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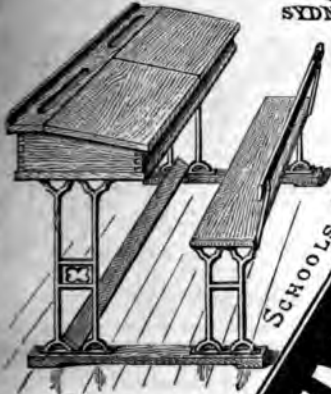
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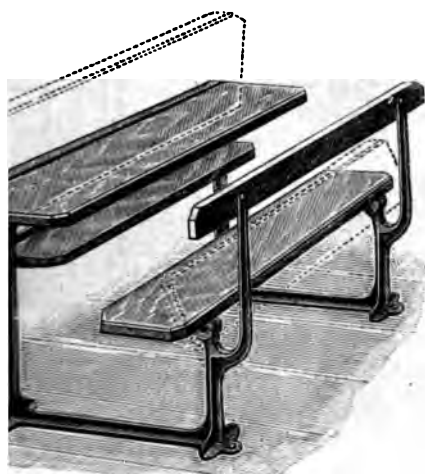
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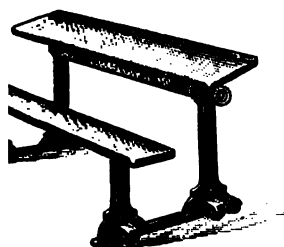
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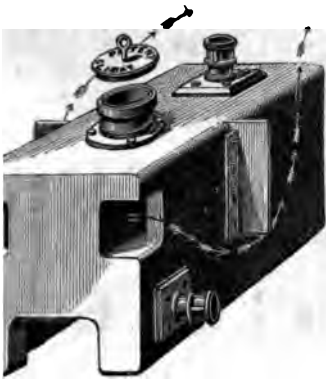
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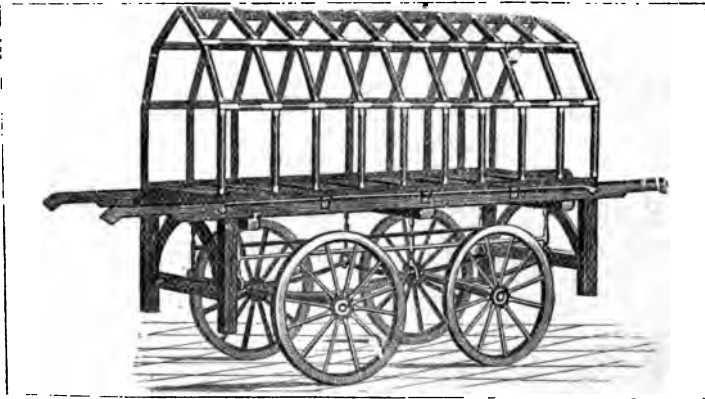
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'That this House has satisfaction in hearing that the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge has undertaken to publish the OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, the design of which this House has already approved, and will be glad, through its Committees and otherwise, to give such information and help as may assist in perfecting this desirable work.'

CONVOCAATION OF YORK.

RESOLUTION PASSED WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 1883 (IN FULL SYNOD).

The President laid upon the table the first volume of the OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND. Resolution moved by the Bishop of Carlisle and seconded by the Prolocutor: 'That this Convocation accepts with pleasure the first volume of the OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, and trusts that the publication of so valuable a record of the work of the Church will be continued.' Agreed to *nem. con.*

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THE ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS.

The Report drawn up by the Rev. Canon Morgan Woodward Jellett, M.A., LL.D., Rector of St. Peter's, Dublin, and one of the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod, has been submitted to us, and is here inserted with our sanction.

December 1, 1884.

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The Bishops of the Episcopal Church of Scotland desire to express to the Committee of the OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND their approval of the design of the work, and their readiness to sanction an annual Official Report of the work of their Church in Scotland.

October 1883.

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EXTRACT from the Journal of the House of Bishops, October 12 and 15, 1883. 'The Bishop of Louisiana offered the following Resolution, viz:—

'Resolved—the House of Deputies concurring, "That the Secretary of the House of Bishops, and the Secretary of the House of Deputies, are hereby designated and authorized to furnish from time to time, for the OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, information concerning the condition and progress of this Church."'

Which was adopted.

'Message No. 15 was received from the House of Deputies, viz:—

'Resolved—"That the House of Deputies concurs in Message No. 11 from the House of Bishops (as above)."'

Preface.

THE history of the progress of the National Church should be of paramount interest to all who recognise the inseparable connection between the religious and secular life.

An impartial and intelligent examination of the work of the Church of England during the past year can hardly fail to create and strengthen the impression, that, whatever may be the actual net results of all that has been achieved, the Church has sought with fixity and sincerity of purpose, to bear her witness for Christ, in seeking to make her spiritual ministrations effective for the advancement of true civilization, and the amelioration of every phase of want and suffering.

With the frankest confession of many failures, it may yet be said that never in any previous age has the Church done her work with such earnestness and with such honest and persistent determination to fulfil her Lord's commission to spread the Gospel of Righteousness over the world.

The desire to deepen the spiritual life, among both Clergy and Laity, finds its embodiment in the widening and systematic provision made in Retreats and Quiet-days for the encouragement of higher conceptions of duty, and for the attainment of a higher standard of spiritual life.

The claims of spiritual destitution among the masses have found due recognition in the several developments of Home-mission work described in this volume; the activities which such records indicate are encouraging, as showing that the conscience of the Church is alive to her paramount duty to make the extension of the Kingdom of Christ the first aim in all her ministrations.

The co-operation of the Laity is becoming more and more evident as

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an essential to the vitality and efficacy of the Church's work, and it is interesting to trace in these pages the efforts that are being made to give direction and practical power to Lay-service.

The prominence recently given to questions touching Religious and Secular education has naturally drawn attention to the obligations of the Church in this department of her work, and it may be truly said that no greater sacrifices have been made than in the service of elementary education, and in the training of the young in religious and moral principles, and habits of life.

In combating the moral degradation, with its natural outcome of want and suffering, abounding among the masses, the Church has recognized one of her chief duties, both from a spiritual and philanthropic point of view. Year by year she not only maintains but extends in no small measure a net-work of Preventive Homes, Penitentiaries, Orphanages, Hospitals, Convalescent Homes, Nursing and such-like Institutions. The records given of the existence and working of such benevolent agencies, exhibit the active desire of the Church to be ever at the right hand of the people, in all that may help to lighten their burdens of daily care and need.

The records given of endeavours made to extend the Kingdom of Christ in Foreign lands are interesting and full of promise. Still it must be admitted, that the conscience of Churchmen needs to be still more quickened to a sense of responsibility, in the discharge of the solemn trust committed by Christ to the Church, to preach the Gospel to the heathen; and to make provision for the spiritual care of those who have gone from us to live and work in our Colonies and other regions.

The information given by the Bishops of our Colonial and Missionary Sees is exceedingly valuable, in exhibiting the remarkable growth of the Church abroad—information which may be found in full detail in the chapter illustrating the extension of the Colonial Episcopate. The Statistical review furnished of the work and progress of the Church during the past year will serve to gauge the character and measure of the obligations we acknowledge, and the extent to which they have been discharged.

We have again to express our indebtedness for valuable contributions to this work from Archdeacon Ainslie, Canon Wright, the Rev. C. Wakeman, the Very Rev. the Dean of Cork, Rev. L. Hart, D.D. (U.S.A.),

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the Chaplain of the Fleet, the Chaplain-General, and the Rev. J. Hargrove. We would also gratefully acknowledge the readiness with which the Bishops' Secretaries, and the Editors of Diocesan Calendars, have assisted us.

By the desire and authority of the Bishops, the Clergy have again been requested to communicate a return of Parochial work and finance, and they have responded in such increasing numbers, and with such conscientious care, as to render the results of the tabulation, as a whole, of exceeding value as an authorized work of reference and instruction to the Church.

It is possible, we readily admit, to misrepresent the truth by attaching too much importance to statistical tests as evidencing the failure or success of the Church. Within well-defined limits, however, and by judicious use, this yearly registration of Parochial work cannot fail to be of practical service, and there is proof enough already of its value. It has guided the Church to a fuller and more accurate acquaintance with what has been, and might be done, and has tended in no small degree to remove the prejudices of many, who, from insufficient knowledge, have so often misjudged the Church.

The Statistical records of the past year will be found to indicate consistent and steady progress in every department of Church work, but especially in its more direct spiritual influences upon the life of the people.

The deep gratitude which moves the heart of the Nation to rejoice at this time over the longest and most glorious reign in its history, should not unnaturally lead the Church to reflect upon the part she has played in making the influence of Christianity tell upon the formation of the National character, and the advancement of civilization during this period. No impartial observer of English History during the present century can fail to allow that the integrity, progress, and peace characterizing the National life, have been ever closely interwoven with religious progress, which the work of the Church of England has done so much to further.

During the present reign, the Church, by higher conceptions of duty, and more zealous devotion, has undoubtedly advanced the cause of Christ, and the welfare of mankind, to an extent unparalleled in any previous period.

With the material progress of the Nation must inevitably grow up, side by side, the evils that wealth and poverty create, and in like measure the responsibilities of the Church must increase, and those whose hearts are concerned in the moral and spiritual welfare of the people, will yearn and pray that she may be found faithful in responding to the claims which the wants of the age may lay upon her self-sacrifice and devotion.

For the present, the Church is free from political strife to do her Master's work. The respite may be short or long. Sooner or later the conflict will begin again. The issues, whatever they may be, are in the hands of the Great Ruler, and, trusting to the pledge of Christ's ever-living presence, we can work and wait in stillness. Mindful of the many signs of a deep and growing attachment to the Church of England, and of the wide-spread recognition of the many services she has rendered, in advancing all that is best and noblest in the interests of the Nation, we hesitate to believe that the people will permit the bonds connecting Church and State to be ruthlessly torn asunder. Be this as it may, the records of this book will be found to witness, that the Church of this age, inspired by the example of Christ, and more than ever strong in the equipments of the Spirit, is devoutly and fixedly bent upon her great charge and mission, to hasten the day when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ.

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EXPLANATIONS OF STATISTICAL SUMMARIES

[i.e. from January to December 1895, or from Easter 1895 to Easter 1896].

In order to guard against the possibility of inaccurate conclusions and statements with regard to the accompanying Statistical Tables, it is of the utmost importance that very careful attention should be paid to the following explanations. Though these records as a whole may be taken as the substantial representation of the truth in regard to the matters with which they specifically deal, they must not be regarded as an exhaustive statement, for these reasons :

(1) *The inquiry made was confined to the Parochial Clergy, and embraces the replies of practically 98 per cent.; the remaining 2 per cent. would therefore have to be accounted for in a complete estimation of the parochial work and finances of the Church.*

(2) *As the inquiry has not for the present fully embraced Cathedral organizations or the work and contributions of such public institutions as colleges, schools, hospitals, asylums, workhouses, &c., it will be seen that considerable additions might be made.*

(3) *As this systematic method of obtaining parochial records has been only recently put into operation, it is obvious that the Clergy may have for various reasons found it difficult to furnish the information asked with perfect accuracy and completeness, but this defect will be remedied by a more intelligent understanding of the definite intention of the inquiry.*

I. Parochial Work and Organization.

In reference to the figures relating to Baptisms, Communicants, Church accommodation, Sunday schools, Voluntary Contributions, and more or less to other branches of Church work specified, it should not be forgotten that these are rendered defective by the failure of the non-returning parishes. Though this defect is found chiefly in the Dioceses composed for the most part of agricultural districts, where many of the benefices are exceedingly small, there are still a considerable number of important parishes wholly or imperfectly represented, affecting to a proportionate degree the completeness of the statement. Still, if upon the basis of the facts we have given, a further calculation at the rate of 2 per cent. be made, the truth may be fully ascertained.

Statistics of Confirmations or of Elementary Education are not incorporated with this Statement, as they are very accurately registered in other parts of this book.

II. Clerical Incomes.

These figures deal only with 98 per cent. of the benefices in England and Wales. Every source of professional income has been taken into account.

In ascertaining the *net* value, these specific deductions have been made: (1) Parochial rates and taxes (not income tax). (2) Insurance of chancel, glebe premises. (3) Tenths, mortgage dues, &c. (4) Cost of collection of income. (5) A pension under Resignation Act. (6) Any other Annual payment chargeable upon the benefice. (7) Necessary repairs to glebe premises. (8) Amount of stipend paid to Assistant Clergy.

It is important here to note that the following instruction was definitely given to each Incumbent, defining the circumstances under which it was considered legitimate to deduct the stipend paid to the Assistant Clergy.

NOTE.—If an Assistant Curate is employed under compulsion, or because the Incumbent is incapacitated by ill-health or other infirmity, or when the population, number of churches or services does not necessitate such assistance, *the stipend paid is not to be deducted.*

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III. Voluntary Contributions.

In dealing with Voluntary Contributions, it was only practicable to take account of sums raised by offertories in church and such parochial organizations as would come distinctly under the immediate direction or cognizance of the Clergy. It is obviously impossible to embrace, in such an inquiry as this, individual offerings privately conveyed to central societies and institutions.

In the form of inquiry, instructions were given to exclude all grants from ecclesiastical bodies holding church funds in trust, so that the offerings recorded might represent exclusively the purely voluntary effort of the Church of the present day, the only exception being that of sums arising from endowments for the maintenance of schools, and these are recorded separately, that they may be independently accounted for.

In treating the payments to the Assistant Clergy by the Incumbents as a voluntary offering, the principle followed has been this, viz.: That where the Incumbent, while fully discharging his own duties, needed the assistance of other Clergy for work that he could not himself accomplish, in consequence of the demands of his parish, by reason of population or other causes, in such cases, where the obligation was not legal but only moral, the payment to the Curate or Curates has been regarded as a voluntary offering. But where the Curate was acting as a substitute for the Incumbent, incapacitated by sickness or from other reasons for the discharge of his own duties, the payment has been considered a legal charge upon the income of the benefice, and not, therefore, accounted a voluntary offering.

Table showing the number of Clergy making the Return.

Diocese	Incumbents		Rural Deaneries			
	Total	Replying	Total	Complete	Wanting 3 and less than 3	Wanting more than 3
Canterbury	423	421	21	19	2	—
York	609	606	32	30	2	—
London	532	493	25	9	13	3
Durham	241	239	13	11	2	—
Winchester	543	540	29	26	3	—
Bangor	143	141	14	12	2	—
Bath and Wells	483	469	26	17	9	—
Carlisle	291	288	19	16	3	—
Chester	266	266	12	12	—	—
Chichester	273	370	25	23	2	—
Ely	550	541	38	31	7	—
Exeter	499	487	23	18	4	1
Gloucester and Bristol	486	473	20	12	7	1
Hereford	346	340	21	16	5	—
Lichfield	457	454	31	28	3	—
Lincoln	547	516	39	23	15	1
Liverpool	265	188	11	3	6	2
Llandaff	229	225	20	16	4	—
Manchester	513	505	22	17	5	—
Newcastle	167	167	11	11	—	—
Norwich	870	831	50	30	17	3
Oxford	635	630	32	27	5	—
Peterborough	560	551	41	32	9	—
Ripon	346	338	18	11	7	—
Rochester	342	340	19	17	2	—
St. Albans	600	591	46	40	6	—
St. Asaph	206	206	17	17	—	—
St. Davids	367	357	29	19	10	—
Salisbury	470	464	31	27	4	—
Sodor and Man	33	31	4	2	2	—
Southwell	468	456	31	21	10	—
Truro	285	228	12	8	4	—
Wakefield	167	165	6	4	2	—
Worcester	486	478	33	25	8	—

I. CHURCH

(January to December 1895, or

Note.—In considering or quoting these figures

Diocese	Population, 1881	Population, 1891	Increase or Decrease	Number of Incumbents	Number of Incumbents resigning	Baptisms		Holy Communion					Communi- cants (Class)		
						Infants	Adults	Communicants (estimated)	How often Administered during the Month					Males	Females
									Sundays						
									Ante Midday	At Midday	After Midday	Holy Days	Week Days		
Sturbury	653,299	745,149	91,850	428	421	15,085	273	71,831	1,047	778	79	398	160	2,368	6,394
St. Asaph	1,287,029	1,447,449	160,420	609	606	32,740	522	76,149	1,308	960	118	206	144	3,780	7,354
St. David's	2,920,392	3,245,833	325,441	1,032	1,031	63,087	1,705	187,063	2,271	1,271	190	527	747	8,389	19,617
St. David's (North)	897,998	1,017,047	119,049	341	339	23,478	100	40,922	610	401	43	115	45	2,130	4,992
St. David's (South)	847,370	978,365	130,995	543	540	19,433	328	89,844	1,403	1,036	62	317	184	1,748	4,765
St. David's (West)	226,040	215,956	*10,084	143	141	1,614	39	13,894	206	152	22	26	4	712	1,015
St. David's (East)	423,705	429,638	5,933	483	480	7,786	173	41,296	782	692	41	140	75	1,392	3,133
St. David's (North-West)	401,280	424,913	23,633	291	288	8,614	48	27,322	264	308	32	69	1	1,812	2,844
St. David's (South-West)	646,031	730,983	84,952	300	296	14,464	226	49,503	639	492	34	114	33	1,977	3,983
St. David's (East-West)	469,550	548,472	78,922	373	370	10,688	212	28,096	896	663	44	192	174	1,196	2,800
St. David's (West-West)	512,747	594,112	81,365	330	327	9,865	283	45,604	907	846	28	167	91	1,077	2,622
St. David's (East-East)	603,211	628,099	24,788	409	407	11,878	200	50,286	883	846	61	226	161	1,143	2,967
St. David's (West-East)	695,992	744,757	48,765	486	473	14,708	317	60,739	930	774	77	180	134	2,313	5,419
St. David's (North-East)	220,609	217,499	*11,910	346	340	4,498	35	25,699	375	436	11	54	8	265	631
St. David's (South-East)	1,104,173	1,196,095	91,922	457	454	26,101	429	76,609	1,134	694	72	195	99	3,033	5,905
St. David's (North-West)	469,392	472,486	3,093	547	516	8,679	186	35,779	796	767	15	141	54	1,269	2,247
St. David's (South-West)	1,085,634	1,297,557	211,923	905	894	21,831	299	47,961	425	294	95	89	45	3,186	5,307
St. David's (North-East)	693,020	799,376	106,356	229	225	10,388	422	45,235	921	430	61	133	78	1,903	3,913
St. David's (South-East)	2,297,018	2,644,424	347,406	513	505	49,776	723	129,109	1,187	885	136	223	60	9,012	19,989
St. David's (North-West)	438,707	509,414	70,707	167	167	10,693	76	23,563	342	283	12	69	48	698	1,330
St. David's (South-West)	685,805	710,364	24,559	670	661	13,228	449	51,233	842	1,151	60	148	69	1,228	2,614
St. David's (North-East)	577,196	613,526	36,330	635	630	13,335	222	69,847	1,412	929	37	245	147	1,829	4,187
St. David's (South-East)	612,725	692,909	80,184	590	551	14,419	376	54,329	1,055	896	32	160	70	3,099	5,130
St. David's (North-West)	915,993	1,029,110	104,117	348	338	16,784	439	54,969	687	567	88	126	63	3,102	7,343
St. David's (South-West)	1,564,492	1,838,787	274,295	342	340	41,746	1,054	97,096	1,263	791	122	299	236	5,054	11,270
St. David's (North-East)	778,586	1,006,648	228,062	600	591	21,643	561	67,734	1,233	986	60	251	155	2,769	5,261
St. David's (South-East)	288,901	279,189	*1,712	200	206	3,754	68	20,012	279	258	22	41	11	858	1,571
St. David's (North-West)	482,245	496,009	13,764	397	397	4,635	175	44,766	421	440	69	50	13	596	998
St. David's (South-West)	372,168	399,996	*27,828	470	464	6,861	82	36,655	808	714	31	144	100	1,151	2,473
St. David's (North-East)	54,089	55,608	1,519	33	31	1,042	4	2,281	26	41	14	6	...	309	477
St. David's (South-East)	853,729	973,989	120,260	469	456	18,746	497	56,744	896	671	87	156	104	2,156	4,674
St. David's (North-West)	339,799	323,031	*16,768	235	228	4,362	96	12,324	522	422	13	161	49	546	1,142
St. David's (South-West)	663,285	719,734	56,449	167	160	10,891	313	32,038	452	292	47	84	43	1,851	4,290
St. David's (North-East)	1,124,698	1,228,363	103,665	496	478	26,544	684	71,339	1,018	740	100	188	77	4,164	9,190
Total, 1895-96	26,116,230	29,150,367	3,034,137	13,688	13,395	502,833	11,539	1,840,351	27,912	21,972	1,980	5,418	3,482	78,094	163,067
Total, 1894-95	26,116,230	29,150,367	3,034,137	13,892	13,401	554,409	11,599	1,779,391	26,489	21,470	1,909	5,292	3,117	73,925	168,838
Total, 1893-94	26,116,230	29,150,367	3,034,137	13,596	13,089	540,716	11,846	1,701,499	24,998	21,635	1,842	4,956	2,929	69,849	150,807
Total, 1892-93	26,116,230	29,150,367	3,034,137	13,592	12,675	515,354	11,941	1,697,930	22,854	19,863	1,845	4,927	2,536	61,890	130,943
Total, 1891-92	26,116,230	29,150,367	3,034,137	13,592	12,299	479,143	11,095	1,437,719	29,244	18,398	1,792	4,919	2,044	50,693	110,996

NOTE.—THESE FIGURES EMBRACE THE RETURNS OF

* This signifies decrease in population.

The difference between this total and that of the previous year is accounted for by treating two or more Benefices held in Communion as one Benefice.

Church Work.

X

WORK.

from Easter 1895 to Easter 1896.)
 be very careful to read the explanations, page xiv.

Diocesan Church	Church Accommodation					Sunday Schools			Bible Classes		Gulf	Diocese		
	Free	Chapel of Ease		Mission Rooms, &c.	Other Buildings	No. of Churches open for Private Prayer	Infants	Boys	Girls	Males			Females	
		Appropriated	Free											
74	122,282	3,173	12,450	18,889	2,740	137	178	19,778	34,141	29,913	6,494	6,672	3,834	Canterbury
27	200,470	2,314	28,444	33,116	3,579	189	286	24,977	35,451	39,730	9,478	8,750	4,223	York
62	278,237	6,177	25,734	57,898	9,273	278	277	60,778	65,403	79,598	15,400	20,472	16,836	London
37	103,313	..	9,169	29,498	2,380	94	115	20,696	24,714	27,864	5,781	5,700	2,238	Durham
38	143,688	6,280	22,731	24,833	4,334	189	292	34,200	31,053	35,346	6,680	6,172	4,256	Winchester
67	42,203	1,035	13,692	5,873	365	12	26	3,183	5,147	5,692	1,214	1,143	812	Banor
96	109,454	2,967	9,169	8,746	1,695	117	208	11,409	15,699	17,306	3,913	4,016	1,387	Bath and Wells
97	78,308	457	8,025	13,845	3,872	27	81	10,483	13,204	15,794	3,065	3,292	1,491	Carlisle
61	98,646	395	12,468	15,697	3,130	91	145	14,983	22,050	25,262	6,897	6,220	1,920	Chester
39	121,299	1,783	12,961	11,739	1,945	97	197	12,296	17,203	19,196	3,136	4,178	2,130	Chichester
63	150,673	1,573	6,712	10,884	1,428	173	255	12,638	18,797	20,491	4,094	3,812	1,795	Ely
97	126,426	3,570	18,392	13,517	2,008	135	210	14,792	18,896	21,419	4,765	5,065	2,391	Exeter
43	134,475	2,758	12,695	14,827	3,910	213	118	16,440	23,629	27,485	7,703	7,934	2,474	(Gloucester) & Bristol
52	74,577	240	4,959	4,789	710	53	122	3,798	7,769	8,238	921	983	498	Hereford
69	170,067	1,170	16,612	32,450	3,285	166	212	24,577	35,850	39,561	10,287	9,180	4,471	Lichfield
72	123,231	992	7,090	6,910	1,015	170	247	9,318	13,193	14,775	1,712	1,891	1,203	Lincoln
41	99,519	2,796	8,010	32,147	3,290	49	73	19,164	29,563	34,261	13,217	11,306	2,961	Liverpool
36	65,737	938	37,894	24,049	2,891	64	69	15,838	21,197	23,063	4,600	4,738	2,291	Llandaf
60	233,799	2,137	10,672	60,238	8,240	190	178	36,393	79,271	91,816	37,729	47,367	12,801	Manchester
25	39,871	239	9,257	12,798	1,500	62	87	7,325	10,223	11,910	1,515	1,340	1,026	Newcastle
62	197,940	2,040	7,967	21,129	2,214	110	227	16,811	23,250	26,761	5,517	5,721	2,177	Norwich
56	132,644	3,010	17,022	10,156	2,226	293	329	18,069	23,336	24,990	4,702	4,016	2,311	Oxford
79	132,311	1,545	10,792	11,794	1,910	198	310	19,028	25,068	29,008	6,067	5,381	1,599	Peterborough
39	131,136	908	11,742	22,533	2,634	90	120	19,453	27,763	31,498	4,897	5,843	3,000	Ripon
45	136,363	5,628	19,349	48,990	6,554	158	153	41,196	46,531	55,036	8,892	12,985	9,110	Rochester
69	154,094	2,617	17,496	23,541	3,854	162	246	23,909	32,137	35,877	5,833	5,929	4,118	St. Albans
69	69,892	1,625	10,823	9,611	1,735	35	62	6,432	9,137	10,105	2,468	2,791	92	St. Asaph
43	92,764	1,736	18,741	12,890	1,688	37	68	9,629	13,369	14,569	3,512	3,706	1,61	St. Davids
92	109,475	1,297	11,335	6,946	1,248	109	271	9,627	14,445	15,294	3,192	2,379	1,09	Sallybury
22	6,958	700	2,567	1,646	790	1	6	921	1,463	1,891	492	285	1	Sodor and Man
70	146,238	1,053	17,710	28,297	2,305	128	198	23,930	31,492	34,182	8,000	8,084	4,0	Southwell
75	79,129	509	7,550	6,171	1,190	123	155	4,564	6,789	6,903	1,425	1,844	6	Truro
68	74,913	420	5,176	15,770	1,175	65	83	11,413	20,213	23,876	6,923	7,840	1,4	Wakefield
53	139,690	2,992	15,713	24,342	3,475	141	193	25,397	33,492	39,991	11,624	10,269	4,1	Worcester
67	4,200,096	65,739	480,129	674,983	94,345	3,943	5,295	615,028	819,618	922,725	223,645	241,796	107,	
40	4,190,892	62,964	453,198	699,622	89,312	3,767	5,451	599,071	808,692	922,080	217,310	231,795	98,	
94	4,025,145	62,092	425,262	658,561	83,011	3,379	4,899	678,495	799,718	913,215	259,184	288,762	90,	
93	3,991,444	60,161	409,362	636,190	101,311	3,166	4,079	544,396	775,832	895,328	190,838	210,355	85,	
17	3,578,205	62,376	372,401	547,349	91,375	2,986	4,230	467,342	743,578	859,377	170,565	193,189	76,	
											Total 1895-6	38,571		
											Total 1894-5	37,07		
											Total 1893-4	35,04		
											Total 1892-3	34,70		
											Total 1891-2	32,45		

13,395 INCUMBENTS, LEAVING 293 TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR

* This should have stood at 3,901,644 in the edition of 1894, and not

Clerical Incomes.

II. CLERICAL

(January to December 1895,

I. CHURCH WORK—cont.

Note.—In considering or quoting these figures

	Lay Help												Gross Income						Per Cent							
	Choir				Bell-ringers	Lay Readers		Deacons	Wesmen	Sisters	Nurses	Mission Women	Tithe Rent Charge		Rent of Glebe, at present value											
	M.		F.			Licensed	Unlicensed						1.	2.												
	Paid	Vol.	Paid	Vol.	Paid	Vol.	Paid	Vol.	Paid	Vol.	Paid	Vol.	As Committed	At present value	£	s.	d.									
Canterbury	671	6,720	21	2,907	1,615	87	48	1	19	48	3	11	114,689	4	84,901	12	6,547	16	10	17,928						
York	492	9,601	45	3,342	1,971	73	132	6	6	46	6	22	65,370	1	46,901	17	50,878	17	0	8,857						
London	683	10,630	46	1,217	643	218	168	65	36	9	173	132	35,170	11	30,393	6	20,114	18	9	61,643						
Durham	367	5,381	19	2,139	312	127	65	3	5	11	2	23	28,281	0	26,769	16	10,362	17	7	453						
Windsor	503	8,080	45	2,396	1,512	65	71	18	5	115	9	23	131,913	16	97,108	3	7	12,289	16	11	13,246					
Bangor	38	2,343	12	1,874	81	17	33	1	1	9	1	1	34,213	9	25,143	5	3,175	16	0	211						
Bath and Wells	585	5,622	51	2,300	2,116	28	29	4	1	37	4	9	101,717	5	74,307	15	2	25,481	15	6	3,660					
Carlisle	318	2,964	7	3,067	311	9	86	1	1	16	1	5	17,851	13	13,283	0	9	26,483	8	7	1,454					
Chichester	524	5,210	34	1,480	714	66	55	3	4	46	2	13	36,951	4	26,779	0	10	9,289	17	10	8,952					
Chichester	288	4,796	75	1,196	1,060	20	35	1	1	56	4	7	98,118	18	71,938	10	0	6,929	12	1	9,129					
Ely	597	6,974	50	3,425	1,769	37	47	2	2	32	3	7	130,617	4	96,105	5	7	45,416	18	1	916					
Exeter	777	4,985	104	2,749	2,437	105	40	4	1	43	2	17	115,293	15	84,196	13	4	27,884	18	6	3,656					
Gloucester	87	6,835	44	2,335	1,624	44	77	1	3	70	6	34	75,145	8	55,221	19	1	29,163	4	10	8,801					
Hereford	205	3,288	65	1,817	1,092	9	9	9	9	21	2	6	84,167	17	61,967	8	1	16,429	3	1	157					
Lichfield	83	9,048	77	1,873	1,245	111	86	2	3	52	7	13	72,693	8	52,784	0	9	19,732	1	5	4,664					
Lincoln	41	3,351	35	2,736	1,311	20	33	2	1	36	1	7	78,699	12	58,484	6	8	70,482	10	3	116					
Liverpool	67	3,701	61	1,369	194	73	85	6	3	24	1	43	13,557	4	9,668	19	8	1,912	18	7	15,353					
Llandaff	15	6,399	10	4,378	598	68	61	4	1	18	1	2	34,040	18	24,836	9	10	10,454	7	7	1,293					
Manchester	74	12,977	67	4,247	1,994	79	362	4	1	50	9	37	18,447	12	13,939	6	3	21,016	15	7	21,421					
Newcastle	20	2,835	4	1,567	208	28	24	5	1	14	3	7	31,419	8	21,692	5	6	6,443	4	6	1,171					
Norwich	34	7,538	191	5,669	1,690	28	83	2	1	24	8	9	292,287	18	214,676	5	9	28,246	4	2	1,661					
Oxford	19	8,726	73	2,480	2,467	16	37	1	3	80	3	15	118,107	14	87,407	11	1	46,935	0	7	1,681					
Peterborough	42	8,803	33	3,030	2,246	83	43	1	3	44	4	12	62,336	9	46,097	6	8	87,003	2	4	1,790					
Ripon	80	6,845	65	2,149	703	63	80	1	5	23	1	17	33,423	2	24,921	9	9	19,285	19	9	3,036					
Rochester	10	7,669	16	1,253	609	192	141	22	11	109	13	134	42,051	17	30,375	3	11	10,317	18	10	44,152					
St. Albans	1	9,111	79	2,594	1,694	83	70	7	4	77	8	47	201,543	9	146,707	1	1	17,273	0	1	5,396					
St. Asaph	29	3,446	41	2,180	258	39	43	1	1	9	1	2	61,317	12	44,746	12	4	4,577	14	1	560					
St. David's	4	5,288	27	2,287	290	3	62	1	3	12	1	3	33,402	11	26,408	19	6	16,824	2	11	744					
Salisbury	51	5,373	130	2,450	1,699	16	16	3	1	60	3	3	121,734	0	88,939	17	4	19,522	0	3	1,222					
Sodor and Man	7	267	6	343	...	2	11	1	1	1	1	1	3,263	4	2,287	3	8	698	19	8	89					
Southwell	7	9,923	18	2,281	1,344	58	62	5	1	38	7	23	44,183	17	32,755	18	3	41,068	16	10	3,411					
Truro	91	2,494	22	1,448	1,117	45	25	1	1	26	2	4	62,967	0	45,766	13	3	10,113	12	8	58					
Wakefield	5	4,740	16	732	323	28	35	1	2	11	1	8	3,988	0	2,830	10	3	4,269	6	5	2,310					
Worcesters	1	6,954	74	1,975	1,536	41	111	16	19	72	8	28	98,124	13	68,734	10	10	57,884	1	3	10,855					
Total, 1895		209,822	1,622	81,151	36,592	1,847	2,238	172	104	72	468	1,473	148	891	1,883	1,883	171	3	1,830,977	7	9	758,689	19	4	230,911	
Total, 1894		204,241	1,601	79,181	35,542	1,778	2,245	166	129	77	477	1,375	149	846	1,664	1,664	172	7	1,836,892	4	0	772,276	15	3	264,566	
Total, 1893		196,959	1,824	76,168	34,121	1,670	2,252	157	139	94	432	1,284	140	837	1,622	1,622	185	5	1,793,908	5	5	764,830	8	4	265,701	
Total, 1892		186,983	2,155	72,690	32,684	1,566	2,274	151	107	72	416	1,127	129	853	1,622	1,622	163	3	1,777,523	13	6	738,589	10	10	245,221	
Total, 1891		168,355	2,360	62,908	30,240	1,512	2,178	109	118	61	330	922	123	730	1,322	1,322	248	361	9	1,724,080	14	10	727,131	9	6	238,363

NOTE.—THESE FIGURES EMBRACE THE RETURNS

Clerical Incomes.

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ster 1895 to Easter 1896.)

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					Deductions			
Fees and Easter Dues	Interest on Funded Property, &c.	Annual Income from Ecc. Comm. and other Sources		Gross Total Income	Parochial Rates and Taxes	Insurance, Tenth, Cost of Collec- tion, and Annual Pay- ments chargeable upon the Benefice	Stipend of Assist. Clerg	Diocese
		£	s. d.					
5,022 10 7	2,540 3 3	31,384 10 4	155,205 11 6	16,960 15 7	16,926 5 4	10,690	Canterbu	
8,067 15 1	7,546 14 8	70,134 9 4	194,645 16 11	10,678 3 2	14,505 17 5	8,472	York	
15,143 14 10	7,812 13 9	100,514 11 2	255,941 0 4	10,505 19 8	16,982 8 2	24,905	London	
3,154 1 1	4,641 4 10	55,499 0 5	93,236 1 3	4,396 4 4	6,295 7 9	7,104	Durham	
5,285 6 6	4,104 10 5	40,345 3 0	179,190 7 0	18,733 15 6	18,992 19 7	15,163	Winchest	
437 2 7	1,020 12 0	5,479 8 4	39,804 3 11	4,385 0 0	2,629 3 11	2,980	Bangor	
3,028 14 5	3,286 4 7	21,206 7 1	131,440 2 11	11,884 9 5	12,920 18 2	7,023	Bath & W	
1,261 8 4	6,065 14 10	23,348 19 6	72,348 19 6	2,341 19 5	5,062 17 0	2,840	Carlisle	
3,234 9 3	4,785 3 11	27,883 10 3	86,848 6 2	4,984 1 5	5,849 7 2	5,794	Chester	
2,867 9 3	2,293 16 11	18,288 4 6	121,975 5 9	13,270 10 4	11,411 12 6	9,013	Chicheste	
1,718 12 1	3,377 3 3	25,398 4 5	174,080 19 5	20,971 0 3	19,917 7 0	6,824	Ely	
2,996 3 0	2,151 3 8	26,298 12 5	150,115 19 2	14,823 0 9	15,513 14 1	8,387	Exeter	
3,842 10 7	3,067 4 1	35,790 9 4	139,850 7 9	11,822 18 4	12,411 16 1	9,902	Glouceste & Bristol	
841 12 3	1,933 4 7	12,273 12 5	63,836 6 1	8,749 4 1	8,284 11 0	4,353	Hereford	
4,568 14 0	7,113 16 5	51,000 10 5	142,463 2 11	8,828 4 11	13,172 7 11	10,692	Lichfield	
1,646 3 3	2,493 5 4	31,452 10 11	163,272 17 9	13,613 9 4	16,631 1 3	5,277	Lincoln	
3,661 13 10	2,344 17 0	35,534 0 1	75,122 13 1	2,350 12 7	3,292 16 9	4,567	Liverpool	
1,765 1 3	2,158 12 1	11,385 5 2	56,179 4 3	5,132 10 6	3,799 19 5	2,904	Llandaff	
11,162 17 5	10,132 11 2	108,121 11 0	192,085 13 9	4,984 7 4	14,467 19 9	10,618	Llandaf	
1,798 5 9	2,570 11 4	21,770 5 0	57,736 16 7	3,671 2 8	4,190 2 0	3,609	Manchester	
2,855 17 6	1,867 2 2	19,729 10 6	272,267 1 9	16,571 0 10	24,983 13 3	7,919	Newcastl	
3,254 10 4	4,214 12 11	40,711 2 9	180,884 16 3	20,134 1 10	22,311 11 11	12,577	Norwich	
1,926 0 5	5,381 2 9	20,927 19 8	173,486 7 3	12,325 13 1	20,849 18 11	7,600	Oxford	
3,132 0 11	5,946 11 2	40,523 11 3	109,672 19 4	5,201 2 8	7,100 7 11	6,500	Peterboro	
9,294 6 0	5,199 11 9	43,083 6 1	152,448 17 1	10,283 7 2	13,083 7 1	18,500	Ripon	
4,924 1 2	4,251 3 10	50,990 10 1	212,567 10 3	31,437 10 4	29,160 13 10	12,000	Rochester	
651 3 4	1,073 19 5	8,367 2 7	61,690 3 5	6,486 12 4	4,677 12 0	2,000	St. Albans	
718 0 6	3,732 4 6	18,865 8 5	80,064 18 2	6,831 12 11	4,639 13 1	2,000	St. Amph	
1,184 14 7	2,136 0 4	23,822 16 0	137,800 1 10	15,659 14 3	13,861 1 2	9,000	St. Davids	
102 0 0	137 10 0	1,567 10 10	3,779 17 10	73 9 9	417 19 2	0	Salisbury	
2,205 19 3	7,320 14 11	46,078 18 5	136,859 7 0	6,842 4 5	9,753 6 11	7,000	Sodor & M	
1,640 9 6	683 4 9	11,727 14 7	70,334 11 0	7,620 10 2	6,292 17 8	5,000	Southwell	
5,172 19 5	5,647 8 6	31,695 19 5	49,845 14 2	2,941 14 6	2,917 11 6	2,000	Truro	
5,201 10 11	3,265 11 0	45,724 8 9	154,311 13 3	10,884 5 2	14,522 3 8	11,000	Wakefield	
118,198 1 4	131,868 8 1	1,102,701 13 4	4,362,928 16 7	331,017 18 0	287,090 10 4	399,000	Worcester	
114,715 17 0	127,331 11 1	1,137,187 6 10	4,361,122 3 8	347,338 12 4	379,413 16 11	277,000	Total fo 1895-6	
113,232 18 2	125,690 0 6	1,101,351 11 3	4,298,101 13 11	319,829 7 1	290,884 5 5	277,000	Total fo 1894-5	
114,512 10 10	127,864 15 5	1,076,119 18 4	4,213,406 4 4	301,694 16 4	350,433 1 6	277,000	Total fo 1893-4	
110,784 11 1	132,067 15 7	1,065,046 1 5	4,090,759 15 7	279,829 8 5	325,183 17 7	280,000	Total fo 1892-3	

INCUMBENTS, LEAVING 293 TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR.

Voluntary Contributions.

III. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

(January to December 895, or

Note.—In considering or quoting these figures

	For Assistant Clergy		Church Collections and Easter Offerings	Salaries of Lay Helpers and Church Expenses	Maintenance of Day and Sunday Schools		Church Societies	
	Paid by Incumbents	Paid from other Parochial Sources.			From Voluntary Subscriptions	From Endowments	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
ry	10,890 9 6	14,443 10 10	7,222 0 4	49,090 16 6	31,760 18 1	3,736 8 7	7,240 0 7	15,688 3 5
	8,472 19 6	14,546 2 7	8,498 15 2	49,028 14 1	30,455 3 7	3,656 8 0	5,420 18 0	10,528 8 3
	94,895 9 3	46,363 19 9	19,578 3 0	145,506 9 9	60,703 6 2	8,732 1 1	20,380 7 11	33,924 8 2
	7,104 16 7	8,390 0 6	415 10 5	22,701 19 10	11,505 13 9	1,360 13 0	1,610 5 5	4,408 1 6
er	15,163 8 6	17,236 3 10	6,550 1 3	54,073 14 7	35,835 9 2	3,792 7 9	6,215 3 4	16,778 19 6
	2,980 15 0	3,315 19 0	1,386 3 6	6,342 1 8	5,029 10 6	366 4 5	583 11 4	806 6 10
ells	7,022 16 10	5,980 13 8	2,032 3 4	24,963 16 1	18,750 3 11	2,264 12 1	2,655 12 9	8,408 19 3
	2,846 15 6	4,334 6 9	271 17 5	15,648 14 7	8,621 11 6	4,326 14 11	1,648 15 1	3,767 13 1
	5,794 13 4	13,229 5 1	5,386 6 11	34,776 9 4	21,190 1 9	2,295 19 8	3,357 8 0	6,329 4 8
	9,015 1 8	13,354 16 9	10,533 18 1	38,983 1 8	26,190 13 9	2,201 13 8	5,620 4 9	10,923 9 1
	6,824 12 0	4,730 6 2	1,887 6 4	24,147 15 4	13,865 8 2	3,648 18 7	2,019 9 11	5,178 16 3
	8,367 19 2	10,487 4 8	3,351 15 8	32,371 18 7	16,276 2 1	3,142 16 2	3,880 11 7	6,645 11 2
	9,989 17 8	9,240 14 11	4,293 0 6	34 851 6 0	23,116 4 11	5,449 11 9	4,568 18 6	10,227 1 1
	4,331 15 0	1,354 19 0	263 9 2	11,074 2 2	10,573 7 6	2,323 19 8	1,186 18 0	2,569 18 6
	10,621 17 5	12,353 6 7	2,519 0 1	42,517 15 10	27,161 6 1	5,313 11 2	4,247 5 1	6,913 3 8
	5,275 15 3	3,177 18 11	442 16 4	16,485 1 2	12,891 0 6	3,793 7 5	1,656 3 11	3,810 8 5
	4,938 11 2	14,007 14 11	6,416 19 9	33,156 7 4	29,816 1 3	1,113 1 8	7,390 17 3	8,871 18 7
	2,905 4 2	8,476 11 8	1,280 8 7	17,896 6 3	9,089 2 5	1,592 8 0	2,627 5 4	1,638 17 5
	10,631 11 4	26,966 3 8	4,321 5 7	76,808 13 7	45,796 12 4	6,592 5 5	7,995 6 3	10,784 5 0
	3,604 10 10	5,250 10 9	1,100 16 10	16,068 13 3	8,031 3 5	1,603 7 10	2,719 14 5	2,455 19 9
	7,921 1 10	5,547 4 9	3,140 14 8	27,998 7 8	21,446 15 2	2,430 19 5	3,669 19 2	9,084 10 7
	12,715 11 4	9,669 15 2	1,920 17 7	36,808 19 5	33,690 14 1	5,234 5 10	3,166 17 9	8,390 3 5
	7,079 19 2	7,024 15 4	1,460 1 5	27,397 12 7	22,546 14 2	4,465 12 5	2,222 16 11	4,428 18 5
	6,992 7 11	15,986 9 6	4,433 1 3	36,279 3 2	20,544 10 7	3,445 1 6	2,966 4 11	6,560 18 8
	18,266 7 1	26,370 5 2	10,064 6 11	80,701 10 6	37,469 2 10	8,263 5 9	9,978 1 0	20,063 15 1
	12,407 11 3	10,164 13 4	3,335 18 8	42,970 9 4	29,192 17 5	5,411 2 0	4,492 1 3	8,360 0 10
	2,980 4 7	3,902 19 8	1,078 16 8	11,243 2 10	8,886 5 10	1,906 19 5	1,274 8 8	2,046 18 5
	2,402 13 8	4,856 13 3	561 4 0	13,860 15 10	7,697 15 10	960 15 0	2,296 0 8	1,963 15 8
	9,306 19 8	4,569 12 4	1,006 0 4	20,502 9 0	20,315 0 7	2,075 1 0	2,506 5 11	5,223 18 7
	147 2 0	423 9 1	145 14 8	1,655 13 7	661 19 10	225 5 8	599 3 8	412 1 0
	7,311 13 0	11,907 5 10	3,359 7 11	33,986 13 10	21,828 3 6	3,371 7 8	2,892 14 9	7,377 3 2
	5,136 3 1	2,151 6 4	678 16 7	9,416 6 8	5,908 8 5	420 10 3	1,569 10 4	1,640 12 2
	2,574 11 6	10,344 9 6	2,001 13 3	24,169 17 11	12,190 12 7	1,215 12 9	1,701 9 1	2,182 7 4
	11,936 9 11	12,281 3 9	2,106 12 9	44,200 7 5	24,474 8 11	3,309 14 4	5,361 8 6	10,063 11 2
	368,362 18 1	360,740 13 0	120,543 4 11	1,155,897 7 0	707,312 10 7	112,904 3 10	137,491 0 0	256,346 4 3
	275,560 11 3	320,869 12 11	117,963 14 4	1,120,015 4 11	689,297 13 0	113,641 19 5	129,987 12 4	271,102 4 9
	275,696 13 5	306,548 5 11	112,107 5 1	1,054,915 18 11	654,390 3 5	112,240 8 8	129,406 16 8	241,718 15 2
	276,019 11 1	290,716 14 5	114,060 1 2	1,063,064 8 2	636,708 5 5	114,424 8 5	124,521 2 7	235,965 14 0
	272,837 11 1	264,548 2 8	107,156 15 8	873,774 18 4	4,677,824 18 11	104,914 4 3	106,920 12 6	299,251 1 8

* For these years the total for the Diocese does not correspond precisely with the Total Voluntary Contributions for

NOTE.—THESE FIGURES EMBRACE THE RETURNS OF

Clerical Incomes.

CHURCH WORK.

(from Easter 1895 to Easter 1896.)

careful to read the explanations, page xv.

