ow of the first Bishop of Fond du Lac. Rev. R. R. Upjohn of Brooklyn is a son, the Rev. Doane Upjohn of Omro, Wis., ephew.

LOS ANGELES.

Jos. H. Johnson, D.D., Bishop.

hat High Churchmen Believe"-Ventura-Illness of Rev. Dr. Trew.

"WHAT HIGH CHURCHMEN BELIEVE," was

whole type of divine service has been changed for the better because of the refining and uplifting influence of the worship of High Church congregations. The object of High Churchmen is to maintain inviolate and pure the services and the discipline of the Church, that is, to resist all change which involves the denial and suppression of doctrine, a departure from primitive practice in religious offices, or innovation upon the apostolic prerogatives, order, and commission of Bishops, priests, and deacons. In fact from the Reformation down to our own time, the High Church party has labored to preserve the Catholicity of the Anglican Church."

"Sometimes," he continued, "we are misrepresented through sheer ignorance. I should be sorry to think it was through maliciousness. I do not know of one High Churchman, or 'sacerdotalist,' even, who will affirm that a child if it dies unbaptized will be lost. And yet that statement has been thrown broadcast as a belief of High Churchmen. If one foolish clergyman ever did say such a thing, it would be silly to hold the whole body of High Churchmen as responsible for such teaching. The statement has also been made that High Churchmen are simply awaiting an opportunity to go over to Rome in a body. Let us remember that for several centuries that same cry has been raised, and that we are still in the Church, and please God intend to remain in the Church to purge her of that insiduous Latitudinarianism which, alas, has found a foothold within her during the last half century. There is one thing we may always safely predicate about High Churchmen: They will always believe in the Bible as the Word of God. They will always believe in the absolute Deity of Christ and His oneness with the Father. They will always believe that they will attain salvation not through any excellencies of their own, but solely through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ. They will always believe in prayer; in a spiritual birth in Baptism, and in a divine grace in the Holy Eucharist. They will condemn and judge no Christian denomination which believes in the Lord Jesus Christ, but they will always maintain that the divisions in the Christian Church are a source of weakness to the cause of Christ. They will labor zealously for the restoration of Christian unity, and in doing so will be careful to maintain the principles of our great Anglo-Catholic Church, as she stands distinguished from all Papal and Puritanical innovations and as she adheres to the doctrines of the

THE REV. CHARLES E. BENTHAM has entered upon his work in Ventura with hopeful vigor, and expects, with the hearty support of his people, to build a rectory in the near future.

THE REV. DR. TREW has been somewhat seriously indisposed for several days, and is confined to his bed; but it is hoped that with rest and care, and the prayers of his many friends, he may soon be restored to health and active work again.

MARQUETTE.

G. MOTT WILLIAMS, D.D., Bishop Anniversary at Ironwood.

On Sunday, March 1st, the Rev. Wm. C.

McCracken celebrated the first anniversary of his rectorship of the Church of the Transfiguration, Ironwood, with many things to cheer and encourage him and his loyal people. When he took charge, the parish was not self-supporting, having been in receipt of a goodly sum from Mission funds, and had a burdensome debt. much of it incurred in

to prevent undesirable neighbors, but principally to provide a site for a parish building whenever the money can be had to build it. It is badly needed for seven church guilds, and for a large "settlement" work among the mining people. There are probably eighty-five saloons within a few minutes' walk of the church. The rector has much club work on hand, but is hampered for want of a large building. The choir is a labor of love with him and with its members, who are vested, and number sixty. It is well-drilled and efficient, but needs a good pipe organ for first-class work. Building and organ would be splendid "memorial" gifts.

MASSACHUSETTS.

WM. LAWRENCE, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

Death of an Aged Churchman Diocesan Notes.

THE DEATH of Mr. William Smethhurst removes one of the oldest Churchmen in Marblehead. His father was the clerk of St. Michael's Church, and performed the duty of reading the responses instead of the congregation, when Prayer Books were scarce and expensive.

THE PARISH HOUSE of St. James', West Somerville, is undergoing repairs and will be ready for occupancy by Easter.

THE REV. C. E. HUTCHISON, and the Rev. A. B. Shields discussed the relation of the workingman to the Church, before the Boston Clericus, March 2nd.

MAURICE M. BRENT, brother of Bishop Brent, and head of the Lincoln House, was buried from St. Stephen's Church, March 6. The Rev. Ellis Bishop and the Rev. Thomas R. Kimball officiated. The interment was at Newcastle, Canada.

St. John's Church, Roxbury, issues a monthly paper called *The Eagle*. This parish has a daily Eucharist and morning and evening service. The Rev. Edward H. Schlueter, the rector, is doing a splendid work for the Church in this changing community.

MILWAUKEE.

I. L. NICHOLSON, D.D., Bishop.

Death of Mrs. Crocker—Archdeacon Webber in Racine — Woman's Auxiliary — Death of George Oxborrow.

A PIONEER resident and Churchwoman of Milwaukee, Mrs. Augusta Crocker, widow of Hans Crocker, died at her home in this city on the morning of March 4th, at the age of 82 years. Mrs. Crocker was a daughter of the late Paraclete Potter, who was a brother of Bishops Alonzo and Horatio Potter, the deceased being therefore first cousin to the present Bishop of New York. She was born in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and came to Mil-waukee with her husband about sixty years ago, soon after their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Crocker were for many years connected with St. Paul's parish, and of late years Mrs. Crocker's associations have been with the Cathedral, where, after a requiem celebration in the morning, the burial office was said on the 5th inst., the Bishop officiating. Mrs. Crocker is survived by a son, Mr. John T. Crocker of Chicago, and a daughter, Mrs. J. B. Oliver of Milwaukee. Until incapacitated by age, she was active in Church and charitable work, and was true to her religious duties to the last.

ARCHDEACON WEBBER has just conducted a series of five days' devotional preaching at St. Luke's Church, Racine, in which the other parishes of the city also participated, thus reaching large congregations which

THE MONTHLY meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held at St. James' Church, March 3d. The subject was Church and Settlement Work in the Philippines. Mrs. Nye read a personal letter from Miss Caterman of the Settlement. Articles from Bishop Brent and others, were read by the secretary, Mrs. George Moore. It was announced by the librarian of the Church Periodical Club that the large lot of books and magazines for the soldiers in the Philippines was ready to go. A new librarian of the C. P. C. was appointed from St. Paul's, Milwaukee, Mrs. Ross Emerson. An appeal, read from St. Edmund's mission for Sunday School books was placed in charge of Mrs. Emerson's branch of the C. P. C. The report of Mrs. Lamb, librarian, showed 34 periodicals being sent by members in Milwaukee through the C. P. C. to those unable to obtain literature. Miss Fehrencamp, secretary of the Babies' Branch, gave an interesting account of the

The meeting was saddened by the report of Mrs. Augusta Crocker's dying condition; she was an old and faithful member of the Woman's Auxiliary, and will be greatly missed. Prayers were offered for her by the rector, the Rev. E. G. Richardson.

The April meeting will be held Tuesday of Holy Week, and will be a Quiet Day for the Auxiliary, conducted by the Rev. C. H. Schultz.

Mr. George Oxborrow, a Churchman and citizen well known in Milwaukee, died at his home in this city early on Tuesday morning of this week. He was an Englishman by birth and was an influential member of the Sons of St. George in Milwaukee. He served in the British army through the Crimean war, was afterward stationed in Canada, and on the expiration of his term of service in 1867, came to Milwaukee to reside. He has been connected during the years since that date with several of the city parishes, being engaged in Sunday School and mission work during most of the time, was one of the founders of St. Stephen's, and at the time of his death was connected with St. Andrew's mission. For over thirty years he was connected with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company giving up his position four years ago after receiving a stroke of paralysis. His death was caused by pneumonia, after a week's illness. He was 68 years of age.

MINNESOTA.

S. C. EDSALL, D.D., Bishop.

Lent in St. Paul-Rood Screen at Christ Church.

THE HALF-HOUR noonday Lenten services in St. Paul are being well attended this year. Bishop Edsall conducted the opening service. The present location is more central and convenient than that of previous years, which fact probably accounts for the increased attendance.

THE SACRED CANTATA "Pardon, Penitence, and Peace," has been rendered by St. Paul's and St. John the Evangelist's choirs, St. Paul, at their respective churches in a most creditable and effective manner. The first of the series of Church Club lectures in Christ Church, St. Paul, brought out a large congregation. Bishop Edsall lectured on the Administrative Life of St. Peter.

IN CONNECTION with an ordination service at Christ Church St Dayl Friday

NEWARK.

THOS. A. STARKEY, D.D., Bishop.

New Treasurers Appointed.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE, at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1903, appointed Mr. Edwin A. Stevens as Treasurer of the Convention, "to fill the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Mr. Henry Hayes." At the meeting of the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese, held on the same day, Mr. Edwin A. Stevens was duly elected to serve as Treasurer of this fund, vice Mr. Henry Hayes, deceased. Business communications and remittances should be addressed to Colonel Stevens, Treasurer, at No. 1 Newark Street, Hoboken, N. J.

NEW JERSEY.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH, D.D., Bishop.

Helmetta - Spotswood - St. Mary's Hall -

THE PARISH of St. George's, Helmetta, is a remarkable instance of a work that is advancing successfully under the most discouraging circumstances. Some years ago the family of the late Mr. George Helme, who founded the town of Helmetta, built a beautiful church and rectory in his memory, and deeded the property to the trustees of the Diocese. The Rev. J. A. Trimmer was called as rector, and the young parish took its place among the most active and liberal in the Diocese. Later on, the great Snuff manufactory became an integral port of "The Snuff Trust," of which Mr. Geo. A. Helme is president. The offices were removed to New York City, and many of the head men and clerks were taken from Helmetta. The church was more than decimated. But the rector has enlarged his field of labor, going out into the country for miles on every side and gathering new recruits. The result has been a filling up of the pews, and a large Confirmation class. The parish is now growing rapidly, and the losses are being made good.

ST. PETER'S, Spotswood, one of the oldest parishes in the Diocese, shows no signs of its age, but is fully abreast of the times, with its vested choir and many active parochial agencies. The warden, Mr. A. A. De Voe, who is treasurer of the Convocation, last year gave an endowment, which helps the mission work to the extent of more than \$500 every year. The Rev. Robert Bell is the rector and shows the warmest zeal for Missions, in and out of the Diocese. The place is not growing, but the Church is, and is increasing in advance of the population.

St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, began its second term on Feb. 1st with a full school. The Bishop's Feast, which marks every year the anniversary of his consecration, was duly observed, and proved very successful. A few invited friends shared the pleasure with teachers and pupils.