Diocese	General			Support of the Poor			For any other purpose, Religious or Secular			Church Building		Burial Grounds	Enlowment of Benefices	Parsonage Houses	School Houses	Total for the Diocese														
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.						d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.							
2	3,554	4	7	31,137	19	9	10,064	14	8	25,170	0	3	9,907	17	6	1,992	14	8	12,985	0	0	1,986	16	11	21,279	5	2	269,713	4	2
11	2,117	9	5	16,961	16	2	6,668	4	10	22,038	10	9	13,469	9	9	402	10	8	10,497	10	0	5,475	17	7	11,574	5	6	219,608	14	1
0	10,709	17	2	87,037	19	6	39,692	4	11	101,968	11	11	40,863	0	1	763	15	6	4,861	0	0	11,536	8	8	34,993	7	5	738,969	1	4
5	1,002	16	7	5,371	3	7	2,311	4	5	9,670	10	1	5,439	9	9	1,301	12	2	700	0	0	163	10	0	4,227	3	9	89,904	8	9
6	2,769	14	10	36,982	5	11	9,345	8	9	54,778	7	6	8,853	6	10	1,233	15	9	1,298	13	9	5,714	0	10	15,992	8	3	997,143	1	10
2	392	17	0	1,811	6	4	480	16	5	2,509	5	11	1,796	10	0	—	—	—	400	0	0	453	16	0	1,361	19	6	29,746	14	7
3	1,810	16	7	13,001	6	2	2,582	4	10	9,167	17	0	4,734	13	3	222	13	0	3,500	14	4	4,635	6	5	7,790	11	7	122,672	18	6
1	1,307	9	7	6,129	2	7	1,282	13	10	8,164	13	0	2,711	0	6	864	9	0	3,516	13	4	1,010	2	7	9,085	4	7	76,690	0	11
2	1,402	8	6	10,717	9	7	5,329	5	15	16,145	16	3	5,296	13	6	64	14	10	7,330	0	0	1,983	0	2	18,197	0	0	163,284	10	9
4	2,456	5	4	21,351	19	6	5,647	7	3	42,337	1	6	5,792	8	5	585	10	0	1,013	2	9	3,731	15	4	11,557	18	4	215,061	16	2
1	1,163	9	7	12,998	3	7	1,613	18	6	14,701	14	3	8,836	4	2	383	7	8	1,300	0	0	1,467	7	1	4,722	18	1	112,068	2	7
6	1,439	14	4	19,296	6	8	3,968	0	0	10,998	17	4	8,840	5	10	2,242	10	8	1,017	0	0	1,701	17	5	7,337	3	6	142,823	4	4
4	1,773	9	10	19,161	11	7	4,741	12	1	18,781	18	6	13,518	19	7	425	4	7	1,990	0	0	1,745	5	7	8,785	5	1	175,218	17	6
8	629	2	8	7,170	10	9	794	6	3	8,989	14	9	3,143	1	10	244	0	4	610	0	0	1,142	7	1	8,411	2	2	65,547	17	6
9	1,736	12	5	13,929	2	1	4,677	10	7	19,438	8	4	17,580	16	11	722	10	2	8,965	15	0	7,334	16	10	33,296	0	8	222,674	4	8
7	1,925	5	10	7,296	7	2	1,230	5	15	15,145	16	3	3,749	9	5	375	5	11	1,963	0	0	2,398	5	2	18,099	19	0	97,730	5	1
9	1,989	17	1	11,144	16	4	5,308	16	1	10,114	18	7	7,679	6	1	2,192	0	0	1,267	0	0	1,392	6	10	25,515	12	0	168,460	17	11
5	491	2	6	4,975	16	5	1,749	0	3	17,195	1	2	2,723	1	11	143	3	8	2,390	0	0	795	16	6	5,999	13	5	83,144	9	2
6	1,815	3	1	10,241	2	11	11,629	7	11	26,099	10	3	18,998	4	4	2,637	19	10	9,225	0	2	10,199	3	9	50,246	6	8	339,496	14	7
1	452	12	10	4,136	9	2	1,830	16	8	8,491	12	3	5,284	3	9	723	5	7	4,970	0	0	863	9	1	3,728	3	5	71,786	18	8
6	1,292	12	8	15,567	8	9	6,342	19	8	26,070	10	10	8,898	15	4	324	16	4	7,590	0	0	5,988	5	10	7,236	2	2	162,864	5	4
2	1,780	0	11	25,168	10	8	3,949	17	3	14,047	8	0	11,378	4	3	967	13	10	6,378	2	1	3,809	8	10	13,134	10	3	194,016	9	11
7	1,261	16	3	12,148	12	2	3,266	15	3	16,370	1	8	12,534	4	2	444	18	7	823	10	9	2,986	15	7	14,496	18	5	144,825	19	10
6	1,936	17	10	7,370	6	8	2,717	2	10	8,146	7	3	7,477	2	3	3,153	6	4	5,374	3	9	3,948	16	1	24,435	17	5	160,401	8	6
4	4,983	5	8	44,492	14	10	19,496	5	2	33,968	10	11	11,984	13	11	24	0	0	7,810	0	0	8,079	4	0	24,968	0	3	373,226	11	7
2	2,138	8	11	25,234	18	4	8,545	16	1	39,221	6	5	10,815	7	9	700	6	6	3,300	0	0	4,767	17	0	11,511	4	5	216,180	13	8
2	510	18	0	4,778	19	8	1,212	16	7	23,530	12	6	4,006	4	4	333	14	2	1,150	0	0	848	13	7	8,745	2	1	79,544	16	9
7	891	17	0	3,139	9	5	1,077	11	10	14,212	18	4	3,378	7	4	467	0	0	4,413	0	0	2,310	6	8	3,996	11	2	68,365	10	9
0	1,297	5	9	14,429	7	4	1,544	5	1	8,268	14	9	3,814	14	0	426	11	0	500	0	0	1,409	18	3	11,998	3	3	110,126	15	10
7	80	1	11	1,619	11	11	6	0	0	29	14	0	289	16	2	84	5	0	15	10	10	93	8	3	30	0	0	6,853	9	2
6	2,143	4	6	11,909	12	6	4,364	14	8	21,159	12	2	3,741	4	5	391	13	3	3,270	0	0	6,137	0	0	14,644	14	6	163,431	10	2
6	694	9	1	4,098	9	9	1,249	6	10	6,082	12	0	2,349	0	5	893	3	3	1,005	7	2	2,378	5	0	2,908	6	0	50,239	19	10
1	788	3	5	3,419	19	3	4,003	14	11	27,141	16	3	5,926	6	0	630	10	11	1,978	10	9	2,154	7	0	16,910	7	2	120,406	8	6
5	2,134	3	3	20,134	2	10	5,762	1	0	34,026	1	9	9,439	3	1	551	13	0	3,965	0	0	5,927	5	4	16,428	18	6	208,739	5	3
2	90,792	15	3	541,484	1	10	304,038	6	7	704,648	3	7	298,631	12	10	26,973	16	8	126,269	14	8	116,233	0	5	472,132	6	5	5,745,048	6	4
0	40,909	16	9	548,183	4	0	183,469	8	6	872,479	9	2	267,777	6	9	29,456	19	2	137,664	19	8	113,963	19	8	525,797	16	10	3,851,986	0	2
11	51,292	4	9	542,136	12	6	181,592	1	4	884,426	10	7	291,534	14	4	25,692	0	5	180,892	1	10	98,221	11	11	340,977	16	4	5,391,141	17	5
0	36,746	2	3	337,410	12	6	163,984	0	7	883,943	8	1	274,903	4	8	29,426	12	5	179,913	6	11	94,447	8	4	296,579	13	11	5,491,893	8	11
11	53,999	0	9	478,771	9	11	137,315	1	8	927,247	0	0	277,911	0	0	28,862	0	0	82,692	0	0	112,080	0	0	232,485	0	0	5,160,630	3	8

of the specific headings, as for one or two Dioceses the total only was given.

Year 1895: £5,745,048 *bs. 4/1.*

96 INCUMBENTS, LEAVING 293 TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR.

SHORT SUMMARIES

OF FACTS RECORDED IN THIS VOLUME.

In compliance with a request frequently made, the Editor has endeavoured to represent in summarized form the leading facts of Church work and progress recorded in this volume. Though it is evident for various reasons that it is impossible to follow this course with regard to the greater proportion of the matter of which these pages treat, yet further experience may possibly suggest some more perfect and comprehensive method of tabulation.

CHURCH EXTENSION IN LARGE TOWNS. -1867-1885.

Voluntary contributions devoted to the building, enlargement, and restoration of churches, endowment of districts, erection of parsonage houses and schools in the following towns during the last 25 years :

Barrow-in-Furness	£50,000	Northampton	£113,678
Bolton	290,000	Preston	156,300
Rochdale	93,070	Hastings	151,567
Leicester	252,790	Wolverhampton	89,531
Nottingham	233,466	Plymouth	136,003
Bristol	505,351	Hull	207,335
Manchester	859,757	Derby	141,643
Leeds	358,278	Swansea	49,606
Halifax	275,117	Birmingham	304,557
Sheffield	303,957		

(see p. 18).

CHURCH EXTENSION.--January to December 1895.

Summary of voluntary offerings devoted to the building, restoration, and furnishing of churches, the endowment of benefices, the building of parsonage houses, and the enlargement of burial grounds :

Church Building and Restoration	£990,412
Burial Grounds	26,904
Endowment of Benefices	126,299
Parsonage Houses	116,175

1,259,790

(see p. 560).

CHURCH EXTENSION FOR TEN YEARS, 1884 1893.

Summary of voluntary contributions devoted to this work for ten years under the following heads :

Church Building	£10,916,509
Endowments	1,440,732
Burial Grounds	229,463
Parsonage Houses	940,080

13,526,784

NOTE.—Grants received from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Queen Anne's Bounty have been carefully excluded from the above totals.

(see p. 561).

RESTORATION OF CATHEDRALS.

Expenditure upon the fabric of Cathedrals from 1875-85 . . . £643,291
(p. 512 Y.-B. 1886).

CHURCH BUILDING.—I. Building of New Churches. II. Restoration of Churches.

Year	Number	Year	Number
1895	38	1895	234
1886-95	619	1886-95	2,331
			(see p. 564).

FORMATION OF NEW PARISHES.

Summary of new parishes constituted under the Church Building Acts from October 1868-October 1880;—*i.e.* 838 serving a population of 2,612,541.
(see p. 583).

PAROCHIAL MISSIONS.

In one year (from November 1895-November 1896) 213 Parochial Missions were held in London and the Provinces. From November 1884-November 1896 over 3,715 were held within the same area (p. 83).

MISSION BUILDINGS.

From a recent inquiry it has been found that there are 4,717 Permanent Mission Buildings, other than Parish and District Churches, in which services are systematically held, and providing accommodation for 843,872 persons (pp. 506, 507, Y.-B. 1889).

EXTENSION OF THE HOME EPISCOPATE.

Voluntary contributions of Churchmen towards the foundation of the new Sees of Truro, St. Albans, Liverpool, Newcastle, Southwell, and Wakefield, £458,909 17s. 10d.
(p. 459).

SUPPLY OF CLERGY.

(1.) From Advent 1895-September 1896, 704 candidates were admitted to the Order of Deacons.

(2.) From 1872-1896 the figures are as follows: 17,796 Deacons ordained, *i.e.* from—

Oxford	5,191	Cambridge	5,488
Dublin	687	Durham	1,119
Theological Colleges	4,595	Literates	716
			(p. 536).

CONFIRMATIONS.

In 1896, Confirmations were held at 3,232 centres. Confirmed: Males, 93,661; Females, 134,341: total, 228,002.

From 1886-1895, Confirmations were held at 25,752 centres. Confirmed: Males, 867,149; Females, 1,289,597; total, 2,156,746. (p. 540.)

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION.

I. Voluntary contributions for maintenance of Schools (1870-1895)—	
(a) For Church Schools	£14,456,874
(b) For other Schools	3,967,900
II. Voluntary contributions for maintenance of Schools for three years, 1893-1895—	
(a) For Church Schools	1,880,318
(b) For other Schools	568,916
III. Accommodation provided for by (1895 only)—	
(a) Church Schools	2,702,270
(b) Other and Board Schools	3,235,018
IV. Average attendance (1895 only)—	
(a) In Church Schools	1,850,545
(b) In other and Board Schools	2,474,485
V. Expenditure of the Church on Schools and Training Colleges (1811-1894)	38,990,018
	(see pp. 180-184).

VOLUNTARY EXPENDITURE in 1895

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
For General Maintenance	707,312	10	7			
For Building, <i>i.e.</i> for additional School Accommodation, and for the enlarging and improving of existing premises	472,132	6	8			
				1,179,444	17	3
Income arising from Endowments for the purpose of general maintenance				112,904	3	10
				1,292,349	1	1
						(see p. 160).

HOSPITAL SUNDAY.—Metropolitan and Provincial (1873-1896).

I. Contributions of Churchmen in 82,747 separate collections	£	s.	d.
	1,171,496	18	1
II. Contributions of other bodies in 53,371 separate collections	472,298	3	10
			(n. 163).

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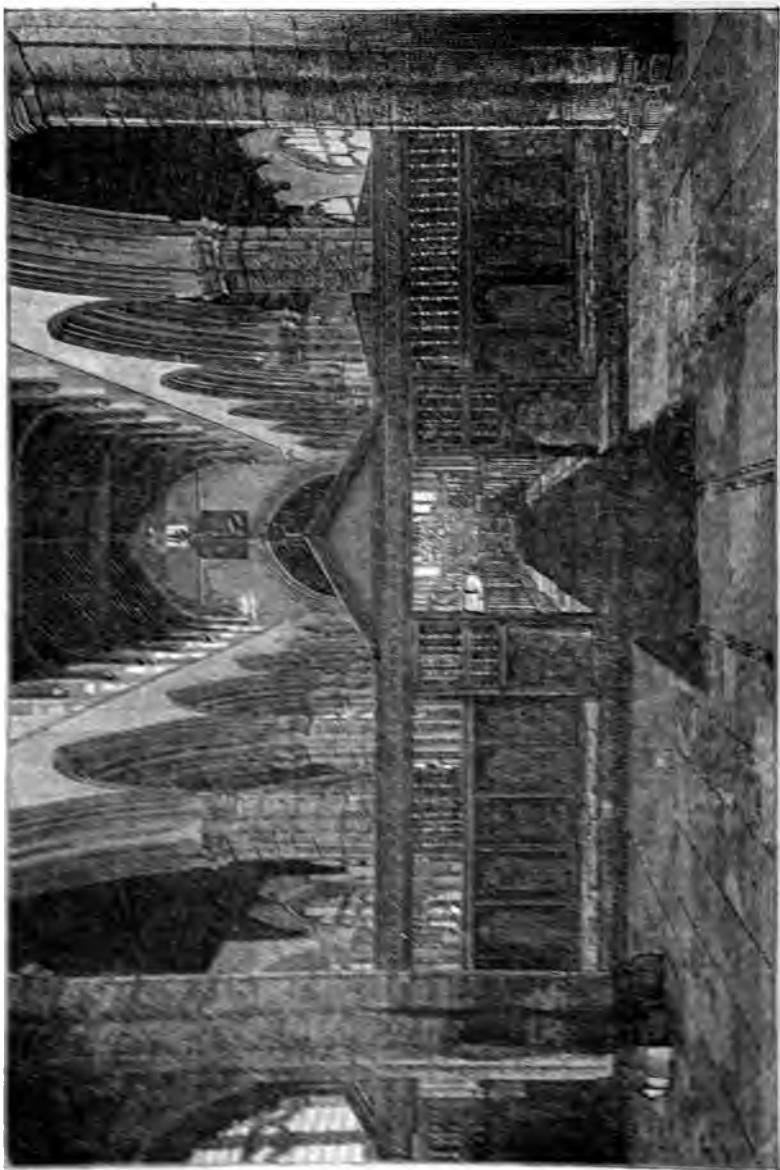
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CHAPTER I.

*TRAINING OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS—THEOLOGICAL
SCHOOLS—EMBERTIDE AND DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES FOR
THE CLERGY, ETC.*

CLERICAL EDUCATION.

THE quickening of life and devotion in the Church of modern times naturally makes a corresponding demand for an increase in the number of well-trained and qualified candidates for Holy Orders. How to make the supply equal to the urgent need is a consideration of pressing and greatest moment. As the matter stands it can scarcely be said that the numbers of previous years have been maintained, whilst they certainly have not increased in proportion to the evident necessities. It becomes then an immediate duty to face these facts, and to reflect as to what are the hindrances in the way of attracting a much larger number of earnest and capable men to the ministry of the Church.

It would not be difficult to suggest some of these obstacles, but there is one above others, which a deeper sense of responsibility and a larger generosity on the part of the Laity might speedily remove. The ranks of the Clergy are largely recruited from among those who have been, and are, increasingly incapable of meeting the necessary cost of training at the Universities or a Theological College. This need was pointedly illustrated at the Conference upon the Training of Candidates for Holy Orders, held at King's College, London, in July last. Efforts have been made to encourage Churchmen to contribute the necessary assistance, but it must be confessed that the results are disappointing, and show plainly that the recognition of responsibility is by no means commensurate with the urgency of the Church's requirements. We venture to assert that no greater service could be offered in rendering the mission of the Church practically efficient than that of an adequate and generous flow of offerings to assist suitable men to obtain Holy Orders, who now lack the means for their needful education. We have briefly recorded what has so far been done, and it must be evident to any thoughtful reader that this foremost want of the Church has met with but scanty support.

Clerical Education.

FINANCIAL AIDS TO CLERICAL EDUCATION.

I. GENERAL.

The Cambridge Graduates' Ordination Fund.—The object of this Fund, instituted in the Spring of 1861, is to promote the fuller preparation of candidates for Holy Orders from the University of Cambridge, by securing to them a period of residence in this and after they have taken the B.A. degree. Those only receive grants who would be unable, without such assistance, to enjoy this advantage. A large number of students find it difficult at present must thus, at all events, be secured in order to be able to do so. It is thus a case where the pecuniary difficulty enters are not the Bishops may find it more and more possible to require special preparation for the ordination in addition to the ordinary undergraduate course, in all cases. The Fund is administered by a Committee of Cambridge residents, who, from their positions in the University and the Colleges, have excellent opportunities for obtaining information both as to the characters and the needs of candidates. The award of grants is made after the results of the Degree Examinations at the end of the first term have been published. Those to whom grants are promised are required to attend certain courses of preparation either at the University or in a Theological College, and to give evidence of diligence in their study. No weight is given in the election to any differences between the Colleges and within the Church.

At the opening of 1894, the Committee were able to promise fresh grants to the amount of £200. It was assumed in sums varying from 50l. to 100l. to sixteen candidates. The Committee are well satisfied as to the claims of those whom they

have assisted. See also the address to Professor Stanton, Trinity College,

The Ordination Candidates Exhibition Fund.—Instituted in 1873, and worked by the University of Cambridge, but under a distinct Committee. Assists candidates for Holy Orders by grants of sums of money; of these, 486 have been assisted to the amount of £21,550. The Fund is now assisting 47

candidates for Holy Orders. The special object of the Fund is to assist candidates for Holy Orders who are unable to attend the University training. The income in 1895

was £1,000. The Fund is administered by the N.A.A. Buildings, 59 Victoria Street, S.W. **London Clerical Education Aid Society.**—Founded in 1876. Applicants are assisted by grants of money for their education at the Universities of Cambridge and Oxford. Since its formation 1,200 candidates have been assisted, to the amount of £100,000. At present it is being administered at Oxford, and has assisted 1,200 candidates to the amount of £100,000. Since 1876, a sum of £100,000 has been spent

in assisting candidates for Holy Orders. See also the address to Professor Stanton, Trinity College,

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The Young Clergy Society.—Founded in 1838 to aid resident candidates for Holy Orders. Candidates are required to have a certain amount of money for their education. Since 1838 the Society has assisted 1,200 candidates to the amount of £100,000. At present it is being administered at Oxford, and has assisted 1,200 candidates to the amount of £100,000. Since 1876, a sum of £100,000 has been spent in assisting candidates for Holy Orders. See also the address to Professor Stanton, Trinity College,

The Clerical Education Aid Society.—Established in 1838 to aid resident candidates for the Bishop's

Bristol Clerical Education Society.—Instituted in 1795 to educate candidates of Evangelical principles for Holy Orders. Upwards of 400 students have been assisted since the commencement of this Society. The income last year was 687/.

Apply to the Rev. P. A. Phelps, 29 Berkeley Square, Clifton, Bristol.

II. DIOCESAN.

Diocese of Carlisle.—The Committee of the Clerical Training Fund has been in existence since the Diocesan Conference of 1874, and has given help to thirty-six young men. Of these, twenty-seven are now in Holy Orders. The Fund is only intended for those who belong to the Diocese, and who are going to one of the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, or Durham.

Apply to the Ven. Archdeacon Prescott, The Abbey, Carlisle.

Diocese of Exeter.—The Exeter Theological Students' Fund, founded by the late Bishop Phillpotts, now consists of a capital sum of 15,497/., and is administered by the Dean and Chapter, who award grants of 50% a year to graduates to continue theological studies at the University. 5000/., has been bequeathed to this Fund by the late Dean of Exeter. At the examination in October last eight were elected.

Apply to Mr. W. J. Battishill, The Close, Exeter.

SCHOOLS AND ASSOCIATIONS FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDY.

THE vigilant care manifested for the encouragement and maintenance of a higher standard of intellectual equipment among the Clergy is not only a clear necessity, but a guarantee that the ministry of the Church will so maintain its mental culture as to correspond with the advance of education and thought among the people. The recent Conference in London of Theological Teachers was a practical expression of the desire and intention of the Church in this matter, and the deliberations of the Conference completely embodied the conviction, that though there is the greatest need to multiply the number of Candidates for Holy Orders, it would be disastrous to attempt to effect this result by any lowering of the standard of their education. Rightly enough, on the other hand, the requirements of due preparation have been increased. It is not enough, however, that this safeguard of efficiency should be assured to the Clergy on the threshold of their work. The increasing strains of parochial and secular administration now laid upon the Clergy make it more than ever important to emphasise the necessity of continued and systematic study. This end has been wisely and effectually advanced by a series of Lectures for the Clergy, inaugurated in 1893, by the Faculty of Theology at Oxford, and renewed year by year at the same University, Cambridge and Durham. Though the numbers of the Clergy attending have not been large, they have not disappointed the intention and hope of those who originated this movement, and they give promise of quiet and solid work for the benefit of the Church in days to come. Efforts have also been made of a Diocesan character to encourage systematic study among the Clergy, and these too have not been void of present advantage, nor have they failed to afford assurances of wider appreciation and usefulness.

Conference upon the Training of Candidates for Holy Orders.—This Conference met for the sixth time at King's College, London, on the 1st and 2nd of July last. The Principal of King's College (Dr. Wace) presided. There were ninety-five examining Chaplains and representatives of Theological Colleges present. The Conference proceeded to discuss the subject of 'Training during the Diaconate,' and a series of

resolutions were ultimately carried, suggesting the need of a selection of subjects of a different character and higher range for the examination previous to ordination to the Priesthood than those set for Candidates for the Diaconate; the provision of some voluntary subjects for the abler candidates; and if possible some instruction for Deacons as well as examination.

The Secretary to the Oxford University Lectures on Theology to the Clergy made an interesting statement as to the practical results of this movement. The Conference further considered the subject of 'pecuniary aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.' The necessity for such assistance was ably illustrated and enforced in papers read by Canon Crowfoot and Preb. Southwell. At the evening Session Professor Stanton moved a resolution referring to some 'requirements in respect to Theological Training which might be made in general by the Bishops of Candidates for ordination, who are graduates of the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Durham.' The Conference expressed itself in favour of some special training. Two papers were then read by Professor Lock and Principal Drury 'on the devotional training of Candidates for Ordination.' The Conference continued the following day, when Principal Waller and Preb. Gibson read papers in answer to the question, 'How far do the present examinations for Holy Orders conduce to the best form of Theological Training of Candidates for Ordination?' The Conference concluded with a discussion upon the subject of 'the central entrance examination of non-graduate candidates for admission into the Theological Colleges, and the length of their course of residence.'

University Lectures for the Clergy.—The fourth course of Lectures on Theological subjects to Clergy of the Church of England, and Churches in communion with the Church of England, was held at Durham in the fortnight July 13-25. Nearly 90 Clergy attended for the whole fortnight or one week, the majority of whom were provided for at Bishop Hatfield's Hall, at a moderate fixed charge per day. It is gratifying to learn that these Lectures are regarded as most helpful and stimulating by those who attended. Nearly 600 Clergy have now been present at one or other of the gatherings, and a welcome feature was the co-operation and warm sympathy of the Bishops. What is hoped for is that in each Diocese some one may be found to be responsible for making the Lectures known, and also that in each Diocese some fund may be started which would partly pay the expenses of a certain number of those attending.¹ There seems to be a *consensus* of opinion as to the value of such Lectures, and we believe that we are right in saying that there will be a similar gathering at Cambridge about the same time in the summer of 1897. The committee of the Faculty of Theology, who arranged the Lectures, were fortunate in securing the services of such well-known theologians, and the choice of subjects also seems to have commended itself to those who were present. We may urge on all the importance of sparing their curates, if only for the inside of a week, without taking it out of their holiday. We append a list of Lectures and Subjects.

SUBJECTS OF COURSES OF LECTURES.—'Archbishop Laud,' (2), by Chancellor Espin; 'Church Law,' (2), by Chancellor Dibdin; 'Pastoral Work—(a) Evangelistic, (b) Ecclesiastical, (c) Didactic, (d) Devotional, (e) Moral,' 5), by Canon Body; 'The Doctrine of the Holy Trinity in the Creed and in the New Testament,' (4), by Dr. Sanday; 'The Book of Job,' (5), by Dr. Gibson; 'The Doctrine of Grace,' (4), by Mr. Strong; 'History of the Church of Durham,' 3, by Dr. Fowler; 'History of Religion,' (4), by Dr. Jevons; 'The Church and Social Problems,' (4), by Mr. Shortt; 'The Epistle to the Romans,' 4, by Dr. Robertson.

Subjects of Single Lectures.—'Some considerations bearing on the Study of Theology,' (Opening Address, by the Bishop of Durham; 'The English Reformation regarded as a Popular Movement,' by the Bishop of Newcastle; 'The First Year of Elizabeth,' by Canon Dixon; 'The rise and growth of the Anthem,' (with illustrations) (*In the Cathedral*), by Dr. Armes. On Friday evening, July 24th, Archdeacon Watkins presided at a Conference on the subject of 'The Social Problems of the Twentieth Century, and their relation to the Church,' opened by a Paper by Canon Moore Ede.

A daily Service was held at 7.20 in the Chapel of University College, and of Bishop Hatfield's Hall.

There was a daily celebration of the Holy Communion at the Cathedral. The Dean of Ely was Special Preacher in the Cathedral on Sunday, July 19.

¹ It is gratifying to know that at least 25 Dioceses were represented by those who attended the recent Lectures at Durham.

Diocese of Canterbury.—Junior Clerical Reading Society.—This Society, which was originated in 1891 at a gathering of Priests ordained by the Archbishop, has been now reconstituted.

The object is to assist the Junior Clergy of the Diocese towards systematic daily reading in obedience to their Ordination vow.

No pledge is exacted from the members, but there is a general understanding that each one will conscientiously and to the best of his power read at least one of the special subjects, and the general subjects in the six months allotted.

Each member is presented soon after the Trinity and Advent Ordinations in each year with a syllabus arranged under four heads, viz. : 1, Holy Scripture ; 2, Dogmatic Theology ; 3, History of the Christian Church ; 4, General Literature ; in which the Archbishop, who is President of the Society, has very kindly undertaken to suggest the special books.

His Grace has also promised to set an essay, once a year, on some subject arising out of the books mentioned. This essay, however, is to be optional.

The Society is open to any one who has been ordained Priest by the Archbishop, or who has been licensed by him to a Curacy in this Diocese. There are at present sixty members.

Address, the Hon. Sec., Rev. Herbert Bull, Wellington House, Westgate-on-Sea.

Clerical Reading Union, Chester.—In the spring of the year 1894 the Bishop expressed his desire that some plan might be devised for promoting systematic reading among the Clergy, and more particularly among the younger Clergy of his own ordination. He wished, further, that the reading should not be encumbered, more than might be absolutely necessary, by rules and regulations.

It was determined to divide the year into four quarters, assigning a different subject to each. The only condition made is that members read the subjects appointed within the three months, but at their own times and according to their own convenience. The amount required is not so large as to exclude other reading. By selecting alternative subjects, a certain liberty of choice is also allowed.

About thirty of the Clergy in different parts of the Diocese act as local Hon. Secretaries, and by their kindness Reading Cards are issued quarterly to the members, who now number 215, i.e. about, or nearly, half the whole number in the Diocese. The Hon. Secretaries also help in choosing the subjects.

The annual meeting of the members was held in May, when a valuable address on Study was given by Prebendary Gibson, Vicar of Leeds.

There is no subscription, and the books chosen are generally within the power of a modest purse.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Ven. Archdeacon A. Gore, Vicarage, Bowdon.

The Clergy Training School, Cambridge.—The following statement, which was drawn up in May 1887, will explain the general design of the School :

The characteristic feature of the School (which commenced its work in the Lent Term of 1881), as distinguished from Theological Colleges in general, is its close connection with the life of the University, secured by the continued residence of its members at their Colleges, and by its relation to the Professors of Divinity and to other resident Teachers. The students, while continuing to live amidst the varied and useful influences of College society, receive a devotional, doctrinal, and parochial training, and are bound together, so far as the nature of the case allows, in a community. The School is primarily designed for those Graduates who from their character and attainments are judged likely to profit by remaining in residence after taking their first degree. Members are required to be regular attendants at the services in their own College Chapels. Regular services are also provided by the School, with courses of Devotional Addresses.

Courses of Lectures are given in the following subjects : (a) Holy Scripture ; (b) Heads of Christian Doctrine ; (c) The Creeds, the Prayer Book and Articles, the Historical Position of the English Church with reference to Doctrine ; (d) Composition of Sermons ; (e) Pastoral Theology ; (f) Elocution ; and in other subjects (e.g. those required for the preliminary examination of candidates for Holy Orders) on which Lectures may from time to time be needed to supplement the teaching in the University and Colleges. Practical work, in connection with existing agencies or otherwise, is undertaken by all members.

Preliminary Examination.

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The Hostel adjoining affords simple and comfortable board and lodgings (about 25s. weekly, or by special terms—according to arrangement). Open all the year round. There is a fund to enable Clergy and Theological Students in straitened circumstances to reside at a reduced fee.

Apply to the Rev. the Warden, St. Deiniol's Hostel, Hawarden, for further information.

Diocese of Rochester.—The Bishop's College.—The College is founded firstly in order to help the Clergy of South London in their ministrations, by mission sermons, fast days, special lectures, &c., also by supplying vacancies caused by sickness; secondly, in order to provide a house of residence for Laymen who desire to see something of Church work.

The house was founded by the Bishop of Southwark, who is warden, and it is close to his own residence. It is proposed to bring the College into close connection with the collegiate Church of St. Saviours, Southwark, when it takes its position as pro-cathedral church South London. The sub-warden, to whom communications can be addressed, is Rev. F. Robberds, M.A.

Queen's College, Birmingham.—This College was founded in the year 1828, and in 1853 the governing body constituted a Theological Department in order to provide systematic instruction in all requisite branches of theological study and pastoral work those seeking Holy Orders. During the last twenty years the Warden reports that over 250 students have passed the examinations of this department. Two years is the average length of residence required. The terminal charges include an entrance fee of 3s., and 7l. 7s. per term for tuition. Exhibitions and prizes are awarded by the Council after the July examinations. The teaching staff consists of the Warden, an assistant tutor, and a lecturer in Hebrew.

The Council have accepted and adopted the Bishops' Central Entrance Examination for non-graduate students in Theological Colleges. This Examination is now held as follows: the first week in December, the second week before Holy Week, the last week in July.

Communications should be addressed to the Warden, Rev. W. H. Poulton, Queen's College, Birmingham.

St. Michael's College, Aberdare.—This College was founded in the year 1892 by the late Olive Emma Talbot, with the primary object of benefiting those who, having passed through their course either at one of the Universities or at St. David's College, Newport, wished to receive a year's additional preparation for Holy Orders. Those who avail themselves of the advantages of the College are expected to work in one of the four Welsh Dioceses. The year is divided into four terms of ten weeks each. The fees are 70l., but considerable reductions are made in the fees, when necessary, by the Council. Since the opening of the College 60 students have been ordained. The students have opportunities for obtaining practical experience in parochial work.

Communications should be addressed to the Warden, St. Michael's College, Aberdare.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

This examination has been established chiefly with a view to aid in promoting a more systematic and better distributed course of preparation for Holy Orders. It is conducted under the control of a Council consisting of the Divinity Professors of Oxford and Cambridge, two Graduates in Divinity from each University nominated by the Bishops, and Examining Chaplains, one being nominated by each of the Bishops, to accept the results of the examination.

The examination was established in 1874 with a view in some way to remove what was felt by many to be a serious evil, *i. e.* that the minds of candidates should be harassed up to the last moment before Ordination with the anxieties of their examinations, so that they have little opportunity for quiet thought at this critical time.

8 Entrance Examination for Non-Graduates.

The examinations begin on the Tuesday in the second week before or after Easter which is nearest to April 3, and on the Tuesday nearest to October 8. Until notice is given, the centres will be: Birkenhead, Birmingham, Canterbury, Chichester, Edinburgh, Lampeter, Lincoln, London (Highbury), London (King's Coll.), Truro, Warminster.

The examinations are open (a) to Graduates of the *English*¹ Universities; (b) to members of Theological Colleges in connection with the Church of England, who have at least entered on the last term of the complete course and are recommended by the Principal; (c) to any other person who may be nominated by a Bishop with a view to Ordination in his own Diocese.

The examinations in 1897, to be held about Easter and in October, will be in the following subjects: (1) A general paper on the contents of the Bible. (2) Old Testament: (a) Psalms, Book V. (107—150). Candidates will be expected to be acquainted with the Bible and Prayer Book Psalters. (b) 2 Kings with Parallels in Chronicles.² The paper in these books will contain questions on their subject-matter, criticism, and exegesis, together with questions on 'Introduction.' (3) New Testament in Greek: (a) the Gospel according to St. Matthew; (b) the first Epistle to the Corinthians.² The paper in these books will contain passages for translation and questions on their subject-matter, criticism, grammar, and exegesis of the books, together with questions on 'Introduction.' Passages from the English Version will be given to be rendered into the original Greek. (4) The Creeds and the Thirty-nine Articles: history, text, and subject-matter. Questions will also be set on Apologetics. (5) The Prayer Book: history and contents. (6) Ecclesiastical History: (a) the history of the Christian Church to the Council of Constantinople (inclusive); (b) the history of the English Church to the Accession of George II. (7) Augustine.² *In Joh. Tract.* xxiv.—xxvii.³ A passage will also be set for translation into English from some ecclesiastical Latin author not previously specified. (8) A voluntary paper on Elementary Hebrew with passages for translation from 2 Kings i.—viii. N.B. An opportunity will be given in this paper for showing a knowledge of the Hebrew and Septuagint texts of the selected books of the Old Testament. An asterisk will be given for excellence in this paper. Candidates are required to satisfy the examiners in each of the first seven subjects.

A fee of 25s. will be charged to every candidate who enters the examination.

Gentlemen who wish to offer themselves as candidates are requested to send their names, with certificates of moral character and particulars of their degrees, or written forms of nomination from Bishops in cases where such nominations are required, to Rev. Dr. King, Gayton Rectory, Blisworth, R.S.O., before March 1 for the Easter examination, and before September 1 for the October examination.

The papers given in previous examinations, with the regulations, &c., may be had of Deighton, Bell & Co., Cambridge and London, and Parker & Co., Oxford, price 1s. each set, or by post on receipt of 13 stamps.

N.B. Candidates, in sending in their names, must give a permanent address.

CENTRAL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION FOR NON-GRADUATE STUDENTS IN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGES.

This Examination has been established by the Archbishops and Bishops of the Provinces of Canterbury and York to ensure an adequate standard of general education in non-graduate candidates for Orders before they begin their course of special Theological study.

It has been for some time past required by the Bishops and by the regulations of the Theological Colleges of the Church of England, that this course of special study should not be of less than two years' duration. But henceforth by resolutions of the Bishops dated Feb. 10, 1892, and June 21, 1892, no candidate will be entitled to begin this two years' course until he has passed the Central Entrance Examination. The examination is an entrance examination in the sense that it admits to the commencement of the two years' Theological Course, but it is not intended to debar candidates from previously entering Theological Colleges for preparatory training.

¹ Scotch and Irish graduates must have a Bishop's nomination. A Durham L.Th. can obtain a special form of nomination from the College authorities.

² These subjects will also be set in 1898.

³ There is a separate edition of Aug. *In Joh.*, edited by F. Hurter. 2 vols. 5s.

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The examination will be dispensed with, and a certificate granted, in the case of those who can offer an equivalent. The equivalents allowed are as follows: (a) The Oxford and Cambridge Senior Local, (b) Examination for Certificates of the Oxford and Cambridge Joint Board, (c) The London University Matriculation, provided that the candidates shall have passed in Latin and Greek, (d) Responsions at Oxford, (e) Previous Examination at Cambridge, Parts I. and II., (f) One Examination after Matriculation in Trinity College, Dublin, (g) Examinations for the title of Associate in Arts of any of the twelve recognized University Colleges in England.

The certificate of having passed any one of the specified examinations must be forwarded to the Principal of the Theological College at the same time and in the same way as an application to enter for the examination, but without payment of a fee; and a certificate must be obtained from the examiners that the equivalent is allowed.

The examination is conducted under the control of a council consisting of representatives of (1) the Bishops of the two Provinces, (2) the Principals of Theological Colleges, (3) the Examiners.

Examiners are appointed by the two Archbishops and by the Principals of Theological Colleges (acting in conjunction), according to a fixed proportion.

Examinations are held three times a year, viz. in the first week of December, in the second week before Holy Week, and in the last week of July.

The following places have hitherto been centres for examination, but the list may vary from time to time:—Birkeuhead, Birmingham, Durham, Exeter, Lincoln, Manchester, London (Highbury), London (King's College).

Candidates for examination, and candidates who present a certificate of an equivalent examination, must apply through the Principal of the College at which they propose to enter, or of which they are already probationary members.

These applications must be made on or before November 1st for the December Examination, on or before Ash Wednesday for the Lent Examination, and on or before July 1st for the July Examination.

A fee of fifteen shillings is charged to every candidate, and the fees as well as the applications must be sent to the Principals of the Colleges, by whom they will be forwarded to the Secretary of the Council.

In September 1896, in 1897, and in Lent 1898, the subjects will be as follows: (1) Xenophon, *Anabasis*, Book I. (2) Cicero, *de Senectute*. (3) Outlines of the Scripture History. (4) The Gospel of St. Luke in Greek for translation and interpretation. (5) The outlines of English History. (6) The first and second books of Euclid, or Elementary Logic.

N.B. In Papers 1 and 2 special regard will be had to parsing. Besides passages from the selected books, questions on grammar will be set, and easy sentences for translation taken from other books.

In Paper 6 candidates will be required to satisfy the examiners in both books of Euclid. In all the papers regard will be had to English Grammar and Composition.

The number of candidates who presented themselves in September 1895 was 63, of whom 48 passed.

In January 1896 the number was 46, of whom 37 passed.

In Lent 1896 the number was 60, of whom 45 passed.

The experience of the examiners during the past year shows that on the whole there is an improvement both in Greek Testament and Scripture History.

In the Greek and Latin authors, the translations also give indications of improvement, but the candidates are often very ignorant of elementary grammar.

In Logic an improvement is also manifest, but in Euclid, although there are a few good papers, most of the work is very poor.

In English History the periods are sometimes very unequally known, and much more accuracy is needful.

The papers set in the Examinations of 1893-94 and of 1894-95 can be obtained from Messrs. Deighton, Bell and Co., Trinity Street, Cambridge, price 1s. for each set, and further information concerning the examination can be obtained from the Rev. Prof. Knowling, King's College, London.

Theological Colleges.

Name of College	Date of Foundation	Accommodation	No. of Students Admitted from Commencement	No. previously taking University Degrees	At present in Residence
Chichester Theological College	1839	Lecture rooms. Students reside in licensed lodgings	644	210	10
Wells Theological College	1840	Lodgings for 33 students	1,267	1,200	39
St. Aidan's Theological College, Birkenhead	1846	For 55 in College. Married students reside in the town	994	82	35
Cuddesdon Theological College	1853	For 28 students	877	804	28
Lichfield Theological College	1857	For 28 in College. Others reside in lodgings	837	315	23
Salisbury Theological College	1860	20	435	290	22
London College of Divinity, Highbury	1863	55	No return	No return	66
Gloucester Theological College	1868	Students reside in licensed lodgings	263	65	12
Lincoln Theological College	1874	For 30 students in Bishop's Hostel	428	97	20
Ely Theological College	1876	20	385	380	23
Leeds Clergy School	1876	25	476	All except 6	24
Truro Cathedral School of Divinity	1877	10 students in Hostel	130	47	6
Wycliffe Hall, Oxford	1878	183	283	241	25
Ridley Hall, Cambridge	1881	30	440	435	35
St. Stephen's House, Oxford	1876	16	188	100	15
St. Michael's College, Aberdare	1892	23	76	50	18

Note. The Wesleyan Colleges will be found noted in the section of this book dealing with Foreign Missions.

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nal Charges, clusive : Tuition, Board.	Average Length of Residence required	Amount Voluntarily Contributed in 1895 to assist Students	No. of yearly Exhibitions and Amount of each	Teaching Staff.
per annum	For Non-Graduates, two years. For Gradu- ates, one year	26 <i>l</i> .	Varies	Rev. Canon Teulon, M.A., Principal; Rev. C. E. Scott- Moncrieff, V.-P.
per annum or er term	For Non-Graduates, two years. For Gradu- ates, one year	10 <i>l</i> .	One of 30 <i>l</i> . for organist	Rev. H. P. Currie, M.A., Prin- cipal; Rev. H. L. Goudge, M.A., V.-P.; Rev. G. A. Holles, B.A., Chaplain
Resident stu- 24 <i>l</i> . I. Non- at, 14 <i>l</i> . per	Six terms	100 <i>l</i> .	Four 25 <i>l</i> . and one 24 <i>l</i> .	Rev. E. E. Harding, M.A., Prin- cipal; Rev. J. H. Beibitz, M.A., V.-P.; Rev. A. Neild, M.A., Chaplain
clusive	Four terms	No return	60 <i>l</i> . for organist	Rev. J. O. Johnston, M.A., Prin- cipal; Rev. L. Ragg, M.A., V.-P.; R. Wickham Legg, M.A., Chaplain
ege. I. & II. er ann. or 25 <i>l</i> . 7 <i>l</i> . In lodg- 9 <i>l</i> . per term 30 <i>l</i> . per term. erms	For Graduates, one year. For Non- Graduates, two years Graduates, one year. Non-Graduates, two years	240 <i>l</i> .	Usually six, 40 <i>l</i> . 30 <i>l</i> . and 25 <i>l</i> . each	Rev. H. Burrows-Southwell, M.A., Principal; Rev. J. H. Srawley, V.-P.; Rev. D. Jones, Chaplain
per term per annum term, 3 terms ar	Three years or two after entrance exam. Graduates, one year. Non-Graduates, two years	Exhibitions occasionally given to Graduates — No funds so available	Four of 40 <i>l</i> . per annum — One of 30 <i>l</i> . per annum	Rev. Canon B. Whitefoord, B.D., Principal; Rev. H. E. Stewart, M.A., V.-P.; Rev. L. K. Hilton, M.A., Tutor Principal, three Tutors and one Lecturer
per term. II. s. for board oms	Graduates, one year. Non-Graduates, two years	118 <i>l</i> . 6 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> .	Four of 40 <i>l</i> .	Rev. Canon Parker, M.A., Prin- cipal; Rev. F. J. Fulford, M.A.; Rev. W. J. Selby, M.A. Canon Leeke, Chancellor; Canon Crowfoot, Vice-Chancellor; Rev. S. Herington, Tutor; and two Lecturers
general ter- harge. 120 <i>l</i> . num	One year	270 <i>l</i> .	A few exhi- bitions vary- ing in amount	Rev. B. W. Randolph, M.A., Principal; Rev. E. H. Holden, M.A., V.-P.; and Rev. A. McCheane, M.A., Chaplain
p-r term, 4 board under week; lodging 10 <i>l</i> . per term term. Lodg- Hostel 17 <i>l</i> .	One year	13 <i>l</i> .	None	Rev. W. O. Burrows, M.A., Principal; Rev. J. B. Seaton, M.A., V.-P.
clusive per	Non-Graduates, two years. Graduates, three terms A year	— —	One annu- ally of 40 <i>l</i> . ² One or more of 30 <i>l</i> .	Rev. Canon Worledge, Prin- cipal; Rev. H. R. Jennings, M.A., V.-P. Rev. F. J. Chavasse, M.A., Prin- cipal; Rev. J. Walmsley, Vice- Principal; Rev. A. H. Plumtre, Chaplain
I. 25 <i>l</i> . per	Three terms	About 120 <i>l</i> .	Grants are made from term to term as need arises One ² of 16 <i>l</i> .	Rev. H. C. G. Moule, D.D., Prin- cipal; Rev. G. A. Schneider, M.A., V.-P.; Rev. G. Nick- son, M.A., Tutor Rev. C. E. Plumb, B.A., Prin- cipal
raduates 21 <i>l</i> . aduates 16 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>l</i> .	Graduates, one year Undergraduates, three years Graduates, one year. Non-Graduates, two years	20 <i>l</i> . 1000 <i>l</i> .	Fees reduced	Rev. H. R. Johnson, M.A., Warden; Rev. G. C. Joyce, M.A., Sub-Warden; Rev. D. J. Jones, M.A., Chaplain

increased lodgings.

² For intending Missionaries.

³ Three Philpott Studentships, 50*l*. each.

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EMBER SEASONS, RETREATS, AND QUIET DAYS.

MANY interesting reflections may be drawn from the accompanying records of the opportunities that have been offered the Clergy during the past year for quiet retirement with a view to the deepening of personal holiness. The convictions which have given such point and permanence to this provision indicate in a most marked way the advancement of spiritual life in the Church of this age, whilst nothing could give greater assurance that the Church of the future will respond with holier zeal and more perfect wisdom to her great mission. It should be remembered that it is only for the encouragement that such reflections may afford that we give to these records a publicity which for many reasons it would be more natural to withhold.

The Pastoral Order of the Holy Ghost.—The object of this Society (founded in the Diocese of Lichfield), as defined by its rules, is to assist such of the Clergy as join the Order to a more perfect fulfilment of their Baptismal and Ordination vows, by systematic attention to private devotions, theological study, pastoral visitation, the regulation of domestic life and habits, obedience to the rules and directions of the Church, and the claims of personal holiness.

Diocese of Gloucester and Bristol.—**The Society of Sacred Study.**—This Society has also been formed with a like object, and upon a similar basis. Among other rules the Society requires that a fixed time be devoted daily to private and intercessory prayer and that an hour daily for five days in the week be rigidly set apart for theological study and the reading of the Scriptures.

Note.—For a fuller notice of the Rules of both Societies see the YEAR-BOOK, 1888 page 9.

RETREATS AND QUIET DAYS.