ALL SAINTS', Lakewood, is numbered among the strongest of the parishes in the Diocese. It not only ministers to the large population of transients, who fill the great hotels to overflowing every winter, but it has a large following among the permanent residents. Twenty-two were confirmed on the recent visitation of the Bishop. The Rev. E. E. Matthews is a worthy successor of the late Rev. D. L. Schwartz, who was called suddenly from his labors to his reward. "The Georgian Court," the home of Mr. Geo. J. Gould, is also a centre of Church interest and Church work. Just before Lent Lent in Toledo-Mission at East Liverno

ediction (as reported at the time in LIVING CHURCH), gives very great satistion. When the front and tower are pleted, the whole will be consecrated. opening week had services every ever and in spite of stormy weather, crowds of out. On pleasant Sundays, the enla church can hardly accommodate the thre of worshippers. This has been a marvel growth. Only a few years ago a few g women began a Sunday School in a hired then a service in the evening followed, a reader officiating. Later on, a chapel of modest pretentions was built, and now beautiful stone church, with 450 comm cants, and a future full of promise. Rev. Edward J. Knight, its rector, ough be happy and grateful.

NEW MEXICO.

JOHN MILLS KENDRICK, D.D., Miss. Bp. Church Consecrated at Mesilla Park.

On Feb. 22nd, Bishop Kendrick co crated St. James' Church, Mesilla P Within the last two years it has been ere and paid for. The Rev. Joseph McCon under whose care it was built, has been charge of Epiphany, Socorro, Christ Chu San Marcial, and St. James' Las Cruces, Mesilla Park, during the last two and a years. He is now transferred to Dou and Nogales, Arizona, where churches to be built. Southern Arizona is the g mining field, and the Church of God he to keep step with the commercial prog of the territory.

NEW YORK.

HENRY C. POTTER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bish The Bishop at St. Ignatius'-Anniversar Highbridge.

BISHOP POTTER confirmed a large clas St. Ignatius', New York City, on March the first Confirmation in the new chu He spoke of the interest and pleasure wi it gave him to visit this parish, and cong ulated Father Ritchie and the congrega on the beautiful and worthy edifice. expressed himself as greatly pleased veverything he saw in St. Ignatius', and joiced that the undertaking had been successful. After many words of encour ment the Bishop said the collects for rector and people, and asked a blessing the new church edifice.

St. Ignatius' has been enriched by m gifts since its opening, last October, not able amongst them being a beautiful si sanctuary lamp.

THE ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL of St. Alb Church, Highbridge, New York, was held Sunday, March 1st, when the church filled to its utmost capacity. In the morn there was high celebration and litany, preacher being the Rev. C. W. E. Body, I D.C.L., Professor General Theological S inary, New York. In the evening, the ch under the able directorship of Mr. J Talbot, rendered a special musical serv The evening office was intoned by the] R. H. Wevill, minister in charge. The ver choir were assisted by the "Harlem Qu tette," the organ by violin and flute. G praise is due to the choir in rendering music, and the soloists sang very swee Looking back at the past year, the mishas been greatly blessed and is in a most couraging state.

OHIO.

WM. A. LEONARD, D.D., Bishop.

rfully well. On no previous Ash Wednesy in the history of these services has the tendance been so large, the church being ell filled with several hundred men, women, d young persons, who had come in from isiness, shopping, or school duties. This as all the more remarkable because of a milar sectarian meeting at the same hour, ar by. And an astonishing number of in-Churchmen was noted in the congregaon. Thursday and Friday saw the same lendid attendance, including several sectian ministers. Archdeacon Webber on ese three occasions, rose to the situation addresses of power unusual even to him-

On Sunday, at the morning service, the ev. Eugene J. V. Huiginn of Beverly, Mass., elivered a most stirring appeal to the very st in his hearers to respond to the incomven the best in Him who for very love had ven the best in Himself in life and death r them. He is to deliver the next two oonday addresses, being succeeded by the ev. C. E. Woodcock of Detroit, who is to ke the services from Wednesday to Friday

From 11 A. M. to 1 P. M, on every day of lese services, the clergy of the city will be the church for spiritual consultation, ich in his appointed turn.

A MISSION of eight days has just come a close in St. Stephen's parish, East Liv-pool (Rev. Edwin Weary, rector). It was phenomenal success. Notwithstanding the clement weather, and four great revivals mong the sectarians in the city, no less nan 5,000 persons attended the various serices during the week. The mission was onducted by the Rev. F. E. J. Lloyd, D.D., f Cleveland, whose power as a missioner annot be surpassed. His fearless, definite, nd loyal Church teaching was the admiraion of all who heard him. His sermons ere an eloquent and appealing exposition f the great plan of redemption. The old tory of Jesus and His love was presented ith new and ever varying lights, making uch a profound impression on the large rowds who heard him that they were drawn o Christ even against their will. The mision has, under his skilful and original methds, strengthened and deepened the spiritual ife of the parish to such an extent that is labors in this part of the Master's vineard will never be forgotten or lost.

A PASTORAL from the Bishop was read n the churches on the First Sunday in Lent. "The Church," said he, "intends Lent o be a means of grace—and so she offers is multiplied services, and Communions, nd special instructions, and exhortations o duty. The entire thought of Lent is that ve shall become better men and womenetter Christians. Certainly no one is satsfied with his spiritual condition; while very honest disciple must realize his lack, is failure, his sins."