Retreats are distinguished thus: *

Diocese and where held	By whom conducted	Date	No. of Clergy present	Diocese and where held	By whom conducted	Date	No. of Clergy present
Canterbury.				London.			
Canterbury	Professor Collyer	July 25	2	St. Bride's	Rev. G. C. J. Moore	Nov. 5	—
King's College	Rev. N. W. Mason	July 26	—	St. Margaret's	Canon Lester	Mar. 2	23
Mereworth	Rev. A. W. Nelson	May 12	12	King's College, London	Canon Jeff.	May 19	23
Beaufort	Rev. C. Green	July 1	15	King's College, London			
York				Durham.			
Beaufort	Rev. C. Baker	Nov. 25	12	Durham	Canon Rody	Oct. 5-6	62
Beaufort	Rev. H. Robinson	May 1	—				
Beaufort	Canon Thompson	Jan. 1	—	Winchester.			
Beaufort	Rev. C. Baker	Jan. 2	14	Winchester	Rev. C. Grant	Sep. 22	23
Beaufort	Canon Thompson	Jan. 2	12	Winchester	Canon Valpy	Dec. 1885	22
Beaufort	Canon Thompson	Jan. 2	12	Winchester	Dean of Peterborough	Oct. 13	24
Beaufort	Canon Thompson	Jan. 2	12	Winchester	Canon Valpy	Feb. 26	18
Beaufort	Canon Thompson	May 12	14				

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Diocese and where held	By whom conducted	Date	No. of Clergy present	Diocese and where held	By whom conducted	Date	No. of Clergy present
Bangor.				Liverpool—cont.			
*Bangor . . .	Rev. B. W. Maturin	Sept. 7-11	—	Ashton	Canon Lister	June 30	14
Bath & Wells.				Llandaff.			
Wells Cathedral	Rev. H. P. Currie	April 10	50	*Aberdare (St. Michael's Coll.)	Rev. E. C. Maturin	Oct. 26-31	32
Carlisle.				*Llandaff Cathedral	Bishop of Lincoln	Sep. 14-17	—
Kendal . . .	Rev. F. J. Chavasse	Mar. 27	25	" " "	Canon Daniel	Feb. 17-18	—
Chester.				Manchester.			
Knutsford . .	Canon Lester	June 17	—	Asht'n-und'r-Lyne	Rev. T. P. Ring	June	—
*St. Aidan's Coll.	Canon Gore	Sep. 28- Oct. 3	48	Bolton (St. Mark)	Rev. St. Hill Bourne	Mar. 10	—
Chichester.				Bolton . . .	Rev. W. A. Burrows	Sept. 24	—
*Lancing Coll. .	Rev. V. S. S. Coles	July 28- Aug. 1	40	Norwich.			
Ely.				Reymerston	Bishop of Thetford	May 29	16
*Cambridge (Selwyn Coll.)	Canon Bodington	Sep. 14-17	57	Saxmundham	Bishop of Thetford	Sept. 15	20
*Ely (Theo. Coll.)	Rev. B. W. Maturin	Sep. 29- Oct. 2	—	Ufford . . .	Bishop Hornby	—	—
Ely Cathedral	Canon Hutchings	Feb. 25	18	Yarmouth . .	Rev. F. J. Chavasse	Dec. 12, 1895	25
Huntingdon . .	Canon Thornton	Feb. 20	25	Oxford.			
Exeter.				Banbury . . .	Rev. F. W. Puller	Mar. 24	20
Exeter Cathedral	Canons of Exeter	Jan. 13	30	Didcot . . .	Rev. C. E. Plumb	" 12	13
Bradworthy . .	Canon Atherton	Nov. 5	12	*Dorchester (Miss. Coll.)	Rev. G. Congreve	Aug. 31- Sept. 4	18
Holsworthy . .	Canon Linklater	Dec. 1895	—	*Oxford (Kettle Coll.)	Canon Gore	July 6-10	80
Huish . . .	Dean of Chichester	July	—	" (St. John's Mission House)	Rev. B. W. Maturin	April 20-24	—
Kelly . . .	Rev. F. J. Chavasse	Dec. 18, 1895	7	" " "	Rev. D. Stone	July 27- Aug. 7	—
Gloucester & Bristol				" " "	Rev. G. T. Hollings	Oct. 19-24	—
Cheltenham . .	Canon Durst	June 12	30	" " "	Rev. V. S. S. Coles	Dec. 30, 1895-Jan. 4	—
New Swindon . .	Canon Newbolt	Sep. 25	18	Reading (St. Luke)	Rev. R. L. Ottley	Mar. 25	—
Upper Slaughter	Rev. N. Ogilvy	July 21	7	Ripon.			
Hereford.				*Bentham . . .	Dean of Chichester	Sept. 22-25	9
Eardisley . . .	Rev. M. Welby	Mar. 10	14	Bingley . . .	Canon Keymer	May 19	—
*Hereford Cathedral	Bishop of Wakefield	Sep. 30- Oct. 3	94	Gilling . . .	Canon Gibson	Sept. 16	21
Lichfield.				*Leeds (Clergy School) (All Souls)	Rev. J. Daubeny	Oct. 6-9	21
Brewood . . .	Rev. J. M. J. Fletcher	Mar. 3	—	Seelbergh . .	Canon Gibson	Feb. 26	35
*Covent . . .	Rev. G. Congreve	May 18-22	8		Canon Body	Dec. 5, 1895	12
" . . .	Bishop of Nassau	July 6-10	—	Rochester.			
Lincoln . . .	Rev. E. P. Nicholas	Oct. 21	9	Lewisham . .	Rev. R. L. Ottley	Dec. 11, 1895	40
Shrewsbury (St. Mary)	Rev. G. H. Sharpe	April 29	25	Southwark (St. Saviour's)	Canon Pollock	Feb. 25	30
Lincoln.				St. Albans.			
*Lincoln (Bishop's Hostel)	Rev. A. F. Langmore	Apr. 28- May 1	22	Arleley . . .	Rev. W. B. Trevelyan	May 19	23
*Lincoln Cathedral	Canon Gibson	Sep. 22-25	200	Loughton . .	Canon Scott-Holland	June 18	58
Morton . . .	Bishop of Lincoln	May 26	18	" . . .	Rev. R. L. Ottley	Sept. 24	55
Spilsby . . .	Canon Overton	Mar. 11	25	Northaw . . .	Rev. The Hon. R. Adderley	May 13	12
Liverpool.				Rickmansworth	Rev. D. Burton	Feb. 13	20
Liverpool (St. Lake)	Rev. F. J. Chavasse	June 16	120				

LIST OF CLERGY WILLING TO CONDUCT EMBERTIDE GATHERINGS AND QUIET DAYS.

THE following have, by request, consented to give their help in conducting Devotional Gatherings of the Clergy, so far as other engagements may permit them to do so :

ADDERLEY, Hon. and Rev. R. E. . . .	Rector of St. John's, Horsleydown.
AITKEN, Rev. W. HAY, M.A. . . .	Bedford.
ATHERTON, Rev. C. I., M.A. . . .	Canon of Exeter and Diocesan Missioner.
BARRETT, Rev. T. C. A., M.A. . . .	All Hallows' Clergy House, Barking.
BARTER, Rev. H., M.A. . . .	Vicar of Shipton-under-Wychwood, Chipping Norton.
BELL, Rev. M. F., M.A. . . .	Curate of St. Mary Magdalen, Munster Square.
BICKERSTETH, Rev. CYRIL, M.A. . . .	Vicarage, Radley.
BODINGTON, Rev. C. . . .	Canon of Lichfield.
BODY, Rev. G., M.A. . . .	Canon Missioner of Durham.
BOWERS, Rev. J. P. A., M.A. . . .	Canon of Gloucester, Diocesan Missioner.
BRISTOW, Rev. R. R., M.A. . . .	Hon. Canon of Rochester, and Vicar of St. Stephen's, Lewisham, S.E.
BULL, Rev. H. P., M.A. . . .	Clergy House, Downham.
BULLOCK, Rev. R., M.A. . . .	Vicar of Holy Trinity, Leeds, and Preb. of Lincoln.
BURTON, Rev. H. D., M.A. . . .	Diocesan Missioner, St. Albans.
CARTER, Rev. F. E., M.A. . . .	Tait Missioner, Canterbury.
CHAVASSE, Rev. F. J., M.A. . . .	Principal of Wycliffe Hall, Oxford.
CORNISH, Ven. J. R., M.A. . . .	Vicar of Kenwyn, Archdeacon of Cornwall, Hon. Canon of Truro Cathedral.
COX, Rev. J. C., D.D. . . .	Rector of Holdenby.
CRENSHAW, Rev. H. P., M.A. . . .	Diocesan Missioner, Hereford.
CUSTANCE, Rev. G., M.A. . . .	Rector of Colwall, Malvern.
DAVIDSON, Rev. J. P. F., M.A. . . .	Vicar of St. Matthias', Earl's Court, Kensington.
DIXON, Rev. J., M.A. . . .	65 Sutherland Avenue, W.
DONALDSON, Rev. A. B., M.A. . . .	Canon of Truro.
DUNN, Rev. J., M.A. . . .	Vicar of St. John Baptist, Bath.
DURST, Rev. W., M.A. . . .	Rector of Southampton.
EASTON, Rev. E. W., M.A. . . .	Vicar of St. Luke's, Cleckheaton.
EDDOWES, Rev. J., M.A. . . .	Vicar of St. Jude's, Bradford.
ELLIS, Rev. ROWLAND, M.A. . . .	Incumbent of St. Paul's, Edinburgh.
FIELD, Rev. E., M.A. . . .	Warden of St. Nicolas College, Lancing.
FIELDWICK, Rev. G. T. . . .	Vicar of Chaceley, Tewkesbury.
FURSE, Ven. C. W., M.A. . . .	Canon and Archdeacon of Westminster.

Clergy willing to conduct Retreats.

GALLOP, Rev. E. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Hemel Hempstead
GARRY, Rev. N. T., M.A.	Vicar of St. Mary's, Reading; Hon. Christ Church, Oxford.
GIBSON, Rev. E. C. S., M.A.	Vicar of Leeds, and Prebendary of We
GOUGH, Rev. E. J., M.A.	Vicar of Newcastle, and Hon. Canon Cathedral.
HALL, Rev. H. ARMSTRONG, M.A.	Rector of St. John, Perth, N.B.
HAMILTON, Rev. C. J., M.A.	Vicar of Doveridge and Canon Missio Diocese of Southwell.
HASLAM, Rev. J. H., M.A.	Vicar of Gravesend.
HOLLAND, Rev. F. J., M.A.	Canon of Canterbury.
HOWELL, Ven. D., B.D.	Archdeacon of Wrexham, Vicar of Gr and Canon of St. Asaph.
HUTCHINGS, Rev. W. H., M.A.	Rector of Kirkby Misperton.
IVES, Rev. R. J., M.A.	Vicar of Roath, St. German, Cardiff.
JONES, Rev. E. H., M.A.	Vicar of Stogumber, Taunton.
KEYMER, Rev. N., M.A.	Rector of Headdon, Retford, and Missioner, Southwell.
KINGSBURY, Rev. T. L., M.A.	Rector of Coombe-Bissett and Preb of Salisbury.
LAMPEN, Rev. C. D., M.A.	Vicar of Eastry, Dover.
LEEKE, Rev. E. T., M.A.	Chancellor and Canon of Lincoln.
LESTER, Rev. J. H., M.A.	Rector of Lexden, Prebendary of Lic
LISTER, Rev. S. M., M.A.	Vicar of St. Andrew's, Newcastle-on-T
LITTLE, Rev. W. J. KNOX, M.A.	Canon of Worcester.
LLOYD, Rev. T., M.A.	Rector of Bala, North Wales.
MACKARNESS, Rev. C. C., M.A.	Vicar of St. Martin's, Scarborough and Canon of York.
MACLEAR, Rev. G. F., D.D.	Warden of St. Augustine's College, (bury.
MANT, Rev. NEWTON, M.A.	Vicar of Hendon.
MARSHALL, Rev. E. T., M.A.	Vicar of Sutton.
MASON, Rev. A. J., B.D.	Lady Margaret Professor of Divin Cambridge.
MASON, Rev. G. E., M.A.	Rector of Whitwell, Preb. of Southwe
MEDD, Rev. P. G., M.A.	Rector of North Cerney, Cirencester Canon of St. Albans.
MONRO, Rev. R. D., M.A.	Rector of Little Munden.
MOORE, Rev. J. H., M.A.	Hon. Canon of Truro.
NICHOLAS, Rev. E. P.	Vicar of Worfield.
OTLEY, Rev. R. L., M.A.	Pusey House, Oxford. Examining Cl to the Bishop of Oxford.
PENNEFATHER, Rev. S. E., M.A.	Vicar of Kensington, and Hon. of Newcastle.
PHILLIMORE, Rev. A., M.A.	Rector of Enville, Stourbridge.
PIGOU, Very Rev. F., D.D.	Dean of Bristol.
POLLOCK, Rev. H. C., M.A.	Canon of Rochester.

Clergy willing to conduct Retreats.

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PUNCHARD, Rev. E. G., D.D.	Vicar of Christ Church, Luton, Hon. Canon of Ely.
RANDALL, The Very Rev. R. W., M.A.	Dean of Chichester.
RIDGEWAY, Rev. C. J., M.A.	Vicar of Christ Church, Lancaster Gate.
RING, Rev. T. P., M.A.	Vicar of Bawmarsh.
ROBERTS, Rev. G. BAYFIELD, B.A.	Vicar of Elmstone, Cheltenham.
ROBINSON, Rev. A. W., M.A.	All Hallows Barking Clergy House, E.C.
SPARKS, Rev. W. R., B.A.	Vicar of Carrington, Notts.
SPRIGG, Rev. H. G., M.A.	Rector of Emsworth.
STEVENS, Rev. M.	Rector of Addington, Bucks.
SWALLOW, Rev. J. E.	Warden of House of Mercy, Horbury.
TEMPLE, Rev. H., M.A.	Rector of Oswaldkirk, Canon of York.
THORNTON, Rev. F. F. M.	Rector of Downham, Hon. Canon of Ely, and Missioner for the Diocese.
THORNTON, Rev. A. V., M.A.	Rector of Roche, St. Austell.
TREVELYAN, Rev. W. B., M.A.	Vicar of St. Matthew's, Westminster.
VALPY, Rev. ARTHUR S., M.A.	Canon of Winchester.
WATSON, Rev. J., M.A.	Canon of York.
WEBB-PEPLOE, Rev. H. W., M.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Onslow Square, Prebendary of St. Paul's.
WILLACY, Rev. T. R., M.A.	Rector of Thorganby.
WILLIAMS, Rev. F. M., M.A.	Canon of Hereford.
WYLDE, Rev. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. Saviour's, Leeds.
YOUNG, Rev. P., M.A.	Rector of North Witham, and Prebendary of Lincoln.

NOTE.—The Committee having the care of the publication of this book have felt the extreme importance of confining this List to those who from recognised fitness might be found helpful in directing the thoughts and devotions of their brethren during special seasons of retirement for spiritual exercises. For many reasons the List is for the present somewhat limited; but it is hoped that it may be the means of drawing out the help of others who have time and the peculiar capabilities for assisting in this most important work, upon which so much of the deeper influence of the Church in the world will always so largely depend.

CHAPTER II.

THE HOME MISSION WORK OF THE CHURCH.

SECTION I.—HOME MISSION WORK.

CHURCH EXTENSION AND BUILDING SOCIETIES;
'BISHOPS' FUNDS,' CHURCH EXTENSION IN LARGE
TOWNS.

It is our design in this section to deal with the subject of Church Extension and to trace its progress as far as we are able under the following headings:

I. CHURCH BUILDING AND RESTORATION, ENDOWMENT, AND BUILDING
OF PARSONAGE HOUSES.

The interesting Return of Lord Hampton upon Church Building for the period of thirty-four years (1840—1874) has several times been previously referred to, and shows that during these years a sum of 25,548,703*l.* was raised for the building and restoration of Cathedrals and Churches. It is well known, however, that this return was by no means complete, and it has been estimated that, if it could have been made so, it would have represented an annual expenditure of at least one million upon this branch of Church work. A similar Return, in continuation and up to date, recently presented to the House of Lords, will be found in the Statistical Section of this book.

During the last few years the YEAR-BOOK Committee has made a very general inquiry, with a view to obtain similar information; for obvious reasons universal co-operation in such an undertaking could hardly be expected or secured, so that the sums recorded still fall short of the actual expenditure; but the figures, as they appear in the following tables, were supplied by the Incumbents, and may therefore be accepted as accurate, and form a basis for calculation as to the total amount expended. It should be remembered that these figures represent voluntary offerings alone, grants from the Ecclesiastical Commission and of such bodies holding Church Property in trust being carefully excluded.

Tabular Statement of Church Building, Restoration, &c. 1882—1894.

Year	Church Building and Restoration	Endowment of Benefices	Parsonage Houses	Burial Grounds	Totals
1882	£1,061,602	—	—	—	£1,061,602
1883	894,971	—	—	—	894,971
1884	1,168,544	£189,587	£95,327	£7,381	1,455,839
1885	1,351,567	166,888	173,234	42,211	1,733,900
1886	859,729	113,060	48,032	14,329	1,030,150
1887	939,546	78,946	62,624	19,668	1,100,784
1888	909,574	93,725	75,796	10,190	1,089,285
1889	798,443	73,173	62,812	14,023	948,451
1890	1,334,226	126,990	118,465	29,148	1,608,829
1891	1,136,801	144,602	110,057	26,675	1,418,135
1892	1,153,093	161,505	94,611	31,269	1,441,098
1893	1,182,435	176,346	87,920	36,197	1,482,898
1894	1,140,346	137,636	114,597	29,502	1,422,081
	13,921,477	1,462,458	1,038,475	260,613	16,683,023

Total for 13 years, 16,683,023*l.*

II. BUILDING AND RESTORATION OF CATHEDRALS.

From the inquiry of the Cathedral Commission, as well as from information obtained by the YEAR-BOOK Committee, it has been ascertained that from 1874 to 1884 the sum £3,298*l.* was voluntarily contributed for the building, restoration, and adornment of cathedrals.

III. BISHOPS' FUNDS.

The organisation and working of these agencies afford the most convincing proof of an anxious desire and determination of the Church to extend her ministrations in densely populated centres of England and Wales. Several of these Funds have been in existence for many years, and the results they have achieved have been full of encouragement. By way of illustration we may instance what the Bishops of London have done for London, the Bishops of Rochester for the southern district of the metropolis, and the Bishops of St. Albans for the populous Deanery of Barking. Efforts of a similar character have been more recently made with considerable success by the Bishops of Durham, Newcastle, Llandaff, Peterborough, Gloucester and Bristol, Wakefield. The Bishops of Lincoln, Chester, St. Davids, and Manchester have organised Funds for Church Extension in Grimsby, Stockport, Swansea, and Manchester. Further effort is now being made to increase the Church accommodation in Hull.

IV. CHURCH EXTENSION IN DIOCESES AND LARGE TOWNS.

From Reports contained in previous volumes some general idea has been given of what has been done to extend and strengthen the work of the Church during a period of twenty-five years or more in the Dioceses of Chester, Liverpool, Peterborough, London, Winchester, and Manchester. For a like period information has been gathered regarding Church Extension in certain large towns, and the results of the inquiry as they are recorded in the following tables indicate the activity and liberality shown in multiplying the means of grace.

Statement of Church Extension in Large Towns.

Name of Town	Period	Total Expenditure	Name of Town	Period	Total Expenditure
Arrow-in-Furness . . .	1855-1885	£50,000	Leicester . . .	1860-1885	£252,790
Birmingham . . .	1860-1886	315,807	Manchester . . .	1860-1885	859,757
Bolton . . .	1860-1885	290,000	Northampton . . .	1860-1885	113,678
Bristol . . .	1860-1885	505,351	Nottingham . . .	1860-1885	233,466
Bury . . .	1860-1885	141,643	Plymouth . . .	1860-1885	136,003
Cardiff . . .	1860-1886	275,117	Preston . . .	1860-1885	156,300
Cardings . . .	1860-1885	151,567	Rochdale . . .	1860-1885	93,070
Cardiff . . .	1860-1885	207,335	Sheffield . . .	1860-1885	303,957
Cardiff . . .	1860-1885	358,278	Swansea . . .	1860-1886	49,606
			Wolverhampton . . .	1860-1885	89,531

NOTE.—These figures include only voluntary contributions devoted to the Building, Repairment, and Restoration of Churches, Endowment of Districts, Building of Parsonages, Houses and Schools. The totals would be vastly increased did they embrace alms and offerings for the Annual Maintenance of Church Work.

It will be seen that the facts and figures given do not, in every case, coincide with any one definite period, the reason for this being that a variety of circumstances has made it impossible to obtain these records in a more systematic way.

SPECIAL FUNDS FOR CHURCH EXTENSION.

DIOCESE OF LONDON.—The Bishop of London's Fund was founded by the late Archbishop Tait in 1863, and since that time has expended the sum of 969,425*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* upon Church extension in the Diocese. The income of the Fund for 1895 was 22,243*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.*, showing in comparison with the previous year a decrease of 2,298*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* This decrease, however, is entirely due to the smallness of the sum received on account of legacies, which amounted to only 655*l.*, as against 5,136*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*, being therefore less by 4,481*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* The grants made during the year for the various objects of the Fund were as follows: Missionary Clergy and additional Curates, 5,231*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.*; lay agents, 2,902*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*; vicarages and endowments, 1,175*l.*; schools, 2,415*l.* 5*s.*; mission buildings, 7,499*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*; churches, 6,297*l.* 0*s.* 11*d.* Assistance in providing the stipends of additional Curates in poor and populous parishes, and in securing permanent endowments for the same from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, forms an important branch of the work. The 177 churches which have been built with aid afforded by this Fund, and most of which would certainly not have been built without it, are only a part of the results which have come from its operations.

The population of the Diocese, now amounting to 3,400,000, as shown by the last census, has increased by 330,000 during the last ten years, the increase having taken place almost entirely in the suburban districts. Thus an immense responsibility is thrown upon the Church, and to keep pace with an annual increase of population of 33,000 in such districts, it is necessary that at least five new churches should be provided every year. There is constant and urgent need, too, for more mission rooms, more Clergy, and more lay agents. To meet on anything like an adequate scale, the rapidly-growing wants of this already enormous Diocese, the Fund should have at its disposal at least 15,000*l.* a year beyond its present income.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Rev. Henry Kirk, 46A Pall Mall, S.W.

The East London Church Fund (President: Bishop of Stepney) was formed in 1880 for the purpose of extending Home Mission work in East London. Some years later the North of London was added to the sphere of its operations, which now includes the entire eastern half of the Diocese of London, with a population of about 1,600,000. These are distributed in upwards of 200 parishes, most of them poorly endowed, and, with few exceptions, quite unable to maintain, unassisted, their own Church work.

The E. L. C. Fund meets the permanent need of these parishes by helping to supply living agents, clerical and lay, including readers, sisters, deaconesses mission women, and parish nurses, and of these there are 285 at present at work who are wholly or partly dependent upon the grants made by the Fund. By its work the proportion of Clergy to population, which in 1880 was 1 to upwards of 4,000, has been raised to 1 to 3000.

Every year makes the work of this Fund more and more necessary, for the East London District is rapidly becoming poorer owing to the continual exodus of better to-do people to the suburbs, while also new building is continually going on.

The Fund possesses no property. Its whole reserve amounts to barely enough to pay a quarter's grants, and it is only by the generosity of those who support it, that it can maintain its work from year to year. For the last three years the income has averaged about 18,000*l.*, of which less than 5000*l.* has been given in annual subscriptions; but it is estimated that at least 20,000*l.* a year is absolutely needed, while even more could profitably be spent. The release of a block-grant of 500*l.* a year during 1896 has, it is true, enabled the Council to extend their work in other directions. They have made arrangements for two entirely new mission-districts, and have made other grants, but in many cases pressing appeals are still obliged to go unanswered for lack of funds.

Communications to be addressed to the Secretary, Rev. R. W. Harris, M.A., 26 St. Mary Axe, London, E.C.

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THE DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER.—The Bishop of Rochester's Fund, otherwise known as the Rochester Diocesan Society, has been actively labouring during the past year to fulfil its objects in extending the ministrations of the Church more completely in the district south of the Thames. Being a distinctly missionary agency, it has ever acted upon its essential principles in applying its funds mainly to the employment of Missionary Clergy, Assistant Curates, Scripture Readers, Deaconesses, and Mission Women, extending such further help as it may be able to the building of churches, mission rooms, and parsonage houses. During the year 1895 the Society was instrumental in maintaining 16 mission Clergymen, 39 Curates, 9 deaconesses, 30 Scripture readers, and 71 mission women. The Society has recently added to its objects the employment of assistant Curates in poor populous parishes, and asks for an increased income to meet the new demands on its resources thus incurred.

The income for 1895 amounted to 11,573*l.* 0*s.* 9*d.*

Communications should be addressed to the Secretaries, Rochester Diocesan Society, 49 Parliament Street, Westminster.

DIOCESE OF ST. ALBANS.—The Bishop of St. Albans' East London Fund is for the spiritual needs of 'London over the Border'—a district comprising the Victoria and Albert Docks, Beckton, North Woolwich, Plaistow, Stratford, Leyton, Walthamstow, &c., and the Tilbury Dock District and Grays.

Past Work.—The nineteenth year of the present Fund (the twenty-seventh year since the Bishop of Rochester's Fund first took over the work of the Bishop of London's Fund in this district) is drawing to a close. In these twenty-seven years the living agents have increased from 5 to 131, while the Bishop of St. Albans' Fund in less than nineteen years has raised 203,300*l.*, and has established 32 mission districts, of which 15 have become separate parishes; but of these 7 have only partial endowment, and are still supported in part by the Fund. 15 churches aided by the Fund have been consecrated. Others have been enlarged, one rebuilt. About 54 mission churches or mission rooms have received large grants, and the Fund now pays over 413*l.* a year for the rent of 19 mission buildings (including the Refuge at Stratford). 16 parsonages and 2 clergy-houses have received grants, and much help has been given to Church Schools. Sites have been provided by free gift in 18 cases; and 43 have been purchased by the Fund at a cost of 19,548*l.* Nearly 3,000*l.* has been granted for endowment.

The income for 1895 was 19,141*l.*, and the year 1896 commenced with a deficiency of 904*l.*

Present Position.—This Fund now supports 22 mission Curates, 63 parochial Curates, 15 lay readers, and 31 mission women (in all 131 living agents), at a total cost to it of 9,353*l.* a year.

The Church accommodation in consecrated buildings is only for one in twelve. Part of the deficiency is provided for temporarily or permanently in mission churches. In 1891 an effort was started to build 12 new churches, and an equal number of mission buildings. Since then 8 new churches have been built (3 partially): one church has been rebuilt; one has been completed, and the accommodation doubled; two have been enlarged. In the same period 13 mission buildings (7 permanent and 6 of iron) have been built, and one has been enlarged.

The actual addition to the population between 1881 and 1891 was 185,000, equal to one-fifth of the whole growth of 'Greater London.' Since 1891 at least 100,000 have been added. The rate of growth now is 26,000 a year, and the total population probably about 535,000.

As regards church building, the position is even worse than before; and it is now decided to aim at building 14 new churches and 15 mission buildings.

Special Difficulties of the District.—1. 'London over the Border' has no public spirit or corporate union, being the growth together of small separate communities. 2. It is capable of indefinite growth because of the largeness of its area; and for the same reason the new districts spring up at a distance from the old churches, necessitating new churches and parochial organisations, and the work therefore has no finality. 3. It has no help (such as London and Rochester Dioceses have) from the churches pulled down in the City of London, and the Ecclesiastical Com-

missioners have no property in it. 4. Most of the employment of labour is in the hands of Joint Stock Companies, who cannot contribute in their corporate capacity, while it is hard to get at the individual shareholders.

These difficulties can only be met by drawing attention to 'London over the Border.' 1. As an essential part of London viewed as a whole, and a direct consequence of its greatness and expansion. 2. As a centre of population of unparalleled growth, and where few of the well-to-do classes live, and where therefore the work of the Church needs to be strengthened from without.

All communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, the Rev. Canon J. M. Procter, Thorley Rectory, Bishop's Stortford, Herts.

DIOCESE OF WAKEFIELD.—The Bishop of Wakefield's Appeal Fund.—In January 1889 the Bishop appointed a Commission to inquire into the wants of the Diocese as regards needful spiritual provision for its vast and increasing population.

The Commissioners have made their report, and have stated that, in order to do what is immediately required, it will be necessary to supplement existing provisions by the formation of (1) five entirely new parishes, each involving church schools, parsonage, and endowment; (2) twelve chapels of ease—or, in other words, a second consecrated church in the same parish; (3) thirty-four mission churches or mission rooms, a large proportion of which should be speedily provided. It also appears that the number of parochial Clergy is manifestly insufficient; and the Commissioners' Report furnishes a list of twenty-seven parishes in which additional Clergy are asked for, and of seventeen more in which at the least lay readers are needed, if additional Clergy cannot be secured. It is further recommended that no benefice should be of less value than 200*l.* a year—whilst there are eleven benefices in the Diocese considerably under this amount. No calculation has as yet been made as to the exact amount required to meet these wants, but the Bishop estimates that a capital sum of 50,000*l.* at least will be required, and an annual income of 3000*l.* for the Spiritual Aid Fund.

An earnest appeal has already been issued, and has met with much favourable support. The income during the year 1895 was as follows: Donations, 226*l.*; Church collections, 2*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*; collections in schools, 3*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.*; dividends on Consols, 308*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, total, 540*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.*

Summary of grants made during 1895: For endowments, two grants, total amount, 175*l.*; for new church, 150*l.*; for parsonage house, 100*l.*; for mission rooms, three grants, 150*l.*; for schools, 800*l.*, total, 1,375*l.*

Communications should be addressed to Rev. A. E. Jalland, Woolley Vicarage, Wakefield.

DIOCESE OF CHESTER.—Bishop of Chester's Fund for supplying the spiritual needs of the Rural Deaneries of Stockport and Mottram.—This Fund was formed in 1886 for the purpose of erecting new churches and mission churches, for assisting in the endowment of the same, and for making grants to Curates in charge of clearly defined districts. The population at that time was 170,000, one-fourth of the population of the Diocese, and it has largely increased since then.

Work done since the formation of the Fund.—A total sum of about 70,000*l.* in connection with the Fund has been raised. Two parishes have been formed, churches built and partly endowed. A grant of 1000*l.* has been allocated to an endowed curacy, another of 500*l.* to the endowment of a new parish. Five new churches have been built, nine chapels of ease and mission churches have been provided, one church enlarged, and three vicarages secured, while six assistant Curates have been supported at a total cost to the Fund of 5000*l.* Additional accommodation has been provided for 4,860 persons, and the whole of the churches, chapels of ease, and mission rooms built by the assistance of the Fund are free and unappropriated.

It has been determined to close the Fund at the end of the tenth year, viz., on December 31, 1896.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Financial Sec., Rev. W. Bridges, St. George's Vicarage, Hyde.

DIOCESE OF LLANDAFF.—The Bishop of Llandaff's Fund.—This Fund, commenced in 1884 for the purpose of promoting the work of Church extension in the Diocese by the erection of inexpensive churches, mission churches, and mission rooms in the midst of the most populous centres, and of grants in aid of the stipends

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of Curates, now amounts to 39,105*l.* 11*s.*, of which 36,387*l.* 16*s.* has been paid into the hands of the treasurer.

The amount already paid to the credit of the Fund, including donations, as above, collections in churches, and interest on moneys invested and deposited, is 43,779*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*, and when the total amount promised is paid, the Fund, with interest and collections, will exceed 45,000*l.*

Grants amounting to 25,922*l.* have already been voted from the Fund towards the erection of 144 new churches and mission rooms. The total cost of the completed churches will have been 210,245*l.*, in which accommodation has been provided for 43,232 persons.

The number of grants now being paid annually towards the stipends of Curates is fifty-four, for lay readers twelve, amounting in all to 1,810*l.* Since the Fund was first established the number of Clergymen labouring in the Diocese has been increased by fifty-five.

In the course of the year 1895-6 eight new churches or mission rooms, towards the erection of which grants had been voted from the Fund, were consecrated or licensed.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec., A. G. P. Lewis, Esq., Diocesan Registry, Cardiff.

DIocese OF NEWCASTLE.—The creation of the See of Newcastle in 1882 naturally stimulated zeal for the increased usefulness of the Church in the Diocese, and this led to the formation of the Bishop of Newcastle's Fund. It sought to extend the work of the Church in the populous part of the Diocese about the Tyne, by the formation of new parishes, and the employment of missionary Clergy in new districts, assistant Clergy for large and populous parishes, and lay agents. It contributed also to the building of churches and mission rooms. The Fund raised to December 31, 1893, being a period of ten years, the sum of 107,286*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Twenty-three additional Clergymen were appointed, fourteen of whom have charge of new parishes or conventional districts. Eleven new churches and nineteen mission chapels have been already opened, providing 9,612 additional seats. Three other churches are in progress, and five churches have been enlarged and improved.

The Fund was originally intended to remain open for five years only. In 1888 it was agreed that its duration should be extended to ten years. It was closed accordingly on December 31, 1893, the Diocesan Society, incorporated in 1885 to promote Church work through the whole Diocese, making itself responsible for the stipends of six curates in charge of unendowed districts and for assisting others. During 1894 and 1895 two iron and one permanent churches were erected; fifteen churches were enlarged or restored; four mission chapels or rooms were built and enlarged; two parish halls were erected; fifteen schools were erected or enlarged, and two vicarages were built.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary of the Diocesan Society, C. B. P. Bosanquet, Esq., Rock Hall, Alnwick.

DIocese OF ST. DAVIDS.—The Swansea and East Gower Church Extension Fund.—This Fund was commenced in 1884 to meet the growing needs of the rapidly increasing town of Swansea and the adjacent neighbourhood in the Rural Deanery of East Gower.

By the direct instrumentality of this Fund eight new permanent churches have been built, also nine mission churches, and two mission halls. These will provide 7000 new sittings—all free. Four new ecclesiastical parishes have been formed in Swansea out of the mother parish of St. Mary, and thirteen additional Clergy are being employed. The total sum raised by this Fund in ten years, including value of seven sites, amounts to over 57,000*l.* Three new vicarage houses have been erected, and the four new parishes have all been endowed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners with 150*l.* a year.

The work of rebuilding the old and most inconvenient Parish Church of Swansea, at a cost of 24,000*l.*, has been commenced, and the nave is to be completed by June 1897. Also two Nonconformist chapels have been purchased in the mother parish of St. Mary's, Swansea, and have been converted into a mission room for a very poor district, and into a parish room and a club room for young men.

Communications should be made to Rev. Canon Smith, The Vicarage, Swansea.

THE INCORPORATED CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY.

THIS Society, in connection with the Church of England, was founded in 1818, and incorporated by Act of Parliament in 1826, and for seventy-six years has taken a leading part in promoting the work of Church Extension in England and Wales.

Summary of Work since 1818.—Total number of applications for aid, 9,929. Grants made, 8,222, viz. in aid of the erection of 2,216 additional churches and chapels, and of building, enlarging, or otherwise improving the accommodation in 6,006 existing churches and chapels. By these means 1,953,493 additional seats were proposed to be obtained, of which 1,600,436, or three-fourths of the whole, were to be set apart for the free use of the parishioners. Sum voted by the Society towards these works, 975,818*l.*, or excluding grants cancelled (117,895*l.*), 857,923*l.* Estimated amount of further expenditure on the part of the public, 13,960,428*l.* Grants have been made towards 744 mission buildings, amounting to 19,494*l.*

SUMMARY OF THE SOCIETY'S OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.

General Fund.—

The number of applications received was	62
The requisite forms of application plans, &c. having been examined and approved by the Society, grants were voted—	—
Towards building additional churches	18
„ rebuilding existing churches	5
„ enlarging or increasing accommodation in existing churches by extension of walls, rearrangement of seats, and other improvements	23
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Mission Buildings Fund.—The number of applications received was 23

Grants were voted towards 11 mission churches, temporary churches, school churches, or hamlet chapels amounting to 290*l.*

It should be distinctly understood that the Society is dependent upon voluntary contributions for the means by which it is enabled to render assistance in response to the numerous applications received.

The total income for 1895 was 9,760*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.*

No grant can be made from the General Fund towards mission buildings; and this special department of the Society's work, which is regarded as one of the most important branches of the Church's work, is now in very great need of additional support.

All communications respecting the Society's work should be sent to the Rev. R. Milburn Blakiston, M.A., F.S.A., Secretary, 7 Dean's Yard, Westminster Abbey, London, S.W.

SOCIETIES FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHURCH BUILDING AND EXTENSION.

THE following is a summarised record of the working of the various Diocesan Societies existing for the promotion of Church Extension.

In every case the actual amount voted in grants bears indeed but a small proportion to the entire sum voluntarily raised and expended upon the work which the Diocesan Society has in each case assisted.

N.B.—Grants made for Educational Purposes from any of the following Funds are not generally noted here.

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Diocese, Name of Society, and Secretary	Abstract Statement of Grants, 1895-6
<p>Canterbury DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. Canon Flower, Worth Vicarage, Dover.</p>	<p>During 1895 the Society made grants, amounting to 705<i>l.</i>, towards enlarging two churches, restoring five churches, and enlarging two parsonage houses.</p>
<p>York DIOCESAN CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. W. H. Cobb, Esq., York.</p>	<p>Two grants, amounting to 190<i>l.</i>, for two new churches; six grants, amounting to 470<i>l.</i>, were made for increasing accommodation in six existing churches; four grants, amounting to 600<i>l.</i>, were made towards erecting four new parsonages; two grants, amounting to 600<i>l.</i>, for endowments; and six grants, amounting to 415<i>l.</i>, for six mission churches—total, 2,400<i>l.</i> to assist an outlay of 18,050<i>l.</i></p>
<p>London. CHURCH BUILDING AND EXTENSION SOCIETY. J. H. Nelson, Esq., 46A Pall Mall, S.W.</p>	<p>Two grants, amounting to 65<i>l.</i>, were made for the building of churches. From its commencement in 1854 the Society has expended the sum of 92,840<i>l.</i> in various branches of Church extension.</p>
<p>Durham DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. Canon Hodgson, The Hall, Greatham, Stockton.</p>	<p>Grants paid for building and enlargement of churches and mission rooms, amounting to 300<i>l.</i> Grants outstanding, amounting to 700<i>l.</i></p>
<p>Winchester THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN SOCIETY. Lt.-Col. F. Willan, Thornhill Park, Bitterne, Hants, Hon. Treasurer.</p>	<p>Grants paid during the year ending Christmas 1895 in aid of Curates, mission women, and lay readers, amounted to 2,186<i>l.</i> 9<i>s.</i> 11<i>d.</i> In aid of church building or restoration, and parsonage houses, 472<i>l.</i> For the inspection of schools in religious subjects, 694<i>l.</i> 9<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i> Annual grant to Winchester Diocesan Training College, 300<i>l.</i> Special Mission to the Deaf and Dumb, 370<i>l.</i> 17<i>s.</i> 8<i>d.</i> Diocesan Mission, 180<i>l.</i> Working expenses, 537<i>l.</i> 16<i>s.</i> 10<i>d.</i></p>
<p>Bangor DIOCESAN CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. R. H. Williams, Llanvaethlu Rectory, Valley, Anglesey, and Rev. Wm. Edwards, Vicarage, Bangor.</p>	<p>During the year the Society made grants amounting to 950<i>l.</i> for 21 Curates, and 155<i>l.</i> in support of seven lay readers.</p>
<p>Bath and Wells DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. Preb. Brymer, Charlton Mackrell Rectory, Somerton.</p>	<p>Ten grants, amounting to 445<i>l.</i>, were made for the building and restoration of churches in the Diocese, whilst 94<i>l.</i> was remitted to the Church Building Society. Twenty-nine grants, 583<i>l.</i>, were made by the Diocesan Curates Fund, 109<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i>, forwarded to the A.C.S.</p>

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SOCIETIES FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHURCH BUILDING AND EXTENSION—*continued.*

Diocese, Name of Society, and Secretary	Abstract Statement of Grants, 1895-6
<p>Carlisle. DIOCESAN CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. R. Bower, St. Cuthbert's Vicarage, Carlisle, for Archdeaconry of Carlisle. Rev. Canon Stock, Windermere, for Archdeaconry of Westmoreland. Rev. Canon Ayre, Holy Trinity, Ulverston, for Archdeaconry of Furness.</p>	<p>Last year grants voted amounted to 900<i>l.</i>, <i>i.e.</i> four for church building, amounting to 200<i>l.</i>; four for benefice augmentation, amounting to 490<i>l.</i>; four mission room grants, amounting to 200<i>l.</i>; and one temporary mission room grant, amounting to 10<i>l.</i> The grants paid in the same period amounted to 1,481<i>l.</i> 2<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i> The whole amount expended by the Society out of its own funds during the thirty-four years of its existence is 87,629<i>l.</i> 16<i>s.</i> 10<i>d.</i> During the same time the amount arising from private and public sources and devoted to the objects of the Society comes to 404,670<i>l.</i> This amount added to the expenditure from the Society's own resources gives a total of 472,229<i>l.</i> 16<i>s.</i> 10<i>d.</i> The results are the building or enlarging of 171 churches, the building or enlarging of 107 parsonages, the augmentation of 171 benefices, and the building or enlarging of 43 mission rooms.</p>
<p>Chester DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Canon Upperton, Chester; Rev. W. C. Martin, St. Barnabas Vicarage, Crewe. THE STOCKPORT AND MOTTRAM CHURCH AID SOCIETY. Hon. Sec., Rev. W. G. Bridges, St. George's Vicarage, Hyde.</p>	<p>During the year 1895 the following grants were made: three for new churches, two for mission churches, two for repairs and reseating churches, 19 for Curates' stipends, two for lay agents. This Society has been just established to promote the efficiency of the Church in the Deaneries of Stockport and Mottram, by the employment of additional Clergy and lay agents. The Duke of Westminster contributes 400<i>l.</i> annually, and others assist in lesser proportion.</p>
<p>Chichester DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Rev. Prebendary Deane, Ferring Vicarage, Worthing.</p>	<p>Seven grants, amounting to 420<i>l.</i>, were made for church building and restoration; sixty-six grants for additional Clergy, amounting to 1,435<i>l.</i>; one grant to lay reader, amounting to 10<i>l.</i>; one grant, 20<i>l.</i>, for parsonage house; one grant for endowment, 39<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i>; thirteen grants for building and enlarging schools, amounting to 295<i>l.</i>; and a grant of 30<i>l.</i> towards salary of organising visitor; 375<i>l.</i> was granted for diocesan inspection; and with some minor grants the total grants for 1895 were 2,702<i>l.</i> The Association has spent 128,504<i>l.</i> upon its inclusive objects since its commencement in 1838.</p>
<p>Ely DIOCESAN FUND. Archdeacon Vesey, Castle Hill House, Huntingdon.</p>	<p>During the year 1895 the following grants were made: 1. For repairs to sixteen churches and erection of two mission rooms, 153<i>l.</i>; for aid towards stipend of Curates in 33 parishes and for various kinds of lay help in 23, 1,089<i>l.</i>; for diocesan inspection, 400<i>l.</i>; for special cases needing help, 50<i>l.</i>—total, 1,692<i>l.</i></p>

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SOCIETIES FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHURCH BUILDING AND EXTENSION—*continued.*

Diocese, Name of Society, and Secretary.	Abstract Statement of Grants, 1895-6
<p>Exeter DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. R. M. Fulford, Woodbury, near Exeter.</p>	<p>In 1895 six grants were made, amounting to 140<i>l.</i></p>
<p>Gloucester and Bristol DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Rev. E. W. Estcourt, Newton Rectory, Tetbury; Rev. A. Nash, Standish Vicarage, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire.</p>	<p>Ten grants for building or restoring churches, 278<i>l.</i>; three grants for parsonage houses, 160<i>l.</i>; two grants for endowment of poor livings, 105<i>l.</i>; nineteen grants for school building or enlargement, 509<i>l.</i>; diocesan religious inspection, 373<i>l.</i>; diocesan organising visitor, 325<i>l.</i> Four pupil teachers' aid grants, 2<i>l.</i> Total sum voted, 1752<i>l.</i></p>
<p>Hereford DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. James Payton, Hopton Wafers Rectory, Cleobury Mortimer.</p>	<p>Four grants were made for church restoration and building of parsonage houses in the Archdeaconry of Ludlow, to amount of 175<i>l.</i> Grants were made for church restoration in the Archdeaconry of Hereford to a similar amount.</p>
<p>Lichfield DIOCESAN CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. R. R. Redmayne, Esq., The Close, Lichfield.</p>	<p>Grants, amounting to 375<i>l.</i>, were made for the building and enlargement of churches; 537<i>l.</i> for mission rooms; 220<i>l.</i> for endowment; 3,105<i>l.</i> for additional Clergy; for parsonage houses, 35<i>l.</i>; 34<i>l.</i> towards the renting of temporary places of worship; and 300<i>l.</i> for purchase of site for church.</p>
<p>Liverpool CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. R. C. Hodgins, St. Cyprian's Vic., Edge Hill, Liverpool.</p> <p>CHURCH AID SOCIETY. Rev. H. S. Maye, Holly Road, Fairfield, Liverpool.</p>	<p>Thirteen grants were made towards the rent of mission rooms, amounting to 197<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i>, and two towards the erection of mission rooms, amounting to 35<i>l.</i>; also one grant of 75<i>l.</i> towards the building of a new church.</p> <p>Four grants for assistant Curates, 258<i>l.</i> 4<i>s.</i> 9<i>d.</i>; thirty-three for church expenses, 530<i>l.</i>; three special grants, 50<i>l.</i>; to incumbents (from special fund), 522<i>l.</i> 10<i>l.</i></p>
<p>Llandaff DIOCESAN CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. O. H. Jones, Esq., Fommon Castle, Cowbridge, Glamorgan.</p> <p>DIOCESAN SOCIETY FOR BUILDING CHURCHES, &c. Rev. F. W. Edmondcs, Fitzhamon Court, Bridgend.</p>	<p>Eighty-three grants, amounting to 2,860<i>l.</i>, were made for additional Clergy.</p> <p>Four grants, amounting to 85<i>l.</i>, were voted for church building and restoration, and two grants were paid, amounting to 45<i>l.</i></p>

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SOCIETIES FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHURCH BUILDING AND EXTENSION—*continued.*

Diocese, Name of Society, and Secretary	Abstract Statement of Grants, 1895-6
<p>Manchester</p> <p>DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING AND ENDOWMENT SOCIETY. Rev. T. J. Bensted, E. S. Chesney, Esq., and W. P. Fullagar, Esq., Hon. Secs.; Rev. J. F. W. Drury, General Secretary, Diocesan Chambers, 51 South King Street, Manchester.</p> <p>DIOCESAN HOME MISSION SOCIETY. Rev. P. J. Hornby, Rev. G. C. Little, and Rev. J. S. Bateson, Hon. Secs.; Rev. J. F. W. Drury, Gen. Sec., Diocesan Chambers, 51 South King Street, Manchester.</p>	<p>Three grants, amounting to 1,080<i>l.</i>, were made for the erection of new churches; seven were made for the rebuilding or enlargement of churches, amounting to 720<i>l.</i>; three amounting to 300<i>l.</i> for parsonages; five towards the building or rent of mission rooms, amounting to 325<i>l.</i>; two towards endowing new Eccl. Districts, amounting to 250<i>l.</i>; and ten amounting to 1,350<i>l.</i> towards increasing the endowment of poor benefices, making a total of 3,975<i>l.</i> granted towards an estimated outlay of 51,295<i>l.</i> Since its formation in 1851 the Society has granted 155,708<i>l.</i></p> <p>Forty-three grants, amounting to 1000<i>l.</i>, were made for mission Curates, and twelve, amounting to 147<i>l.</i>, for lay helpers, making a total of 1,147<i>l.</i> granted in 1895.</p>
<p>Newcastle</p> <p>DIOCESAN SOCIETY. C. B. P. Bosanquet, Esq., Rock Hall, Alnwick.</p>	<p>In 1895 there were made for church and mission buildings ten grants, amounting to 280<i>l.</i>; for Clergymen's residences, three grants, amounting to 80<i>l.</i>; for employment of Curates and lay agents, thirty-six grants, amounting to 1,460<i>l.</i>; for schools and training colleges, seven grants, amounting to 133<i>l.</i>; for other Church objects, five grants, amounting to 165<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i></p>
<p>Norwich</p> <p>DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. W. K. Ormsby, Hopton Vic., Gt. Yarmouth.</p>	<p>Several grants were made for church building and restoration. Assistance has been given to various parishes from this Society.</p>
<p>Oxford</p> <p>DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. Arthur Sturges, Wheatley Vicarage, Oxford.</p>	<p>Eight grants, amounting to 468<i>l.</i>, were paid towards church building and restoration during 1895. From 1847 to 1895 the Society has expended 52,694<i>l.</i> upon its prescribed objects, calling forth voluntary offerings for Church extension to the amount of nearly 870,500<i>l.</i></p>
<p>Peterborough</p> <p>CHURCH BUILDING ASSOCIATION FOR ARCHDEACONRIES OF NORTHAMPTON AND OAKHAM. E. M. Browne, Esq., Treasurer.</p> <p>NORTHAMPTON CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. T. C. Beasley, Dallington Rectory; Rev. J. Cunningham, J. Barry, Esq., E. Montague Browne, Esq., Northampton</p>	<p>27<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i> paid towards restoring three churches, and 35<i>l.</i> to the Incorporated Church Building Society—together 62<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i> General income, 159<i>l.</i> 14<i>s.</i> 7<i>d.</i></p> <p>Income for 1895-6, 343<i>l.</i> 13<i>s.</i> 11<i>d.</i> Paid towards purchase of sites and interest on loans, 78<i>l.</i> 2<i>s.</i> 2<i>d.</i></p>

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STATISTICS FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHURCH BUILDING AND EXTENSION—*continued*.

Diocese, Name of Society, and Secretary	Abstract Statement of Grants, 1886-96
<p>LEICESTER CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD FOR ARCH-DEACONRY OF LEICESTER. F. J. Freer, Esq., 10 New St., Leicester; Rev. H. S. Gedge, Aylestone Rectory, Leicester.</p>	<p>Towards debt on building the church at South Wigston the Society has contributed a final contribution of £258. Grants to amount of 877<i>l.</i> for additional clergymen.</p>
<p>LEICESTER DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. Canon Cust-Nunn, Sharrow Vicarage, Ripon.</p>	<p>Grants were made for church building and restoration, mission rooms, &c., amounting to 635<i>l.</i></p>
<p>LEICESTER LEICESTER CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. Canon Hume Smith, and C. L. Mason, Esq., 1 Moorland Terrace, Leeds.</p>	<p>Grants for the augmentation of benefices, 707<i>l.</i> 17<i>s.</i>; grants for assistant Clergy, 430<i>l.</i>; grants for mission rooms, 142<i>l.</i>; grant towards purchasing site for a church or mission room in Burley Parish, 658<i>l.</i> 3<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i></p>
<p>LEICESTER LEICESTER CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. C. Sinkler, Esq., 55 Clarendon Road, Lewisham.</p>	<p>Specially formed in 1885 for church-building in the Parish of St. Mary, Lewisham. A sum of 796<i>l.</i> 12<i>s.</i> 9<i>d.</i> was contributed last year and applied to the objects of the Association. A total sum of 14,214<i>l.</i> 6<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i> has been raised since the commencement.</p>
<p>LEICESTER LEICESTER CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Financial Secretary, W. P. Gepp, Esq., Chelmsford.</p>	<p>Seven grants, amounting to 210<i>l.</i>, were made for building and restoration of churches and mission chapels, at an estimated cost of 13,279<i>l.</i>, providing 1,460 additional sittings.</p>
<p>LEICESTER DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY. Rev. Canon Lewis, Trefnant.</p>	<p>Nine grants, amounting to 485<i>l.</i>, were made for the building and restoration of churches. The amount thus voted has supplemented local and other resources to the estimated total of 3,547<i>l.</i> The grants made by the Society since its institution in 1834 amount to 29,619<i>l.</i>, and may be divided so as to show the nature of the work aided as follows: new churches, 92; churches rebuilt, 37; churches restored and made more suitable for public worship, 116; school chapels, 82.</p>
<p>LEICESTER LEICESTER CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. P. Pennant, Esq., Nantlys, St. Asaph; Very Rev. the Dean of St. Asaph.</p>	<p>Grants were distributed to the amount of 1,055<i>l.</i> to assist local efforts in supporting additional Curates or lay assistants in twenty-two parishes.</p>
<p>LEICESTER DIOCESAN FUND. Albert Harris, Esq., Carmarthen, Hon. Treasurer.</p>	<p>Originated in 1884 to raise all livings in the Diocese to 200<i>l.</i> a year and a house. In 1895 fourteen grants were made amounting to 1,200<i>l.</i> In the eleven years the fund has been the means of adding to the value of the livings in the Diocese a capital sum of 47,000<i>l.</i> at least.</p>

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SOCIETIES FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHURCH BUILDING AND EXTENSION—cont.

Diocese, Name of Society, and Secretary	Abstract Statement of Grants, 1895-96
<p>Salisbury DIOCESAN CHURCH BUILDING ASSOCIATION. Rev. A. Du Boulay Hill, Vicarage, Downton, Salisbury. Rev. S. Dugdale, Motcombe Vicarage, Shaftesbury.</p>	<p>In 1895 twelve grants were made, amounting to 405<i>l.</i>, in restoration of twelve churches.</p>
<p>Southwell DERBYSHIRE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. W. Beadon Woodforde, Esq., 10 Full Street, Derby.</p>	<p>Thirty-one grants in aid of additional Clergy men, 958<i>l.</i>; one grant towards endowment, 100<i>l.</i>; two grants towards churches, 3<i>l.</i> total, 1,408<i>l.</i></p>
<p>NOTTINGHAM SPIRITUAL AID AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND. Secretary (vacant)</p>	<p>During 1894 six grants were made to Mission Curates, amounting to 797<i>l.</i> Since formation of the fund in 1882, 11,086<i>l.</i> has been expended in stipends and 5,311<i>l.</i> in building, distributed among thirteen Clergy of missionary operations.</p>
<p>Wakefield DIOCESAN CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. Richard Phipps, 11 South Parade, Wakefield.</p>	<p>Five grants, amounting to 305<i>l.</i>, have been made during 1895, viz. two for increase of accommodation, three for parsonage houses.</p>
<p>SPIRITUAL AID SOCIETY. Rev. Richard Phipps.</p>	<p>Grants amounting to 1,151<i>l.</i> 16<i>s.</i> 2<i>d.</i> were made during 1895: 1 Incumbent, 28 Mission Curates, 5 to Stipendiary Reader, and part of two pensions.</p>
<p>Worcester BIRMINGHAM CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY. Rev. Canon Mansfield Owen, St. George's Vicarage, Edgbaston.</p>	<p>Church buildings and sites, 285<i>l.</i>; Curates, 974<i>l.</i> 17<i>s.</i> 3<i>d.</i>; mission rooms and Sunday schools, 220<i>l.</i>; grants not included in above, 492<i>l.</i></p>
<p>CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF WORCESTER. Rev. Canon Porter, Claines Vicarage, Worcester.</p>	<p>One grant of 100<i>l.</i> was made toward enlargement and restoration of a church; five grants, amounting to 340<i>l.</i>, were made towards the erection of mission churches; a grant of 200<i>l.</i> was made toward endowment of a poor benefice; and grants, amounting to 120<i>l.</i>, towards stipends of Mission Curates.</p>
<p>CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF COVENTRY. Rev. J. T. Thorn, Stoneleigh Vicarage.</p>	<p>One grant for Church extension, 100<i>l.</i>; eight for school buildings, 225<i>l.</i>; three for purposes of education, 65<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i>; Diocesan Inspectors, 166<i>l.</i> 13<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i>—total, 557<i>l.</i> Since 1851 the Society has spent 19,000<i>l.</i> upwards upon its inclusive objects.</p>

THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSION.

THE forty-eighth report of the Commissioners furnishes the following carefully prepared statement, exhibiting the extent to which the augmentation and endowment of benefices has been assisted by the Commissioners in response to the very large amount of private benefaction which has been called forth.

SUMMARY OF WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY THE COMMISSIONERS IN THE AUGMENTATION AND ENDOWMENT OF BENEFICES FROM 1840 TO OCTOBER 31, 1895.

- I. Total number of benefices augmented, upwards of 5,700.
- II. Total value of grants made by the Commissioners, 804,540*l.* per annum (perpetual annuity), representing 24,186,950*l.* in capital value.
- III. Total value of benefactions to meet the Commissioners' grants, 5,371,350*l.*, equivalent to a permanent increase in the endowments of benefices of about 179,045*l.* per annum.
- IV. 26,000*l.* (or more) per annum contributed by benefactors to meet Commissioners' grants for Curates in mining districts.
- V. Total increase in the incomes of benefices from augmentation and endowment secured through the instrumentality of the Commissioners, 1,009,585*l.* per annum to October 31, 1895, representing the income which would be derived from a capital sum of about 30,338,300*l.*

The work of the Commissioners will be found presented in detail in the statistical section of this book, and those who are interested in the growth and stability of the Church will mark with thankfulness the evident liberality with which Churchmen are still ready to make personal sacrifices to extend her power and usefulness.

The Commissioners will appropriate in grants, during the present year, the sum of 150,000*l.* of capital.

The distribution will be as follows :

1. 40,000*l.* in meeting benefactions offered in favour of benefices, either by annual grants in augmentation of the incomes or by grants of capital towards providing and improving parsonage houses.
2. 30,000*l.* in endowing churches in public patronage to which districts have been legally assigned since the date of the census of 1881, containing in each case a population of 4000 persons at the date of such assignment.
3. 74,000*l.* in meeting local claims, and cases to which the Commissioners are already pledged.
4. 6000*l.* in making grants towards the maintenance of assistant Curates for poor benefices where the population is not less than 6000, and where benefactions of not less value than 3000*l.* are forthcoming in each case.

FORMATION OF NEW DISTRICTS.

The measure of the Church's readiness to respond to the call to open up new fields of labour may be tested by the number of new districts formed from time to time; every such district practically representing a fresh and zealous effort to bring the ministry of the Church within reach of the people making demands upon her services and hitherto but partially provided for. In the year 1880 Sir John Mowbray asked that a return should be made to the House of Commons of the number of parishes or districts constituted under the severally recognised Acts of Parliament since the year 1868 to the present time; this return has been brought into a summary corrected to the latest possible date, and is included with other statistical tables in another section of this book.

SECTION II.—HOME MISSION WORK.

OUR CATHEDRALS AND THEIR SERVICES.

THE desire to make our Cathedral Foundations of practical service in the extension and deepening of Church life is one of many other signs of the growth and activity which mark the present age.

A careful study of the following records will suffice to show that those who hold these historic foundations in trust, and live upon their emoluments, are fully alive to the duties which such possession involves.

The Mother Church of the Diocese should furnish the inspiration and model for the worship and work that should find its development through all the channels of parochial ministries, and that the Cathedral system is responding year by year with greater zeal to this high standard of its vocation is clear from the nature and extent of the services now described.

BANGOR CATHEDRAL.

- I. **Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sunday: Holy Communion at 8; Matins (choral) and Sermon at 11.30, with second Celebration (choral) on 1st Sunday in the month; Evensong (choral) and sermon at 4. (b) Week days: **M.** at 8; **E.** at 5, Choral from June 1 to September 30; in the other months at 3, plain. Welsh parochial services on Sundays at 9.30 A.M., with Celebration on second Sunday in the month; also at 6 P.M. and every Wednesday at 7 P.M. with sermons.
- II. **Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: On Thursdays, choral Evensong at 5. (b) Lent, on Thursdays, choral Evensong at 5 with sermons. Holy Week: Holy Communion 8 A.M.; Matins with address at 11 A.M.; Evensong (choral) at 5. On Good Friday, Litany and Ante-Communion Office at 8 A.M.; Matins 11 A.M. with sermon; prayers, hymns, and addresses in memory of our Lord's Agony on the Cross, from 12 to 3 P.M.; Evensong at 4; and two services in Welsh with sermons. Easter Eve, Holy Communion at 8 A.M.; Matins with address at 11 A.M.; Evensong (choral) 5 P.M. On Holy Days: Vigil Evensong (choral) 5 P.M.; Holy Communion 8 A.M.; Matins (choral) at 11; Evensong (choral) at 5.
- III. **Special and Diocesan Services.**—Choral Festival (Welsh), over 400 voices.

EVAN LEWIS, *Dean.*

BRISTOL CATHEDRAL.

- I. **Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 A.M. and at midday; choral Celebration 1st Sunday in month, and on all Chief Festivals; Matins, 10.30; Evensong, 3.30. From October to July, Services in the Nave at 7 P.M., shortened Evensong with Sermon. (b) Week days: **M.** at 10; **E.** at 4. Holy Communion, Thursdays, 8 A.M.; Bible Reading and Instruction, Thursday evening, 8 P.M. Lectures by the Dean from time to time on Tuesday afternoons at 2.45.
- II. **Holy Seasons.**—Advent and Lent: Evensong on Thursdays at 7.30 with select preacher. Holy Week, sermons daily; Holy Communion every day at 8 o'clock. An address at Evensong on the Eves of Saints' Days. Holy Communion 8 A.M. on all Festivals and Saints' Days.
- III. **Special and Diocesan Services.**—Special sermons and offertories for Hospitals (Hospital Sunday), Bristol Church Aid Society, Church Missionary Society, Missions to Seamen, Additional Curates Society, National Society, S.P.G., Bristol Bishopric Re-endorment Fund, C.E.T.S., S.P.C.K. &c., The Bristol Church Choral Union, Sunday School Teachers, Rifle Volunteers, Foresters' Parade, Quiet Day for G.F.S.,

Colston Day (Annual Service for Dolphin Society), &c., Annual Ordination by the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol, Bristol Clergy Fund, Bristol Church Schools, Crimean and Indian Mutiny Veterans, Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Communicants' Guilds. Children's Services. Several courses of lectures by the Dean at week-day evening services. Sunday evening Nave Services consist of 'shortened form,' hymns, and sermon by the Dean; average attendance nearly 2000.

F. PIGOU, *Dean*.

ANTERBURY CATHEDRAL.

- I. **Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion, 8.15 and noon. **M.** 10.30; **E.** 3; **E.** 6.30. (b) Week days: **M.** 10; **E.** 3 (November, December, January and February, 4). Saints' Days: Holy Communion, 8.15 A.M. Thursday, 8 A.M. (St. Anselm's Chapel).
- I. **Holy Seasons.**—Advent 1895 and Lent 1896: Wednesdays, 8.15 P.M. Litany, hymns and sermon. St. Andrew's Day, 1895, 8.15 P.M. Special Intercession for Missions, with sermon. Good Friday, three hours' service.
- I. **Special and Diocesan Services.**—December 30, at 8.15, special service, including Psalm, Lesson, canticle, versicles, short address, and 1st Part of Handel's 'Messiah'; enlarged choir; congregation, 1000. Easter Wednesday, service similar to that on December 27, selection from Sullivan's 'Light of the World,' about 2000 present. On Ascension Day, a similar service, Spohr's 'God, Thou art Great,' and Handel's 'The King shall rejoice,' about 2000 present. Easter Day, 9 A.M., Special Service for Volunteers in the Nave. June 11, Combined City Church Choirs Festival Service; June 23, Diocesan Sunday School Teachers' Association Festival; July 18, Special Service in Welsh; October 16, Funeral of Archbishop Benson; October 28, Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Stainer's 'Daughter of Jairus.'

F. W. FARRAR, *Dean*.

CARLISLE CATHEDRAL.

- I. **Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion first and third Sunday of the month at mid-day, the other Sundays at 8.30 A.M.; **M.** 11; **E.** 3; **E.** 6.30. (b) Week days: **M.** 10; **E.** 4. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8 A.M.
- I. **Holy Seasons.**—Lent 1896 (Friday evenings): Special service with sermon, 8 P.M. Holy Week: Daily, Holy Communion at 8 (except Good Friday); special service with sermon (except Saturday), 8 P.M.
- I. **Special and Diocesan Services.**—Special Services at the Ordinations and Confirmations, Visitation by the Bishop of Carlisle, Diocesan Conference, Intercession for Foreign Missions, the Diocesan Choir Association, G.F.S. Associates, and others; and Special Sermons for the Diocesan Societies, Diocesan Hospitals, Deaf and Dumb, for various Missionary Societies, the S.P.C.K., National Society, A.C.S., &c.

W. G. HENDERSON, *Dean*.

CHESTER CATHEDRAL.

- I. **Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 A.M., and second Celebration on 1st and 3rd Sundays; **M.** 10.30; **E.** 3.30; **E.** 6.30. (b) Week days: **M.** 8; **M.** 10.15; **E.** 4.15. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8; second Celebration at 11.15 A.M. (choral) on Christmas Day, Easter Day, Ascension Day, Whit Sunday, Trinity Sunday, and All Saints' Day.
- I. **Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: Wednesdays, special **E.** and sermon. (b) Lent, Wednesdays, special **E.** and sermon. Holy Week: a sermon daily at **E.** 4.15. Passion Music in Lent; Three Hours' Service on Good Friday; the 'Last Judgment' in Advent.
- I. **Special and Diocesan Services.**—Sunday, May 24, Yeomanry Church Parade. Sunday, June 14, Volunteer Church Parade. October 15, Harvest Festival, Hymn to the Creator.

J. L. DARBY, *Dean*.

CHESTER CATHEDRAL.

- I. **Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 7 and 8 A.M., and after 10.30 service; **M.** 10.30; **E.** 3.30. (b) Week days: **M.** 10; **E.** 4. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8, and sermon after 4 service on the Vigil of Saint's Day. Holy

Cathedral Services.

Communion, Thursday, 8 A.M. Holy Communion daily in Holy Week, and octaves of Greater Feasts. Daily Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 8 A.M., from Advent to Trinity Sunday inclusive. The celebration of the Holy Eucharist on Sundays after 10.30 is Choral.

- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent 1895: on the Fridays, an additional evening service at 8, with sermon. (b) Lent, 1896. On Tuesdays, at 4, a short sermon; and on Fridays, at 8, Litany with hymns and a sermon in addition to usual services. In Holy Week, services at 10, 4, and 8, with sermon at the last; Holy Communion daily at 8; Good Friday, Matins and sermon at 10, Three Hours' Service, Evening Prayer and sermon at 8. An instruction is given twice a week after Matins in Advent and Lent, and there is a Children's Service with an address on the Passion on the first four days of Holy Week. The children are catechised once a week in Advent and Lent.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—S.P.G., G.F.S., Diocesan Choirs, Chichester Theological College, Day of Intercession for Missions, Harvest Thanksgiving.

NOTE.—The Cathedral has also been used for a course of theological lectures specially designed for the theological students. The Lady Chapel is used for the daily service of the students during the summer months, and the Choir of the Cathedral during the rest of the year. There is a Library attached to the Cathedral, available for the use of the Diocesan Clergy.

E. W. RANDALL, *Dean.*

DURHAM CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; Matins, Litany, and sermon, at 10.30, followed by celebration of the Holy Communion. Choral Communion on the Great Festivals and the first Sunday in each month. Special sermons in the afternoon are preached in Lent, Whitsuntide, Advent, and at other times for special objects. Afternoon sermon in the Galilee for the scholars of the Cathedral Grammar School. (b) Services on week days: Matins, 10 A.M.; Evensong, 4 P.M. Daily shortened service for the University in the Galilee at 8.45 A.M.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Celebration of Holy Communion on All Saints' Days and Holy Days. Special services, with sermons, on Wednesday and Friday evenings in Lent. Addresses daily in Holy Week with daily Celebration.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Services for various Diocesan and General Societies, Church of England Temperance, Church Building Society, S.P.G., C.M.S., Universities Mission to Central Africa, G.F.S., Home Missions, National Society, service for the Sunday School children of Durham, service for the Cyclists of the district. Occasional Choral Festivals of Diocesan Choirs, or the three Northern Choirs.

G. W. KITCHIN, *Dean.*

ELY CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8.15, and at 7.30 A.M. on the first Sunday of the month; M. with sermon and Choral Communion at 11; Litany, hymns, anthem, 4. E. with hymns, choral music, and sermon in Nave 6.30. (b) Week days: shortened Matins (with address on Wednesday or Friday), principal part of the year at 8.30; M. 10; E. 4, choral, except on Wednesdays, when it is at 7.30; Holy Communion every Thursday at 8.15. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8.15 on Saints' days and other special occasions.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: Wednesday, sermon at Evensong at 7.30, with special Music. (b) Lent: as in Advent. Holy Week: daily Celebration, except Good Friday, at 8.15, M. 10; Ante-Communion and address, 12; E. 4, and on Wednesday, 7.30 with sermon. Good Friday: M. and sermon, 11; Three Hours' Service, 12 to 3; Litany at 4. E. 6.30.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—1896: January 6, Children's Service. February 25, Quiet Day for Clergy of Ely Rural Deanery. March 31, Special Service in Nave, at which Haydn's Passion Music was sung. May 14, Address to Children. May 19, Special Service in Nave, with Address, and Handel's 'Messiah.' June 2, Ely Theological College Festival. June 17, 18, Diocesan Conference. July 14, Diocesan Sunday School Teachers' Festival. August 23, Special Service for Friendly Societies. September 13, Harvest Thanksgiving. October 10, Dedication of Church Army Van. October 16, Memorial Service, Funeral of Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Lady Chapel has been assigned by early deed to the parishioners of Holy Trinity for their parochial services.

The Cathedral Library is available for the use of theological students, and any others by order of the authorities. The catalogue numbers about 10,000 volumes.

C. W. STUBBS, *Dean*.

WEST CATHEDRAL.

Ordinary Services.—On Sundays and all Holy Days, Holy Communion at 7.45 in the Lady Chapel, and at 10.30 in the Choir. On week days Matins in the Lady Chapel at 7.45; Holy Communion daily from Advent to Trinity Sunday, Tuesdays and Thursdays, Trinity to Advent, at 7.45 A.M. Daily Matins at 10.30, and Evensong at 3, in the Choir throughout the year. On every Sunday at 10, Wednesday and Friday at 11, the Litany is said. In the afternoon of every Sunday full service in the Nave, with sermon from one of the Prebendaries, in regular order, according to a rota. A shortened service with sermon in the Nave at 7 in the evening throughout the year. On every Sunday at 9.15 A.M. a service for the Military.

Holy Seasons.—During the seasons of Advent and Lent, special short services were held twice in each week in the Lady Chapel, with addresses, at midday on Wednesday and Friday; also evening services Thursday and Friday; monthly services of preparation for Holy Communion; Guild Services; special addresses daily during Holy Week; Three Hours' Service on Good Friday. On Rogation Days Special Litany and prayers for God's blessing on the fruits of the earth; for Home Missions and for Foreign Missions.

Special and Diocesan Services.—1895: December 14, Quiet Day for Higher and Middle Schools Association. 1896: January 31, Reception of Missioners for 12 Days' Missions. April 28, United Temperance Conference. June 15, Anniversary of Diocesan Parochial Mission Association. June 25, Festival of Lay Readers' Association. July 2, Choral Festival for Archdeaconry of Totnes. October 17, Quiet Day for Sunday School Teachers.

B. M. GOWIA, *Dean*.

GLoucester Cathedral.

Ordinary Services.—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; M, Litany and Holy Communion at 10.30; E. 3. (b) Week days: M. 8; M. (choral) 10.30; E. 4. (c) Holy Communion: Thursdays, 8 A.M.; Holy Days at 8 A.M.; and on Christmas Day and Ascension Day also at noon; on greater Festivals Holy Communion at 7 A.M. as well as 8 A.M.

Holy Seasons.—Christmas Day: Carols after E, at 3. New Year's Eve: Midnight Service in Nave. On the first Sunday in the month and Greater Festivals, Choral Communion after M. During the winter months till Whitsonide, E, and sermon on Sundays, Ash Wednesday, and Holy Week at 7 P.M. Good Friday, Three Hours' Service; special evening Nave service. Ember Days and Holy Week: Holy Communion daily.

Special and Diocesan Services.—Foresters, Oddfellows, and other Benefit Societies: special services in the Nave. For thirty Sundays—November to June—a special service at 7 P.M. in Nave, with usual choir of Cathedral, supplemented with volunteers, about sixty or more all told. On alternate Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock, during winter and spring months, there was a Musical Service for the people, 2000 or more average attendance; anthems and selections from oratorios sung.

NOTE.—The Gloucester Theological College makes use of the Chapter House for lectures, and the students attend early daily Matins. Meetings of Church and Diocesan Societies are held in the Chapter House and Library, which are always open for this purpose. On Saturday afternoon parties of working men and others are frequently conducted round the Cathedral by the Dean. On alternate Thursday afternoons during the winter after E, a large Bible class for young women engaged in business held in the South Transsept by the Dean. About 200 attend each time.

H. D. M. SPENCE, *Dean*,

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; **M.** in the Lady Chapel (Parochial Service), 9.30; **M.** and Holy Communion at 11; Occasional Shortened Service on Sunday at 3 p.m.; **E.** in Lady Chapel (Parochial Service), 3.30; **E.** 6.30. (b) Week days, **M.** 10; **E.** 4.30. (c) Holy Days: Full Choral Communion on first Sunday in every month, and on the Greater Festivals at midday; Holy Communion at 8; sermon after **M.** on All Saints' Day, Holy Days, Christmas Day, Circumcision, Epiphany, Purification, Ascension Day, Ordination Days. Holy Communion at 7 and 8 a.m. and after **M.** on Christmas Day and Ascension Day.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent 1895: Tuesdays, sermon after **M.**; Thursday evening, special service and sermon, 7.30 p.m.; congregations from 600 to 800. (b) Lent 1896: As in Advent, with special service and sermon at 7.30 p.m. on Thursdays: attendances about same as before. Holy Week: the same services as on Sundays; evening congregation throughout the week, over 1000; Good Friday Services, 10 a.m., 12–3 p.m., 6.30 p.m. Three Hours' Service for the first time in 1895, large attendance of worshippers, the majority of whom remained throughout.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Annual services are held from time to time for Diocesan Parochial Choirs—Sunday School Teachers—for the Diocesan Conference, a quarterly Service of Intercession in behalf of Missions, S.P.C.K., S.P.G., C.M.S., Bible Society.

NOTE.—The Cathedral is used for Diocesan Choral Festivals, for Confirmations, for Ordinations, for the Triennial Musical Festival, for the Bishop's and Archdeacon's Visitations. The Lady Chapel of the Cathedral is, by permission of the Dean and Chapter, used for the Parochial Services for the Parish of St. John the Baptist.

J. W. LEIGH, *Dean.*

LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; **M.** and sermon with Holy Communion on the first (choral) and third Sundays in the month at 10.30; Litany on the first and third Sundays in the month at 2.30; **E.** and sermon at 4. (b) Week days: Holy Communion after **M.** on first Thursday in the month, at 8 on all other Thursdays; **M.** in Lady Chapel when the Theological Students are in residence, at 8; **M.** 10 (from Lady Day to Michaelmas), 10.30 (from Michaelmas to Lady Day); **E.** 4. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8, and on the Greater Festivals also at 7 a.m. and midday (choral). Offertories are made at each Sunday service.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent 1895: addresses by the Divinity Lecturer on Wednesday, at 12, on Thursday at 8.15 p.m. (b) Lent 1896: address on each Wednesday at noon; on Thursdays at 8.15 p.m.; on Saturdays, Children's Service at 12.15. In Holy Week an address each day at 12. On Good Friday 'The Three Hours,' addresses from 12 to 3 p.m.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Occasional Festival Services are held in connection with Diocesan Choral Society, Diocesan Church Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Sunday School Teachers, Guild of Church Ringers, Communicants' Guilds, Board of Education and Girls' Friendly Societies, Yeomanry. Lectures in the Chapter House on the Liturgy, the four Gospels, the Cathedral Restoration. The collections at the Holy Communion are frequently made for special purposes, and are fixed in each year by the Dean and Chapter.

H. M. LUCKOCK, *Dean.*

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 a.m., also at 7 a.m. the first Sunday in each month and on the Great Festivals; Matins, Holy Communion, and sermon at 10.30 a.m.; sermon in Nave sometimes at 3 p.m.; Hymn, Litany, and Anthem at 4 p.m.; Evensong and sermon in Nave at 6.30 p.m. (b) Week days: Matins at 7.40 a.m. and 10 a.m.; **E.** 4 p.m.; Thursdays: Holy Communion at 8 a.m. (c) All Holy Days, Ember Days, Rogation Days, and during the Octaves of the Great Festivals, Holy Communion at 8 a.m.; on the Feasts of the Circumcision, Epiphany, Purification, Annunciation, Ascension Day, and All Saints' Day, second Celebration after Matins and a sermon. On Ascension Day also, Holy Communion at 5 a.m. On every Saint's Day an address after third Collect at Evensong.

- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: Day of Intercession for Missions—St. Andrew's Day; Holy Communion each Tuesday as well as Thursday at 8 A.M.; some day near Christmas, Special Evensong with Address and first portion of Handel's 'Messiah,' 7.30 P.M.; Holy Innocents' Day, Service for Children with Address at 3 P.M. (b) Lent 1896: Fridays, Addresses by the Chancellor on the Collects for Lent, at 4.45; Wednesday, Miserere, prayers and addresses on the Christian Life, 8 P.M.; Wednesdays, Lecture by the Dean on the Epistle to the Hebrews, at 4.30 P.M.; Holy Week: every day, Holy Communion at 8 A.M.; Monday to Thursday, a short anthem, prayers, and addresses, 8 P.M.; Good Friday, Holy Communion 8 A.M., Matins 10 A.M., with Sermon, the 'Three Hours,' 12—3; Evensong and sermon, 6.30 P.M.; Easter Tuesday, Special Evensong with address and portion of Handel's 'Messiah,' 7.30 P.M. (c) Ascension Day: Holy Communion at 5, 7, 8 A.M., and after Matins followed by Sermon.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—(1) Foreign Missions: 1895, December 4, Burgh Mission College; 1896, January 6, Oxford Mission to Calcutta (3); January 30, Missions in Japan; Jerusalem Bishopric Mission Fund; C.M.S.; Missions in Mashonaland; Central African Missions; Archbishop's Mission to Assyrian Christians; Nassau Diocesan Fund; S.P.G.; Grahamstown Diocesan Fund. (2) Home Missions: 1895, December 28, Society for Preventing Cruelty to Children; 1896, January 19, Diocesan Home for Penitents; Rebuilding Swansea Church; Diocesan Sunday Fund; C.E.T.S.; A.C.S.; C.P.A.; C.E.W.M.S.; St. Andrew's Grimsby Waterside Mission; Bible Society; Young Men's Christian Association. (3) Home Charities: 1895, December 25, Mablethorpe Convalescent Hospital; 1896, May 28, Lincoln County Hospital. (4) Church Education: 1895, December 8, National Society; 1896, May 10, S.P.C.K.; Religious Inspection Fund. (5) Clergy Charities: 1895, December 22, Lincoln Clerical Fund (6); 1896, April 27, Poor Benefices Augmentation; Clergy Orphan Schools. Festivals: Lincoln Temperance Society; Lincoln Young Men's Christian Association; Diocesan Retreat, September 23, 24, 25.

E. C. WICKHAM, D.D., *Dean*.

LIVERPOOL CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 A.M.; M. at 11, with Holy Communion on first Sunday in the month; E. 3, 6.30. (b) Week days; E. 5.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Special Services on Wednesday and Friday evenings in Advent and Lent at 8 P.M. Holy Communion on all Festivals at 8 A.M.

A. STEWART, *Rector*.

LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 and 11 alternately; M. 11; E. 3.30; E. 7. (b) Week days: M. 10 (11 on Wednesdays and Fridays); E. at 6; Wednesday, E. and sermon at 7. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8 or 8.30; on the Great Festivals also at 11. Children's Service in the Lady Chapel every Sunday at 9.50 A.M.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Advent and Lent: A special sermon preached by a stranger every Wednesday evening. A service with sermon each evening in Holy Week, except Saturday.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Cardiff Distress Relief Fund; Diocesan Church Extension; National Life-Boat Institution; Diocesan Church Choral Association; Armenian Relief Fund.

NOTE.—The Cathedral being also a Parish Church complicates the report of its work. An Order in Council defines the separate duties. All services held after Cathedral Evensong are parochial, and the 8 A.M. Celebration on alternate Sundays. The Cathedral is seated for 700, but there are hundreds of chairs for extra sittings, and the congregation on special occasions can scarcely be less than 1,500 or 1,600.

C. J. VAUGHAN, *Dean*.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays: M. sermon, Holy Communion (choral); 2nd and 4th Sundays: M. Litany, sermon, Holy Communion; E. and sermon, 3.30; E. and sermon, 7. (b) Week days: M. 11; E. 3.30; Thursdays, Holy Communion at 8. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8; Holy Communion (on the Greater Festivals), 6.30, 7.30, 8.30, and at midday; there is a second Celebration (choral) on Holy Days immediately after Matins.

- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent and Lent: address at 1.10 or 4.15 on Tuesdays and Fridays, according to notice. (b) Lent: Wednesdays, sermon at E. 3.30; Ash Wednesday, Holy Communion at 7.30 and Noon, M. 10.30, E. and sermon, 3.30 and 7.30; Good Friday, M. Pre-Communion and sermon, 10.30; Special service, 3.30; E. and sermon 7.30. (c) Rogation Days: M. 10; Holy Communion (choral) with Intercession at 11. Ascension Day: Holy Communion, 7.30; M. sermon, Holy Communion, 10.30; E. 3.30; second E. and sermon, 7.30. Saints' Days: Sermon at Evensong, 3.30; Christmas Day, Holy Communion (*vide* Greater Festivals); M., sermon, Holy Communion at 10.30; special service at 3.30; E. with sermon at 7.30.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—There are anniversary services in connection with both the Home and Foreign Missions of the Church on some week day, and also with the Lay Helpers' Association of the Diocese. The Nave is also constantly being used for Christian Evidence and other lectures and addresses, on which occasions a hymn and the Bidding Prayer alone constitute the form of service.

EDWARD C. MACLURE, *Dean*.

NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8, and at midday on first and third; M. 10.45; Children's Service, 3; E. 7. (b) Week days: M. 8; E. 5; Holy Communion every Thursday at 8. (c) Holy Days: Sermon on the Eve and Holy Communion at 8 and 11. Daily Celebration, 7.30 A.M. Preparation Service, Holy Communion, Saturday 5 p.m. Monthly Intercession Service.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: Spohr's 'Last Judgment.' (b) Lent: Friday afternoon, 3 P.M., 'Instruction'; Tuesdays and Thursdays, E. 7.30, congregations from 150 to over 1000. Holy Week: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, E. and sermon, 5. Good Friday: 9 A.M. Children's Service; M. and sermon, 10.45; addresses on the 'Seven Last Words,' upwards of 2000 attending, 2 to 5; E. and sermons, 7; E. Bach's 'Passion Music.' (c) Rogation Days: Holy Communion, 8 A.M., each day; E. prayer and address, 5. (d) Ascension Day: Holy Communion, 7, 8, and 11; E. prayer and sermon, 7.30. WELSH Service held monthly in Cathedral.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Harvest Festival. Festival for Church Workers of all kinds in the city. Communicants' monthly meeting, 8 P.M.; Bible Class for Sunday School Teachers and others every Thursday at 8 P.M.; Bible Class for young men, Sunday, 10 A.M. (about 60). Friendly Societies' Service, Whit-Sunday, over 1000 present. Missionary Guild meets once in every two months.

EDWARD J. GOGGH, *Vicar*.

NORWICH CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: On the first Sunday in the month, Matins, Litany, Sermon, Holy Communion at 11 A.M. (anthem); other Sundays, Holy Communion at 8 A.M., and at 11 Matins, anthem, Litany, sermon; E. at 3.30. Nave services every Sunday evening at 7.30. A service for the Cavalry and Infantry Regiments quartered in Norwich is held every Sunday by the Military Chaplain in the Nave of the Cathedral at 9.30, and terminates at 10.15. (b) Week days: M. at 10; E. at 5 (on Saturdays, E. at 3). (c) Holy Days: Christmas Day, Easter Day, Ascension Day, Whit-Sunday, Holy Communion (choral) at 8; Holy Communion after 11 o'clock service (plain), and at each Ordination. On every Holy Day there is a Celebration at 8 A.M., M. ordinarily plain, but on the Circumcision, Epiphany, Purification, and Annunciation (these being Festivals of Christ), semi-choral. Bible class for women every Wednesday at 3.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent 1895: Fridays, E. at 8. (b) Lent 1896: Ash Wednesday, M. at 8; Litany, Communion, and Ante-Communion Service, with short sermon, 11; E. and sermon at 5. During Lent, sermon by the Dean at Evensong, daily. Fridays, E. at 8, with a sermon or lecture. Holy Week: sermon daily at E.; Maundy Thursday, Holy Communion, after M. at 10. Good Friday: M. at 8; Litany, Ante-Communion Service, and sermon at 11; E. and sermon at 5. Special Service in Nave daily in Holy Week, with an address by the Dean at 8 P.M.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Advent, 1895: Spohr's 'Last Judgment.' Lent, 1896: Haydn's 'Seven Last Words.' July, 1896 (in connection with the Octo-Centenary Commemoration: Mendelssohn's 'Hymn of Praise', with full band) by the Diocesan Church Choral Association. 1895-6, Ecclesiastical History Lectures were given by the Revs. T. W. Drury, Professor Gwatkin, Dr. Ince, Rev. A. E. Brooke, the Right Rev. Bishop Barry, and the Rev. Principal Moule.

W. LEFROY, *Dean*.

OXFORD, CHRIST CHURCH.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; **M.** and Sermon at 10. Litany at 11. First Sunday in the month, Holy Communion at 8 and 11; **M.** and Litany at 10. **E.** at 5. Week days: **M.** at 10; **E.** at 5. On Thursdays during the University Term, Holy Communion at 8.20. The church is also used as a chapel for the College at 8 A.M. on week days. Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8.20 during Term; at 8 during vacation.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—In Lent, on Wednesdays, an evening service with sermon, in addition to the ordinary **M.** and **E.** services. In Holy Week, on every week day except Easter Eve, Evensong with sermon at 8 P.M. On Ascension Day, when the University sermon is preached in the Cathedral at 10, Holy Communion at 7.30, and Morning Prayer at 8.30.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Festival of the Church of England Temperance Society; congregation probably about 1000. Founder's day, about June 20, special service. Service for Friendly Societies, with collection for Hospital Fund; congregation about 1,200. Intercession for Foreign Missions; special service with sermon at 8 P.M. Special Service for the Yeomanry.

F. PAGET, *Dean.*PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8.15, **M.** and Holy Communion (choral), at 11; **E.** at 3.30; Litany and sermon at 7. (b) Week days: **M.** at 10; **E.** at 5.30; on Saturdays at 3. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8.15, and on the Greater Festivals at 8.15 and at 11 (choral).
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Lent: Holy Communion on Thursdays at 8.15 A.M.; special preachers at the 7 P.M. service on Sunday, and special service with sermon on Wednesdays at 7.30. Instructions in Christian Faith and Practice every Wednesday and Saturday in Lent at 4 P.M. In Holy Week, service at 7.30, with sermon; also on Good Friday, Meditations on the Passion, 12—3; and special service with sermon at 7.30.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Triennial oratorio services; the first in 1882, the third in 1888, the fourth in 1891, the fifth in 1894; Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Commemoration Festival, St. Peter's College Festival. Last Sunday in each year, special Children's Service. Retreat for Clergy in July. Retreat for Ladies in September.

W. CLAVELL INGRAM, *Dean.*RIPON CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: On every Sunday in the month, Holy Communion at 8.15; **M.** at 10.15; Holy Communion on first and third Sundays; two Celebrations on the Great Festivals; **E.** 3; Children's Service on the second Sunday in each month; second Even. in Nave at 6.30 from first Sunday in September to Trinity Sunday. (b) Week days: **M.** 11.15; **E.** 5.15, except on Wednesdays, when Evensong is at 7.30. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion after **M.**
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Advent: special Wednesday evening service. Lent: Wednesdays and Fridays, special services in the Nave; congregation from 300 to 400. Holy Week: special service in the Nave daily. Good Friday: Services at 10.15 and 3.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Children's Service on Holy Innocents' Day and Whit-Monday (flower service); 800. G.F.S. anniversary for Rural Deanery, Harvest Festival, St. Andrew's Day: Intercession for Missions; Men and Women's Help Society's Festival.

The Cathedral is used for Ordinations, Confirmations, Services for Rifle Volunteers, Benefit Societies (Hospital Sunday), Choral Festivals, Intercession for Sunday Schools, C.E.T.S., Quiet Days for the Clergy, Services for Church workers, Confirmation candidates, &c.

W. H. FREMANTLE, *Dean.*ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; **M.** and sermon, 10.30; Holy Communion at 11.45; Litany and sermon at 3; **E.** at 4; service and sermon at 7. (b) Week days: **M.** plain, 8; **M.** choral, 10; **E.** at 4; Wednesday and Friday, Litany, 12; service in the Lady Chapel of the Cathedral at 8.45 A.M. for the King's School. (c) Holy Days: Christmas Day, Feast of the Circumcision, and Ascension Day.

Cathedral Services.

Holy Communion at 8, and after **M.** service. Epiphany, Holy Communion after **M.** service. Friday services are plain, except in Lent and Advent, when they are choral unaccompanied.

II. Holy Seasons.—(a) Advent: Wednesday evenings, Litany and sermon at 8; (b) Lent: Wednesday and Friday evenings, Litany and sermon at 8. (c) Holy Week, the ordinary services, with sermons on Good Friday, Three Hours' Service, musical evening service; also special service with sermon at 8 p.m. the week days of Holy Week.

III. Special and Diocesan Services.—Festival of Parish Choirs of the Rural Deaneries of Rochester, Gravesend, and Cobham, Harvest Festival, S.P.G. Festival, occasional services in St. Mary's Chapel for various associations. Services, at intervals, for soldiers quartered at Chatham. These have been attended by the Royal Engineers, the Royal Marines, the Hampshire Regiment, and Kent Artillery Volunteers. In addition to the People's Special Service on Sunday evenings there is a service for working men at 3 p.m. once a quarter. A series of addresses to Communicants, a Bible Class and a Church Institute have been organised by the Dean and Chapter.

S. R. HOLE, *Dean.*

SALISBURY CATHEDRAL.

I. Ordinary Services.—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; **M.** and Holy Communion at 10.30; **E.** 3; Holy Communion (choral) on the Great Festivals and on the first and third Sunday at midday. (b) Week days: **M.** 7.30; **M.** (choral) 10; **E.** 3; winter, 4. (c) Holy Communion at 8; on Ascension Day also at noon; Holy Communion on all Thursdays and Holy Days at 8 a.m. in the Lady Chapel. Celebration of Holy Communion for Students of Training Schools.

II. Holy Seasons.—(a) Advent: Thursdays, Holy Communion at 8; Fridays, **E.** 8. (b) Lent: Thursdays, Holy Communion at 8; Wednesday, **E.** 8, with special preachers. On Fridays after Evensong, course of lectures on the Litany by the Chancellor. Holy Week: Holy Communion every day but Good Friday at 8 a.m., twice on Maundy Thursday. Daily special service at 8 p.m. with special preachers. Good Friday: **M.** 7.30; **M.** (choral) 10; Three Hours' Service, 12 to 3; **E.** 7, with sermon. On Ascension Day there is a special evening service, when a selection from 'Elijah' is sung.

III. Special and Diocesan Services.—Holy Innocents' Day: Service for Children; Diocesan Synod; Diocesan Associates for Care of Friendless Girls; Children's Flower and Missionary Service. Diocesan Mission Festival: Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; **M.** at 11, Sermon by Bishop of Nassau. Meeting in Chapter House at 2.30; **E.** 5. Triennial Festival of the Theological College; preacher, the Bishop. Holy Thursday: Selection from the 'Elijah.' Quarterly Service of Preparation for Holy Communion, for Communicants Guild of the Diocesan Training School. Anniversary of Salisbury Infirmary, at 3 p.m. Special Service at 1.30 for Church Lads' Brigade. Meeting of the Women's Union; Holy Communion at 8 a.m.; service at 12.30. Course of Divinity Lectures by the Chancellor. A Confirmation. Service for Queen's Accession. Celebration and Offertory for Universities Mission to C. Africa. Celebration of Holy Communion for Diocesan Associates of G.F.S., with address by the Bishop. Choristers' Festival. Anniversary Service of Cathedral Missionary Guild. Commemoration of Founders and Benefactors. Annual Renewal of Vows of the Society of St. Andrew's Missioners. Parade Service for Volunteers and Fire Brigade. Annual Service for Members of G.F.S. Annual Thanksgiving Service for Church Day Schools, at 8 p.m. Memorial Service for the late Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

G. D. BOYLE, *Dean.*

ST. ALBAN'S CATHEDRAL.

I. Ordinary Services.—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and at 6.30 a.m. on Great Festivals; also 7 a.m. on first Sunday; **M.** 11, with Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays in the month; **E.** 3; **E.** 6.30. (b) Week days: **M.** 10; **E.** 6 (summer), 4 (winter); Wednesdays and Fridays at 11, Wednesday **E.** at 8. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8, and on Great Festivals also at midday.

II. Holy Seasons.—(a) Advent 1895: Wednesdays, **E.** 8; congregation, 150. (b) Lent 1896: Wednesdays, **E.** 8; congregation, 400. Holy Week: Daily, **M.** 11; **E.** 4; **E.** 8. Good Friday: **M.** 10. Three Hours' Service, 12—3, **E.** 4; special service, with addresses on the Passion, with hymns, 6.30.

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III. Special and Diocesan Services.—Choral Festival, July 29, 1896. Preacher, Bishop of Peterborough. Special G.F.S. services in Lady Chapel, July 11 and 22.

NOTE.—A Children's Service is held the last Sunday in every month.