He recommended:

"(a) Steady and regular attendance at he public services. (b) Careful preparaion for, and reception of, the Holy Communon. (c) Prayer in private against besetting in (write out a prayer and use it daily). d) Regular reading or study of the Holy criptures. (e) Regular reading of some derotional book, such as The Imitation of Christ, or Taylor's Holy Living and Dying, r other suitable aids to devotion. (f) Fastng and abstinence, if you are physically trong enough. (g) Alms giving, and alms loing, i.e., set aside each day or week a gift or Christ to be offered on Easter Day; visit

day evenings during Lent. The new Grace Church was chosen by the committee of arrangements as the most centrally located edifice. The Bishop being the preacher, it was thronged for the first service—many being turned away. This union of the Cleveland parishes during Lent has continued for many years, and has proved popular with both clergy and laity. They have never been poorly attended. The subjects and preachers are as follows: Feb. 25th, "St. Peter," the Rt. Rev. W. A. Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Ohio; March 4th, "St. John Baptist," the Rev. Jacob Streibert, Ph.D., of the Theological Seminary, Gambier; March 11th, "St. John the Evangelist," the Rev. Hunter Davidson, rector of St. James' parish, Painesville; March 18th, "St. Thomas," the Rev. D. F. Davies, D.D., of the Theological Seminary, Gambier; March 25th, "St. Barnabas," the Rev. H. C. Johnson, rector of Christ parish, Hudson; April 1st, "St. Paul," the Rev. H. W. Jones, D.D., of the Theological Seminary, Gambier.

A QUIET DAY for the clergy was arranged by the Clericus, for Monday, March 2nd. It was held in Trinity chapel, and conducted by the Rev. Paul Matthews, rector of St. Luke's, Cincinnati. There was a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 9:30, the Bishop being the celebrant; matins at 11:30, and vespers at 4. Mr. Matthews delivered four meditations. The first was based on Amos viii. 11, and dealt with some of the causes of religious indifference. It was a careful analysis of the difficulties and opportunities confronting the Church at the present day.

An address admirably suited for the stimulus and inspiration of the clergy. At luncheon the conductor read a series of beautiful selections on Prayer, the rule of silence being observed by the attending clergy. The second meditation was based on the vision of Isaiah, and dealt with the prophetic office of the ministry as interpreters of the divine Will and Word. The third was founded on the translation of Elijah, and took up the priestly functions, or the stewardship of divine mysteries. The last dealt with the pastoral office, and was ably illustrated from the career of John the Baptist as the herald and ambassador of the King. These four meditations furnished a day of great spiritual profit to all present, and the Bishop and clergy were unstinted in their expressions of gratitude to the director for his able and consecrated work.

Dr. Lloyd of St. Mark's has accepted a number of engagements for parochial missions. He is now preaching a mission at St. Luke's, Chicago, the parish of which the Rev. Frank Du Moulin is rector. There is some prospect of Dr. Lloyd giving himself wholly to this work, for which he is so eminently fitted, at the close of the present

THE APRIL MEETING of the Cleveland Clericus is anticipated with unusual interest -the Rev. Messrs. Mackenzie and Davidson are appointed to speak on the proposed change in the name of the Church.

PENNSYLVANIA.

O. W. WHITAKER, D.D., LL.D., Bishop. ALEX. MACKAY-SMITH, D.D., Bp. Coadj. Woman's Auxiliary - Conference of Churchwomen - Rector-elect of the Incarnotion-Quiet Day-Notes

On Thursday, Feb. 26th, Dr. Emily Brainerd Ryder addressed the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Peter's House, and other women engaged in missionary work of the

to alleviate their distress, Dr. Ryder returned to America, and is now uniting her efforts to those of other women doctors who have lived in India, to arouse a wave of public sentiment against this cruelty, and thereby assist the Indian Government to pass a law that shall prevent such marriages.

Dr. Ryder is an eloquent speaker, and pictured her sad subject with delicacy and power. A movement is on foot in Philadelphia to give Dr. Ryder an opportunity of addressing a greater number of people, and when arrangements shall have been completed, due notice will be given through the Church papers.

A CONFERENCE of Churchwomen of the Diocese was held in the Church House on Friday, March 6th. The first session of the conference in the morning was addressed by the Bishop of the Diocese, who spoke generally on the several topics before the conference; he dwelt in particular on the possible influence for good which Christian women may have with the youth of our large cities. This session was also addressed by Miss Esther Kelley, whose topic was "The Training of Boys." At the afternoon session an address was made by Miss Ryerson of New York, on "How to Help, and Why We Help the Daughters of the King." Addresses were also made by Miss Rumney and Miss Parrish. Mrs. Thomas Nelson, president of the conference, presided at both ses-

THE CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION, Philadelphia, has been without a rector for almost a year, since the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Newlin, D.D., who held the rectorship for forty years continuously. Owing to the difficulty in finding a successor, however, Dr. Newlin has kindly remained in charge during the interim. It is now announced that a call has been extended to the Rev. Norman Van Pelt Levis, rector of Christ Church, Westerly, Rhode Island. Mr. Levis received his education at the Peekskill Military Academy, University of Pennsylvania, Virginia Theological Seminary, and the Philadelphia Divinity School. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Whitaker in 1897, and priest by Bishop Scarborough in 1898. Before going to Rhode Island, he was assistant to the Rev. O. A. Glazebrook, D.D., at St. John's Church, Elizabeth, N. J., with special charge of St. Andrew's chapel.