W. J. LAWRENCE, *Rector.*

ST. ASAPH CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: first, third, and fifth, choral service with Holy Communion at 11; second and fourth, Holy Communion at 8.15, and choral service at 11. Evening, every Sunday, choral service at 3.15 and at 6.15. (b) Early Matins daily at 8.15, except on Thursdays, when choral service at 11.30. Evening service daily at 3.15 in summer, 5.15 in winter (choral on Saturdays).
- II. Holy Seasons.**—During Advent and Lent, choral service with sermon at 7 P.M. on Fridays. Holy Week: Daily morning service at 11, and evening service with short sermon at 7; on Good Friday the services are at 8.15, 11, and 6.15. On Saints' Days, Holy Communion at 8.15; morning service (choral) at 11.30. Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 8.15; morning service, 11; evening, 7. During part of the autumn and winter the following are held in the Cathedral: Bible Classes (a) for men, (b) for women, Children's Services (week-day evenings).

WATKIN H. WILLIAMS, *Dean.*

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—Sundays: Holy Communion in N.W. Chapel, 8 A.M.; M. Litany, Holy Communion (choral), sermon, 10.30; E. 3.15; E. 7. Week days: Holy Communion in N.W. Chapel, 8; M. in Crypt, 8; M. (choral), 10; short service in N.W. Chapel at 1.15; E. 4 (choral); short service in the N.W. Chapel at 7 P.M. Holy Days: As on ordinary week days, with the addition of Holy Communion in the Crypt at 7.15 A.M.; Holy Communion at 10; sermon after E. 4. On the Eves of Saints' Days, unless they fall on Sunday or Monday, an address is given at the 8 P.M. service in the N.W. Chapel.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Lent 1896: Daily the 1.15 service was held under the Dome, and an address delivered by special preachers, each responsible for a weekly course: a sermon on Wednesdays and Fridays after E. 4; an address on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the N.W. Chapel at 8. Holy Week: Tuesday at 7, Bach's 'Passion' was sung, preceded by a form of prayer from the Communion Service. Good Friday: In addition to the ordinary services at the same hours as on Sundays, the interval between the 10.30 and 3.15 services was occupied by meditations on the 'Seven Words from the Cross.'
- III. Special and Diocesan Services, 1895-96.**—1895: November 4, Confirmation by the Bishop of London, at 11.30 A.M. November 4 and December 2, Lay Helpers' Service, N.W. Chapel, at 6.30 P.M. November 6, 13, and 20, Canon H. S. Holland's Lectures to Men in N.W. Chapel, 7 P.M. November 7, Day of Devotion for East London Clergy, Holy Communion at 8.30 A.M. November 19, Guild of Paul and Silas, Annual Meeting, 7 P.M., Service in the N.W. Chapel, 8 P.M. November 8, 15, and 22, Bishop of Peterborough's Lectures, 7.30 P.M. November 28, December 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, and 19, Bishop of Stepney's Lectures at 1.30 P.M. November 25, December 9, and 16, Rev. D. Bainbridge's Lectures to Men, 7 P.M., N.W. Chapel. December 3, Spohr's 'Judgment,' 7 P.M. December 7, Celebration at 7.15 A.M., N.W. Chapel, for Post Office Guild. December 7, Retreat for Men, 8 P.M., in the Trophy Room. December 9, Confirmation, Bishop of London, 11.30 A.M. December 18, Celebration in N.W. Chapel for St. Paul's Mission, 8 A.M. December 22, Bishop of London's Ordination, Deacons and Priests, 10 A.M. 1896: January 25, Dedication Festival, 4 P.M. February 3, Lay Helpers' Service, N.W. Chapel, 6.30 P.M. February 10, Confirmation, Bishop of London, 11.30 A.M. February 11, Opening of the Church House by the Duke and Duchess of York, 12 noon. February 17, Lay Helpers' Dome Service, 7.30 P.M. February 20, 27, March 5, 12, 19, and 26, Canon Newbolt's Lectures to Men, N.W. Chapel, 6.15 P.M. February 25, March 3, 10, 17, and 24, Canon Newbolt's Lectures to Clergy, N.W. Chapel, 11.30 A.M. February 29, Welsh Service, 7 P.M., Bishop of Swansea preached. March 1, Bishop of London's Ordination for Deacons, 10.30 A.M. March 21, Confirmation, Bishop of London, 11.30 A.M. March 28, Lay Helpers' Day of Devotion in the Crypt Chapel. March 31, Bach's Passion Music, 7 P.M. April 27, Confirmation, Bishop of London, 11.30 A.M. April 29, Sons of the Clergy, Festival Service, 3.30 P.M. April 30, Special Service for Bishop of London's Fund, 7.30 P.M. May 2, Retreat for Laymen, Trophy Room,

8 P.M. May 5, British and Foreign Bible Society, Annual Service, 4 P.M. May 19, East London Nurses, Holy Communion and Sermon, 11 A.M. May 21, Universities Mission, Celebration, Crypt Chapel, 8.30 A.M. May 21, Waifs and Strays, Celebration, N.W. Chapel, 8.45 A.M. May 28, Post Office Guild, Celebration in the Choir, 7.45 A.M. May 31, Bishop of London's Ordination, Deacons and Priests, 10 A.M. June 1, Confirmation, Bishop of London, 11.30 A.M. June 1, Women's Help Society, Service, 8 P.M. June 4, Gregorian Festival Service, 7.30 P.M. June 7, Lord Mayor and Corporation and Judges afternoon service. June 11, Annual Service, East London Fund, 7.30 P.M. June 11, Hospital Sunday, Lord Mayor Morning Service. June 18, Parochial Mission Women, Annual Service, 11 A.M. June 18, Army Guild Service, 7 P.M. June 23, Guild of St. Albans, Celebration, Crypt Chapel, 8.45 A.M. June 20, Girls' Friendly Society, Service, 6 P.M. June 20, Qu'Appelle Mission, Celebration, N.W. Chapel, 8.45 A.M. June 25, Girls' Friendly Society, Sermon and Holy Communion, 11.15 A.M. June 30, Old Boys' Celebration in Jesus Chapel, 7.15 A.M. July 2, Lay Helpers' Annual Celebrations, 6.30 and 7.30 A.M. July 5, Evangelical Alliance Delegates attended the afternoon service. July 10, Parochial Ward Schools Service, 5.30 P.M. October 4, Bishop of London's Ordination, Deacons only, 10.30 A.M.

R. GREGORY, *Dean*.

ST. DAVID'S CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays, Holy Communion at 8; M. 11.10, with Holy Communion, on the second and fourth Sundays in the month; E. 4. (b) Week days, including Holy Days: M. 8.30; E. at 4. There is no distinction in the hour of Evensong, which is at 4 all the year. Parochial services in Welsh on Sundays at 9 A.M. and 6 P.M. Holy Communion in Welsh at 10 on the first Sunday in the month. Evensong service in Welsh on Wednesdays at 7 P.M.; on Thursdays in English at the same hour.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—No additional services in Advent, Lent, or Holy Week. On Christmas Day and Good Friday services at the same hours as on Sundays.
- III. Festival Services.**—The only Festival Services have been for Choral Union Festival, and a meeting of a branch of the G.F.S. There are each year special offertories for the Societies for the Propagation of the Gospel, Church Missionary Society, Pastoral-Aid, Additional Curates, Missions to Seamen, Building and Repairing of Churches, Diocesan Augmentation of Benefices, National Society and Archidiaconal Board of Education jointly, and the Cathedral Restoration Fund.

E. OWEN-PHILLIPS, *Dean*.

SOUTHWELL CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.** (a) Sunday, Holy Communion, 8 A.M.: Matins with sermon, 10.30 A.M.; Evensong with sermon, 3 P.M.; Evensong with sermon, 6.30 P.M.; Holy Communion every Saint's Day, 8 A.M.; Holy Communion every third Sunday in the month at noon. (b) Week days: Daily, 10 A.M. and 3 P.M. In Advent and Lent, Holy Communion at 8 A.M. every Thursday.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Advent, plain Evensong at 3, and choral Evensong with sermon at 7.30, every Wednesday and Friday; the same during Lent, except in Holy Week. Address every evening at 7.30; and on Good Friday, when there is Matins at 9 A.M.; Litany, Ant. Communion Service, and sermon at 11; Evensong at 3 P.M. and at 7 P.M. with sermon.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—A Foreign Missionary Festival was held by the Lord Bishop of Southwell on June 12, 1894, when addresses were delivered by the Bishops of Manchester, Lahore, North China, and Waipap; Southwell Diocesan Choral Festival, June 30, 1896; Memorial Service in relation to funeral of the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, 12.30, October 23, 1896.

J. J. TREBECK, *Rector*.

TRURO CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.** (a) Sundays: Holy Communion, 8 A.M.; and every third Sunday in the month and on Easter Day, Whit-Sunday, and Trinity Sunday, at noon (chanted), and on the fifth Sunday in the month (plain). Matins with sermon, 11 A.M. Evensong with sermon, 6.15 P.M. (b) Week days: Matins, 7.30; Holy Communion, 8; Evensong, 4 (Choral on Saturdays); Litany on Wednesday and Friday, 12. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion, 8; Matins, with sermon, 10.30; Evensong, 4 (chanted).

- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: Wednesday, 4 P.M. Sermon at Evensong. (b) Lent: Tuesday, 4.30 P.M. Instruction; Friday, 7.30 P.M. Special service with sermon. (c) Holy Week: 8 A.M. Holy Communion; 11 A.M. Matins with address; 4 P.M. Evensong; 7.30 P.M. Hymn with sermon. Good Friday: 8 A.M. Holy Communion; 10 A.M. Matins; Three Hours' Service, 12—3; Children's Service, 4; Evensong with sermon, 6.15. (d) On Christmas Day, the Epiphany, and Ascension Day the Holy Communion is celebrated chorally at noon. (e) Rogation Days: Litany, noon; Evensong with sermon 4 P.M.
- III. Special and Diocesan Service.**—1896: January 8, Lecture on Catechising. January 30, Gathering of Clergymen in charge of workhouse ministrations. February 26, Intercessory Service for the Home Missions of the Church. May 6, 7, Devotional Conference of the clergy of Cornwall. May 17, 20, Anniversary of the Foundation. Whitsun, May 25, Festival of Diocesan Training College. June 1, Devotional Meeting of the Canons. June 2, Primary Visitation of the Cathedral. June 9, Annual Festival of Diocesan Choral Union. June 13, Visitation of the Clergy of four rural Deaneries held in the Cathedral. July 14, Festival of the Truro Divinity School and of the Junior Clergy Society. July 24, Special service before laying the foundation-stone of the new High School. September 3, Readers' Conference and special services. September 27, Hospital Sunday. October 1, Harvest Thanksgiving. October 13, 16, Retreat for Clergy in the Diocese. October 16, Memorial Service for Archbishop Benson. November 3, 8, Anniversary of the Consecration. November 27, Day of Intercession for Foreign Missions.

NOTE:—In addition to the ordinary and special services mentioned above, there are other celebrations of the Holy Communion, daily Evensong at 7 o'clock (on Holy Days and Fridays with a sermon at 7.30), and services for children held in the parish church of St. Mary, which forms the old south aisle of the Cathedral.

JOHN TRURON., *Dean.*

WAKEFIELD CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 A.M., also on first Sunday at 7 A.M. and on first, third and fifth Sundays after morning service, on Great Festivals three or four Celebrations. Morning service at 10.30, Afternoon service at 3 P.M. First Sunday in the month with Organ Recital at 2.30 for men only. Second Sunday in the month, at 2.45, a children's service. Second, third, fourth and fifth Sundays at 3, Bible class for men. Evening service at 6.30. (b) Week-day services: Holy Communion, Thursdays at 8 A.M. (7.30 A.M. in summer months), Saints' Days and Holy Days at 8 or 10.30 A.M. (according to notice). Daily Morning Prayer 10; Evening Prayer 4.30, with address on Saints' Days (except Wednesdays, Evening Prayer and sermon, 7.30).
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: special course of sermons on Wednesday evenings, special addresses on Friday afternoons. (b) Lent: Special sermons on Wednesday evenings and Friday afternoons, special courses of addresses on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Holy Week: Special services and addresses by notice.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services** are also held in connection with the Diocesan Choral Union, Diocesan Conference, Devotional Meetings of Ruridecanal Chapter, Union of Church Sunday School Teachers, Intercession for Sunday Schools, Intercession for S.P.G. and C.M.S., Harvest Thanksgiving, Clayton Hospital, Waifs and Strays, and other objects.

WILLIAM DONNE, *Vicar.*

WELLS CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; second Celebration at 11 on the first Sunday of the month. M. 11; E. 3. (b) Week days: M. 10; E. 3. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8; M. 10, with sermon; E. 3; and a second Celebration on the Great Festivals. From October 1 to Ascension Day, Evensong at 4.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent: Special service and sermon at 8 P.M., on Wednesdays; congregation about 250. (b) Lent: As in Advent, at 8 P.M., with the addition of an evening service on the Wednesday and Thursday in Holy Week. Services in Holy Week at 11 and 3, and on Good Friday Three Hours' Service, 12—3.
- III. Special Services.**—Special services during the year: service of praise and song, including Christmas carols, anthems, hymns, and organ recitals, on January 7, 8 P.M. Quiet Days for the Clergy, April 18, 19. Evening sermons at 8 P.M. in the Nave on all Sundays, and every Sunday in August; congregation, 700 to 1000. Harvest

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Festival, September 24: Holy Communion at 8 A.M.; service and sermon in the Nave, 8 P.M. Meeting of Diocesan Societies, August 1. Theological College Triennial Festival, May 17, 18. Members of Association for Higher Religious Education, July 2, with address by the Dean. Diocesan Conference in Chapter House. Holy Communion on all these days at 8 A.M. or 11 A.M., or both; special sermons or addresses.

NOTE.—The Cathedral is left open for private prayer and inspection from 9 to 5.30 in summer, and 10 to 4 in winter.

T. W. JEX-BLAKE, *Dean*.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

- I Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; **M.** Holy Communion and sermon at 10; **E.** and sermon at 3. During Advent and Lent, and from first Sunday after Easter to the end of July, **E.** 7. (b) Week days: Shortened Matins, 8.30; short service for Westminster School during school terms, 9.15 A.M. (Holy Days 9 A.M.); **M.** (choral) at 10; **E.** (choral) at 3. Holy Days: Christmas and Ascension Days, the Circumcision, St. Peter, and All Saints' Day, Holy Communion at 8 A.M. and at 11.30; other Holy Days at 8 A.M.; Thursdays, Holy Communion at 8 A.M. Sermons on Holy Days at 3.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent 1895: Sunday, **E.** 7; sermons on Mondays or Saturdays, 3.45 P.M. (b) Lent 1896: Sunday, **E.** 7. Sermon, Fridays, **E.** 3. Holy Week: Sermon for the first four days, **E.** 3; Good Friday, sermons, **M.** 10, **E.** 3, the 'Three Hours,' 12—3. During Holy Week the choir attend, and music is used.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—1895: Holy Innocents' Day: An address to Children by the Dean. Carols every afternoon from Christmas Eve to New Year's Eve. 1896: Distribution of Royal Bounty on Maundy Thursday at 1 P.M. Service for National Society on Ascension Day, afternoon. Special Intercessions on St. Andrew's Day for Missions as usual. At the opening of Convocation, and some other special occasions, the Holy Communion is celebrated in Henry the Seventh's Chapel. Special Service on St. Peter's Day, and on October 13 the 'Translation of King Edward the Confessor.' October 16, Memorial Service for the late Archbishop of Canterbury.

NOTE.—The Sunday Offertory Alms are given to most of the leading Church Agencies, for Foreign and Home Missions, Hospitals and other Agencies for the moral and spiritual welfare of the people, the Westminster poor and the Westminster Charitable Institutions being chiefly considered.

G. G. BRADLEY, *Dean*.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; service for soldiers at 9.30; **M.** sermon and Holy Communion at 11; Litany and sermon at 3.15; **E.** at 4. (b) Week Days: **M.** at 10; **E.** at 4. (c) All Red Letter Days and every Thursday, Holy Communion at 8; Holy Communion (choral) Great Festivals, after Matins. Holy Communion also on the days appointed for (1) S.P.G., (2) C.M.S., (3) G.F.S. Festivals, and the Diocesan Conference. Service for Winchester College, evening of 2nd Sunday each month in Term, at 5.30. Holy Communion for soldiers in Lady Chapel, 1st Sunday in month, and on Greater Festivals.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—Sermon with special preacher every Friday in Lent at Evensong. Holy Communion on each day in Holy Week (except Good Friday). Sermon on Thursday in Advent after Evensong.

W. R. W. STEPHENS, *Dean*.

WORCESTER CATHEDRAL.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8; **M.** and Holy Communion at 11; **E.** 6.30. Children's Service (upper and middle classes) with catechising at 3. Full Choral Evensong at 4 (no sermon). (b) Week days: Holy Communion at 8 A.M. daily, **M.** 10.15, **E.** 4.15. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8. Choral Communion last Sunday of each month at 11 A.M. service, and on Great Festivals.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent 1895: Thursday, special service, 8 P.M.: 'Blessed are they who Watch' (Blair), and 'Last Judgment' (Spohr): congregations, 500. (b) Lent 1896: Tuesdays, at 8, Address on 'Education,' Rev. W. H. Carnegie. Thursdays, at

3.15, Lectures on 'St. Francis of Assisi,' Canon Knox Little. March 25, Address to Mothers. Holy Week: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Holy Communion at 8; short evening service, with Bach's Passion Music in four parts, preceded by an Address at 8 A.M.; congregations, 1000. Good Friday: Address and Litany at 7.30; M. and Ante-Communion at 9; Devotion of 'Three Hours' Agony,' 12 to 3; congregation, 400 to 500. E. and sermon at 6.30, with parts of the 'Messiah' for anthem; congregation, Good Friday evening, 2000. Easter Even: Holy Communion at 8; E. 7.30. Easter Day and Whit-Sunday: Holy Communion, 7, 8, and 11.

- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—Harvest Festival, with parts of Hymn of Praise and 'Creation' for anthem; congregation, 1000. Ascension Day: Holy Communion at 7, 8, and 11. E. at 8, part of Handel's 'Messiah' for anthem; congregation, about 2000. Special Service for Friendly Societies of the district, September 26; sermon by the Rev. W. F. Bickmore, vicar of Leigh; congregation, 3000. Special Service for Sunday School Association, April 12. Services and Recitals in connection with Re-opening of (Hope Jones, Electric) Organ, July 28 to August 2, sermon at Dedication of Organ by Lord Bishop of Peterborough. Bishop's Visitation of Cathedral, October 14, 1895. General Visitation of Diocese, October 16, 1895. Three Choirs' Musical Festival, September 6-13; offertories for Widows and Orphans of Three Dioceses, 830l. Special Service for Volunteers. Quiet Day for Girls' Friendly Society. Lectures to Clergy on the first Monday of the month at 3 P.M.

NOTE.—Special services in Advent and Lent for boys of the Cathedral School.

R. W. FORREST, *Dean*.

YORK MINSTER.

- I. Ordinary Services.**—(a) Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 A.M.; M. Holy Communion and sermon at 10.30; Litany and sermon at 3, and E. at 4 in summer. Litany and anthem at 4, and E. at 6.45 in winter. (b) Week days: M. at 10, E. at 4.30. (c) Holy Days: Holy Communion at 8 and 10. On second Sunday in the month, sermon after third collect at Morning Prayer, then choral Celebration throughout.
- II. Holy Seasons.**—(a) Advent 1895: On Friday at 3.30, sermon in the Nave; 4.30, Evensong, and Spohr's 'Last Judgment' in parts. On Sundays Evensong in the Nave with Anthems from Handel's 'Messiah.' Lent 1896: Thursday evenings at 8, Fridays at 3.30, sermons; 4.30, Evensong, Spohr's 'Calvary' in parts. Holy Week: Holy Communion at 8; E. and sermon at 8 in the Nave. Maundy Thursday, E., Litany and 'Story of the Upper Chamber,' 8 P.M. Good Friday: Litany and Address at 8; M. and sermon at 10; 'Three Hours' Agony,' 12 to 3; E. at 4; service and 'Story of the Crucifixion' at 6.45. During 'Preparation Week' before Whit-Sunday, special service and sermon, Wednesday and Friday at 3; Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 8.
- III. Special and Diocesan Services.**—1895-96: Christmas Day, Special Music with augmented Choir, Offertories for Hospital. Conversion of St. Paul: Consecration of Dr. Jacob as Bishop of Newcastle. February 13 and 14, Meetings of Convocation. Lent: Special Lectures by the Archbishop on the Holy Communion; Special Lectures by the Bishop of Hull on the Epistles to the Seven Churches. January 28, Meeting of Clerical Brotherhood. April 9 and 10, Meetings of Convocation. April 26, Military Service, attendance of General and Staff and Troops, Lord Mayor and Corporation, &c. Special Music by Military Bands. Offertories for Military Charities. May 4, Meeting for Diocese of Algoma. May 28, Central African Meeting. June 2, 3, and 4, Meetings of Convocation. June 27, Diocesan Training College Jubilee Festival, sermon by the Archbishop. July 3, Diocesan Synod; Special Services and Celebration; offertories for Diocesan Church Extension. June 27, Gathering of Sunday School Teachers. July 9, Festival of Northern Cathedral Choirs. July 13, Girls' Friendly Society's Festival; sermon by the Archbishop. July 13, Gardeners' Benevolent Institution; Special Music and Floral Decorations. July 28, Church Band of Hope gathering in the Nave; Address by the Archbishop. September 29, St. Michael Harvest Festival offertories for Hospital.

A. P. PUREY-CUST, *Dean*.

SECTION III.—HOME MISSION WORK.**CLERICAL AND LAY AGENCIES.**

THE quickened activities of the Church in the Home Mission field are full of interest and hopefulness.

The Social Problems which so deeply affect the conditions of life among the poor and working classes are being studied with intelligent zeal. This is more than ever needful if the Church would learn to know how to make her ministries tell most powerfully for the greater elevation and enjoyment of life, in its spiritual and material aspects, among those who must be the special objects of her care. If any solid and permanent improvement is to be wrought, it must seek its inspiration and power in the direct spiritual work of widening and deepening the influences of Christianity among the people.

The people must first be taught that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation, and for this the direct missionary work of the Church should be first thought of, and multiplied in every quarter. In comparison with other objects to which the liberality of Churchmen is devoted, it is seriously doubtful whether they have ever yet in any adequate measure realised their responsibility in giving the ministerial work of the Church power and efficiency. The two principal Home Mission Agencies, the Church Pastoral Aid Society and the Society for the Employment of Additional Curates, are still in urgent need of increased support, and until Churchmen respond with greater faithfulness and generosity to their appeals, this most urgent and solemn trust must still remain but half fulfilled.

That the social welfare and happiness are not overlooked is evidenced in the development of numberless educational and philanthropic enterprises. Nothing has indicated this more clearly than the Oxford House Movement, and the many endeavours made to bring the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and our Public Schools, into practical touch with the wants of the poor in London, and such-like centres of population.

The following records will show, that whilst the direct Missionary claims upon the Church to minister the Gospel of Christ are essential parts of their aims, these Missions are making practical study of the material wants of the people, and are seeking in many successful ways to supply them. By active efforts, the Bishop of Rochester has recently moved the University to organise a Cambridge settlement for South London, with aims similar to that of the Oxford House in Bethnal Green. The enthusiasm with which the proposal has been met is a sufficient guarantee for its successful working.

THE UNIVERSITIES AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS MISSIONS.

The Oxford House in Bethnal Green.—I. *Object.*—The Oxford House is established in order that Oxford men may take part in the social and religious work of the Church in East London; that they may learn something of the life of the poor; may try to better the condition of the working classes as regards health and recreation, mental culture and spiritual teaching; and may afford an example, so far as in them lies, of a simple and religious life.

The House is (a) a residence for laymen (University men or others) who can give their whole time, or such portion of it as they can spare from their professional engagements, to the work. (b) A meeting place for those who can come down to one or more evenings in the week to give assistance. (c) A centre for undergraduates wishing to spend some portion of the vacation in the East End.

II. *Scope of the Work.*—(a) Clubs for working men and working lads, with classes for religious and secular instruction. (b) Lectures. (c) Mission Services. (d) Work done by residents for the parochial Clergy. (e) Work done for other Societies and Institutions.

III. *The Year 1895-6.*—The number of residents in the House had an average of twenty-eight, besides a number of evening or day workers.

The new buildings were opened in June 1892, by the Duke of Connaught, in the presence of both the Archbishops and eight Bishops. They consist of a house for residents and visitors, and a lecture hall. Premises for the Oxford House Club were opened by Princess Mary of Teck on November 10, 1894. The total cost has been 13,500*l.*

The Oxford House Club is a Working Men's Club with a membership of about 350. In connection with the Club are Cricket, Rowing, and Football Clubs, Debating Society, Savings Bank, 'Help Myself' Society, and frequent lectures, concerts, and evening parties.

University Club numbers 850 working-men members. In connection with the Club there are Cricket, Rowing, Football, Athletic, and Cycling Clubs; Debating Society, Dramatic Society, Savings Bank, Sick Fund, Bible Class, Drawing Class, and other evening Classes. There are meetings and societies for members' wives and children, Co-operative Stores, and a Cabinet-makers' Co-operative Factory.

The Webbe Institute for working lads has 400 members between the ages of 14 and 18. There are Football and other clubs, and various classes for the members, and a Monthly Club Service.—The Cadet corps and Band are special features of the Club.

The Repton Club, supported by Repton School, and worked by Oxford House, has a membership of 100 lads.

The St. James, the Great Club, has been formed during the past year for boys between the ages of 12 and 15, and numbers about 80 boys. It has a strong branch of the Church Lads' Brigade.

Special Club services are held once every quarter in the Parish Church of Bethnal Green.

Lectures are delivered in the Lecture Hall every Sunday afternoon on subjects chiefly of a religious nature, and are followed by discussions.

A Branch of the London Diocesan Church Reading Union has been started, and a class for the study of Christian Evidence.

Sunday-School Classes are taken in several parishes by residents, who also give what help they can to the Clergy in visiting houses in the district, &c.

Residents at the Oxford House are honorary secretaries of—(1) The Mansion House Council for the Housing of the Poor; (2) The Charity Organisation Committee; (3) The Children's Holiday Fund Committee; and are members of the Board of Guardians and of the Committees of Managers of Church Schools and Board Schools, and visit weekly in two wards of the London Hospital.

The Federation of Social Clubs, which has its centre at the Oxford House, embraces sixty clubs of working men in various parts of London. The purpose of the Federation is to encourage and assist clubs which have no political objects, and on the premises of which no alcoholic drinks are sold. A list of lecturers is

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provided each year for the various clubs of the Federation. Athletics, Rowing, and Games, Competitions, &c. are arranged between the various clubs.

Tee-to-Tums.—These institutions, planned and originated by Mr. Buchanan, Vice-Principal of the House, have been established in various parts of the East End. They consist of refreshment rooms and cafés, in connection with which are clubs for working men. Several of the clubs have a membership of over 500 each.

The Limpsfield Boys' Home provides three weeks' fresh air for ailing boys sent by the Oxford House and the Eton and Christ Church Missions.

The House of Shelter in Burdett Road for homeless men and women was originated, and is still chiefly carried on, by the efforts of past and present residents of the Oxford House.

On September 29, 1895, the Head of the House was made Rector of Bethnal Green, and the large parish of St. Matthew was handed over to him by the Bishop to be worked from the House in addition to its other work. The number of residents were at that date 31, to which two Assistant Clergy are added to help in the parish work. Two more clergy joined the staff in 1896.

'The Oxford House Chronicle' (2*l.* monthly) furnishes a complete record of the progress of the work. An Annual Report is also published containing balance sheets, &c. The Head of the House is the Rev. A. F. W. Ingram, to whom all communications should be addressed at the Oxford House, Bethnal Green, E.

Cambridge House.—The Cambridge House was founded in the winter of 1896-7, in answer to the Bishop of Rochester's appeal to the University to found in his Diocese a University settlement.

The difficulty arising from Trinity having already founded its own settlement was surmounted by the generous offer of the Trinity settlement to be merged in a Cambridge House, provided that the work should be continued on the same basis; and at a great meeting, held in the Guildhall in November 1896, the offer was gratefully accepted.

Trinity Court, the Trinity College settlement (which has a separate existence from the Mission and must not be confused with it), was opened in the autumn of 1889, five houses in the Camberwell Road being purchased by Dr. Dalton, the first Head, which can be taken up as occasion requires. He also built the Trinity Court Hall and the wing connecting it with the house. These premises are all to be purchased by the settlement as soon as the funds allow, and the price for the first three houses, hall, and garden is 4,903*l.*

The primary object of Trinity Court was to help the College Mission, but it was also to be a centre of social, philanthropic, and educational work for South London generally, and therefore offered a hearty welcome to all who would join loyally in the work, and upon these lines Cambridge House will continue to work.

During the first six years the Heads were laymen, but the system was found to be impracticable, and in October 1895 the present Head entered into office.

The work carried on by Trinity Court, and now continued by Cambridge House, may briefly be described as follows:—It is the headquarters for South London of the Federation of Working Men's Clubs, of the Federation of Working Boys' Clubs, of the S. E. Committee of the London Playing Fields Committee, of a large district of the Children's Country Holiday Fund, and of a battalion of the Church Lads' Brigade.

To help the Trinity College Mission the residents manage a Men's Club and a Boys' Club in the Albany Road district, the Senior Lads' Club and Brigade Club in the New Church Road district, the two parish companies of the Church Lads' Brigade are provided with officers, teaching is undertaken in the Day and Sunday Schools, Bible classes are worked, and assistance is given in the administration of parish relief and the management of parish schools.

Outside the Mission Parish a club is worked in one of the worst districts in London by members of the settlement, great help is given to the District Committee of the C. O. S., and the residents serve as managers on several groups of Board Schools, and also on School Attendance Committees.

Saturday evening concerts and a very successful gymnasium are held in the hall, and University Extension Lectures have been undertaken.

The Cambridge House endeavours to carry on, and, if possible, to extend, all the above general work, and hopes to be able to help other College Missions in the future

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such as Trinity Court has helped the Trinity Mission in the past, and to give what help it can to surrounding parishes as well.

Trinity College, Cambridge.—This Mission differs from all other College Missions in that it embraces the whole of the large parish of St. George, Camberwell (population nearly 17,000). The church, with some 1,200 sittings, was partly restored in 1887 and 1890, and the restoration was completed in 1893 at a cost of early 2000*l.*, subscribed by some 1,500 gifts and donations, mostly from the parish, whilst the churchyard has been laid out by the Metropolitan Gardens Association. The day schools have been twice enlarged and improved, whilst the number of children has increased from 500 to 1000. During the past ten years three mission rooms have been opened; one of these has been enlarged several times, and once it was made twice its former size by the voluntary labours of the Men's Guild. A second (in a district now cut off as the Parish of All Saints) has been pulled down and rebuilt to hold 400 people. In the Sunday schools and Bible classes connected with the mission parish there are now over 2000 children. There are guilds for men, married women, young men, and girls, and a men's meeting with about 70 members. The Sisters' Home is in Addington Square, and it is hoped soon to increase the number of the Sisters under the headship of Deaconess Louisa. There is also a branch of the G.F.S., a Band of Hope, and four Mothers' Meetings. Clubs for Men, Young Men, Lads, Boys, and Factory Girls are open in various parts of the district, and are now very greatly assisted by the latest development of lay work—viz. through the work which is carried on by the Members of Trinity Court. The Members of Trinity Court are mostly Trinity men, and each devotes a certain amount of his time to some form of work. A large hall has been built for Lectures, Gymnasium, &c. The College Committee, under the presidency of Dr. Butler, has built, at a cost of over 12,000*l.*, a new Mission Room, Gymnasium, and Institute. This building was finished and fully opened in December 1895, the Prince of Wales presiding at a dinner on the occasion. The Clergy and Members of Trinity Court would gladly welcome more helpers in order to carry on and increase the already large and constantly growing work they have in hand.

Warden, the Rev. R. Appleton, M.A., St. George's Vicarage, 113 Wells Street; with other Mission Clergy.

St. John's College, Cambridge.—This Mission, commenced in 1884, now works in its own parish of the Lady Margaret, Chatham Street, Walworth, off the New Kent Road, S.E., with a population of about 7000; all poor. Three Mission Clergy are assisted by volunteer helpers and parishioners. The fullest possible provision is made for Sunday and week-day services at hours to suit the special wants of the people, who show their appreciation of the same by steadily increasing congregations every morning and evening and 'at noonday.' The foundation stone of the Church of the Lady Margaret was laid on June 18, 1888. On June 17, 1889, the church was consecrated by the Bishop of Rochester in the presence of the Rector and Fellows and a large number of Members of the College. The building has cost 4,500*l.* A vicarage has been built on the mission site by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, with help from the Rochester Diocesan Society and the late Bishop. A small endowment also has been secured to the work.

The usual agencies employed to support the spiritual work are in full operation, viz. Mothers' Meetings, Evenings for Men, Lads, Boys, and Girls, a Library, and Children's Pleasant Evenings. A Dispensary also is open one night a week, and premises have been secured for the further development of work among women and girls, and convenient new buildings are in course of erection.

Missioner, Rev. W. I. Phillips, M.A., The Vicarage, Chatham Street, Walworth, S.E.; with other Assistant Clergy.

Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge.—Mission and Settlement at Battersea.

The work embraces:

(1) *Religious Work* in the district of Yelverton, containing about 5000 inhabitants, and cut off from the parish of St. Mary's, Battersea. This work is entrusted to the sole charge of a Missioner in Holy Orders, who is licensed by the

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Bishop of Rochester, and directly responsible to him. The Missioner resides in Caius House, where there is room for three settlers, who are men who have left the College to continue their work in London, and are willing to assist in either the religious, educational, or social work in connection with the scheme. The Missioner acts as Warden of the Caius House.

The services every Sunday are as follows: Holy Communion at 8 A.M.; Matins, Litany, and Sermons at 11 A.M.; Children's Service at 3 P.M.; Holy Baptism at 6.30 P.M.; Evensong and Sermon at 7 P.M.; Special Services and Meetings at 8.15 P.M. as announced from time to time.

(2) *Educational Work*, by means of Ambulance, Nursing, Physiology, Social Science, Choral, Orchestral, and other classes, held in the winter sessions. Popular lectures and debates are held alternately every week.

(3) *Social Work*: A Working Men's Club, open every night, Smoking Concerts and other entertainments in connection with this Club and the Caius House Society, Slate Club, Boys' and Men's Cricket Clubs, Chess Club, Band of Hope, Caius Girls' Club, Sewing Class, &c.

The income is derived from past and present members of the College, and should amount to at least 400*l.* per annum. The first portion of the permanent building was opened in October 1892, and accommodates 225.

Warden and Missioner, the Rev. W. B. L. Hopkins, M.A., Caius House, Vicarage Road, Battersea Square, S.W.

Clare College, Cambridge.—This Mission commenced in 1885, and carries on its work in a district severed from the parish of All Saints, Rotherhithe, with a population of 5000. Two Clergy are assisted by a licensed lay reader, a Bible woman, other Lay Helpers, and the Sisters of the Church. The Church Services are frequent. Over 500 children are in Sunday schools, and there is a Communicants' Guild. For the support of the Mission the Members of the College contribute 300*l.* per annum. The Master, Dean, and several of the undergraduates visit the district from time to time, giving addresses and assisting in other ways. The other agencies employed to supplement the more direct spiritual work are as follows: Mothers' Meetings and Women's Help Society, Men's Slate and Social Clubs, Boys' and Men's Classes, Concerts, Lectures, Library, and Penny Bank. Over 850*l.* was spent upon this Mission in 1891.

Missioner, Rev. A. Amos, Mission House, 159, Abbeyfield Road, Rotherhithe.

Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.—This Mission commenced in 1887, and carries on its work in a district taken from the parish of Christ Church, Camberwell, with a population of about 8000. Services were held regularly for three years in a railway arch. A two-storied building has now been erected on a freehold site at a total cost of something over 5000*l.*; the Church was dedicated by the late Bishop of Rochester on October 25, 1890, and is used only for Divine worship. The Lower Room is used for Sunday Schools, Classes, Lectures, Clubs, &c. These buildings now require to be enlarged, and the Committee are endeavouring to raise a sum of 2000*l.* to carry out this scheme. About 800*l.* has been already promised. An additional Mission Room has been opened in Penarth Street, one of the poorest streets in the district. About 300*l.* is subscribed annually by past and present Members of the College; and in addition to this some 500*l.* was raised by voluntary contributions for the work of the Mission.

Missioner, Rev. W. W. Hough, 32 New Cross Road, S.E.

Pembroke College, Cambridge.—This Mission was commenced in 1885, and is working in a district taken from the Parish of All Saints, Newington, with a population of about 5000. The Missioners are assisted by a Mission lady and a few Lay Helpers. Services on Sundays and week-days are held regularly for adults and children, and there are Bible classes for men and women and choir boys, and a Communicants' Guild. The other agencies employed to supplement the more directly spiritual work are as follows: Mothers' Meeting, Girls' Club, Lads' Club, Church Lads' Brigade, Penny Bank, Band of Hope, Workmen's Club, and Temperance Meetings. The first part of the new Mission buildings, erected at a cost of 2,462*l.*, was opened on Sunday, October 16, 1892, by the Rev. the Master of Pembroke.

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at of a large hall, at present used for the different purposes of the Mission, and a club room. Above those there is a temporary roof; but, when funds for a mission church is to be built over them, and the hall below will be used for all other purposes except Divine service. About 2000*l.* will be required to complete the church in this way. Two new club rooms, one for men, the other for girls, have been added to the Mission buildings, and were opened for use on Monday, 12th, 1895.

100*l.* is annually contributed by past and present Members of the College. Secy., Rev. R. H. B. Simpson, M.A., 207A East Street, Walworth, S.E.

Church, Oxford.—This Mission was commenced in 1881 in a district with a population of 7000 taken from the parishes of St. Michael, Bromley, and All Saints, India Docks. The four clergy are assisted by five Sisters of the Holy Family, St. John the Baptist, Clewer. Eight Services are held on Sundays, and on Wednesdays, Communion, Matins, and Evensong. There are Guilds and Bible classes for men and women. Other agencies to assist the more directly spiritual work are a Working Men's Reading Room, 3 Boys' Clubs, Gymnasium, Choral Society, Meetings, Girls' Club, C.E.T.S., Band of Hope, Soup Kitchen, 4 Comrades' Guilds, and a Burial Guild; also Open-air services, 'Magic Lantern' services, &c. Present Members of Ch. Ch. contributed last year 280*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.*, and subscribers and donors 1,028*l.* Total subscriptions and expenses 1,678*l.* An Endowment Fund has been started by a gift of 2000*l.* from a member of Christ Church, Oxford. The new Church of St. Frideswide of Oxford was opened on July 1st, 1894, by Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of London, and has just been completed at a cost of 70,000*l.* It holds 670 worshippers. The building is paid for, and a new organ has been added at a cost of 5000*l.* Land has been bought on which it is hoped to build a clergy house and a large parish hall. About 4000*l.* will be wanted to complete the same.

Total of last year's voluntary contributions was 1,183*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.* The new Mission building, including Girls' Club, Sisters' House, Soup Kitchen, &c. was completed during the year 1891 at the sole expense of a lady friend of the Mission. The lady workers of the Mission are united together in a Society called the Society of the Holy Family. Secretary, 45 Wilton Crescent, S.W. Secy., Rev. W. A. Carroll, 53 St. Leonard's Room, Poplar, with Assistant

College, Oxford, Mission, Stratford, E.—This Mission was founded in 1880 in Trinity College, and has a twofold object: to reach the men of the Great Oxford Railway works by means of a club, and to touch the people of the district generally.

Mission buildings comprise a Church seated for about 400, a large Hall, Billiards, Games, and Reading Room, a Boys' Club, and rooms for the

club is managed by a committee of members, the Boys' Club by Trinity men and is situated at the Oxford House.

Social organisation includes, besides these Clubs, two Mothers' Meetings, a Slate Club, Guilds for Men, Girls, Lads and Children, Sunday School, Band of Hope and Mercy.

There are two Priests in the parish, who are assisted by voluntary workers. There are 13 Church officers, 12 Club Committee, 4 District Visitors, a large body of Sunday School Teachers and extra workers.

The Mission is the meeting-place of a Women's Co-operative Guild and of a Foresters' Club.

Church services are held in full daily.

Priests: Rev. W. J. Roxburgh (in charge), Rev. Frank Weston.

This Mission was commenced in 1880, and was in 1893 formed into the Mission of St. Mary of Eton. The District is situated in Hackney Wick, and has a population of 8,042. The Missioner is assisted by three Clergymen, four Mission women, and a nurse.

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offerings and subscriptions from Old Felstedians, and by contributions from the Additional Curates Society and the Bishop of St. Albans' Fund, the School guaranteeing 70*l.* per annum, though its contributions to the work are by no means limited to this amount. In January 1891, a London Committee of Old Felstedians was formed to further organise the support of the Mission. The expenses of the Mission last year amounted to 585*l.*

Mr. Rowland Beevor, O. F. (Norfolk House, Norfolk Street, Strand), Hon. Sec.

Haileybury.—Haileybury has since 1873 supported a 'Haileybury Lecturer' at St. John's College, Agra. 150*l.* is sent out each year, of which 130*l.* is paid to the lecturer, and the remainder is devoted to the library, small scholarships, or other objects.

In the summer of 1890 a Guild of Old Haileyburians was formed to give personal help to Clergymen in big towns in any way they can. The Rev. J. L. Evans (O. H.), Vicar of Holy Trinity, St. Giles's, Lincoln's Inn Fields, has secured the help of four O. H.'s for a Boys' Club in his parish. Others are helping elsewhere in London, as well as in Liverpool and other towns. A report is published in February each year. The Guild Council have recently made a grant from the small funds at their disposal in aid of the rapidly growing district in 'London over the Border,' for they are anxious to do something for the St. Albans Diocese as well. It is hoped that by the end of this year the building which is now being erected in Stepney will be completed. Two O. H.'s have already been training a number of boys, who will form the nucleus of the Lads' Brigade, which is to be the foundation of the Club.

Highgate.—A society was formed in 1894, under the presidency of the Headmasters, assisted by a Representative Committee of Boys, Old Boys, and Masters, for the purpose of carrying on some Mission work in one of the poorer districts of London. The Parish selected was St. Mary's, Whitechapel. A club is maintained, which is affiliated both to the London Diocesan Boys' Brigade and to other Boys' Clubs connected with the Church in London. The Mission Fund also subsidises a curate whose special duty is the management of the Boys' Club and general work among the lads of the parish.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. H. A. P. Sawyer, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer Mission Society, School-house, Highgate.

Magdalen College School, Oxford.—A Missionary Association of past and present members of the School was formed in 1883. It was started chiefly as a memorial to the Rev. H. A. B. Wilson, late of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa, a former member of the School.

At a meeting held April 16, 1896, it was resolved—

That out of the amount available for grants there should be given—for Foreign Missions, 7*l.* to the maintenance of a native boy at Nawala, and 20*l.* to the General Fund of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa; for Home Missions, 27*l.* towards building a church in the St. Albans Mission district.

Malvern.—The formation in 1894 of a separate district worked by the School Missioner has unfortunately involved the separation of the School from All Saints', Haggerston, with which it has been associated since 1881, and it is now located in the crowded parish of Holy Trinity, Barking Road, Canning Town, E., where a district of some 7000 people has been allotted to the Mission. In the year 1894 an iron church, seating nearly 200, was erected; a large site, including cottage and stables, has since been added at a cost of nearly 800*l.*, and the building adapted for temporary club and Mission purposes, and the first part of the permanent buildings, erected at a cost of 300*l.*, was opened in May 1896. In the church, full Sunday as well as Week-day services are held, and a weekly celebration of Holy Communion, as well as on Saints' Days, at 8 a.m. A large Sunday School has been gathered; a Working Men's Club, a company of the Church Lads' Brigade, Guilds for Women and Girls, together with Mission Services, and a vigorous Open-Air Campaign, complete the working machinery of the Mission. In June a Ten-days Mission, conducted by the Rev. M. L. Smith, was held, which, it is hoped, will bear fruit in a deeper religious life. Rooms are provided at the Mission for Old Malvernian visitors, and it is hoped an Old Malvernian layman will be induced to take up his residence and help in evening work. The School guarantees 100*l.* a year to the Missioner's

stipend, and 100*l.* for working the Mission; this they raised, and were able to put a small sum by for an emergency fund. This, however, by no means exhausts the list of help they have given—numerous donations, as well as old clothes, books, &c., having been sent. The Missioner is assisted by a licensed Lay Reader and a Mission nurse. Old Malvernians are requested to send their donations direct to the Missioner, Rev. G. F. Gillett, Malvern Mission, Cooper Street, Canning Town, E.

Marlborough.—This Mission was commenced in 1882 in Tottenham; the population of the district is 6,796. Three Clergymen are assisted by a Mission woman and 105 voluntary Church workers. Frequent services are held on Sundays and weekdays; and occasional services for factory people in the dinner hour, and Board School children on week evenings; a Sunday evening children's service, a mission-room service, and a cottage service; and besides these a Band of Hope, the C.E.T.S., a Girls' Club, and Boys' Brigade.

Last Easter Day there were 597 communicants, and more than 250 adults have now been confirmed through the work of the Mission. Three Sunday Schools—two of them in parish buildings—teach over 800 children, and a Workmen's Club is to be built as soon as possible.

The School contributes annually 150*l.* or more. The church was consecrated in 1887. It cost 9,500*l.*, one-third of which was contributed by old Marlburians. Part of the organ was dedicated, and sites for Sunday Schools and Workmen's Club purchased in 1889, and a vicarage built in 1890. In 1891 a mission building was begun for 2000 people at a distance from the church, and completed in 1893 at a cost of 1,700*l.* Since the parish was constituted and endowed with 200*l.* the Marlborough boys and masters contribute 120*l.* per annum to an assistant Curate; and Old Marlburians, with the help of the A.C.S., now provide a second Curate for the increasing population.

Mission Clergyman, Rev. E. F. Noel Smith, St. Mary's Vicarage, Tottenham.

Merchant Taylors' School.—This Mission, resolved upon in July 1889, was opened by the Bishop of London in July 1890. A two-floored mission building—with Church up-stairs, and Gymnasium, Soup Kitchen, Bath Rooms, and Club Room below—has been erected, at a cost of over 1,400*l.*, in the poor district of Shacklewell, West Hackney. In addition to the purely spiritual work of the Mission, which includes six services on Sunday, daily Evensong, Sunday School, &c., much social work has been undertaken, including Working Men's and Lads' Clubs, a Library, Temperance Society, weekly concerts and entertainments, 'Home Industry' Technical Classes, Choral Society, and Athletic Clubs, besides a Mothers' Meeting with 120 members, and Girls' Club with over 40. Visits have been made to Cambridge, and many places of interest in London. The Communicants' Guild, started in 1891, numbers already over 160 members; the Children's Guild has nearly 200 members, the Bible classes have increased, especially the class for big lads, in connection with the London Diocesan Church Lads' Brigade, of which the Mission has a flourishing company. Land has also been acquired, behind the present buildings, at a cost of 200*l.*, as a site for a permanent church, which is now greatly needed, and will soon, it is hoped, be commenced. A Lads' Guild has recently been started which has been instrumental in bringing them to the Church services. Cricket and football matches are played with the boys of Merchant Taylors' School.

Missioner, Rev. A. J. B. Ellerton, 307 Amhurst Road, Stoke Newington, N.

Rossall.—This Mission was commenced in 1883 in a district of the parish of All Saints, Newton Heath. The population is 4000. The Missioner is assisted by many voluntary helpers. The usual services are held on Sunday, including an early Celebration weekly, and midday once a month, together with Sunday Schools, Men's Bible Classes, senior and junior, and Young Women's Bible Class. Once a month the Communicants of both sexes meet together for a service of preparation for Communion; and meetings for each sex are also held quarterly. The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is administered on Sundays and Wednesdays. Other agencies to assist the more directly spiritual work are: Day Schools, Girls' Friendly Society, Band of Hope, Mothers' Meeting, Young Men's Club and Gymnasium, Savings Bank. Rossall School provides 110*l.* towards the Missioner's stipend; 50*l.* is also provided by Rossall School for a District Sister.

The Missioner is Rev. W. K. Maclure.

Rugby.—About forty years ago this School founded the Fox Memorial Fund in memory of Henry Watson Fox, an Old Rugbyian and a Missionary to Masulipatam; since then a large sum (for the last twelve years averaging above 300*l.*) has been annually raised for the support of this Indian Mission, which has been principally applied to the maintenance of an assistant master in the College at Masulipatam.

Contributions for the Fox Memorial Fund should be sent to J. Collins, Esq., Rugby.

Communications about the Rugby School Home Missions should be addressed to W. G. Mitchell, Esq., Rugby.

Tonbridge.—The School began to assist the work of the Church in a district near King's Cross in 1883. The parish church of 'Holy Cross in St. Pancras' (consecrated 1888) is in Cromer Street. There are never less than three services each week-day or than six on each Sunday. The parochial organisations include branches of the following Societies: Church of England Temperance (Adult and Juvenile), Church of England Working Men's, Young Men's Friendly, Women's Help and Mothers' Union; also Mothers' Meetings (in connection with Parochial Mission Women Fund), Guilds for Adults, Young Women, Boys, and Girls, Bible Classes for Men, Lads, and Young Women, Sunday Schools (in Board Schools), week-day evening Christian instruction for children, and Children's Country Holiday Fund. The School provides 100*l.* towards the stipend of an Assistant Curate. A 'Fathers' Meeting' is held weekly.

The Vicar is Rev. Albert Moore, 24 Argyle Square, King's Cross.

Uppingham.—This School transferred its Mission work from St. John's, North Woolwich, to St. Saviour's, Poplar, in 1883. The School gives 100*l.* a year towards a Curate's stipend, and the ladies of Uppingham give 30*l.* a year to provide a lady worker. At Christmas a collection is made among the boys to provide Christmas dinners and treats (18*l.* 17*s.* in 1895). In July an offertory in the School Chapel for Children's Country holidays amounted to 21*l.* 13*s.* 7*d.*, and provided a stay in the country for 41 children. In a Mission building, put up by the late Vicar in one of the streets, under the charge of the 'Uppingham Curate,' services are held on Sunday evenings and once or twice a week. There is a Sunday School, Mothers' Meeting, Lads' Club, &c.

No district is entirely given up to the Mission, as the School contributions are not sufficient for a district to be entirely worked through their means.

Address to Rev. T. Beardall, St. Saviour's Vicarage, Poplar, E.

Wellington College.—The Missionary Society in this School was established in 1874, but reconstituted in 1884, when the School guaranteed 150*l.* annually, and the Old Wellingtonians a similar amount; but the sum given has risen. The voluntary offerings of money in 1895 came to 1,246*l.* The Mission is in a district in Walworth with a population of nearly 5000. The two Mission Clergymen are assisted by a lady visitor, two qualified nurses, and a Mission woman in connection with the Parochial Mission Women's Fund, and a few voluntary workers. Frequent services are held in the mission room on Sundays and week-days, and Bible classes. To assist the more directly spiritual work there are Clubs for Men, Boys, and Girls, Mothers' Meetings, Penny Bank, Library, Sick Kitchen, a Country Home for Children, &c.

Number of Communicants, 120. Average each Sunday, 19. Collections last year, 56*l.*

A building, containing Club-rooms for men and boys and a Parochial Hall, has been erected at a cost of 3,500*l.*, raised mainly out of annual savings on the General Fund, and a house has been rented and furnished in which the lady-workers live.

Missioner, Rev. T. L. Mackesy, Wellington Coll. Mission, 183 East Street, Walworth, S.E.

Winchester.—This School commenced its mission work at South Bromley in 1877, and is now working at Landport, Portsmouth. The population is about 5,500. Two Clergymen are assisted by many voluntary Church workers. The services—Sunday and week-day—are very frequent. Special services for Men and Women, and preparation for Communion once a month. Communicants' Guild and Sunday

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School. Agencies to assist the more directly spiritual work are as follows: Clubs for Men, Lads, and Girls, Mothers' Meetings, Benefit Club, Temperance Society, Band of Hope, Emigration Society, Social Club for Factory Girls, Gymnasium. The School pays 150*l.* towards the stipend of the Missioner, and 100*l.* towards that of the assistant Missioner. A considerable sum has been spent upon the various branches of this Mission.

Some boys from H.M.S. *St. Vincent* are invited every week, and a home is offered in the Parsonage to some sailors and soldiers on leave.

The Mission Clergyman, Rev. G. H. Tremeneere.

Aldenham.—In 1895 12*l.* was sent by the School to the A.C.S. Winchester Mission.

Bradfield.—Supports the 'Bradfield College Mission Room' in the Parish of St. Chrysostom, Peckham, a very destitute parish in South London. 100*l.* is annually forthcoming for this purpose, about 65*l.* being the result of offertories at the Sunday Evening Services in the College Chapel, and the remaining 35*l.* being subscribed by Old Boys. The College also supports the crew of the *Jansen* steamer, employed in the Universities Mission to Central Africa. For this object special Sunday evening offertories, once every term, or three times a year, are set apart. They produced about 20*l.* in 1895.

In 1889 the Bradfield College Club (of Old Boys) elected a Mission Sub-Committee to co-operate with the Foreign Mission Committee at the College itself; and the result has been that the two Committees have elected a Provisional Committee, which has succeeded in raising about 20*l.* from Old Boys.

Badley.—A playground and club room in the parish of St. Peter, London Docks, is supported by this School. The cost is about 30*l.* a year, and in addition to this a certain amount is laid by annually to meet any exceptional expenditure. A further sum of 20*l.* per annum is given to the Diocese of Maritzburg. Another sum has now been guaranteed by the School, viz. 30*l.* a year to support two children from St. Peter's, London Docks. The alms and offerings, which amount to about 130*l.* a year after deducting the above sum, are devoted to the S.P.G., Hospitals, Home Missions, and Orphanages.

The Shropshire Mission.—This Mission was founded in 1884 to provide for the spiritual wants of a population of over 7,500, composed of City clerks and artisans, living upon the Noel Park Estate, Wood Green. Three Clergy are assisted by over ninety voluntary Lay Helpers. Services are held on Sundays at 8, 11, 3.30, and 7, and Evensong daily at 8 P.M. The new church was consecrated by Bishop Walsham How on the Festival of All Saints, 1889, and has cost over 7000*l.*, 3000*l.* of this sum being collected by the Shropshire Committee. In addition to the more direct spiritual work, other agencies are organised, such as Church of England Temperance Society, Band of Hope, Provident Clubs, Mothers' Meetings, Classes for Men and Women, and Church Lads' Brigade. A second Mission House is now being built at a cost of 2,550*l.* The Sunday Schools number over 1,200 children. The actual support of the Mission Clergy is largely supplied by the Churchmen of Shropshire.

Voluntary Offerings (Church Expenses, Home and Foreign Missions, &c.), 730*l.* 1*s.* 7*d.*

Incumbent, Rev. R. B. Dowling, Brookside, Wood Green. Assistant Clergy, Rev. M. O. Blakelock, Bradford House, Wood Green; Rev. A. E. Ll. Kenyon, The Lodge, Wood Green.

Cranleigh School has been connected with the St. John's College (Cambridge) Mission in Walworth since the latter was established in 1884. In October 1894 a School Mission Fund Committee was formed for the purpose of taking some more definite share in the work of the College Mission, chiefly by providing the stipend of a third clergyman on the staff of the Church of the Lady Margaret, Chatham Street, S.E.

The Cranleigh School Missioner is the Rev. Peter Green, B.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge, and an old Cranleighian, towards whose stipend for 1895, Cranleighans, past and present, contributed 80*l.*

CHURCH PASTORAL-AID SOCIETY.

Object.—To assist the Home Mission work of the Church by making grants to Incumbents for the stipends of Curates, lay agents, and women workers.

Operations.—Grants were made in 1895-96 towards the support of 670 Clergy, 139 Lay Agents, and 58 Deaconesses and Bible women. Total, 867. The average population of the parishes in receipt of grants is 8,416. The most recent feature has been the new departure made by the Society in establishing a Training Home for ladies wishing to devote themselves to deaconesses' work. The Home is situated in Blackheath on the confines of Greenwich, and has now 10 inmates.

In *Wales* and *Monmouthshire* the Society makes 70 grants for Clergy and 17 for Lay Agents. The population in these Welsh parishes is nearly 450,000.

Funds.—The receipts for the year ending March 31, 1896, were 62,632*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* The sum paid locally and by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to supplement the Society's grants was 47,909*l.* Thus during the year a grand total of 111,445*l.* has been either raised directly by the Society, or called forth and utilised by its aid.

Cases waiting for Aid.—There are more than 100 applications from large and needy parishes which have been thoroughly investigated and deemed worthy, which the Committee are unable to meet at present owing to want of funds.

Ladies' Home Mission Union.—This was established in 1889, under the presidency of the late Dowager Lady Dynevor, and now contains 6,500 members. The Honorary Secretaries are the Hon. Cecil M. Rice, 112 Queen's Gate, S.W.; Mrs. Peake, 32 Denning Road, Hampstead, N.W.; and Miss L. A. Ross, 174 Haverstock Hill, N.W.

Parochial and Circuit Missions.—The Society offers to procure the services of suitable mission preachers. It has also taken over the Circuit Missions formerly carried on by the Church Home Mission, the latter society having been merged in the C.P.A.S.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. John Barton, M.A., or to Colonel H. S. Clarke, late R.A., Secretaries, at the Society's Offices, Falcon Court, Fleet Street, E.C. The General Committee meets on the first and third Thursday in each month at 2.30 p.m.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF ADDITIONAL CURATES.

THE general aim of this Society's work has been very fully described in previous publications of this book. Its one comprehensive endeavour is to give the Church an increased power of making the Gospel of Jesus Christ known in the large centres of population in England. The claim which these great masses have upon the love and care of the Church must be apparent to all, and for many years past this Society has successfully laboured in the fulfilment of this great responsibility.

Present Work.—For the period ending Lady day, 1897, grants at the rate of 46,714*l.* per annum have been voted towards the support of 1,013 Curates, working amongst an aggregate population of over 6,250,000 people, distributed in 873 parishes.

Principles of Working.—The grants are made with strict regard to the actual necessities of each parish, population and income being carefully taken into account. The Curate to whom a grant is made is in every instance appointed by the Incumbent and licensed by the Bishop. The grants are made upon the distinct condition that additional services, sermons, and house-to-house visitations shall be undertaken.

Income, 1895.—The income for 1895 (69,493*l.*) proved happily sufficient to meet the year's expenditure, which was 67,894*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* Parochial associations produced 59,519*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.*; annual subscriptions, 2,103*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.*; donations, 7,265*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*; dividends and interests on deposit, 375*l.* 11*s.* 7*d.*; registry, 83*l.* 18*s.* 11*d.* (to July 15, when it ceased to be an A.C.S. institution); sundries, 144*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*—general fund, as above, 69,493*l.* Legacies, not now treated as income, produced 2,177*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.*

Additional Needs.—Fresh cases of parishes, poor, populous, and ill supplied with the Church's ministry are continually being brought before the Committee of the Society, and it is earnestly desired that the seeking and saving love of the Son of Man may be in like manner brought to bear upon the ignorant and godless in the parishes thus needing help. More than 100 such cases are now on the Society's books.

Ladies' Home Mission Association.—This most important development of the Society's work originated in the year 1867. Last year the general income was augmented by a considerable sum contributed through the branches of the Ladies' Association throughout the country.

SUMMARY OF LIST OF GRANTS, &c. TO LADY DAY, 1896.

Dioceses	Number of Grants	Population, according to 1891 census, where known	Total Number of Clergy, including A.C.S. Curates	Present proportionate Population to each Clergyman	Grants				Total Remit fr Dio. Par and Assoc for
					From A.C.S.	From Ecclesiastical Commissioners, Diocesan Societies and other sources	Locally Raised	Total Stipends of A.C.S. Curates	
PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY.									
Canterbury	17	77,328	38	2,034	£ 655	£ 120	£ 1,620	£ 2,395	£ 2,070
London	92	683,204	242	2,823	4,940	3,430	4,465	12,835	3,222
Winchester	23	138,742	48	2,800	1,065	1,070	1,130	3,295	2,650
Bangor	11	34,651	24	1,443	430	390	415	1,235	61
Bath and Wells	10	33,171	23	1,442	393	107	645	1,145	85
Chichester	23	101,389	59	1,718	1,020	535	1,540	3,095	2,01
Ely	16	64,672	42	1,539	725	384	981	2,090	1,35
Exeter	21	95,667	45	2,125	905	355	1,450	2,800	1,86
Gloucester & Bristol	27	164,941	67	2,461	1,405	445	1,710	3,560	2,58
Hereford	4	11,918	9	1,324	190	120	230	540	1,13
Lichfield	61	394,522	140	2,818	2,820	2,710	2,845	8,375	2,24
Lincoln	15	89,897	38	2,365	715	275	985	1,975	1,23
Llandaff	56	418,922	157	2,738	2,125	2,370	2,185	6,080	1,71
Norwich	17	92,917	40	2,322	685	150	1,395	2,230	1,36
Oxford	18	85,568	47	1,819	700	450	1,305	2,455	2,33
Peterborough	31	179,715	66	2,722	1,350	300	2,590	4,240	1,51
Rochester	53	422,491	128	3,300	2,865	1,250	3,060	7,175	1,51
St. Albans	55	331,487	115	2,882	2,635	2,715	2,485	7,335	2,96
St. Asaph	16	61,485	37	1,661	642	525	663	1,830	7.
St. Davids	29	147,162	68	2,163	1,204	730	1,576	3,510	1,66
Salisbury	13	36,379	29	1,254	590	300	830	1,720	1,3
Southwell	39	212,640	81	2,625	1,630	871	2,839	5,340	2,22
Truro	38	99,285	79	1,256	1,570	300	2,775	4,645	3,06
Worcester	26	188,597	54	3,492	1,415	395	1,685	3,495	2,38
PROVINCE OF YORK.									
York	39	305,014	81	3,765	1,965	895	2,335	5,155	2,22
Durham	23	168,965	67	2,521	1,110	1,120	870	3,100	9
Carlisle	13	83,891	31	2,706	660	430	660	1,750	6
Chester	21	159,196	53	3,003	895	375	1,685	2,955	8
Liverpool	22	176,678	45	3,755	900	415	1,675	2,990	2,0
Manchester	56	494,949	128	3,866	2,670	1,370	4,040	8,080	3,22
Newcastle	26	171,515	47	3,649	1,075	945	1,345	3,365	1,4
Ripon	36	229,662	79	2,793	1,705	420	2,820	4,945	1,92
Wakefield	29	148,491	60	2,474	1,305	891	1,649	3,845	8
Sodor and Man	12	28,969	25	1,158	475	283	520	1,278	4
Totals	988	6,124,960	2,292	2,675¹	45,494	27,441	59,023	131,958	59.5

¹ Mean average.

Diocesan Committees.—With a view to bring individual Dioceses into practical co-operation with the Central Executive, Diocesan Committees have been formed, and assist locally in the general administration of the Society. The following Dioceses have constituted Committees for this purpose, *i. e.* Bangor, Durham, Chester, Ely, Lichfield, Llandaff, Liverpool, Newcastle, Peterborough, Ripon, Rochester, St. Albans, St. Asaph, St. Davids, Salisbury, Southwell, Truro, Wakefield, and Sodor and Man. And under the 'Great Towns Scheme' local committees have been elected in the following places: Leeds, Manchester, Portsmouth, The Potteries, Brighton, Blackburn, Birmingham, Bolton, and Nottingham.

Communications should be made to the Rev. Paul Petit, M.A., Secretary, Albany Buildings, 39 Victoria Street, Westminster. The Board meets on the second Tuesday in each month (except August, September, and October), at 2.30.

THE LONDON DIOCESAN HOME MISSION.

FOUNDED by the late Archbishop Tait, 1857, to supplement existing parochial machinery in carrying out the Home Mission work of the Church.

The Diocese of London, conterminous with the county of Middlesex, contains a population of about 3,500,000, increasing at the rate of some 30,000 annually.

The general principle of the Society's work has been to find openings for Church extension in parishes where subdivision is desirable. A new district is practically formed and placed under the charge of a Mission Clergyman, whose aim is to develop the work of the Church, for the most part in temporary buildings, until provision can be made for the erection of a permanent church.

Result of Past Work.—The total number of consecrated churches whose erection has been promoted by the work of the Home Mission is now 62. The present aggregate population of the 62 parishes is upwards of 400,000, and has the supervision and pastoral care of more than 100 Clergymen.

Work in 1895.—Twenty-six missionary Clergymen were labouring in 25 districts (30,000 people), each district having its own temporary church or mission building.

Finance.—The income in 1895 was 482*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.*, which, with a balance of 71*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* from 1894 made 5,395*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.* The expenditure was 4,759 18*s.* 11*d.*

Communications to be made to the Secretary, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S. W.

DIOCESE OF LICHFIELD.—NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ADDITIONAL CLERGY AND LAY HELPERS' FUND.

THIS Fund was established in the year 1873 under the guidance of Bishop Selwyn, and the movement arose out of certain inquiries instituted in the year 1870 into the spiritual condition of the pottery and mining districts of North Staffordshire. The distinct object of the Fund is to assist by annual grants the employment of Curates and Lay helpers throughout the whole of North Staffordshire.

At the beginning of the year 1896 grants were voted in aid of the stipends of 6 assistant Curates and 2 Lay Helpers. The total amount of grants voted was 705*l.*, which includes 65*l.* paid by the Diocesan Church Extension Society on the recommendation of the Administrators of this Fund.

The income for 1895 was 516*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*, including subscriptions and donations, 237*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.*; Church offertories, 261*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*

The Rev. C. D. Rae, Silverdale Rectory, Staffordshire, acts as Hon. Secretary, to whom communications should be made.

EXETER DIOCESAN ADDITIONAL CURATES' SOCIETY.

THIS Society was formed more than fifty years ago to assist Incumbents of overgrown scattered parishes in providing Curates. Its grants are confined to the Diocese of Exeter; some preferring to give aid for their own Diocese specially.

The sum voted in grants last year was 973*l.* for thirty-four parishes.

The general principles and working of the Society are explained by reference to the following extract from its Rules: 'That the Committee make annual grants of money towards the maintenance of additional Clergymen in those parishes and districts which are most in want of assistance, strict regard being had in all cases to the right of the

Incumbent, the authority of the Bishop, the spiritual wants of the parish or district, the amount of contribution paid to the treasurer in aid of the funds of the Association from such parish or district, and to the sums raised therein for such additional Clergymen.

Communications should be made to the Rev. Preb. Tudor, Lustleigh Rectory, Newton Abbot, or A. M. H. Walrond, Esq., Exeter Bank, Exeter.

OXFORD DIOCESAN SPIRITUAL HELP SOCIETY.

THIS Society was established in 1857, in the Episcopate of Bishop Wilberforce.

Its object is to afford to the most necessitous parishes of the Diocese permanent or temporary pecuniary aid in the maintenance of a Curate. All applications for assistance are considered by a sub-committee early in October each year. Its income is derived from subscriptions and donations, parochial collections, and dividends on funded capital. Grants varying from 45*l.* to 15*l.* were voted to 43 parishes for the year 1895. The total amounted to 1,290*l.*

All communications should be addressed to the Rev. A. Bros, Shabbington Vicarage, Thame.

LONDON CITY MISSION.

THOUGH this Society (founded May 16, 1835) is not confined in its operations to the Church of England, it yet renders most efficient service to the parochial Clergy, 71 of whom act as local superintendents of the Society's Missionaries. Of the Committee 15 are laymen of the Church of England, and there are ten clerical examiners of candidates.

There are 481 Missionaries, who in ordinary districts visit once a month about 650 families, or 2,900 persons. By Missionaries specially qualified and selected for the purpose the Society's work is carried on among the police, postmen, cabmen, omnibus men, coal-heavers, gas-workers, millers, canal-boatmen, soldiers and sailors, foreigners, navvies and railway men, and in workhouses, factories, lodging houses, public-houses, and hospitals.

The following summary will illustrate some of the practical results of this good work during the year 1895-96.

Visits and calls paid, 3,584,023, of which to the sick and dying, 250,772; Testaments and portions distributed, 35,066; indoor meetings and Bible classes held, 46,442; additional indoor meetings in factories, workhouses, penitentiaries, &c., 24,713; outdoor services held, 11,585; readings of Scripture in visitation, 738,210; new communicants, 2,033; restored to Church Communion, 550; drunkards reclaimed, 1,749; fallen women admitted to asylums, restored to their homes, or otherwise rescued, 395; induced to attend public worship, 5,373; children sent to Sunday schools, 6,384; adults visited who died, 7,894.

The total receipts for the year ending March 31, 1896, were 55,255*l.*

Communications to be addressed to the Secretary, Rev. T. S. Hutchinson, M.A., 8 Bridewell Place, London, E.C.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCRIPTURE READERS' ASSOCIATION.

THE following abstract from the 52nd Annual Report of the Association shows the object for which it was established, the means used, and the special circumstances of the period covered by the Report:

Instituted under Episcopal sanction in 1844, its design is to assist metropolitan parishes in the Dioceses of London, Rochester, and St. Albans.

The objects of the Society are carried out by the employment of lay evangelists approved by the Clergy under whom they work, but appointed by the Committee after most careful examination and inquiry, and they labour under the written sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese, in the various parishes to which a grant is made by the Association.

In addition the Readers are required to attend for the first two years after appointment a weekly instruction class on Holy Scripture, Christian Evidences, Church History, and mission-room addresses, &c.

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During the year the number of grants was 127, distributed as follows: In the Diocese of London, 78; Rochester, 38; St. Albans, 10; Canterbury, 1. Total, 127.

Statistics for the year ending March 31, 1896.—No. of visits and calls, 396,006; of these—To the sick, aged, or afflicted, 53,270; to public-houses, common lodging-houses, factories, workshops, &c., 8,443. Children presented for baptism, 2,554; children brought to day or Sunday schools, 2,885; persons brought forward for Confirmation, 821; persons induced to attend church or mission services, 17,317; cases reported to the Clergy, &c. for relief, 13,824. No. of deaths (infants excepted) of those visited, 1303. No. of visits paid for the first time, 19,578.

Classes or Meetings conducted or taken part in.—Bible classes and cottage meetings, 3,664; mission services—Sunday, 3,667; week-day, 3,051; open-air services, 2,049; prayer meetings, 2,478; mothers' meetings, 1,505; temperance meetings, 3,220.

The income of the Society for 1895-96 amounted to 11,028*l.*

Communications should be made to the Secretary, 56 Haymarket, S. W.

DIOCESAN SOCIETIES.

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL.—Bristol Scripture Readers' Society.

This Society was formed in 1845 to provide lay Scripture Readers for the Clergy of populous parishes in Bristol and its suburbs. It now employs 14 Readers, who assist in ministering to the spiritual wants of a population of nearly 100,000. The income is at present insufficient to carry on the work, and a small reserve fund has been seriously entrenched upon, the expenditure being nearly 300*l.* beyond its present income.

Address to the Hon. Secretary, Rev. P. A. Phelps, St. John's Rectory, Bristol.

LIVERPOOL.—Liverpool Church of England Scripture Readers' Society.

(Office: 13 Commercial Court, 11 Lord Street, Liverpool.)

Established in the year 1852 for the purposes of employing Scripture Readers, under the superintendence of the Clergy, to work in the city of Liverpool and its neighbourhood. The work is carried on chiefly in the poorest and most densely populated parishes of the city. The following extracts from the Report recently issued will be of general interest: Total visits, 156,692; sick visits, 15,645; Bible readings, 58,138; men visited, 101,750; meetings held, 8994; attendance, 420,137; hours spent in work, 78,775; evening hours, 26,783. Much of the most valuable work cannot be tabulated. The visits to men resulting in largely attended Bible classes and mission services are a special feature, and many Sunday-school teachers, open-air speakers, regular church attendants and communicants, are thus won over. The work amongst children is interesting and extensive, and is carried on in the Ragged Schools, Bands of Hope, at Children's Services, Scripture Unions, &c. The Readers meet the Superintending Clergyman weekly for Bible study and practical conference as to the week's work.

The above figures, which represent part only of the work done, imply a very great deal of hard and earnest work. The statistics represent the labours of 50 Readers, and include the work of the Special Readers to lodging-houses and workyards, and of the Lay evangelist, but not the work of the Reader to Seamen, who works in connection with the Mersey Missions. The total staff is 51 full-time Readers. Between 20 and 30 meetings are held weekly during the dinner-hour in the workyards, and are largely attended. This branch of the work is most important, and is growing in magnitude and interest.

The income of the Society for 1895 was 10,609*l.* 17*s.* 9*d.*, including legacies, 6,008*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.*; *Annuities*, 2,186*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.*, including legacy, 2,000*l.*

The Society issues at intervals an illustrated magazine of occasional notes, *Light in Darkness*.

Hon. Secretaries, Rev. Canon Spooner, The Rectory, Woolton, near Liverpool, and the Rev. Canon Tyrer, 40 St. Domingo Grove, Liverpool. Clerical Superintendent, Rev. W. Clark Hudson, M.A., 2 Elm Terrace, Beech Street, Liverpool.

NORWICH — Norwich Scripture Readers' Society.

This Society, working with the sanction of the Bishop, gives assistance to seven of the Incumbents of Norwich by grants made to them for the employment of Scripture Readers.

The Society employs, with the aid of special parochial contributions in each case, Scripture Readers in seven different parishes in the city and hamlets of Norwich, containing in the aggregate upwards of 39,000 souls.

Address to the Hon. Secretary, C. Foster, Esq., Norwich.

PETERBOROUGH — Northampton Scripture Readers' Society.

Established forty-four years ago to assist the work of the Church by the employment of men and women as Scripture Readers. During the year 1895 four parishes received grants from this Society.

Address to Mr. Charles Small, 3 Cleveland Terrace, Northampton.

Leicester Lay Agency and Scripture Readers' Society.

By this agency, which is under the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese, the work of the parochial Clergy is assisted in the town and county of Leicester by the employment of lay agents. Eight parishes received grants during 1895.

Address to Rev. I. N. B. Woodroffe, St. Mark's Vicarage, Leicester.

RIPON — Yorkshire Scripture Readers' Society.

This Society has been in existence for thirty-five years. Each Reader acts solely under the direction of the Clergyman of the parish, and his work is confined to the duty of reading the Scriptures and generally encouraging attendance upon public worship. All the Scripture Readers employed by the Society must be communicants of the Church of England, and must receive a written permission from the Bishop in whose Diocese they are working.

During the year 1895 the Society has been employing 14 male Scripture Readers and 1 Bible-woman. The Society expended, in 1895, 759*l.* 16*s.* in carrying on its work.

Address to the Rev. W. E. White, Burghwallis Rectory, Doncaster.

SOUTHWELL — Nottingham Scripture Readers' Association.

Established in the year 1873. The object of this Association is to collect funds to assist the Clergy in maintaining Scripture Readers in the various parishes of the town, who are chosen by the Clergy and are entirely under their supervision. The work of the Association is carried on by a committee of laymen. At the present time assistance is in this way given to five of the poorest parishes in the town.

Address to Rev. H. A. Gem, All Saints', Nottingham.

WORCESTER — Warwickshire Scripture Readers' Society.

Established in the year 1854, it carries on its work under the direct sanction of the Bishop. The Committee employs 7 Scripture Readers to assist 7 Incumbents in the county of Warwick, ministering to a population of 70,872. This year a superannuity fund has been inaugurated for Readers, or their wives in case of death.

The receipts of last year amounted to 217*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*

Address to J. W. Ryland, Esq., Rowington, Warwick.

YORK — Sheffield Scripture Readers' Society.

In 1895 sixteen Scripture Readers were employed in as many poor parishes of Sheffield, devoting their whole time to the work of the Society, and working under the Vicar of each parish. The Readers' duties consist of house-to-house visiting, and they are specially charged to seek out and strive to influence the working *men*. They hold men's Bible classes, and conduct services in mission rooms, in model lodging-houses, and in the open air. The affairs of the Society are managed by a Committee composed chiefly of laymen. The income is mainly derived from annual subscriptions, donations, and church collections. Expenditure amounted to about 1,200*l.*

Address to Rev. J. E. Jump, St. George's Vicarage, Sheffield.

THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

FOUNDED 1875.

The last Report of this Society gives the following statistics: Branches, 1,270; Members, 147,770; Associates, 31,783; Candidates, 44,938. The Society's work is carried on in 6,593 parishes in England and Wales, and has extended farther to many Continental towns. According to the last Report (1895), the workers of the Society have access to 441 Unions, and 3,339 Workhouse children are under its care. 4,441 Members received help in sickness. 157 members emigrated under the protection of the Society. There are over 250 Lodges and Recreation Rooms open to G.F.S. members; and in 340 different towns they can be met and befriended when travelling. 4,365 Governesses, Teachers, and Pupil Teachers belong to the Society, which also comprises girls in service, clerks, shopwomen, trained nurses, mill and factory hands, &c. There are two Reading Unions organised by the Literature Department of the Society, of which a large number of Associates and Members avail themselves. There is a Registry and Inquiry Office for the use of governesses and others seeking employment in Continental Europe. Near upon 5000 girls were provided with respectable places through the G.F.S. Registries. The income of the Society for 1895 was 3,581*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.*

OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.—1. To band together in one Society women and girls as Associates and Members, for mutual help (religious and secular), for sympathy, and prayer.

2. To encourage purity of life, dutifulness to parents, faithfulness to employers, temperance, and thrift.

3. To provide the privileges of the Society for its Members wherever they may be, by giving them an introduction from one Branch to another.

GENERAL RULES.—I. Associates to be of the Church of England (no such restriction being made as to Members), and the organisation of the Society to follow as much as possible that of the Church, being diocesan, ridecanal, and parochial.

II. Associates (Working and Honorary) and Members to contribute annually to the funds; the former *not less* than 2*s.* 6*d.* a year, the latter *not less* than 6*d.* a year. (Every Member of a Branch pays 1*s.* a year, of which 6*d.* is paid to the Central Fund, and the other 6*d.* is retained for the expenses of the Branch.) Members' payments to go to the Central Fund.

III. No girl who has not borne a virtuous character to be admitted as a Member; such character being lost, the Member to forfeit her card.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, G.F.S. Central Office, 89 Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND WOMEN'S HELP SOCIETY.

This Society was formed in 1879, and is essentially a Church Society, working on parochial lines under the Clergyman of each parish; its object being to help women, both married and single, to lead Christian lives. They are banded together, with each other and with the Workers, by means of a simple Rule of Life, there being different and appropriate rules for married and unmarried women. No payments are required from Members. Clubs, Lodging Houses, and Refreshment Bars are provided for women employed in Factories and Warehouses; and Bible and Secular Classes, Mothers' Meetings, Lending Libraries, Penny Banks, Sick Clubs, &c. are established both in town and country in order to help the Members to live up to their Rule of Life. There is also a 'Little Sisters' Guild for children. A Tailoresses' Workshop is open in connection with the Society. One hundred and ninety-nine branches are now at work.

Communications should be addressed to the General Secretary, 25 Mecklenburgh Square, London, W.C.

PAROCHIAL MISSION WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

This Association was started in 1860 to benefit a class below that reached by ordinary district visiting. For this purpose it was proposed to employ in a missionary character poor women belonging to and living as members of the class among whom they were

Mothers' Union.

to work ; and to assist the poor, *not by gifts*, but by enabling them to purchase for themselves, out of deposits collected weekly by the mission women, articles which would tend directly or indirectly to improve their condition, and at the same time to raise the tone and habits. They teach Purity, Thrift, and Cleanliness, carrying no alms, by rendering kindly offices to all who are in distress or trouble. They form a valuable link between the Clergyman and the lowest class of his people. One of the main principles laid down—and this has never been departed from—was that no mission woman should be employed except on the application of the Incumbent of the parish or district in which she is to work.

The mode of work is house-to-house visiting, and a special feature of the work is collecting the pence of the poor, which, saved from less praiseworthy objects, are gained for clothing and necessaries of life. As a collector the mission woman enters into houses where she would not otherwise be admitted. A Mothers' Meeting is held every week, when depositors can purchase goods at cost price in return for their deposits (upon which no bonus is given), and where the lady who presides carries on to a higher point by reading and personal intercourse, the good work already begun by the mission woman. Numerous instances could be given where the mission woman has been the stepping-stone to the Church.

The Association now employs 150 of these women ; they are working in fourteen Dioceses, but the larger number are attached to the Dioceses of London, Rochester, and Exeter.

In 1895 the sums saved by the poor, collected by the mission women, amounted to no less a sum than 13,234*l.* 1*s.* 7*d.*, and during the thirty-six years they have been at work, the sum-total of the savings thus collected is 406,032*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.*

The Annual Service was held as usual at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Fewer Mission Women are employed, and in fewer dioceses, owing to diminished funds arising from the deaths of old subscribers and other causes.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, 11 Buckingham Street Strand, W.C.

MOTHERS' UNION.

THE Mothers' Union was started in 1876 in the Winchester Diocese. It became a Diocesan Organisation in 1887, working with the following objects :

- (1) To uphold the sanctity of marriage.
- (2) To awaken in mothers of all classes a sense of their great responsibility in the training of their boys and girls.
- (3) To organise in every place a band of mothers who will unite in prayer, and see by their own example to lead their families in purity and holiness of life.

Members of the Mothers' Union are of all ranks and classes. The society is now centralised in the Church House, Westminster, with a President, Central Council, Secretary, and a Constitution. It is working in every Diocese of England and Wales under Episcopal sanction (except Sodor and Man), as well as in Ireland, Scotland and in many important Colonies. Over 105,420 members have joined the Mothers' Union. There are 2,365 branches, and the Society is spreading rapidly in all classes.

The work of the Society is carried on in various ways: by church services and addresses for mothers, by drawing-room meetings, parochial mothers' meetings, and lectures on educational, medical, sanitary, and industrial subjects; visits in the home and personal influence; by the circulation of good literature, and by the two periodicals of the Mothers' Union, 'Mothers in Council' and 'Mothers' Union Journal.'

The 'Mothers' Union Journal' has a circulation of about 60,000 among the poor mothers.

Information may be obtained from Mrs. Sumner, The Close, Winchester.

THE WOMAN'S LEAGUE: FOR MOTHERS AND WOMEN IN POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY.

AN association of women to assist each other in upholding the high standard of domestic and social life which the Christian religion alone has given to the world. Also to stimulate and promote all work for the help of women by women. The central and diocesan councils must be composed of communicants of the English Church, but no such restriction is made in the admission of members. The League has the sanction of twenty Bishops of the Church of England.

The Woman's League desires specially to stir and help the educated and influential of their own sex to a deeper recognition of the power and responsibility of women to maintain the purity of home life, and to raise the tone of the society in which they move. Single members can be admitted. Branches have been established and are actively at work in the Dioceses of Southwell and St. Davids.

In Southwell Diocese 6000 members belong to it. 121 Branches and 12 Lodges are in active work, and 50 agencies in the Diocese for the help and protection of women and children are affiliated to the Woman's League.

All information, &c. can be obtained from Miss Mansfield-Parkyns, Woodborough, Nottingham.

THE YOUNG MEN'S FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

The Young Men's Friendly Society is an attempt to solve in some measure that which is really, perhaps, the gravest practical problem now pressing upon the Clergy and Church workers—how to win and how to retain the lads and young men of the nation. Founded in 1879, the Society has now about 400 branches and affiliated societies in England, Scotland, Ireland, and the Colonies, and 25,000 Associates and Members. Its object is to help young men to lead Christian lives and to promote purity and temperance; befriend young men leaving home, and protect them from evil influences; promote thrift and independence, a healthy tone of literature and amusement, and co-operation amongst institutions existing for kindred objects.

The Society consists of Associates and Members. Members are young men of good character, of the age of 13 and upwards.

The work of the Society is done chiefly through its branches and affiliated societies, which the Council desires to increase. They aim at having either a branch, an affiliated society, or Associates in every parish, in order, more especially, that the system of the commendation of Members leaving home to an Associate in the place of their future residence may be more efficiently carried out.

Further information will be supplied by J. W. Powell, Central Secretary, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND MEN'S HELP SOCIETY.

This is a parochial Society under the direction of the Clergy. Its object is to help all classes of men, both married and single, to lead holy lives, by banding them together with appropriate Rules of Life, and assigning to them Church work of various kinds. Departments of work are strengthened by affiliation to the Church Temperance and White Cross League Societies, an arrangement which obviates the necessity for separate branches, thus simplifying parochial machinery. There are now 91 branches, three of which are in the Army, two in the West Indies, one in South Africa, three in Canada, seven in the United States, and Diocesan Organisations in the Dioceses of Ripon, Oxford, and Chichester. The Society is also represented in 3000 parishes by a 'Helper,' to whom soldiers are commended from the Army on discharge, and this number is daily increasing. A definite alliance has been formed with the Church Lads' Brigade, so that lads may join the Men's Help Society when too old for the Brigade, while the Little Brothers' M. H. S. Guild drafts boys too old for the Guild into the C. I. B., in parishes where a company exists.

All communications should be addressed to the Central Secretary, Church House, Westminster, S.W.

IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS TO THE ROMAN CATHOLICS.

This is a distinctly Church Society. Its operations are carried on in connection with the Church of Ireland. It has been instrumental in promoting the erection—chiefly through local effort—of 19 churches, 11 orphanages, and 33 school-houses, also in maintaining 26 Sunday schools and 46 day and night schools, attended by nearly 2000 scholars of all ages. It maintains 2 training schools, in which male and female teachers and other agents are specially prepared for mission work.

Its Agency comprises 26 ordained Clergymen—who are licensed by the Archbishops and Bishops of their respective Dioceses—21 lay agents, Scripture readers, Bible women and Colporteurs, 24 school-masters, 53 school-mistresses, and 43 Irish Text teachers.

By consent of his Grace the Archbishop of Dublin a Form of Service taken from an old Liturgy of the Church of Ireland, for the public reception of converts from Roman Catholicism, has been recently adopted. In connection with the Society's operations in Dublin and Kingstown alone, 143 adults have thus been publicly received from Roman Catholicism into the Church of Ireland during the last three years.

The Society has established Mission work in Dublin, Cork, Limerick, Belfast, Galway, and Waterford, and in various rural districts, including the extensive Connemara Mission. By its itinerant Evangelists and the Colporteurs of the recently affiliated Irish Church Colportage Mission, it has provided for work which is calculated to reach the whole Roman Catholic population. A considerable number of the Society's Agents work by means of the Irish language.

The Society's open-air work in Dublin and Cork, and in the fairs and markets, has been carried on by carefully trained agents, and with very encouraging success, no serious opposition having been experienced.

The Training Home in Dublin has recently been enlarged, and has now accommodation for 40 men. The income for 1895-96 was 17,672*l*.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretaries, Irish Church Missions, 11 Buckingham Street, Adelphi, London, W.C., and remittance made payable to W. Pasley, Esq.

THE IRISH SOCIETY.

THIS Society, formally sanctioned by the Church of Ireland, was established in 1818 for the promotion of Scriptural education amongst the Irish-speaking population. In addition to its educational and evangelistic work, which form the chief objects of the Society, many parishes in Ireland are mainly dependent upon it for the maintenance of Churches and Schools. In the Island of Achill, off the west coast of Ireland, it has helped to maintain two resident Clergy, four schools, and other auxiliary agencies, with a Church population of over 500 people, chiefly converts. The Society also supports an itinerant Missioner, who works amongst the Irish population in Lancashire.

At several important centres in Ireland, and also in Lancashire, periodical examinations are held, payments made, and premiums given according to results. The examinations are confined mainly to reading, translating, and repeating from memory selected portions of Holy Scripture in Irish and English. By means of this *unique* system thousands of Irish Roman Catholics receive a measure of Scriptural education. Owing to inadequacy of funds, several most important branches of this Society's work are seriously imperilled, more especially in cases of poor parishes in Ireland, which depend mainly on the Society for support. The income for 1895 was 5000*l*.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. T. Keane, 32 Sackville Street, London, W., or the Rev. W. Fitzpatrick, 21 Molesworth Street, Dublin.

LONDON SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIANITY AMONGST THE JEWS.

FOUNDED in 1809. Distinctively a Church of England Society, with Archbishops and Bishops as Patrons.

I. THE MISSION FIELD.

Europe, Canada, Asia, and Africa; 8 millions of Jews; 42 stations in all. London (Spitalfields, Highbury), Bristol, Birmingham, Manchester, Leeds, Liverpool, Hull, Dublin, Cork, Canada, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Paris, Hamburg, Cracow, Berlin, Danzig, Memel, and Konigsberg, Lemberg, Warsaw, Rome, Bucharest, Bistritz, Galatz, Jassy, Constantinople, Smyrna, Jerusalem, Hebron, Jaffa, Safed, Damascus, Isfahan, Hamodan, and Teheran, Algiers, Mogador, Tunis, and in Abyssinia (Genda, Alafa, Gorgora, Sakalt, Debra Tabor, and Abuharra).

II. MEANS EMPLOYED.

Agents.—138 in all (excluding wives of Missionaries), consisting of ordained Missionaries, lay and medical Missionaries, school-masters and mistresses, Scripture readers, depôt keepers, and colporteurs, of whom 77 are Christian Israelites. In London several are *parochial* agents (ordained or lay) working solely under the parish Clergyman.

services are held in London, Amsterdam, Hamburg, Warsaw, Bucharest, Ale, Damascus, Jerusalem, Jaffa, Safed, and Tunis, and mission services at times on the Saturday. A service in Hebrew (with German sermon) is held in London on Sunday, and a Hebrew service in Jerusalem every day. Special services are held in London on the invitation of the parochial Clergy during the Jewish festivals.

Schools in London, Bucharest, Constantinople, Damascus, Jerusalem, Safed, and Tunis. New schools opened in London in October 1896.

Other Institutions.—House of Industry, Jewesses' Workroom, Inquirers' Home, and Hospital at Jerusalem (897 in-patients), Medical Mission at Damascus, Hebron, Hospital at Constantinople, and Dispensary with Mission Hall and Labour Home, London; Dispensary and Dispensary at Leeds. Also a Wanderers' Home (for inquirers) at London and an Operative Institution (for converts) in London are closely connected with the Mission.

Publications.—Lectures on the Holy Scriptures in various languages, Liturgy of the Church of England in Hebrew, controversial books and tracts.

ACHIEVED.

—Many Jews were last year admitted into the Church by Holy Baptism by the Missionaries in London, Bristol, Liverpool, Cracow, Konigsberg, Lemberg, Galilee, Canada, Amsterdam, Berlin, Bucharest, Constantinople, Warsaw, and Jerusalem.

As Christian Israelites, instructed by the Society's agents, are baptised by the Missionaries at home and abroad.

The Society was formed there were not fifty Christian Israelites known in the world. Now our Missionaries estimate that there are more than 3000, and an 100 ordained Clergymen of the seed of Abraham. In Germany, it is said, there are many more than there are not some proselytes—Jews who believe in the Messiah—and this is the result of our mission, *directly or indirectly*. There are probably more than 5000.

The income of the Society for 1895-6 amounted to 36,357*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, the Rev. W. Fleming, LL.B., 11, Inn Fields, W.C.

PAROCHIAL MISSION TO THE JEWS.

The Mission continues with quiet, steady success to prosecute its home mission work among the Jews. Its method of working is to give assistance to the Church in the large Jewish population where the Jews find their habitation, by providing a Curate who is capable of adapting himself to this particular work. With this end in view the Mission applies its funds in grants either towards special training, or towards the Curates approved and licensed by the Bishop. The Mission works strictly on Church lines, and with careful recognition of ecclesiastical boundaries.

Primary work is carried on principally in the eastern districts of London, where the Jewish population is most numerous, and in Liverpool, by means of lectures in mission rooms, sermons to Jews, Jewish Bible classes and night-school classes, and house-to-house visits.

The Mission is also assisting the work of the Mission to the Beni-Israel in Bombay. The income of the Society for 1895-96 amounted to 1,076*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

Committees are most anxious to extend the work of the Fund by opening branches in Manchester and Leeds.

A quarterly magazine, 'Church and Synagogue,' has just been started, which contains valuable and interesting features in the shape of popular but scholarly articles on Jewish history and customs.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. G. H. Box, 39 Victoria Street, W.C., S.W.

MISSION WORK AMONG THE DEAF AND DUMB.

I. Diocese of Winchester.

THE object of this Mission is—To provide religious instruction for the deaf and dumb, both those who have had no previous education, and those who, having left the various Institutions, remain without any spiritual ministrations. To visit them at their homes for instruction and intercourse, especially the sick and ignorant. To prepare them for Confirmation and Holy Communion. To help them to resist all evil and intemperate habits. To hold Services and Classes in the finger and sign language. To assist them in obtaining suitable employment.

There are 386 cases now known in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. The Missionary, himself deaf and dumb, gives his whole time to the work of this Mission.

The necessities of the case call for a great deal of close personal supervision. A service is systematically held at Aldershot, Amport, Guildford, and in the Isle of Wight, as well as at Portsmouth and Southampton. This work is one of special interest, and lays considerable claim to the care of the Church.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Rev. Canon Owen, St. George's Vicarage, Edgbaston, Birmingham; or to the Missionary, Rev. R. A. Pearce Homelands, Barnes Close, Winchester.

II. Diocese of Lichfield.

In this Diocese there are two distinct Missions at work—one for South Staffordshire and Shropshire, and the other for North Staffordshire. The Church Mission to the deaf and dumb of South Staffordshire and Shropshire was founded in 1886. We have now more than 400 deaf and dumb people under our care. For these, religious services and recreation classes are provided, and every help is given to promote their spiritual and temporal welfare. We have Associates in Wolverhampton, Shrewsbury, Stafford, Wednesbury, Darlaston, Willenhall, and Walsall. Many towns and villages in Shropshire, however, are at present unvisited, owing to the want of a second Missioner.

Communications should be made to the Honorary Secretaries, Miss Bensemeres, Wolverhampton, and Miss Alma Rubery, Oaken, Wolverhampton.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION FOR HOP-PICKERS AND OTHERS.

THIS Society was founded in Maidstone in 1877 for the purpose of providing spiritual ministrations for immigrant hop-pickers.