ON THE First Sunday in Lent, the Rev. John A. Goodfellow celebrated his 31st anniversary as rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Kensington. Mr. Goodfellow preached an anniversary sermon at the morn-



ing service, his subject being "The Functions of the Christian Ministry." At the evening service the sermon was preached by the Rev. William Reese Scott, rector of Christ Church, Media, who was the first child to receive Holy Baptism by the Rev. Mr. Goodfellow's ministry. During his incumbency the number of communicants has grown from 23 to 400, and the parish holds property valued at \$60,000, quite free from debt.

A QUIET DAY for Churchwomen was held in the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, Philadelphia, on Thursday, March 5th. The services were conducted by the Rev. C. Ernest Smith, D.D., rector of St. Thomas' Church, Washington, D. C. The day opened with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 c'clock; there were four addresses given during the course of the day, on the subjects, "Christ's Call to Service," "Gifts the Measure of Service," "The Life of Service, the Ideal Life." "The Rewards of Service."

AT THE WEEKLY MEETING of the Clerical Brotherhood on Monday, March 2nd, a paper on "Bible Translation, Ancient and Modern," was read by the Rev. Frank S. Ballentine, rector of Christ Church, Scranton. At the next meeting, on March 9th, the paper will be by the Rev. Dr. Groton, Dean of the Philadelphia Divinity School, on the subject "Sociology Defined—How Far is it to be Considered a Science?"

THE MONTHLY MEETING of the Philadelphia Branch of the Clerical Union was held in the parish house of St. Mark's Church, the Rev. R. E. Dennison, rector of St. Timothy's, Roxborough, presiding, in the absence of the president, the Rev. Dr. Upjohn. A very interesting devotional paper was read on "The Life of St. Stephen Harding," by the Rev. C. F. Brookins, curate of St. Mark's

AT THE mission house of the All Saints' Sisters, in Cherry Street, a three days' retreat was given for women during the week following the First Sunday in Lent. The conductor was the Rev. Father Hughson, O.H.C. There were about twenty women in the retreat, most of whom were "outer sisters" of the community.

A RATHER INTERESTING project has been started by the Rev. W. Herbert Burk, rector of All Saints' Church, Norristown, for the building of a small memorial chapel at Valley Forge on the spot where General Washington is said to have knelt to pray. It has been suggested that the chapel be modeled after the old Pohick church near Mount Vernon. General Washington was a member of the vestry of this parish, and himself drew the plans for the church. The Sunday School of Mr. Burk's parish has given the first \$100 toward carrying out the scheme.

PITTSBURGH.

CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD, D.D., Bishop.

Laymen's Missionary League.

THE FOURTEENTH anniversary of the Laymen's Missionary League was celebrated on the First Sunday in Lent, the opening service being the Corporate Communion of its members. The Bishop being the official head of the League, the service was very appropriately held in the Bishop's chapel, the St. Mary Memorial, Oakland; the Bishop officiating, assisted in the administration by the chaplain of the association, the Rev. John Russell Wightman. The attendance was good, all but four of the active workers being present. At the conclusion of the ser-

vue; Recording Secretary, Mr. J. H. B. Phillips, Emmanuel, Allegheny; Corresponding Secretary, Mr. R. C. Cornelius, Ascension; Treasurer, Mr. W. W. McCandless, Epiphany, Bellevue. The annual Eucharist and sermon took place at the Church of the Ascension. The chaplain made a short address, telling somewhat of the work of the League for the year last past, and its most pressing needs; and closed his remarks with the presentation to the Bishop of the active workers of the League, that they might be publicly licensed for another year. The men stood at the entrance to the chancel, and there were set apart four lay evangelists and fourteen lay readers, the Bishop and candidates making use of a short office specially prepared for such occasions. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. George H. McGrew of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland. The music for this service was finely rendered by the large vested choir of men and boys, supplemented by two female soloists.

In the evening the Rev. Dr. McGrew preached another sermon in behalf of the League at Emmanuel Church, Allegheny,

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ings of Thomas Aquinas. .65.

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The Living Church.

en a second offering was taken for the

The Laymen's Missionary League is an sociation of laymen, organized in 1889, the purpose of conducting Sunday hools and inaugurating and maintaining vices at such points in the city and also the suburbs as were not supplied with the vices of the Church. It is under the survision of the Bishop, and under the direct, rsonal charge of the chaplain.

At the present time the League workers pply services and conduct Sunday Schools the mission of the Redeemer in this city; d at Sharpesburg, Duquesne, Coraopolis, d Wilmerding. During the year there ve been fifteen baptisms; sixteen persons ve been confirmed, and classes are now in eparation in all the missions, and only vait the Bishop's visitation. There are venteen teachers and one hundred and sixty ipils in the Sunday Schools. St. John's, oraopolis, for three years under the care the League, is now ready to unite with me neighboring mission in the calling and pport of their own clergyman. The work supported partly by contributions from the issions largely supplemented by gifts of ymen and lay-women of various parishes ho are particularly interested in city evanlization. In addition to what the missions ive done for theniselves, they have conibuted to general missions, diocesan mis-ons, the Christmas fund, the Bishop's Chary fund, and hospital work.

The active workers are representatives of e following parishes: Ascension, Grace, Andrew's, St. James', St. Peter's, and rinity, Pittsburgh, All Saints', Christ, and mmanuel, Allegheny; Epiphany, Bellevue; Stephen's, Wilkinsburg; Trinity, Sharpsurg; and St. Margaret's, Wilmerding.

THE PHILIPPINES. CHAS. H. BRENT, D.D., Miss. Bp.

Appeal to Women,

An appeal to women has been issued by le ladies of the Settlement House organized y Bishop Brent in Manila, in which they rge that American women coming to the hilippines will make themselves known at ne Settlement House, and will, so far as ossible, hold themselves in readiness to asstin the work of that house, or at least feel a sense of responsibility in entering ne Islands.

"We know the case of a woman of means," ays the appeal, "whose husband's occupation laced her in an isolated position, without nough to do. She gradually gathered the hildren of the natives around her, gained heir confidence and affection and taught nem much useful knowledge of a practical ort. There are doubtless many opportun-

Some examples of helpful work that omen have already done since the American ccupation are cited.

RHODE ISLAND.

THOS. M. CLARK, D.D., LL.D., Bishop. WM. N. MCVICKAR, D.D., Bp. Coadj.

Providence Notes.

AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, Providence, the ector (the Rev. Lester Bradner, Jr., Ph.D.) s to preach a series of sermons during Lent n the "Great Men of Christian History." t. Ignatius was the subject of the first disourse; the remainder will deal with SS. Lugustine, Columba, Boniface, Anselm, and 'rancis.

WITH THE March issue of The Diocesan

THE WEEK-DAY services during Lent at Grace Church, Providence (the Rev. E. S. Rousmaniere, rector), are being held in the chapel, owing to alterations now in progress in the church. Marble is to take the place of part of the wood-work in the chancel, while a flooring of marble slabs is to be placed in both chancel and choir. New choir stalls are being built, to take the place of the chairs now used. This last improvement will add greatly to the Churchly appearance of the edifice.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

ELLISON CAPERS, D.D., Bishop.

Washington's Birthday-Mission House at Columbia - The Mission at Columbia.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA Branch of the Sons of the Revolution celebrated Washington's Birthday with religious ceremonies at St. Philip's Church, Charleston. The members of the Society assembled in the library of St. Philip's Church house and marched in a body to the church. The Daughters of the American Revolution; the Cincinnati Society; the Colonial Dames; the Charleston Ancient Artillery Society, and the South Carolina Historical Society were also present and the church was crowded. Bishop Capers preached, and the Rev. John Johnson, D.D., rector of St. Philip's; Rev. John Kershaw, D.D., rector of St. Michael's, and Rev. H. J. Mikell, rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, assisted in the services. A meeting was held after service, at which resolutions were adopted thanking Bishop Capers for his eloquent sermon, and requesting that he would furnish the Society with a copy of it for preservation in its records.

TRINITY CHAPEL mission house, Columbia, is now completed and ready for use. It is on the lot given by the Olympia Mill Co., and is a comfortable frame structure, heated by a furnace. The house contains two large halls with folding doors, so that one half can be used for a boys' club room, and the other as a club room for the girls. In the rear of the lower floor is the medical dispensary with a waiting room adjoining. This dispensary is open daily, and is for the benefit of all patients who may choose to come to it. It is under the management of Rev. Churchill Satterlee, rector of Trinity Church; Rev. C. B. K. Weed, vicar of Trinity chapel; Deaconess Graham, and several of the prominent physicians of the city. The second floor of the mission house is occupied by the vicar, Deaconess Graham, and her sister. This building has been erected through the untiring energy of the Rev. Churchill Satterlee, who, during his last summer's vacation, collected money for the purpose from friends at the North.

At the close of the general mission in Columbia, an engrossed testimonial to Dr. Niles, missioner at Trinity Church, was presented, with the signatures of the rector, wardens, and vestry, showing the gratitude of the parish for his services in their midst.

SOUTHERN OHIO.

T. A. JAGGAR, D.D., Bishop. BOYD VINCENT, D.D., Bishop Coadj.

Memorial at Columbus.

ON THE First Sunday in Lent a memorial was presented to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Columbus, by C. A. Howell, M.D., on behalf of himself and the other children, of their mother, Mrs. Mary Alleyne Howell, who resided in the Barbadoes, W. I., and labored there as a missionary. The memo-



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At Christmastide a brass processional cross was presented to this church by the children of the late G. W. Brown, senior warden, who died in June last and whose death was a severe loss to the parish. This cross bears the inscription: "To the Glory of God and in memory of George W. Brown, senior warden. Died 6th June, 1902." "Requiescat in pace."

The Church of the Good Shepherd is well worthy of a visit. There is a correct altar of oak with marble mensa, surmounted by retable and tabernacle. The dossals and altar vestments are of silk brocade, hand woven, the wings being blue. The usage is Sarum. The pace and sanctuary floor are of Parquetery in oak and mahogany, highly polished. The credence is a memorial of Marian Neil Hamilton, wife of Dr. Charles Hamilton. The vested choir of boys and men is under the direction of Prof. Karl Hoenig. Celebration every Sunday at 7; matins, 10:30; choral vespers at 4. And the church is open daily and, of course, free.

WASHINGTON.