A large number of immigrant hop-pickers came into the district of Kent, Surrey, and Sussex in the season of 1896, and, on the whole, the people appear to have done fairly well in their earnings. The Church Missionary Association for the Hop-pickers has provided, or made grants towards the provision of 29 Missionaries in 30 parishes, mostly in the Diocese of Canterbury, making liberal grants in aid of the cost in all parishes but one, in which pecuniary assistance was not requested. Grants were also made in two parishes in which Missionaries were not provided through the Association. Two Missionaries were also sent to three parishes in the vegetable and fruit districts. The Sunday and week-day services show an increase in attendance, which ranges from 30 to 900. More than 4,500 immigrant hop-pickers and fruit-pickers were offered religious assistance. 56 adults and infants were baptised. Magic-lantern Scripture scenes, with explanation, are greatly liked by hop-pickers, and grants made in aid in three parishes. The behaviour of the people during their stay in the hop districts was generally good.

The Dartford Ruridecanal Committee (Rev. E. Ball, Secretary) has again done good work among the vegetable and fruit pickers.

Communications should be made to Rev. J. Y. Stratton, Ditton Place, near Maidstone.

LICHFIELD DIOCESAN BARGE MISSION.

THIS Society was established about eighteen years ago, with the intention of bringing the ministrations of the Church to a very large number of persons employed in canal and river traffic, whose spiritual interests had up to that time been little cared for. The work is chiefly evangelistic, and is carried on at different mission stations, placed at different points on the important canals which traverse the Diocese. Lay Missioners have during the last year been actively working at Wolverhampton, Aldersley Junction, Stoke, Tipton, and Humber's Lane, Lilleshall. The work of the Society has led to the erection of several permanent mission rooms, which have become the centres of systematic services.

The work at all the stations has been full of encouragement. The larger part of the Missioners' time is occupied in visiting from boat to boat, so that the Gospel is literally carried to the people. The result of this mission work has been a large accession to the Church of persons coming forward for Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion. Considerable help has also been given by the encouragement of wholesome recreation.

All communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec., the Rev. W. T. B. Hayter, Hints Vicarage, Tamworth.

THE NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK WHERRYMEN'S MISSION.

THE work of this Society has been carried on for many years by a Lay Missioner, who visits the wherry men and their families, provides them with library bags, and occasionally he holds open-air services, or conducts services on board the wherries. There can be no question as to the great importance of the work, when we remember that a class of men is reached who, owing to the roving nature of their lives, must otherwise to a large extent be without any spiritual help.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, W. J. Nutman, Esq., 51 South Quay, Great Yarmouth.

THE NAVY MISSION SOCIETY.

THIS Society was established in 1877, and has ever since been doing a really useful work among a class of men, considerable in number, employed in the construction of railways, docks, reservoirs, and canals, &c. throughout the country. Previous to the organisation of this Society these men were systematically neglected, being, by the very conditions of their lives, outside parochial reach; things are now changed, and over 300 grants have already been made to clergymen in different parishes where navvies have been working. On almost every large public work there is now a mission room, a missionary, day, night, and Sunday schools, services, prayer and temperance meetings, &c.; over 100,000 navy letters are circulated every year. The Mission is conducted upon Church principles: the Missionary is placed under the superintendence of the Vicar of the parish, and a shortened form of the Church Service is used in the mission room. The Society employs two clerical secretaries and two chaplains, who organise the work and superintend over 40 Missionaries. There is an enormous field for much-needed work amongst these wandering thousands of men both at home and abroad, and some very large works are in contemplation in England. Temperance Societies have been formed, and over 10,000 pledges taken. Mothers' Meetings and Sick Clubs have been carried on, and a Christian Excavators' Union has been formed with over 650 members. The Missionaries of the Society have been occupied, during the past year, in connection with the following among other works—*i. e.* Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway, Bradford Water Works, the new M. S. and L. London Extension Railway, large Docks and Reservoirs near London, Plymouth, &c.—and in many places in South Wales.

With the help also of voluntary workers the Society is now manning over 50 mission stations in England and Wales.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary of The Navy Mission Society, The Church House, Westminster, S.W.

SUNBEAM MISSION.

THIS work was begun in Weston-super-Mare in the year 1891, with the sanction of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. The special object of the Mission is to draw out the sympathies of the upper and middle-class children towards the very poor, or suffering, paralysed, and crippled children in our large towns. Members are asked to send by post a magazine monthly to one such poor child, and it is suggested that (with the consent of their parents) they might occasionally write a friendly letter and send toys, flowers, &c. The names of poor and suffering children are supplied from parishes that are affiliated to the 'Sunbeam Mission,' in which the Incumbent appoints a worker who sends in the selected names every month. Nearly 10,000 children of the upper and middle classes are engaged in the good work, and the same number of the children of the poor are thus brought in touch with them. There are members of this Mission in every county in England, also in Scotland, Ireland, Wales, many parts of the Continent, in Asia, Africa, America, and Australia; and from all the parishes affiliated to the Mission testimony is borne to the joy and brightness brought by this means into sad homes, and of the good influence which is being exercised over parents as well as children.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Battiscombe, Eastwood, Weston-super-Mare.

*SECTION IV.—HOME MISSION WORK.***PAROCHIAL MISSIONS.**

THERE is every reason to hope that this Evangelistic Agency, if continually pervaded by Christ's great love for the lost, and His intense desire to seek and save, will prove a spiritual energy hitherto unfelt in arousing the ungodly to the knowledge and love of Christ.

That Parochial Missions, carefully conceived and prayerfully preached, have proved vital in arousing the ungodly to a sense of sin, is beyond question. Then, in addition to Parochial Missions properly so called, the following reports record also various efforts of a similar character.

GENERAL AND DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS FOR EVANGELISTIC WORK AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF SPIRITUAL LIFE AMONG THE PEOPLE.**I. GENERAL.****CHURCH ARMY.**

The Church Army is, in its essence, a Working People's Mission to Working People. The work began in a very small way, but has increased so largely as to necessitate its being divided into special departments.

The **Evangelistic Department** superintends the placing of Evangelists and Mission Nurses under the Clergy in various parishes in the United Kingdom. At the present time these number upwards of 400.

Under this department are also included Colportage, Lantern Missions, the Visiting of Public-Houses and of Lodging Houses, Missions among Fruit-pickers, Hop-pickers and Haymakers during the summer months; the working of Evangelists under Missionaries in India; a Samaritan Fund for sick officers, a Special Distress Fund for the poor, and a Bible Reading and Prayer Union.

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The Training Home Department superintends the obtaining, selecting, and training of working men and women as Evangelists and Mission Nurses. The Examiner for the men, before they receive their commission, is the Ven. the Archdeacon of London; while the Rev. Preb. Reynolds, Chief Diocesan Inspector of Schools, examines the Mission Nurses.

The Social Department has the charge of eight Labour Homes in London and 15 in the provinces, Labour Homes for Youths and for Women, a Laundry and Home for Women, a Receiving Home and a Classifying Home for Women, a Free Dispensary for Women and Children, a cheap Food Depôt, Lodging Homes for Men and for Women, Market Garden Homes, a Test and Training Farm for Emigration, an Emigration Agency at Montreal, a Boarding Home for men who have passed through the Labour Homes and obtained situations, a Samaritan Office and Labour Registry in London for the benefit of clerks who are out of situations, three Coffee Taverns, where Evangelists and their wives are trained for temperance work. Classified Rescue Homes for Women have also been built at Hendon, through the generosity of one of the honorary members of the staff. The systematic visitation of Casual Wards, Workhouses, Refuges, and Hospitals, also comes into this department, besides the Samaritan Clothing Depôt for the poor, Fresh-air Fund, a Needlework Guild, Juvenile Brigade, Associates' Union, &c. The sound, unique, and valuable nature of the social work in these Labour Homes has received the direct approval of the Prison Commissioners, the Local Government Board, the Charity Organisation Society, a large number of Discharged Prisoners' Aid Societies, Prison Governors and Chaplains, &c., while many Boards of Guardians make yearly grants to the Society in respect of persons taken off the rates and turned into ratepayers. During 1896 four Lodging Houses have been opened—three in London, and one in Leeds, while arrangements are in progress for the opening of several more throughout the country.

The Van Department has exactly doubled itself in size during 1896. There are at present at work 32 Colportage and Mission Vans in the Dioceses of Canterbury, Norwich, Wakefield, Manchester, Oxford (2), Durham (2), Exeter, Belfast, St. Asaph, Carlisle (2), Hereford, Lichfield, Lincoln, Newcastle, Ripon, Rochester, Southwell, Truro, Chichester, St. Albans, Chester (2), Worcester (2), and Ely (4). These vans, each manned by three earnest evangelists, travel about in their respective Dioceses, summer and winter, holding seven or 14 day Missions in different parishes, with the warm approval of the Bishop, and at the invitation of the Incumbent, and at the same time scattering broadcast healthy and attractive reading at very low prices. 1,500*l.* worth of this literature was sold and given away by these vans last year. The number of these vans, it is expected, will be doubled in the course of the present year. A new van, fully equipped, costs 100*l.*

The Publication Department is steadily making way. The sale of the 'Church Army Gazette,' a halfpenny paper for working people, has reached a circulation of over 75,000 weekly, an increase of 50,000 within the last five years. A Sheet Almanack is issued yearly. Cheap Church literature, in the form of tracts, books, and 1*d.* tales, &c., with Evangelistic and Church teaching, is sold and distributed throughout the country.

The Financial Department.—A very large amount comes directly from the funds of the very poor towards the maintenance of the work in their midst. The 'Church Army Gazette' exhibits a net profit centrally of over 1,500*l.* a year; out of this is paid the salary of the few members of the Staff who receive salaries, and of the office. Most of the work at headquarters is honorary, and is estimated by those well qualified to judge as worth about 3000*l.* in money.

Communications should be addressed to Rev. W. Carlile, Honorary Chief Secretary, 130 Edgware Road, London, W.

CHURCH PAROCHIAL MISSION SOCIETY.

This Society commenced its work as the Aitken Memorial Mission Fund. The object and organisations have been recorded at length in previous years. Its funds are devoted to the employment of a staff of experienced Mission Preachers, who

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devote their time wholly or in part to holding Parochial Missions and Quiet Days or Retreats. Since the commencement of its work it has assisted in upwards of 5000 Missions, and during the past year it rendered efficient help in the General Missions at Exeter, Bolton, Lancaster, Derby, and Enfield, and many single Missions too numerous to mention here. The Society has recently extended its operations by appointing a Missioner to work in Australia. A special Missioner to work among Public School boys has also been added to the staff.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, the Rev. Herbert Muir, M.A., 7 Adam Street, Adelphi, W.C.

II. DIOCESAN.

Canterbury.—SOCIETY OF MISSION CLERGY.

Founded in 1886, by the Archbishop, to assist the Clergy in town and rural districts in procuring Missions and work of a Mission character in their parishes. The members are pledged to hold at least one Mission in the year in the Diocese, if invited to do so, or to preach special sermons of a Mission character, or to conduct Retreats or Quiet Days. The staff numbers 22 members, including 5 who do not live in the Diocese. Some new members have been appointed by the Archbishop and will soon be admitted. A body of Associates is also being formed, who will be ready especially to undertake courses of sermons or lectures during Lent and Advent. Before last Advent a circular was sent out to all the Incumbents in the Diocese, stating what work the members of the Society were prepared to do, and during last Lent a large number of parishes were visited for work of various sorts. A Fund has been raised in order to assist Mission work in poor parishes.

All communications can be addressed to the Warden of the Society, Canon F. E. Carter, Canterbury.

Bath and Wells.

Owing to circumstances of change, the Diocesan Mission Organisation has partially been in abeyance during the past year. Nevertheless Quiet Days for the Clergy, Devotional Services for the laity, parochial Missions and Advent and Lent courses have been held in several districts and parishes of the Diocese.

Durham.

In this Diocese Mission work is under the general direction of the Rev. George Body, the Canon Missioner. Missions, Mission Services, Retreats, and Quiet Days for Clergy and laity have been held in various places in the Diocese. The band of lady mission workers organised and trained by the Canon Missioner now numbers forty-three, *i.e.* thirty-three licensed and ten unlicensed, and they are working in twenty-two parishes of the Diocese. For carrying on his work, including the maintenance of his Mission Staff, Canon Body has a special Mission Fund.

Address to Canon Body, The College, Durham.

Ely.—SOCIETY OF MISSION CLERGY.

Founded for the advancement of holy living among the Clergy and laity of the Diocese by promoting and assisting in Missions, Special Services, Courses of Sermons and Addresses, Retreats and Quiet Days, and Lectures upon Biblical Exegesis, the Prayer Book and Church History.

The work of the Society is carried on by Members and Associates (the former being Clergy of the Diocese), who undertake to give personal assistance as it is required, once a year at least. A special Missioner, Rev. Canon Thornton, aids in the work, conducting and assisting in Missions, and helping the Clergy in organising efforts of this kind. Under the direction of this Society several Retreats and Quiet Days were held in the Diocese during the past year.

Address to the Warden, the Rev. Canon Stanton, The College, Ely; or to the Hon. Secretary, the Rev. G. Bullock-Webster, the Palace, Ely.

DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS—continued.**-DIOCESAN PAROCHIAL MISSION SOCIETY.**

Society, consisting of clerical and lay members of the Church within the Diocese, has been constituted to assist in the promotion of Parochial Missions and ritual work. By its rules Missioners and Assistant Missioners joining the Society are to be ready, if invited, to hold a Mission once in each year in some part of the Diocese, or to preach courses of sermons in Lent or Advent, or at such other times as they may be requested.

During the past year three Quiet Days for Clergy have been held in various parts of the Diocese, and fifteen Quiet Days have been held for Church workers and laymen. Thirty Missions and Revisits have been conducted by the Missioners and others this year, and includes a General Mission in Exeter. Courses of sermons were preached in various churches in the Diocese in Advent by the Missioners and others; eight courses were given monthly during the year to men, and half of the parishes in the Diocese have in all been visited. The Society for Prayer has now representatives in 230 parishes, and seventy Clergy members are now enrolled to assist in the conduct of Missions and the promotion of spiritual work. In the month of June the Mission Band of Clergy met in Exeter for conference and intercession, when addresses were given. Services were held in January. Great progress has been made in the help given on Sundays at the seaside places in the season, and seventy-four addresses were given to men at various centres in the Diocese on the intellectual, moral, and social questions of the day, besides 79 Music Services held during the Exeter Festival.

There has been added to the Union for Intercessory Prayer a Scripture Study Union, which has already over 1,200 members; representing 37 parishes; so that the three conditions—of Holy Communion at stated times, united prayer, and the study of the Bible—are observed by all the members of the Association. Clergy of St. Peter, formed to assist in vacant and overpressed parishes, and Readers' Association are now affiliated with this Society.

For further information apply to the Canon Missioner, Rev. C. I. Atherton, Exeter; or to the Secretary, W. G. Mallett, Harberton Rectory, Totnes.

Exeter and Bristol.—DIOCESAN MISSION.

The Diocesan Mission has during the past year been very actively exerting a spiritual influence in manifold ways upon Church life throughout the Diocese. Its aim is to arouse the ungodly and neglectful, but to deepen the inner life of those who are already professedly in communion with the Church. In the fulfilment of this aim, much has been made through this agency for bringing the Clergy and laity together at different times and centres for devotional exercises. Several Parochial Missions have been arranged, and the energies of the staff have been directed to the promotion of Saturday to Monday Mission Visits in a large number of parishes. Opportunities were also given to two Rural Deaneries, six of the Missioners taking the effort, going from parish to parish, a report of the work done and developed in each parish being sent to the Bishop of the Diocese. Courses of sermons during the Advent and Lenten seasons have been undertaken in 108 parishes; work amongst the men has become a very special feature of this Diocesan Mission, and considerable progress has been made. The Men's Help Society (a Section of the Diocesan Mission) has been found of great value in organising bodies of Male Church Workers, 'Incumbents' Messengers' as they are called in this Diocese. Addresses to men were given in many places, and a very large number of Temperance Sermons were preached. A further step has been taken in the work of practically instructing laymen by courses of Church History lectures with lantern illustrations, delivered in various parishes. With a view to make lay work more intelligent and permanently profitable opportunities have been afforded the lay workers to attend weekly lectures on the Canon of the New Testament, Bible criticism, and Preaching, and papers have been read on Church History. The College of Diocesan Missioners have made 493 distinct visits to parishes or centres during the year, most of which were several days' work. A journal is carefully kept of every piece of work done. The Missioners have also rendered useful services outside the Diocese in

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giving addresses, holding Quiet Days and Retreats for Clergy and laity, and conducting Missions. As it is not within the scope of this book to go further into detail, what we have described must only be taken as illustrative of a very much wider work, and it may not, perhaps, be unwisely said that if the aims, and their conscientious fulfilment, of such a body as this had a more extensive existence, Christian life and devotion would be manifestly quickened throughout the Church.

A member of the staff took charge of the small-pox hospital for three months during the epidemic in Gloucester.

Communications should be addressed to Canon Bowers, The College Green, Gloucester.

Hereford.

The Bishop has appointed a Diocesan Missioner, who will now be responsible for organising and giving direction and encouragement to Evangelistic work. As this movement has but very recently assumed practical development, it is not feasible to give any records of its progress.

Address the Diocesan Missioner, Rev. H. P. Cronshaw, Hereford.

Lichfield.—CHURCH MISSION.

The Home Mission Work in this Diocese is in the hands of a council, of which the Bishop is president. The Rev. Canon Bodington acts as Diocesan Missioner, and is assisted by twenty others holding the special authority of the Bishop. The general object of the Mission is the evangelisation of the people, and the revival and deepening of spiritual life among the Clergy and the laity of the Diocese. This is done:—(1) By holding Parochial Missions and other Evangelistic Services. (2) By assisting the Parochial Clergy in carrying on the definite instruction of those who have been awakened by means of the Mission. (3) By arranging Seasons of Devotion and Instruction, such as Quiet Days or Retreats, either for Clergy or laity, and by preaching courses of Sermons, especially in Advent and Lent. In fulfilment of these objects, several Retreats and Quiet Days were held for the Clergy in the Diocese. Devotional Services for the laity were arranged, a number of Lenten and Advent courses of addresses were given, and at least sixteen Parochial Missions were preached. One of the agencies adopted by the Council for carrying on its work is the proprietorship and publication of the 'Church Evangelist' newspaper.

Communications should be addressed to Prebendary Bolton, St. Mary's Vicarage, Lichfield.

Lincoln.—SOCIETY OF MISSION CLERGY.

This Society has been organised to assist the Clergy in providing for the holding of Parochial Missions in their parishes, and especially in country villages, and for developing in other ways the advancement and deepening of spiritual life. With this object, it has carried out several Parochial Missions during the past year, has provided special courses of sermons during the seasons of Advent and Lent, and has encouraged a higher standard of devotional life among the Clergy and laity by the holding of Retreats and Quiet Days for meditation and prayer. The Society consists of a number of Clergy specially qualified for Parochial Mission work, and who are bound by membership to render such assistance in this direction as they are able. The Bishop has recently given still fuller encouragement to Evangelistic work in the Diocese by the official appointment of the Rev. W. Hicks, who has already, as Diocesan Missioner, conducted Parochial Missions in the Diocese.

Address to Canon Crowfoot, Bishop's Hostel, Lincoln.

Llandaff.—DIOCESAN MISSIONER.

The Missioner reports that during the last year various phases of evangelistic work have been recognised and developed throughout the Diocese. Considerable attention has been given to the spiritual care of the inmates of workhouses, a work that has hitherto received but too little of the Church's care. On August 3, 1896

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the members of the union of Mission workers met at the Palace, Llandaff, and some practical suggestions were adopted in conference for the furtherance of their work. The Missioner reports that there has been an increased desire in the Diocese for sustained missions of ten days' or more duration. Eight such missions were held during the year. Devotional days were arranged at several centres for Teachers in elementary schools, Church workers and Communicants, and the wives and daughters of the Clergy. There has been a very considerable recognition of the value of Lenten Instructions, and a very large number of the Clergy in the Diocese co-operated in the movement. The subjects selected for last Lent were 'The Principles of Divine Service as illustrated in Morning and Evening Prayer.' The subjects of these Lenten Instructions are selected by the Bishop, and secure systematic teaching upon Church doctrine and practice.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. Canon Roberts, Bryn Feilo, Llandaff.

Peterborough.—SOCIETY OF MISSION CLERGY.

This Society was founded in 1883 to promote and facilitate the holding of Parochial Missions and other services, especially in country parishes, with a view to the conversion of the ungodly and the revival and deepening of spiritual life throughout the Diocese. In union with the Society there are 19 members and 31 associates. During the year ending May 1896, the Society was instrumental in giving 14 Advent courses, 44 Lent courses of Sermons, 4 Missions, 3 Missions Visits, 2 Retreats, 3 Quiet Days, and Addresses at the Three Hours' Service on Good Friday in Peterborough Cathedral and three other churches.

Address to the Warden, Rev. Canon Clayton, The Precincts, Peterborough; or to the Hon. Secretary, Rev. L. H. Loyd, Orlingbury Rectory, Wellingborough.

Ripon.—DIOCESAN MISSIONER.

The Bishop has very recently appointed a Diocesan Missioner for the purpose of extending and directing Evangelistic work. This provision has been but so lately organised that it is not possible to speak of its practical working.

Communications should be addressed to the Diocesan Missioner, Rev. C. H. Robison, 13 Crescent Parade, Ripon.

Rochester.—SOCIETY OF MISSION CLERGY.

At the Diocesan Conference of 1893 the late Bishop expressed his earnest desire for the formation of such a Society in the Diocese, and has since taken practical steps for its organisation by the official recognition of a number of Clergy united together for evangelistic work as 'The Rochester Cathedral Society of Mission Preachers.' With a view to place this movement upon a permanent footing, and to extend its usefulness, the Bishop has just sanctioned the appointment of the Rev. R. G. Cope as Cathedral Missioner attached to the Society.

Communications should be addressed to Canon Pollock, The Precincts, Rochester.

St. Albans.—DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

In the year 1890 the Diocesan Conference considered the importance of making some provision for the systematic encouragement of Parochial Missions, and of such-like endeavours to arouse and deepen spiritual life among the people. An organisation has been formed under the direction of a Diocesan Missioner appointed by the Bishop, and aims at carrying out its objects by the holding of Parochial Missions, Short Missions, Visits, and Revisits; Visits of a Missionary character from Saturday to Monday, Addresses to Men, to Members of Guilds, special courses of sermons through Advent and Lent, and so forth. The Diocesan Missioner and his assistant were actively engaged during the past year. Retreats, Quiet Days, and such-like devotional services for the Clergy and laity were arranged for.

Address the Diocesan Missioner, the Rev. H. Darwin Burton, Ridgmont House, St. Albans.

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St. Asaph.—DIOCESAN MISSIONER.

The office is for the present vacant, but the Bishop will speedily make his appointment. In several parishes, however, the Parochial Clergy have arranged and carried out Parochial Missions. Retreats and Quiet Days were also held in some parts of the Diocese both for Clergy and Laity.

Until this work is more systematically organised, communications should be addressed to the Very Rev. W. H. Williams, The Deanery, St. Asaph.

St. Davids.—DIOCESAN MISSION.

Those who are responsible for the working of this Mission have reported favourably of its progress during the last year. It has been more than ever successful in awakening the spiritual life of the Church in the Diocese.

The Clergy have responded more zealously to its efforts; the number of Missions held last year was larger than the year previous.

Six Missions of five and six days' duration were preached, and the testimony of Nonconformists to their value was especially encouraging.

A very helpful feature of the work was found in the number of visits paid by the Missioner from Saturday to Monday in many parishes in the Diocese. Organised provision was made for advancing the devotional life of the Clergy by Retreats and Quiet Days, and like opportunities were given to the Laity, to Sunday School teachers, members of the Lay-helpers' Association, Church Army, and Communicants' Guild. Mention should also be made of the courses of Lenten instruction, which proved to be of great practical value to many of the Clergy and their parishioners.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. Canon Williams, Diocesan Missioner, Bank House, Carmarthen.

Salisbury.—SPECIAL MISSIONS SOCIETY.

No very recent report has been furnished, but with the approval of the Bishop this Society has been quietly working throughout the Diocese during the past year, with great advantage to the spiritual life of the Church.

Opportunities were given at several centres to the Clergy for devotional exercises in Retreats and Quiet Days. Services similar in object were arranged for the Laity, especially for those taking part in the active work of the Church. Several Parochial Missions were held, as for instance at Bradpole, Branksome, Corscombe, Gussage, Kingstone, and Portland. A very interesting Mission was preached at Parkstone to men only. There are on the Society's roll about 100 Associates, of whom nineteen are Missioners and thirty Assistant-Missioners. Certain rules of holy living have been laid down for the general consideration and guidance of both Clerical and Lay members of this Society in their spiritual life.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. W. Everingham, Church House, Salisbury.

Southwell.—SOCIETY OF MISSION CLERGY.

This Society is doing a telling and conscientious work in the Diocese. There are three Canon Missioners, and more than thirteen Assisting Mission Clergy.

During the past year the Society organised several Quiet Days for the Clergy, and Parochial Retreats for the Laity. Numerous courses of sermons or instructions were also arranged for. The most interesting feature of the work during the year was the striking Mission held in Derby, in which the three Canon Missioners took an active part. The Bishop of the Diocese zealously associated himself with the movement throughout its entire duration, and the results already indicate that lasting spiritual blessing may be hoped for from the Mission.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. Canon Keymer, Headon Rectory, Retford.

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—DIOCESAN MISSIONER.

For various reasons the Mission work of this Diocese has been somewhat interrupted, principally owing to the appointment of Canon Carter as Tait Missioner in the Diocese of Canterbury. The Rev. B. J. Hoskyns has been appointed as his successor as Diocesan Missioner. It is not possible now to give any detailed record of the Missioner's work, but as opportunity has presented itself, he has successfully endeavored to carry out the work entrusted to him. Missions were preached at Bournemouth, Redruth, and Camborne. Communications should be addressed to the Rev. B. J. Hoskyns, Canon Missioner,

Westminster.—SOCIETY OF MISSION CLERGY.

The subject of constituting an organisation for the furtherance of Parochial Missions, and kindred evangelistic efforts throughout the Diocese, was fully discussed at the recent Diocesan Conference. Acting upon the resolutions which were formally adopted, the Bishop has appointed six Diocesan Missioners, who have generally been engaged and directed the Mission work of the Diocese. Under the directions of these Missioners, Quiet Days for the Clergy and Laity have been conducted, and several Parochial Missions preached in different parts of the Diocese. Communications should be addressed to the Rev. Canon Valpy, The Close, Westminster.

COLLEGES OF MISSION CLERGY.

It is so well known what great mischief has arisen from committing the management of a parish to unknown, and occasionally unworthy Priests in the absence of the Vicar from illness or other causes, as well as during the temporary vacancy of a benefice. To obviate such an evil the Diocese of London has devised a plan by which a certain number of Clergy should be appointed at some centre appointed by the Bishop, and be easily available for Parochial services, the remainder of their time being given for the assistance of Evangelistic and Home Missionary work as need and circumstances suggest. The actual conditions under which these Clergy work are explained in the authorised account here given of this truly practical plan. The plan has been followed with more or less the same object in the Dioceses of Carlisle, Chester, Southwell, Gloucester and Bristol, and Manchester, and there can be little doubt that in course of time such an organisation as this will from its very necessity become a recognised part of the Diocesan work.

Westminster.—The Bishop's Special Clergy.

The work of the past year has been carried on under the direct superintendence of the Bishop of Carlisle, and on lines identical with those of 1894-95, the one distinguishing feature being that the average visit paid by members of the staff was of a longer length than last year. Two members were engaged in one place for the whole of the year, consequently the number of visits paid is smaller this year than in the first year the work was started. The chief object of the work is at present the performance of supplementary duty in parishes without a vicar for the time being, or where the parochial staff is temporarily undermanned. Communications should be addressed to the Rev. J. A. Whish, Warden, 18 Portico Square, Carlisle.

Chester Diocesan Society of Special Service Clergy.

This Society consists of a Warden and the following assistant Clergy: Revs. Malcolm Graham, A. W. Humphreys, and J. B. Sayer.

During the past year several vacant parishes have been temporarily filled, and many others assisted, temperance sermons preached, and several meetings, and many gatherings of Sunday-school teachers and Church-workers, addressed.

During the summer months a Church Army Van, with three Missioners, has been well at work, chiefly in the country districts, and their work has aroused much attention and has met with success. Of this van the Warden is visitor and director.

The organisation of all the C.E.T.S. work in the Diocese is also in the Warden's hands. There are two Police Court Missionaries attached to the Courts at Chester, Northwich, and Stockport.

Warden, Rev. Malcolm R. Graham, M.A., Malpas, Cheshire.

Gloucester and Bristol College of Diocesan Missioners.

There is now a staff of four Missioners, who devote their whole time to Mission work, besides two who are also Incumbents of Parishes, two more who have other duties, and twelve duly commissioned Honorary Missioners. In addition to conducting Parochial Missions, Quiet Days, special services for men, for women, starting communicants' guilds, and many works of like nature, the Missioners take charge of the temperance work of the Diocese, train laymen for the Bishop's licence as lay readers, and as far as may be help the parochial Clergy in times of special temporary pressure. One member of the staff devotes the major part of his time to taking complete charge of parishes, either during the incapacity through illness, or on the removal of the Incumbent. The Mission has also organised for the last six years a plan of systematic teaching by means of Lent instructions given in the churches of about one hundred parishes each year. Under the auspices of the Mission many courses of Lantern Lectures on Church History have been given in different parts of the Diocese.

Communications should be addressed to Canon Bowers, The College Green, Gloucester.

Norwich.—Society of Mission Clergy.

This Society was formed in the summer of 1895, under the sanction and direction of the Lord Bishop, for the organisation of special evangelistic work throughout the Diocese, and exists for the purpose of filling up temporary vacancies in parishes caused by sickness, death, or otherwise. The Mission Clergy, three in number, as opportunity offers, assist in Parochial Missions, hold 'Four-day' Mission visits, address guilds, and give lectures, or courses of instruction, during the Church seasons, or at other times.

Communications should be addressed to the Right Rev. Bishop Hornby, D.D., St. Clement's, Norwich, Warden of the Society, or to the Secretary, Rev. Canon De Chair, Morley Rectory, Wymondham, Norfolk.

Salisbury.—Diocesan Missioners of St. Andrew.

This Society, now consisting of seven Priests, was formed in 1886 to provide temporary and occasional duty in parishes where such was needed; it further aims at being qualified and ready to undertake any special ministerial or mission work at the appointment of the Bishop. Six of the Diocesan Missioners reside at the Church House, Salisbury, when free from other engagements, and one, who is the Vice-Principal, resides at the Theological College.

The Missioners make a solemn promise in the Cathedral on St. Andrew's Day in each year to keep the rule of the Society and to do such work for God as the Bishop of Salisbury may think fit to tell them to do in the coming year, this promise involving a celibate life for that period, and entire devotion to the work of the Church. Each Missioner is paid 100*l.* a year, and his board, lodging, and travelling expenses; the payments for the services of the Missioners are made by the Clergy or parish requiring them to the Hon. Treasurer of the Society at the conclusion of every engagement. The income of the Society arises from these payments, from occasional offertories in parishes where the Missioners have served, and from the generous support of the Churchmen of the Diocese, whose annual subscriptions to the expense of the Mission and Mission House

amount to about 140*l.*, while an Endowment Fund of 2,500*l.* has been raised. During the year ending at Easter 1896 charge was taken, or resident help given for periods of some length, in twelve parishes; special preaching and Mission work (including two Ten Days' Missions) were undertaken in thirty-seven parishes; and Sunday duty performed, lectures, &c. given in twenty-one. The Diocesan Itinerant Mission to Fairs, &c., is undertaken by the Society, one of whose members is set apart for the work.

Communications respecting this work should be made to Rev. E. W. Watson, Warden, The Church House, Salisbury.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

THE following is but a brief description of exceptional efforts, independent of distinct parochial connection, to bring the non-churchgoing population within hearing of the Gospel. It is not from any mere desire for publicity that these efforts are noticed, but the success which has evidently attended them, may suggest and encourage the adoption of similar means elsewhere.

Ripon.—GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES FOR MEN ONLY.

The Bishop of Ripon holds services in different centres of Leeds in each year for men only, the object of which is to induce men who are not in the habit of attending any place of worship to come and hear the story of the Life and Passion of the Lord Jesus Christ. There are usually two services, both of which are held on Good Friday evening. One of these is always at the Town Hall, and for the last six years has had an average attendance of 3000. Recently the demand for tickets has been so great that a service is held on the Thursday evening also in one of the suburbs. Men have been known to come from Hull and Manchester to attend these services, although the original intention is that they should be for inhabitants of Leeds. The Committee are desirous that similar services should be organised for women, to be held in Advent. The second is held in one of the outlying districts; e.g. the last five have been held respectively at Burmantofts, Holbeck, Armley, Hunslet, and Roundhay; these have also been largely attended. The Bishop is assisted in the work by a large committee of upwards of 250 working-men, representing nearly every parish in the town. The meetings are not advertised by bills or posters, nor is any notice inserted in the local newspapers. The invitations are given by personal solicitation from members of the committee, each of whom is supplied with a large quantity of tickets. The addresses are illustrated by limelight views thrown on a large screen. The results so far have been most encouraging. One of the most pleasing of them has been the kindly relationship which has been established between the Bishop and his large staff of working-men helpers.

Diocese of Wakefield.—EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.

An endeavour has of late years been made, with considerable success, to reach the habitual Church neglecters in the city of Wakefield; a course of Evangelistic Services has been held on Sunday evenings during the winter, in the Circus, at 8.15, lasting an hour.

The Vicar, Archdeacon Donne, has, as a rule, given the address, taking for his subject some Bible narrative or parable, and illustrating his teaching by a series of pictures displayed upon a large screen by limelight. The services have been strictly simple, consisting of a short prayer, and of hymns thrown upon the sheet that all may see and sing them. The Bishop has shown his sympathy with this effort by personally taking part in it; the numbers who have attended have been very large, and justify the hope and belief that much good has been done.

A fine hall has recently been opened in connection with a group of new School buildings, and the services are now transferred from the Circus to this hall. They are of the same simple character as before, only without the limelight and picture illustrations.

MISSIONS TO PUBLIC SCHOOL BOYS.

THE Church Parochial Missions Society has recently established this useful Branch of Church Work, which has been practically carried out with much success by their appointed Missioner.

Opportunities have been afforded to the Missioner in thirty-five schools of giving addresses to the boys, setting before them the moral and spiritual obligations of the spiritual life. The Missioner has also delivered twenty lectures bearing upon his personal reminiscences of Palestine, with the view of bringing before the minds of the boys the reality of the Bible and the Christian Faith. In these and other ways the Missioner has furthered a work of simple and earnest design, which cannot fail to tell for great good upon the present and future career of those whose spiritual interests have not perhaps been sufficiently thought of.

Communications should be addressed to the Missioner, the Rev. Norman Bennett, 29 Maitland Park Villas, Hampstead.

ITINERANT MISSIONS.

THESE Missions are now becoming more generally recognised as needful and practical methods for reaching various classes of persons who for one reason or another do not seem to come under immediate parochial ministrations. In several Dioceses Mission-vans have been acquired, and are worked under the direct sanction of the Bishop, principally through the agency of the Church Army. This is the case, for instance, in the following Dioceses: Canterbury, Durham, Norwich, Wakefield, Manchester, Oxford, Exeter, St. Asaph, Chester, and Carlisle.

It is too early to measure the practical success of this movement, but the records of work done are so far very encouraging.

Missions similar in character, but worked by the Diocese independently of other agencies, have met with very successful results in the Dioceses of Canterbury, Lichfield, St. Albans, Salisbury, Gloucester and Bristol, and St. Davids. As an illustration of their general methods, the following record is given.

Winchester Diocesan Itinerant Mission.—This Mission was set on foot by the Hants Diocesan Society in 1884, with the object of providing spiritual ministrations for the hoppers, navvies, showmen, drovers, gipsies, and other occupants of vans, tents, and movable habitations, who attend the fairs and travel through the Diocese in order to obtain a living. The Itinerant Missioner visits the fairs, hop-gardens, New Forest, commons, woods, canals, and works in progress where any of his wandering flock are likely to be found, and ministers to their spiritual wants, very often taking poor sick and diseased people to a place of shelter. He travels about in the diocesan van, and one of his own of lighter build, in order to minister to his people. There are always in the Diocese about 3000 travellers. In the hop-picking season about 20,000 pickers, and in addition to these we have had 1000 navvies working at Southampton Docks, 500 at Portsmouth Dock Extension, and 200 in the Isle of Wight.

Needs.—Magic-lanterns, good slides, games, subscriptions.

Rev. T. E. Holt, Itinerant Missioner, The Rectory, Litchfield, Whitchurch, Hants.

LIST OF MISSIONS.

THIS list is an announcement of a very considerable number of the Missions held during the past year, and has been compiled for the most part from direct communications with the Clergy accustomed to conduct such Missions, and the Incumbents of the parishes in which such Missions have been held. It is obvious that, in the absence of any complete official records, it is quite impossible to make an exhaustive return, so that the list now given must be taken only as representing generally the progress of this movement, by which the spiritual life and zeal of the Church have been so wonderfully stimulated.

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Canterbury.			Winchester—cont.		
East Malling . . .	Rev. H. D. Dale .	1895 Mar. 14-18	Horsley, West . . .	Rev. J. Morris .	Nov. 11-18
Norwood, Upper (All Saints)	Canon Carter and Rev. A. L. Palmes	Nov. 17-27	Southsea (St. Simon)	Rev. S. A. Selwyn	Oct. 17-27
Norwood, Upper (St. John)	Revs. C. W. Carrington & A. Phillimore	Oct. 17-27	Bath and Wells.		
Smarden . . .	Canon Carter	Feb. 19-Mar. 2	Bath (St. James)	Rev. J. M. Spicer	Oct. 24-Nov. 2
Sturry . . .	Canon Carter	Nov. 29-Dec. 9	Monkton Combe . . .	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	Oct. 31-Nov. 9
Tunbridge Wells	Revs. N. F. Robinson & J. L. Titcombe	Dec. 7-17, '95	Portbury . . .	Rev. S. R. Cambie	Nov. 14-25
York.			Rowbarton (St. Andrew)	Revs. C. Bickersteth & C. Longridge	Nov. 30-Dec. 12
Middlesborough (St. Columba)	Rev. T. R. Willacy	Jan. 4-14	Weston . . .	Rev. E. F. Elwin	Sept. 19-29
Strensall . . .	Rev. J. Stephens	Nov. 28-Dec. 8	Carlisle.		
London.			Arleeden . . .	Rev. J. P. Cushing	Mar. 14-24
Acton, East (St. Dunstan)	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	Feb. 15-24	Chichester.		
Acton, South (All Saints)	Rev. S. Hooke .	Feb. 8-17	Brede . . .	Rev. E. F. Elwin	May 13-18
Cerkenwell (The Holy Redeemer)	Rev. B. W. Maturin	May 10-24	Brighton (St. Bartholomew & St. Martin)	Revs. B. W. Maturin, Canon Scott-Holland, Hon. Hanbury-Tracy, & R. A. Kingdon	Nov. 1-15
Barnet (Ch. Ch.)	Rev. C. Courtenay	Nov. 14-24	Eastbourne (Ch. Ch.)	Revs. W. Hay Aitken & J. Stephens	Nov. 7-23
Edmonton (Parish Church)	Revs. L. H. Loyd & R. D. L. Clarke	"	Midhurst . . .	Rev. P. B. Bull .	May 9-20
" (St. James)	Rev. J. H. Haslam	"	Twineham . . .	Rev. Giles Daubeny	Feb. 22-Mar. 2
Enfield (St. Andrew)	Rev. W. St. Hill-Bourne	"	Ely.		
" (St. George)	Rev. F. E. Rogers	Nov. 28-Dec. 7	Bedford (Ch. Ch.)	Rev. W. Hayton .	Feb. 8-12
" (St. John)	Rev. G. C. Hamilton	Nov. 14-24	Cambridge (St. Matt.)	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	May 19-25
" (St. James)	Rev. F. W. Bryan-Brown	Nov. 28-Dec. 7	Cowlunge . . .	Canon Thornton .	Oct. 31-Nov. 10
" (St. Mark)	Rev. L. H. Tomes	Nov. 14-24	Ramsey . . .	Rev. G. Hodges .	Nov. 15-24
" (St. Michael)	Rev. H. Hughes .	Nov. 28-Dec. 7	Woolton . . .	Rev. W. St. Hill-Bourne	Jan. 11-21
" (Ponder's End)	Rev. J. P. Cushing	Nov. 28-Dec. 7	Exeter.		
Highbury (St. Augustine)	Rev. W. H. Stone	Oct. 24-Nov. 2	Exeter (All Hallows & St. Paul's)	Revs. J. Williams & T. C. Williams	Feb. '06
Hillingdon (St. Andrew's)	Canon Keymer & Canon Mason	Oct. 3-16	" (Bedford Ch.)	Rev. J. F. Andrews	"
Kilburn (St. Augustine)	Revs. C. Bickersteth & E. B. Layard	Mar. 21-Apr. 5	" (St. David's & St. Michael's)	Revs. Lorraine Est-ridge & T. C. A. Barrett	"
Paddington (St. Saviour)	Rev. F. H. Dalby	Feb. 1-12	" (St. Edmund's)	Revs. J. W. Parish & T. L. Brown	"
Pimlico (St. Barnabas)	Revs. C. Bickersteth & W. H. Frere	Feb. 22-Mar. 5	" (Holy Trinity)	Rev. T. E. Cleworth	"
Tottenham (Ch. Ch.)	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	Nov. 14-24	" (St. James)	Revs. S. W. Robinson & J. Daldy	"
Durham.			" (St. John)	Rev. A. Gill .	"
Ryhope . . .	Canon Body	Oct. 10-18	" (St. Lawrence)	Rev. W. Edwith .	"
Silksworth . . .	Canon Body	Feb. 1-11	" (St. Leonard's)	Revs. S. A. Selwyn & E. J. Kennedy	"
Tyne-dock . . .	Canon Body	Jan. 18-29	" (St. Mary Arches)	Rev. R. A. Mortimer	"
Winchester.			" (St. Mary Major & St. Mary Magdalene)	Revs. H. Foster-Pegg, Swann Hurrell, & G. F. Seaton	"
Cowes (St. Mary, Holy Trinity, & Gurnard)	Canons Valpy, Elliot, & Grant, Revs. A. E. Daldy & R. C. Harvey	Nov. 14-25	" (St. Mary Steps)	Revs. B. Dulley & E. J. Norris	"
Guildford (Ch. Ch.)	Rev. E. B. Russell	Mar. 18-Apr. 5			

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Exeter—cont.			Lincoln—cont.		
Exeter (St. Matthew)	Revs. J. Willink & M. F. B. Hinney	Feb. '96	East Barkwith . . .	Rev. S. Hope . . .	Nov. 14-25
" (St. Olave)	Rev. R. J. Ives . . .	"	Waddingham . . .	Rev. J. S. Bntlin	Mar. 1-9
" (St. Petrock & St. Kerrian)	Rev. W. Everingham	"	Wyham . . .	Rev. W. Hicks . . .	June 27- July 8
" (St. Sidwell & St. Catharine)	Revs. T. R. Willacy, The Hon. R. J. Yarde-Buller, J. H. Bondin, & R. Cardwell	"	Sutton-on-Sea . . .	Rev. C. V. Pixell	Jan. 25- Feb. 5
" (St. Stephen)	Rev. O. E. Whittingham	"	Liverpool.		
" (St. Thomas & Emmanuel)	Revs. J. M. Spicer & W. Bryan-Brown	"	Everton (Ch. Ch.) . . .	Rev. W. Hay Aitken	Sep. 6-21
" Heavitree . . .	Revs. H. P. Cronshaw & E. H. Jones	"	Liverpool (St. Benedict)	Canon Harrison . . .	Mar. 29- Apr. 5
" Exwick . . .	Revs. D. Evans & G. E. T. Body	"	Warrington (St. Anne)	Rev. J. Morris . . .	Mar. 9 Feb. 1-10
Ivybridge, Devon	Canon Atherton . . .	Nov. '96	" (St. Peter)	Rev. G. Howell . . .	"
Gloster & Bristol.			Llandaff.		
Amberley . . .	Rev. E. B. Russell	Sep. 19-25	Clydach Vale (St. Thomas)	Canon Roberts & Rev. J. P. Griffith	Jan. 18-28
Berkeley . . .	Revs. G. V. Sampson & G. R. Sharpe	Nov.	Gyfeillon . . .	Rev. H. Evans & Canon Roberts	Apr. 11-21
Chipping Sodbury	Canon Pennefather	Jan. 25- Feb. 4	Llanfabon (Par. Ch.)	Canon Roberts . . .	May 9-19
Portbury . . .	Rev. S. R. Cambie	Nov. 14-24	" (St. Cynon)	Rev. D. Evans . . .	Jan. 18-28
Thornbury . . .	Revs. S. Jones & A. N. Scott	"	Llwynypia . . .	Revs. T. P. Ring & J. D. James	Apr. 18-29
Lichfield.			Nelson (St. John) . . .	Rev. T. R. Willacy	Apr. 11-21
Bloxwich . . .	Rev. H. J. Wilkinson	Feb. 8-18	Usk . . .	Canon Roberts & Rev. A. E. Heaton	Feb. 1-11
Burslem . . .	Rev. H. V. Stuart	Feb. 15-29	Yuyshir . . .	Canon Roberts & Rev. J. B. Phillips	Nov. 16-26, '95
Church Eaton . . .	Rev. A. W. Tudball	Oct. 18-25	Manchester.		
Ellastone . . .	Rev. W. J. Price	Oct. 10-20	Beswick . . .	Rev. J. P. Cushing	Jan. 4-14
Ipstones . . .	Rev. J. Hopkins	Nov. 14-23	Blackburn (St. Barnabas)	Revs. W. Hay Aitken & J. Stephen	Sep. 27- Oct. 11
Kemberton . . .	Rev. C. T. Holmes	Oct. 18-27	Bolton (St. Bartholomew)	Rev. Canon Lester	Feb. 1-10
Lower Gornal . . .	Rev. T. Bates . . .	Nov. 14-24	" (Emmanuel) . . .	Revs. C. Bickerssteth & E. A. Glenday	"
Middleton . . .	Rev. H. M. Holden	Nov. 14-24	" (St. George) . . .	Rev. J. Morris . . .	"
Newchapel . . .	Rev. W. J. Price	Feb. 8-18	" (St. Mark) . . .	Rev. W. St. H. Bourne	"
Oulton . . .	Rev. J. Lunt . . .	June 9-18	" (Holy Trinity) . . .	Rev. R. Catterall	"
Rodington . . .	Rev. C. Dunkley	Jan. 18-23	" (Little Lever) . . .	Rev. F. E. Rogers	"
Walsall Wood . . .	Rev. E. Brewer . . .	Nov. 14-23	" (Hulton St. Paul)	Canon Hicks . . .	"
Walton . . .	Canon Bodington	Oct. 17-27	" (Hulton) . . .	Rev. J. Stephens	"
West Bromwich (St. Paul)	Rev. J. P. Cushing	Feb. 29- Mar. 10	" (Westhoughton)	Canon Atherton . . .	Jan. '96
West Cosesley . . .	Revs. T. A. Bennett and R. M. Smythe	Apr. 18-30	Bury, New . . .	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	Mar. 21-30
West Smethwick	Rev. A. Phillimore	Feb. Feb.	Davyhulme . . .	Rev. G. Howell . . .	Nov. 14-26
Wrochwardine Wood	Prob. Bolton . . .	8-18	Farnworth . . .	Rev. C. Gamlen . . .	Jan. 16-26
Lincoln.			Godwich . . .	Rev. G. F. Watts	Feb. 19-29
Bayard's Leaf . . .	Rev. W. Hicks . . .	Oct. 17-22	Lancaster (Par. Ch. & St. John)	Revs. T. R. Willacy, R. Cardwell & G. H. Vincent	Nov. 14-26
Coningsby . . .	Rev. W. T. Jennings	Jan. 21-31	" (St. Thomas) . . .	Rev. T. Graham . . .	"
			" (St. Anne) . . .	Rev. J. Edwards . . .	"
			" (Christ Ch.) . . .	Rev. E. H. Jones . . .	"
			" (St. Paul's, Scoforth)	Rev. J. Stephens . . .	"
			" (St. Luke, Sherton)	Rev. F. E. Rogers . . .	"
			Preston (St. James) . . .	Rev. Canon Lester	May 6-15
			Wingates . . .	Rev. F. Hart . . .	Jan. 20-28