H. Y. SATTERLEE, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

Woman's Auxiliary.

THE MONTHLY meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese took place on Tuesday, March 3d, in St. John's parish hall. There was a very full attendance of delegates and other Church-women interested in the work, and the reports from parish branches showed much earnest effort for the comfort and help of missionaries in various portions of the field. It is customary to send a box of clothing and other useful articles, to which all branches contribute, to some hospital or mission school, at Easter; and after discussing various places needing such aid, two industrial schools for colored children within the Diocese were selected. The president announced that the annual Quiet Day for women would be given at the Ascension Pro-Cathedral on Thursday, April 2nd. The services will begin with an early celebration of the Holy Communion, and will continue throughout the day, breakfast and luncheon being provided at the Pro-Cathedral house. The conductor will be the Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, canon missioner of the Cathedral. The Rev. Mr. Goodheart of Oregon has been preaching and making addresses in several of the city churches, telling in an interesting manner of his work in Western mining towns. Several parish branches reported contributions for this purpose. At the close of the meeting, the Auxiliary had the pleasure of listening to an address from Miss Dean of Circle City, Alaska, who spoke of the conditions of life in that far region, and told of the great good accomplished in the hospital of which she has charge.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS. ALEX. H. VINTON, D.D., Bishop.

Woman's Auxiliary - Williston Academy-New Church for Springfield-Easthampton.

THE BRANCH of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Connecticut Valley, held an informal conference in St. John's Church, Northampton, on Wednesday, March 4th, at which were present women from all the parishes in this district. The main object was that the

Classes; The Prayer League; and the Church Periodical Club.

Much was accomplished in bringing the women together, and no doubt as the feeling of unity grows in the minds of the members of the Auxiliary, so will grow the work for

BISHOP VINTON spoke before the boys of Williston Academy on March 4. Williston Academy at Easthampton has always been a strong Congregational school, but of late years we notice a growth of the Church influence at this school. This is in line also with the same growth in other schools of the same character in this part of the state; notably Mt. Holyoke College for girls, where for a few years past, Church services have been had during Lent, and occasionally at other times, by Church clergy.

ON THE TUESDAY before Ash Wednesday, Bishop Vinton held a quiet day for the clergy of the Diocese, in the chapel of Christ Church, Springfield, at which were present about fourteen of the clergy. The Bishop gave the meditations.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, Springfield, has made a start for a new church. At Christmas the offerings were put aside to form a fund for the purpose of securing a new location in a more central part of the city. These amounted to between eight and nine hundred dollars. It is hoped that at Easter enough more will be raised to make the sum \$2,000. The work of the parish is rapidly extending and the church is even now located at the extreme end of the parish. It is most desirable that it be located in the centre of the parish at the earliest possible date. No definite plans have yet been made, but the rector feels that to start now will bring the new church constantly before the people, and the result will come so much the sooner.

ST. PHILIP'S PARISH, Easthampton, has sold the balance of their old Church property, near the railroad station; the returns from this sale going to reduce the mortgage debt on the new church. This is an important event in the life and history of this parish, and is another step in justification of the venture of faith in the Church in Easthampton made by the rector some four years ago. After an expenditure of about \$12,000 for the new church and site, one of the most beautiful, for its cost, in the state, the

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WESTERN MICHIGAN.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE, D.D., Bishop. Burial of Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

HE FUNERAL of the Rev. Joseph Webb eroft took place in Emmanuel Church, ings, Saturday, Feb. 28th. The body of leceased was taken to the church at noon, e many came to see the face of him was so well known in the city. Bishop spie and the rector, the Rev. S. W. an, had charge of the service, assisted the visiting clergy. On Sunday the op made a memorial address in the ch, which was listened to by a large regation of friends, former parishioners, pupils of the deceased.

Ir. Bancroft was born in Granville, Vt., 24, 1825, and entered the Sophomore s of the University of Michigan in the ng of 1849. He graduated with the deof B.A. in 1851. After teaching for a



REV. J. W. BANCROFT.

r in Olivet College he was engaged in iness for three years at Elma, Erie nty, N. Y., but in 1856 he returned to higan to spend his life in professional ors. On Oct. 26, 1852, he married Sarah sley Kimble, who survives him. He taught he public schools of Jackson for one year, then became principal of the Union ool in Jonesville. He served three years

this capacity and four years as principal he Union School of Hastings.

It was during this time, in 1863, that he ame a candidate for orders, and as a lay der conducted services in his own house. s was the beginning of Emmanuel parish. He was ordered deacon in Trinity Church, Michigan. He was Secretary of the Diocese from its organization in 1874 until June 7, 1887, and editor of The Church Helper from

September, 1883, with a short interruption, until January, 1898, when failing health made it necessary for him to remit his labors.

Mr. Bancroft was a quiet, unassuming gentleman, but faithful and conscientious in the performance of every known duty. As the editor of a local paper stated it, "He lived an exemplary life, always striving to do the will of the Master in all things." God grant that we may all profit by his example.

WESTERN NEW YORK.

WM. D. WALKER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop. Church Damaged at Bath.

Some damage, not very extensive, was done to the roof of St. Thomas' Church, Bath, by a heavy wind storm on Feb. 28th.

Music.

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To AN INQUIRY regarding the Wagner opera chorus, generally known in this country as the "wedding anthem," it ought to be unnecessary for us to reply that it is not an anthem at all. To sing it in church is sacrilegious. Its widespread use shows what extraordinary ideas prevail in regard to the music of the marriage service. One would suppose that the very name of the office, "The Solemnization of Matrimony," would be sufficient to exclude everything secular and irreligious in regard to the music and all else pertaining to the ceremony.

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stantly at work, tending to make marriage services degenerate into social functions. Fashionable life aims at glitter and display. People contrive to have weddings announced in the newspapers weeks before they are to take place. Detailed information is given of bride and bridesmaids, and the public are told even what they will wear.

At the service, those specially invited come dressed as if for a ball, while "outsiders" crowd the church, attracted by curiosity and a desire to see all that is to be seen. There is much talking, and laughing, and gaiety, and very little to impress one with the solemnity or seriousness of the occasion. All this is ridiculously inconsistent with the real character of the service.

Organists all go through a peculiar experience when a wedding is approaching. The bride is almost certain to make a request that nothing "solemn" be played or sung, and that the music be "quick" and "lively." A list of suggested pieces is made out for the organist, consisting of love songs, operatic selections, and other secular compositions.

In an English Cathedral, or parish church such a condition of affairs is inconceivable. Here it is common enough. A typical case was brought to the notice of the writer only a few weeks ago. A fashionable choral wedding was to have taken place in a prominent New York Church. The date was fixed, and the organist and choir were engaged. A private organ recital was called for, to enable the bride to decide upon what should be played. The Overture to Bizet's "Carmen," the ballet music of "Romeo and Juliet," and several other absurdities were requested. The organist very properly spoke of the unfitness of such music, and refused to play it in church. The engagement of choir and organist was promptly canceled, and the wedding service took place in another church, where not only "Carmen" was played, but many other things of a like description. The most amazing part of the business was that the clergyman who officiated knew all the musical irregularities of the case, but did nothing whatever in defence of a very important principle!

Musical customs which are adopted and approved by "society," become fashionable, and often prevail in defiance of ecclesiastical rule and decency. The use of the Wagner wedding chorus serves as a good illustration. When the opera "Lohengrin" first gained popularity some years ago, this particular excerpt (both words and music) was seized upon with avidity, and transferred from stage to church. Musical law and order being then practically non-existent, no special objection was raised. Now that it has become the "custem" to have this music either played or sung at weddings, it is a matter of some difficulty to get rid of it. The original words of the opera, profane and sacrilegious as they are, were formerly used without restraint. Recently sacred text has been set to the music, in order to bring the "anthem" within the sanction of the rubric governing the selection of words. This, however, does not mend the matter, and the bare fact remains that operatic music in church falls not far short of blasphemy.

The whole system of wedding ceremonial needs revision and reconstruction. Before any progress can take place musically, a marked change is necessary in the popular conception of the service. A stream cannot flow higher than its fountain-head, and as long as church weddings are looked upon chiefly as opportunities for worldly display, it is not likely that any ritual improvement can take place, musically or otherwise.

One can hardly help deploring the brevity

responses following them. We might add that the American Prayer Book fails to emphasize the importance of the Holy Communion in connection with the marriage service-in fact the rubrics do not contain a single word on the subject. The earlier editions of the English Prayer Book provide for a Celebration of the Holy Communion after the Blessing. In 1549 the rubric was, "Then shall be said after the Gospel a Sermon." "The new-married persons (the same day of their marriage) must receive the Holy Communion."

In 1552 the rubric was, "Then shall begin the Holy Communion; and after the Gospel shall be said a Sermon." "The new-married persons," etc. At the end of the marriage service in the present English Prayer Book is the following: "It is convenient that the new-married persons should receive the Holy Communion at the time of their Marriage, or at the first opportunity after their Marriage."

We see, then, that the Church of England taught, and still teaches the duty of receiving the Communion at the time of marriage. It stands to reason that this must necessarily impress people with the solemnity and sacredness of the marriage service. If more attention were paid to this matter the un-Churchly customs which are now so prevalent would cease, and we would hear less about "pretty" weddings, "lovely" decorations, and "lively" music.

In regard to wedding anthems we shall give a list of suitable compositions at another time, and also some practical suggestions as to the selection of vocal and instrumental music which can be reverently used for the "Solemnization of Matrimony."

THE IDEA that alcohol or any other stimulant can ever impart strength must be abandoned, says a writer in The Hospital. A stimulant has a certain effect on the circulation, and this may enable the person who takes it to exert more strength temporarily; but the energy that he uses comes not from the stimulant, but from his own blood and tissue. A similar mistake is made in the administration of a stimulant to relieve a feeling of depression or sinking. An injurious reaction always follows. Alcohol is harmful also in diseases of the kidneys or of the liver, but it seems to be good for diseases of the lungs, and its effect on appetite and digestion may be good when properly emploved. When "stimulants" put one to sleep and quiet agitation, they are doing good; when, on the contrary, they raise the pulserate, and cause excitement and wakefulness, they are doing harm .- Success.

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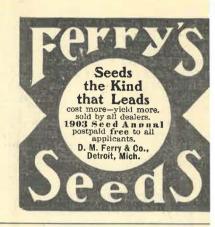
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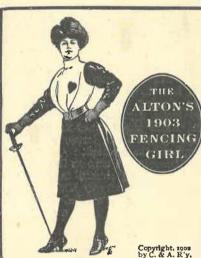
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