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Norwich.			Salisbury.		
Holbrook . . .	Rev. E. B. Russell	May 9-18	Brndpole . . .	Canon Nash	Mar. 1-8
King's Lynn (St. John)	Rev. E. B. Russell	Oct. 3-13	Branksome . . .	Rev. F. Barker	Dec. '95
Marsham . . .	Rev. G. Everard.	Nov. 9-16	Corsecombe . . .	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	Dec. 7-17, '95
Norwich (St. Michael)	Revs. B. W. Maturin & A. F. Langmore	Jan. 31-Feb. 13	Gussage (All Saints).	Rev. H. R. W. Farrer	Oct. 9-19
Oxford.			Kingstone . . .	Rev. W. Everingham	Mar. 15-21
Clewer . . .	Revs. C. Bickersteth & J. R. Ilingworth	Nov. 21-30	Parkstone (Men)	Rev. W. Everingham	Dec. 5-13, '95
„ (St. Stephen)	Revs. R. T. Ives & A. T. C. Cowie	Nov. 25-Dec. 1	Portland . . .	Rev. W. Everingham	Nov. 26-30
Dedworth . . .	Rev. H. J. Wilmet-Buxton	Nov. 22-29	Sodor and Man.		
Oxford (Holy Trinity)	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	Jan. 4-14	Ramsey . . .	Canon Bullock	Feb. 7-17
Shipton-under-Wychwood	Revs. G. F. Elwin & F. C. Powell	Nov. 16-24	Southwell.		
Studley . . .	Rev. W. Everingham	Nov. 13-24	Brampton (St. Thos.)	Revs. F. Boag & J. E. Binney	Feb. 1-14
Sulhamstead . . .	Rev. W. Bryan-Brown	Oct. 10-19	Chesterfield . . .	Canons Keymer & Valpy	Feb. 1-14
Peterborough.			„ (Holy Trinity)	Canon Hamilton & Rev. C. Harrison	Feb. 1-14
Great Easton . . .	Canon Sanders	Nov. 15-25	Norton Lees . . .	Canon Hamilton	Sep. 19-19
Sibley . . .	Rev. A. H. Watts	Nov. 14-24	Derby (All Saints)	Rev. E. A. Stuart	Nov. 7-20
Ripon.			„ (Christ Church)	Rev. J. Hale Shaw	„
Ainderby Steeple . . .	Rev. H. C. D. Bainbridge	Oct. 10-22	„ (Holy Trinity)	Rev. Sholto Douglas	„
Cundall . . .	Revs. C. H. Robinson & P. S. Horan	Oct. 11-18	„ (St. Alkmund)	Canon Wilcox	„
Settle . . .	Revs. C. H. Robinson & H. L. Cook	Nov. 28-Dec. 9	„ (St. Andrew)	Rev. S. Scott	„
Rochester.			„ (St. Anne)	Canon Keymer & Rev. H. L. M. Cary	„
Blackheath (St. John)	Rev. T. E. Cleworth	Oct. 18-27	„ (St. Barnabas)	Rev. F. Boaz	„
Horne . . .	Rev. E. B. Russell	Jan. 25-Feb. 5	„ (St. Chad)	Rev. T. Tirebuck	„
Kenley . . .	Rev. H. Foster Pegg	Nov. 10-19	„ (St. James)	Revs. T. C. Barrett & F. Harvey	„
Lambeth . . .	Rev. J. H. Haslam	Feb. 8-18	„ (St. John)	Revs. H. V. Stuart & W. S. Swayne	„
Penge (Ch. Ch.)	Canon Pollock	Feb. 1-13	„ (St. Luke)	Revs. I. J. Metcalf & J. Murray	„
Woolwich (Par. Ch.)	Rev. P. B. Bull	Nov. 28-Dec. 12	„ (St. Michael)	Canon G. E. Mason	„
St. Albans.			„ (St. Paul)	Rev. Paul Bull	„
Radlett . . .	Rev. D. Burton	Feb. 22-Mar. 4	„ (St. Peter)	Rev. H. Dibben	„
Ware (Ch. Ch.)	Rev. T. E. Cleworth	Nov. 21-Dec. 1	„ (St. Thomas)	Rev. F. S. Webster	„
Upton Park (St. Stephens)	Rev. J. Adderley	Sept. 26-Oct. 6	„ (St. Werburgh)	Canon Bullock & Rev. E. Bullock	„
St. Davids.			„ (St. Werburgh)	Canon Bodington & Rev. C. E. McCreary	„
Llanarth . . .	Canon Williams	Nov. 21-29	„ (Littleover)	Rev. E. White	„
Llanarth . . .	Canon Williams	May 6-14	„ (Normanton)	Rev. C. Dunkley	„
Llangniche . . .	Canon Williams	June 20-28	„ (Osmaston)	Rev. S. G. Peter	„
Llanveigan . . .	Canon Williams	Nov. 7-15	Truro.		
Ponterdulais . . .	Canon Williams	May 2-10	Camborne . . .	Rev. B. J. Hoskyns	Feb. 16-23
Tretower . . .	Canon Williams	Feb. 29-Mar. 8	Mullion . . .	Rev. B. J. Hoskyns	Nov. 21-Dec. 1
			Redruth . . .	Canon Thynne & Rev. E. Townsend	Mar. 7-18
			Wakefield.		
			Denby . . .	Rev. J. Hopkin	Jan. 25-Feb. 4
			King-Cross . . .	Revs. P. N. Waggett & H. A. Kennedy	Apr. 18-28

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Worcester.			Worcester—cont.		
Ansley	Rev. J. Morris	Apr. 11-27	Middleton	Rev. H. M. Holden	Nov. 14-24
Balsall Heath (St. Paul)	Rev. G. B. Hadow	Jan. 29-Feb. 12	Redditch	Rev. W. H. Falloon	Nov. 15-22
Beoley	Rev. J. McConnell	Nov. 17-24	Sparkbrook	Revs. G. F. Seaton & W. Mallett	Oct. 3-18
Bromsgrove	Rev. O. Mordaunt	Nov. 14-24	Solihull	Rev. W. Hay Aitken	Nov. 29-Dec. 14
Hartshill	Rev. J. W. Parish	Oct. 31-Nov. 11	Whichford	Rev. A. W. Robinson	May 2-10
Hanbury	Rev. D. Evans	Nov. 14-23			

LIST OF MISSION PREACHERS.

The following Clergy, who have gained experience in the work, have expressed their willingness to give assistance in conducting Parochial Missions, and to respond to any invitation to do so, as far as other claims upon their time permit :

Abbott, Rev. W. G., M.A.	Rector of St. Luke's, Old Street, E.C.
Adderley, Hon. and Rev. J. G., M.A.	Curate of St. Philip's, Plaistow.
Adderley, Hon. and Rev. R. E., M.A.	Rector of St. John's, Horsleydown.
Addison, Rev. J. S., M.A.	Vicar of Holy Trinity, Bradford.
Ady, Rev. W. H., M.A.	Vicar of Charing, Kent.
Aitken, Rev. W. Hay, M.A.	33 Lansdown Road, Bedford.
Andrewes, Rev. J. F., M.A.	Vicar of Boxeth, Harrow.
Arkless, Rev. E.	Vicar of Farsdon, Newcastle.
Armitage, Rev. A. K. A.	Curate of West Ham, 207 Romford Road, E.
Askwith, Rev. W. H., M.A.	Vicar of Taunton and Prebendary of Wells.
Atherton, Rev. C. I., M.A.	Diocesan Missioner, Canon of Exeter.
Bacon, Rev. J. H.	Rector of Gonerby, Grantham.
Bainbridge, Rev. H. G. D., M.A.	Minor Canon of Westminster.
Barnes, Rev. C.	Vicar of Christ Church, Coleford, Gloucestershire.
Barnes, Rev. H. B., M.A.	Rector of Chelsfield.
Barrass, Rev. J. S., M.A.	Rector of St. Michael Bassishaw, E.C.
Barrett, Rev. D. W., M.A.	Rector of Barnet, Herts.
Barrett, Rev. T. C. A., M.A.	Clergy House, All Hallows, Barking.
Barrow, Rev. W. M.	Vicar of St. Clements, Windsor, Liverpool.
Barter, Rev. H., M.A.	Vicar of Shipton-under-Wychwood.
Bates, Rev. T.	Vicar of St. Mary's, Balham.
Beeby, Rev. J.	Vicar of All Saints', Dulwich.
Bennett, Rev. N., B.A.	7 Adam Street, Adelphi, W.C.
Bickersteth, Rev. M. C., M.A.	Radley Vicarage, Abingdon.
Biggs, Rev. C., M.A.	St. Augustine's Coll., Canterbury.
Blake, Rev. R. F.	Rector of Staple.
Blakelock, Rev. C. O., M.A.	Rector of Shelfanger.
Boag, Rev. F.	Vicar of St. Albans, Nottingham.
Bodington, Rev. C., A.K.C.	Vicar of Ch. Ch. and Canon of Lichfield.
Body, Rev. G., M.A.	Canon Missioner, Durham.
Bolton, Rev. C. N.	Vicar of Cannock.
Bourne, Rev. W. St. Hill.	Vicar of St. Luke's, Uxbridge Road, W.
Bowers, Rev. J. P. L., M.A.	Diocesan Missioner, and Canon of Gloucester.
Brewer, Rev. E., M.A.	Vicar of Old Hill, Stafford.

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Bristow, Rev. R. R., M.A.	Vicar of St. Stephen's, Lewisham, and Hon. Canon of Rochester.
Britten, Rev. A.	Vicar of St. Mydrim, St. Clears.
Bromby, Rev. H. B., M.A.	Vicar of All Saints', Clifton.
Brown, Rev. C. M., M.A.	Vicar of St. Alban's, Liverpool.
Bryan-Brown, Rev. W., M.A.	Southborough, Tunbridge Wells.
Bull, Rev. B. P., M.A.	Radley Vicarage, Abingdon.
Bull, Rev. H. P., M.A.	Curate of Downham.
Bullock, Rev. E., M.A.	Vicar of St. Jude's, Liverpool.
Bullock, Rev. E., M.A.	Vicar of Holy Trinity, Leeds; Prebendary of Lincoln Cathedral.
Burrows, Rev. L. H., M.A.	Vicar of Godalming.
Burton, Rev. H. D., M.A.	Diocesan Missioner, St. Albans.
Butlin, Rev. J. T., B.A.	Vicar of St. Clement's, Birmingham.
Buxton, Rev. H. J. Wilmot, M.A.	Vicar of St. Giles's, Great Torrington.
Cambie, Rev. S. R.	Vicar of Gorsley, Newent, Gloucester.
Carpenter, Rev. H. S., M.A.	Curate of St. John's, Upper Norwood.
Carrington, Rev. C. W., B.A.	Vicar of Christ Church, West Bromwich.
Carter, Rev. F. E., M.A.	Canon Missioner of Truro.
Catterall, Rev. R.	Rector of St. Mary's, Crumpsall.
Caudwell, Rev. F., M.A.	Vicar of St. Matthias', Stoke Newington.
Chapman, Rev. D. M. B., B.A.	Rector of Warmbrook, Chard.
Childe, Rev. C. V., M.A.	Vicar of Christ Church, Cheltenham.
Clarke, Rev. R. D. L., M.A.	Vicar of Belgrave, Leicester.
Clarke, Rev. T. A.	Vicar of St. George the Martyr, Bolton.
Cleworth, Rev. T. E., M.A.	Rector of Middleton, Manchester.
Cleworth, Rev. W. E., B.A.	Vicar of Hanging Heaton.
Cockin, Rev. C. E., M.A.	Rector of Etton, Hull.
Cogswell, Rev. W. H. L., M.A.	Diocesan Missioner, Chester.
Collins, Rev. P. H.	Rector of High Halden, Ashford.
Cook, Rev. H. L., M.A.	Rector of Skipton-in-Craven.
Cookson, Rev. O., M.A.	Vicar of Elmstead, Colchester.
Courtenay, Rev. C., B.A.	Vicar of St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells.
Cox, Rev. J. C., LL.D.	Rector of Holdenby, Northampton.
Cronshaw, Rev. H. P., M.A.	Diocesan Missioner, Hereford.
Cullen, Rev. J., D.D.	Vicar of Radcliffe-on-Trent.
Cullin, Rev. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, N.
Cushing, Rev. J. P.	7 Adam Street, Adelphi.
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Dawes, Rev. J. W., M.A.	Vicar of All Saints', Liverpool.
Deacon, Rev. A. W. N., M.A.	Rector of St. Mary's, Wallingford.
De Chair, Rev. F. B., M.A.	Rector of Morley, Hon. Canon of Norwich.
Dickson, Rev. D.	Vicar of Christ Church, Lowestoft.
Disney, Rev. W. H., M.A.	Rector of Winwick, Rugby.
Dixon, Rev. Jas., M.A.	65 Sutherland Avenue, W.
Dixon, Rev. J. G., M.A.	Vicar of St. Andrew the Less, Cambridge.
Dixon, Rev. S. L.	Minister of Park Chapel, Chelsea.
Donaldson, Rev. A. B., M.A.	Canon and Precentor of Truro Cathedral.
Downer, Rev. A. C., M.A.	Rector of St. Cuthbert's, Bedford.
Dugmore, Rev. E. E., M.A.	Vicar of Parkstone, Hon. Canon of Sarum.
Dunkerley, Rev. W., M.A.	Rector of Sigglethorne, Hull.
Dunkley, Rev. S.	Vicar of St. Mary's, Wolverhampton.
Dunne, Rev. G. T., M.A.	Vicar of Burnopfield.
Durst, Rev. W., M.A.	Vicar of Southampton.
Dyke, Rev. E. F., M.A.	Vicar of Mersham, Hon. Canon of Canterbury.
Earlley-Wilmot, Rev. E. A., M.A.	Prebendary of Wells, Vicar of St. Jude's, South Kensington.
Easton, Rev. E. W., M.A.	Vicar of St. Luke's, Cleckheaton.
Edwards, Rev. J.	Vicar of Stretton, Burton-on-Trent.
Ellis, Rev. Rowland, M.A.	Incumbent of St. Paul's, Edinburgh.
Ellis, Rev. R. J., M.A.	Rector of Skelton-in-Cleveland.

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Emmet, Rev. W. E., M.A.	Vicar of St. Mark's, Notting Hill.
Engström, Rev. C. R. L., M.A.	Rector of St. Mildred's, Bread Street, E. C.
Estridge, Rev. L., M.A.	Vicar of Bursledon, Southampton.
Evans, Rev. Daniel, B.A.	Rector of Llanmaes, Cowbridge, South Wales.
Everard, Rev. G., M.A.	Rector of Taston, Maidstone.
Everingham, Rev. W.	St. Andrew's Missioner, Salisbury.
Faithfull, Rev. J. A., M.A.	Vicar of St. Mary Magdalen's, Islington.
Falloon, Rev. W. H., M.A.	Vicar of Christ Church, Dover.
Fawcett, Rev. H., M.A.	Vicar of St. Thomas's, Bethnal Green.
Fenton, Rev. E.	Vicar of St. Andrew's, Spennymoor.
Finch, Rev. C. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. Peter's, De Beauvoir Town.
Fisher, Rev. C. E., M.A.	Prebendary of Lincoln, Rector of Bournemouth.
Fitzpatrick, Rev. N. K., M.A.	Vicar of Woodford Wells.
Fletcher, Rev. J. M. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. Andrew's, Wolverhampton.
Fortescue, Rev. H. J., M.A.	Rector of Honiton.
Fowler, Rev. J., M.A.	Rector of Grimston, King's Lynn.
Fox, Rev. E. C., M.A.	Vicar of Castle Moreton.
Fox, Rev. S. W. Darwin, M.A.	Vicar of Christ Church, Bridlington Quay.
Frampton, Rev. J., M.A.	Chaplain of Ascot Priory.
Francis, Rev. D. H., B.A.	Vicar of Chaddeley Corbett, Kidderminster.
Frewer, Rev. G. E., M.A.	Rector of Brede, Northiam.
Furse, Rev. C. W., M.A.	Archdeacon and Canon of Westminster.
Gadsdun, Rev. J. T.	Curate in Charge, St. Matthias', Upper Tulse Hill.
Gallop, Rev. E. F., M.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Hemel Hempstead.
Gamlen, Rev. C., M.A.	Vicar of Peasedown, Bath.
Godsell, Rev. G., M.A.	Vicar of St. Andrew's, Plaistow, E.
Gough, Rev. E. J., M.A.	Vicar of Newcastle-on-Tyne and Hon. Canon.
Graham, Rev. J. M., M.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Burslem.
Graham, Rev. T., M.A.	Vicar of St. Peter's, Southborough.
Grant, Rev. C. F., M.A.	Rector of Guildford and Hon. Canon of Rochester.
Gray, Rev. C., M.A.	Rector of West Retford and Canon of Southwell.
Green, Rev. C.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Beckenham, Kent.
Grigson, Rev. E., B.A.	Rector of Whinburgh, East Dereham.
Guest, Rev. C.	Vicar of Christ Church, Burton-on-Trent.
Hadow, Rev. G. R., M.A.	Rector of Calstone, Calne.
Hall, Rev. H. A., B.D.	Ineumbent of St. John's, Perth.
Hall, Rev. Martin J., B.A.	Congleton, Cheshire.
Halse, Rev. W. G., M.A.	Vicar of Holy Trinity, Bridlington Quay.
Hamilton, Rev. C. J., M.A.	Vicar of Doveridge, and a Canon Missioner in the Diocese of Southwell.
Hamilton, Rev. G. C.	Vicar of St. Luke's, Middlesbrough, Wakefield.
Hammond, Rev. R. H.	Vicar of St. Mary's, Sheffield.
Handley, Rev. E., M.A.	Rector of Winthorpe, Newark.
Hankin, Rev. D. B.	Vicar of St. Jude's, Mildmay Park, N.
Harper, Rev. F., M.A.	Rector of Hinton-Waldrist, Faringdon.
Harrison, Rev. A. J., B.D.	Chaplain of St. Mary's Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
Harrison, Rev. C.	Vicar of Selston, Alfreton.
Harrison, Rev. J., LL.D.	Rector of St. Mary's, Wavertree, and Hon. Canon of Liverpool.
Hart, Rev. F., B.A.	Rector of Kimberley.
Haslam, Rev. J. H., M.A.	Rector of Gravesend.
Haslam, Rev. W., M.A.	Calverley Park, Tunbridge Wells.
Hayton, Rev. W., M.A.	Vicar of Toft, Knutsford.
Hewett, Rev. W. H., M.A.	Vicar of Christ Church, Eastbourne.
Hicks, Rev. W., B.A.	Diocesan Missioner for Lincoln, Messingham, Brigg.
Hill, Rev. P. O.	Vicar of Upton, Norwich.
Hinde, Rev. C. L. M., B.A.	Vicar of Flockton, Wakefield.

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Hoare, Rev. R. W., M.A.	Vicar of St. Michael's, Croydon.
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Hodges, Rev. G., B.A.	Vicar of St. James's, Bury St. Edmunds.
Hodgson, Rev. R., M.A.	Rector of Handsworth.
Holden, Rev. H. M., M.A.	Vicar of St. Leonard's, Newark.
Holt, Rev. T. E.	Vicar of Litchfield, Whitchurch.
Honeyburne, Rev. J. H., M.A.	Vicar of Christ Church, Southport, and Hon. Canon of Liverpool.
Hooke, Rev. S.	Rector of Clopton, Woodbridge.
Hopkin, Rev. J., M.A.	Rector of St. James's, Wednesbury.
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Hoskyns, Rev. B. G., M.A.	Canon Missioner, Truro.
Houghton, Rev. C. A., M.A.	Vicar of West Alvington, Preb. of Sarum.
Howell, Ven. D., B.D.	Canon of St. Asaph, Archdeacon of Wrexham.
Howell, Rev. G.	Vicar of Christ Church, Everton, Liverpool.
Hughes, Rev. H., B.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Clapham.
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Jones, Rev. F. H.	Rector of St. Matthias, Salford.
Jones, Rev. G. S., M.A.	Curate of St. Aldate's, Oxford.
Jones, Rev. J. S., M.A.	Rector of Moreton-in-Marsh.
Jones, Rev. K. L., M.A.	Rector of St. Bride's, Old Trafford, Manchester.
Jones, Rev. T. J., M.A.	Vicar of Gelligaer, Cardiff.
Kemp, Rev. G. I., M.A.	Rector of Wootton, Northampton.
Keymer, Rev. N., M.A.	Rector of Headon-cum-Upton, Retford, and Canon Missioner for Diocese of Southwell.
Kilpeck, Rev. W. J. de, M.A.	Vicar of The Gate House, Hereford.
Kitto, Rev. J. F., M.A.	Rector of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and Pre- bendary of St. Paul's.
Lampen, Rev. C. D., M.A.	Vicar of Eastry.
Lancaster, Rev. T., B.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Halliwell, Bolton.
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Laycock, Rev. W., M.A.	Vicar of Hurdfield, Macclesfield.
Leeke, Rev. E. T., M.A.	Canon and Chancellor of Lincoln Cathedral.
Leeke, Rev. J. C., M.A.	Rector of Kidbrooke, Blackheath, S.E.
Lester, Rev. J. H., M.A.	Prebendary of Lichfield, and Rector of Lexden.
Lillingston, Rev. F. A. C., M.A.	Vicar of St. James's, Clapham.
Linnell, Rev. J. E.	Vicar of Pavenham, Beds.
Lintott, Rev. J. C., A.K.C.	Vicar of St. Stephen's, Walworth, S.E.
Lister, Rev. J. M., M.A.	Vicar of St. Andrew's, Newcastle.
Little, Rev. W. J. Knox-, M.A.	Canon of Worcester.
Lloyd, Rev. W. R., M.A.	Vicar of Crewkerne.
Lloyd, Rev. T., M.A.	Rector of Bala, North Wales.
Lonsdale, Rev. H., M.A.	Vicar of Uppley, Carlisle.
Lowth, Rev. A. C., M.A.	Vicar of Randwick.
Luce, Rev. J. J., B.A.	Vicar of St. Nicholas', Gloucester.
Lunt, Rev. J., M.A.	Rector of Walcot, Bath.
Macarthur, Rev. J., M.A.	Vicar of All Saints, South Acton.
M'Cornick, Rev. J., M.A.	Hon. Canon of York; Vicar of St. Augustine's, Highbury.

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Mahon, Rev. G. A., M.A.	Vicar of Cannington.
Maitland, Rev. A. G.	Vicar of Dudley.
Maldon, Rev. P., M.A.	Lower Kingswood, Reigate.
Mallett, Rev. W. G.	Vicar of Harberton, Totnes.
Mant, Rev. Newton, M.A.	Vicar of Hendon.
Marshall, Rev. E. T., M.A.	Vicar of Sutton, Isle of Ely.
Marshall, Rev. H. J., M.A.	Rector of Beaford, North Devon.
Mason, Rev. A. J., D.D.	Canon of Canterbury.
Mason, Rev. G. E., M.A.	Rector of Whitwell, Chesterfield, and a Canon Missioner of Diocese of Southwell.
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Meeres, Rev. C. E., B.A.	Vicar of Perranzabuloe, Truro.
Miles, Rev. H. S., M.A.	Vicar of All Saints', Whetstone, N.
Miller, Rev. A. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. Frideswide, Oxford.
Moncrieff, Rev. A., M.A.	Vicar of Rugeley.
Monro, Rev. R. D., M.A.	Rector of Little Munden, Ware.
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Oldroyd, Rev. W. R.	Vicar of Haswell, Sunderland.
Oliver, Rev. G., M.A.	Rector of St. John's, Longton.
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Parker, Rev. F. S., M.A.	Vicar of Scalford, Melton Mowbray.
Parker, Rev. J., M.A.	Vicar of Knighton, Leicester.
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Pegg, Rev. H. Foster, M.A.	Rector of St. Matthew's, St. Leonards-on-Sea.
Pelly, Rev. R. P., M.A.	Vicar of Malvern.
Pennefather, Rev. S. E., M.A.	Vicar of Kensington, and Hon. Canon of New castle.
Perry-Gore, Rev. G.	Vicar of St. Mary's, Oldham.
Peter, Rev. L. G., M.A.	Rector of E. Quantoxhead.
Peters, Rev. W. E., M.A.	Vicar of St. Saviour's, Guildford.
Phillips, Rev. Sir J. E., Bt., M.A.	Vicar of Warminster; Prebendary of Salisbur Cathedral.
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Phillips, Rev. S., M.A.	Rector of Nuneham Courtenay, Oxford.
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Pixell, Rev. C. H. V., M.A.	Vicar of St. Faith's, Stoke Newington.
Pollock, Rev. H. C., M.A.	Canon of Rochester.
Potter, Rev. J. Haslock, M.A.	Vicar of Holy Trinity, Upper Tooting.
Powell, Rev. E. P.	Vicar of Heptonstall, Manchester.
Price, Rev. L.	Rector of Pakefield, Lowestoft.
Price, Rev. W. J., M.A.	Vicar of Harborne, Birmingham.
Proctor, Rev. H., M.A.	Vicar of St. Luke's, Gloucester.
Ransford, Rev. R. B.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Penge.
Reed, Rev. M., M.A.	Vicar of St. Thomas's, Nottingham.
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Ring, Rev. T. P., B.A.	Vicar of Rawmarsh.
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Roberts, Rev. Griffith, M.A.	Canon Missioner, Llandaff.
Roberts, Rev. H. B., B.A.	Rector of West Wickham, Kent.
Robinson, Rev. A. J., M.A.	Rector of Holy Trinity, Marylebone.
Robinson, Rev. A. W., M.A.	All Hallows, Barking, Clergy House.
Robinson, Rev. C. H., M.A.	Diocesan Missioner, Ripon.
Robinson, Rev. H., M.A.	Rector of Holy Trinity, Monkgate, York.
Robson, Rev. W. H. F., A.K.C.	Hon. Canon of Peterborough, and Vicar of Claughton, Birkenhead.
Roe, Rev. R. J., M.A.	Rector of Lanteglos, Camelford.
Rogers, Rev. F. E., M.A.	Abbey Walk, Cambridge.
Rogers, Rev. J. E., M.A.	Vicar of Great Yarmouth.
Roworth, Rev. L. D.	Vicar of Clareborough, Retford.
Sanders, Rev. S. J. W., D.C.L.	Vicar of St. Martin, Leicester, and Hon. Canon of Peterborough.
Scott, Rev. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. John's, Leeds, and Prebendary of York.
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Sheldon, Rev. J. F., M.A.	Vicar of Cromer.
Shelton, Rev. N. W., B.A.	Rector of Taynton, Gloucester.
Sherbrooke, Rev. H. Neville	Vicar of Clifton.
Simpson, Rev. J.	Rector of Wadingham, Kirton-in-Lindsey.
Slater, Rev. F., M.A.	Vicar of St. James's, Latchford, Warrington.
Smith, Rev. A. H., M.A.	Rector of St. James's, Dover.
Smith, Rev. J. A., M.A.	Vicar of Swansea, and Prebendary of Lincoln.
Smith, Rev. R. G., F.L.S.	Rector of Castleford, Yorks.
Smythe, Rev. P. M., M.A.	Vicar of Westbury, Wilts.
Southwell, Rev. H. B.	Principal, Lichfield Theological College.
Spencer, Rev. A. J., M.A.	Vicar of Eye, Suffolk.
Sprigg, Rev. H. G., M.A.	Rector of Emsworth.
Standen, Rev. W. S.	Vicar of Smithills, Bolton-le-Moors.
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Stuart, Rev. E. A., M.A.	Vicar of St. Matthew's, Bayswater.
Stuart, Rev. H. V.	Vicar of Cannock, Stafford.
Sturdy, Rev. H. C., M.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Dorking.
Sullivan, Rev. J. Filmer, M.A.	Tunbridge Wells.
Swallow, Rev. J. E., M.A.	Warden of House of Mercy, Horbury.
Swayne, Rev. W. S., B.A.	Vicar of Walsall.
Sylvester, Rev. E. T., M.A.	Rector of Deene, Wansford,
Taylor, Rev. J. C., M.A.	Vicar of Harmondsworth.
Thompson, Rev. G., M.A.	Vicar of Harley Wood, Todmorden.
Thompson, Rev. J. P.	Vicar of Christ Church, Chelsea.
Thornton, Rev. F. F. M., M.A.	Rector of Downham, Hon. Canon of Ely, Diocesan Missioner.
Thornton, Rev. G. Ruthven, M.A.	Vicar of St. Barnabas', Kensington, W.
Thwaites, Rev. E. N.	Rector of Fisherton, Salisbury.
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Townend, Rev. E., M.A.	Vicar of St. John's, Penzance.
Trevelyan, Rev. G. P., M.A.	Vicar of Wolverton, St. Mary, Stony Stratford.
Tudball, Rev. A. W., B.A.	Vicar of Lower Gornal, Dudley.
Tyler, Rev. W. W., B.D.	Vicar of Kenninghall, near Thetford.

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Valpy, Rev. A. S., M.A.	Canon of Winchester.
Waddington, Rev. J. B.	Vicar of Low Moor, Clitheroe.
Wakoford, Rev. J.	Vicar of St. Margaret's, Liverpool.
Warren, Rev. A., M.A.	Vicar of St. Michael's, Appleby.
Warrington, Rev. T.	Rector of Offord D'Arey, Huntingdon.
Watts, Rev. A. H.	Vicar of Lenton, Nottingham.
Watts, Rev. G. J., M.A., LL.D.	Vicar of St. Mark's, Oldham.
Webb-Peploe, Rev. H. W., M.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Onalow Square, S.W., Prob. of St. Paul's.
Webster, Rev. F. S., M.A.	Rector of St. Thomas's, Birmingham.
Webster, Rev. T. C., M.A.	Rector of Rettendon.
West, Rev. J. O.	Vicar of St. Matthew's, Birmingham.
White, Rev. D. J., B.A.	Vicar of Burgh.
White, Rev. J., B.A.	Vicar of St. Peter's, Paddington, W.
White, Rev. R. A., M.A.	Vicar of St. Giles's, Northampton.
Whittington, Rev. R. T., M.A.	Rector of Orsett, Essex, Hon. Canon of St. Albans.
Whitworth, Rev. W. A., M.A.	Vicar of All Saints', Margaret Street.
Wilcox, Rev. C. B.	Vicar of Christ Church, Birmingham, Prob. of Lichfield.
Wilkinson, Rev. H. J., M.A.	Rector of Stockton, Shifnal.
Willacy, Rev. T. R., B.A.	Vicar of Thorganby, York.
Williams, Rev. F. M., M.A.	Canon of Hereford.
Williams, Rev. W., B.A.	Canon Missioner of St. Davids.
Willink, Rev. J. W., M.A.	Vicar of St. Helens, Lancashire.
Wilson, Rev. C. H., M.A.	Vicar of Dilton Marsh, Westbury.
Winslow, Rev. Forbes E., M.A.	Rector of St. Paul's, St. Leonards-on-Sea.
Winter, Rev. G. W., M.A.	Vicar of Swaffham.
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Wrenford, Rev. J. T., M.A.	Vicar of St. Paul's, Newport, Mon.
Wright, Rev. W. B., M.A.	Vicar of All Saints', Compton.
Wylde, Rev. J., M.A.	Vicar of St. Saviour's, Leeds.
Wylde, Rev. R., M.A.	Rector of St. Martin's, Worcester.
Wynter, Rev. R. W., M.A.	Rector of Wimborne St. Giles, Dorset.
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SECTION V.—HOME MISSION WORK.

LAY HELP.

THE pointed attention given by the recent York Diocesan Synod to the subject of a wider recognition of Lay Help sufficiently emphasises the desire of the Church to encourage and assign a proper place to the ministrations of the Laity. It becomes more and more increasingly evident that there is a growing necessity and an ever-widening scope for the assistance which the duly qualified Laity can give, and it is a matter of great moment that such work should receive the fullest recognition and direction of the Church.

DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS.

Bangor.—DIOCESAN LAY WORKERS' ASSOCIATION.

This Association has been formed with a view to unite lay persons in active co-operation in the work of the Church. Laymen and women, over eighteen years of age, being communicants, and willing to do some specified Church work voluntarily, may be enrolled as members on the recommendation of the Incumbent of the parish in which the work is to be carried on.

Members may be enrolled as (1) Readers, being laymen duly licensed by the Bishop upon certain conditions to assist the Clergy in all ministrations not restricted to those in Holy Orders, and (2) Lay Helpers, male and female, engaged in some specified Church work.

Chester.—DIOCESAN ORDER OF READERS.

The Order consists of laymen who read the Lessons in Church if required; who conduct or assist in conducting Mission Services; or who render such general help to the Clergy as is not already organised under the head of Choral Unions or Sunday School Teachers' Associations. They receive a formal licence from the Bishop on his receiving a recommendation from their Incumbent, signed by two trustworthy laymen and countersigned by the Rural Dean, on which a form of assent to the teaching of the Church of England is forwarded for their signature. A meeting is held once a year at Deeside, and new members are admitted at a service held before that meeting. The Order numbers at present nearly seventy members. Communications should be addressed to the Clerical Hon. Secretary, the Rev. W. H. L. Cogswell, and the Lay Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. Percival Gamon, S. Werburgh St., Chester.

Durham.—LAY HELPERS' ASSOCIATION.

The object of this Association, which was originated by Bishop Lightfoot in 1881, is to further the organisation of voluntary Lay Help throughout the Diocese. At present there are three classes of agents receiving the formal licence of the Bishop: (1) *Lay Evangelists*, whose work is carried on, under the direction of a Ruridecanal Committee, in various parts of the Deanery to which they belong, in accordance with a plan arranged quarterly; (2) *Lay Readers*, whose work is confined to the parish of the Clergyman by whom they have been nominated; and (3) *Teachers*, qualified by experience and technical training to increase the efficiency of religious teaching in Sunday schools and Bible classes, by visiting various centres in the Diocese. In all cases the nominations must be approved by the Diocesan

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Committee, which consists of the Bishop and Assistant Bishop, the two Archdeacons, the Canon Missioner, with one clerical and one lay member elected from each Rural Deanery. Buridecanal Committees for the organisation of Lay Help have been formed in twelve Rural Deaneries. The annual service of the Association was held in Durham Cathedral on Wednesday, July 14, when the sermon was preached by the Bishop of Newcastle, and 6 Lay Evangelists and 17 Lay Readers were admitted to office by the Bishop of the Diocese. The entire number of voluntary agents at present working in the Diocese under the Bishop's commission is 40 Evangelists and 99 Readers. An annual social gathering of the members of the Association is held at Auckland Castle.

Apply for information to Ven. Archdeacon Long, Rectory, Bishop Wearmouth.

Exeter.—DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION OF LAY READERS.

Founded in 1888 to promote and stimulate the work of unpaid and duly licensed Readers in the Diocese. The Readers are of two kinds: (1) Parochial, whose duties are confined to the parishes to which they are licensed; (2) General, whose licences enable them to work in any parish in the Diocese, with the consent of its Incumbent. The number of licensed Readers is 127.

Address to Rev. C. P. Whitaker, Rectory, High Bray.

Lincoln.—LAY PREACHERS' GUILD.

This Guild had its origin in a meeting, held at Lincoln in October 1891, of gentlemen interested in the subject of lay help.

At this meeting it was resolved to form, with the Bishop's authority, a guild of men who would be willing and able to assist the Clergy of the Diocese by taking services and giving addresses in mission chapels and school-rooms, the Bishop of the Diocese being patron of the Guild.

In December 1891, at a service held in the chapel of the Old Palace, Lincoln, the Bishop formally admitted thirteen members of the Guild, each being separately admitted with the following words: 'I take you (M) as a lay preacher in this Diocese of Lincoln, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.'

Candidates for membership of the Guild, who must be communicants and recommended by the Vicar of their parish, or by a clergyman under whom they have recently worked, have their claim for membership carefully considered at two Guild meetings, after which, if they satisfy the Bishop as to the soundness of their doctrine and teaching, they are admitted by him and receive his authority to take services and give addresses in any unconsecrated building in the Diocese, if they are requested to do so by the Vicar of the parish. When possible, candidates are required to give proof of their willingness and capacity by acting as probationers for some months under the supervision of the members of the Guild.

In many of the country parishes in this Diocese, which cover a great area, there are small hamlets many miles from the parish church, and the Guild was formed with the special intention of carrying on work in such isolated hamlets; but its scope is not limited to country districts, the members taking services in any mission or school-room where the Vicar may need their assistance.

A small library of theological works of reference is being formed by the Guild for the use of its members, in the charge of Mr. Hartley, The Strait, Lincoln.

During the past year there have been further admissions of Lay Preachers, the number of the Guild now being 20. The work has shown a considerable increase, 205 addresses having been given in mission-rooms in Lincoln, and 525 in the county.

Two of the members of the Guild this year attended the Annual Meeting of Readers held at Selwyn College.

The Hon. Secretary, Dr. Brook, 1 James St., Lincoln, will be glad to hear from any clergymen who require the help of the Guild, and from any laymen who may be willing and able to assist in the work.

DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS—*continued.***Liverpool.—DIOCESAN VOLUNTARY LAY HELPERS' ASSOCIATION.**

Formed in 1882, in accordance with a resolution of the Diocesan Conference. The members of the Association are encouraged to assist the general work of the Church by house-to-house visitation, teaching in night schools, giving encouragement to workmen's clubs, holding evangelistic services, services in mission rooms, children's services, and similar work. The Bishop has appointed two of the Clergy of the Diocese to arrange for the previous examination in certain fixed subjects of persons applying to be admitted to the office of licensed Lay Reader. Steady progress has been made during the past year. The public admission service is held by the Bishop in the Cathedral on the last Friday in April in each year. There are now nearly 2000 enrolled Lay Helpers. And 118 Lay Readers have been admitted to their office by the Bishop.

All the work undertaken in connection with this Association is to be done under the direction, or with the sanction of, the Clergy of the parish or district in which the members work.

There is an annual administration of the Holy Communion for the members of the Association, and the Licensed Lay Readers have formed a union amongst themselves for study and mutual assistance in the work of the Church.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretaries, Rev. G. H. Lander, M.A., Litherland Vicarage, Liverpool; or W. Forshaw Wilson, Esq., Union Court, Castle Street, Liverpool.

Llandaff.—ASSOCIATION OF LAY HELPERS.

Founded in 1885. The Association consists of lay persons (men and women), being communicants, who are willing to assist the Clergy in Church work.

Its object is to form a link between the Parish and the Diocese. It has now been made a Branch of the Diocesan Mission Organisation, with the view of infusing fresh life into it.

The number of members is 2,500, but it is hoped that under the new arrangement greater progress will be made.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. J. R. Buckley, Vicarage, Llandaff; or to Rev. J. R. Phillips, Holy Trinity Vicarage, Abergavenny.

London.—LAY HELPERS' ASSOCIATION.

The London Lay Helpers' Association has now been in existence for over thirty years. Its object is to organise, stimulate, and expand the lay religious work of the Diocese. Membership is restricted to men only, and the number of enrolled members now exceeds 6000.

In the past, as in former years, the Association has carried out its programme of Services and Lectures as follows: (1) Special Services in the Crypt of St. Paul's, followed by Meetings in the Chapter House, with lectures or papers on Missionary Work, Scripture Evidences, Church History, and other subjects. (2) A Special Service under the dome of St. Paul's on the Monday before Lent. (3) An Annual Day of Prayer and Meditation in St. Paul's Cathedral on the Saturday before Passion Week. (4) An Annual Communion at St. Paul's Cathedral in June. (5) The Annual Meeting, at which the Bishop of London gives an address.

The Association is supported partly by a grant from the Bishop of London's Fund. The other sources of income (1895-6) include offertories £38 9s. 7d.; subscriptions from Associated Readers, £8 3s.; sundry subscriptions, £13 3s. 6d.; contributions from rural deaneries, £111 5s.—the total income being £332 12s. 7d.

Laymen being communicants, and helping or willing to help in parish work, can become members by sending in a recommendation signed by a parish clergyman or by two members of the Association.

Chairman of Committee, 1896-97, E. A. Ford, Esq., 2 Eldon Road, Hampstead, N.W. Hon. Secretary, F. W. Sturley, Esq., 9 Ashby Road, Canonbury, N., or London House, St. James' Square, S.W., from whom all information respecting the Association may be obtained.

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To this Association is in a great measure due the development of the scheme for the annual training of Lay Readers from every diocese in England and Scotland, by a course of instruction and residence for a fortnight within the walls of Keble College, Oxford, or Selwyn College, Cambridge, during the Long Vacation. From forty to fifty Readers annually avail themselves of this privilege, and many are glad to repeat their visit for a second and third time, appreciating to the full not only the opportunity of hearing able theological lectures, sermons, and addresses, but perhaps still more the advantage of mingling with others engaged in similar work, exchanging ideas, forming new friendships, and breathing for a time a new atmosphere away from the business of ordinary life. This work is carried on by a 'Readers' Board' separately constituted for the purpose.

During the year there have been further admissions to the order of Diocesan Readers, many of whom are doing valuable work in the Diocese. The Readers admitted under the old regulations (1873-88) number 82; Readers admitted under the new regulations (1891-6): Diocesan, 28; Parochial, 79; Associated Readers, 58. Information on all matters connected with the nomination, examination, admission, &c., of Diocesan or Parochial Readers in the Diocese of London, can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Readers' Board, Everard A. Ford, Esq., as above.

Manchester.—LAY HELPERS' ASSOCIATION.

(1) The object of the Association is to unite Church workers for purposes of devotion and counsel, to promote instruction, and to extend lay work in the Church. (2) The Association consists of lay persons, being communicants, who are willing to assist in some branch of parochial work with the sanction of the Incumbent of the parish. (3) The Annual Meeting is held in Manchester in May, when the officers are elected and the Treasurers and Secretaries present their reports. An Evening Service with sermon is held in the Cathedral on or about St. Luke's Day, with a united choir. No subscription is required of members, but members are at liberty to subscribe if they wish to do so. Cards of membership are renewed each year in September. The number of members is 3,903.

Church Reading Branch of the Lay Helpers' Association.—This Branch has been formed with the view of encouraging the study of Holy Scripture, the Prayer Book, Church History, and kindred subjects. A suggested syllabus of subjects for the season 1895-6 and list of books have been issued, and lectures and classes are being held.

For information address the Rev. H. Edmonds, St. Alban's Vic., Rochdale.

Norwich.—LAY HELPERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Diocesan Conference has recently recognised the importance of organising the service of the Laity of the Diocese, and a Committee has been appointed to take steps to give practical effect to this recognition, under the direction of the Bishop.

Ripon.—DIOCESAN LAY HELPERS' ASSOCIATION.

Formed in 1880. The Association is carrying on a valuable work by the holding of mission services in the most populous centres of the Diocese. Applicants for Readers' licences are examined in certain branches of theological study, and the issue of the licence is dependent upon the result of the candidate's examination. Associations have been formed in six Rural Deaneries, and there are now 66 Licensed Readers, but 7 Candidates were down for examination on Nov. 24, at Ripon. It is gratifying to notice that although the Society was naturally somewhat weakened by the creation of the Diocese of Wakefield, the number of Licensed Readers is well maintained. All applications for Readers' licences are referred by the Bishop to the Executive Council of the Association, and are examined by the Ven. Archdeacon Waugh, the Bishop's Examiner, who has issued a list of subjects in which they will be examined, and to the successful candidates the Bishop will issue his licence. Arrangements have also been made under which the Association acts as the Bishop's Registrar with reference to the licences to stipendiary Scripture Readers. These

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licences are issued on the nomination of the Vicar of the parish in respect of a particular engagement; on the termination of the engagement the licence is to be given up to be cancelled. Every new engagement needs a new licence. The organisation of Lay Help in Church work in the Diocese is advancing steadily by means of the Association. The Executive Council has arranged to offer grants annually of 2l. 10s. each to four Readers, to enable them to attend the annual course of training at Oxford. Four Readers availed themselves of this opportunity during the present year.

As the result of a Conference with the Bishop, the Council are about to issue to all Licensed Readers, on payment of a deposit of 10s., subject to its being withdrawn by the Committee on ceasing to be a Licensed Reader in the Diocese, a silver-gilt Badge suspended round the neck by a dark-blue ribbon from 3 to 4 inches wide. This is to be worn only when officiating.

Address to the Hon. Secretary, W. Gelder, Esq., Hambleton View, Knaresborough.

Rochester.—LAY WORKERS' ASSOCIATION.

Founded 1880. Reconstituted 1892. The object of the Association is expressed in the following resolution agreed to by the Committee appointed to consider the subject when the Association was founded in 1880: 'That it is desirable to organise in the Diocese of Rochester a body of laymen of all classes (under the Bishop), to assist the Clergy—especially those of poor and populous parishes—in various branches of their parochial work.' Under the new constitution both men and women are admitted to membership of the Association. The members are enrolled in Ruridecanal Unions, and must be communicants of the Church of England. The enrolled members consist of (1) Licensed Lay Readers, and (2) Those who without being Licensed Lay Readers are engaged in some definite Church work. Licences are granted by the Bishop to Lay Readers recommended to him by the Incumbents of the Diocese, and approved by him after examination or otherwise as duly qualified for their office. Persons wishing to obtain a licence should write direct to the Bishop of the Diocese. The duties of Readers are confined to the parishes in which (with the permission of the Incumbent) they have been licensed to officiate. A communicant wishing to join the Association as an unlicensed member should apply to the Incumbent of the parish. The three fundamental rules of the Association are: (1) to be a regular communicant of the Church; (2) to undertake some definite work of the Church; (3) to pray regularly for the Association. Each of the 19 Deaneries of the Diocese is represented on the Council by a Layman elected by the enrolled members of the Deanery. This Lay Representative is also the Ruridecanal Secretary.

There are 142 licensed members, and over 5000 unlicensed members of the Association at work in the Diocese.

Office of the Association, 49 Parliament Street, Westminster, S.W.; S. C. Lapidge, Esq., Hon. Registrar.

St. Davids.—DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION OF LAY HELPERS.

This Association is the outcome of the report of a Committee of the Diocesan Conference, and its object is to unite communicant members of the Church in definite work for the Church under the superintendence of the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese, such as to (1) undertake Bible or other classes for instruction; (2) teach in the schools; (3) sing in the choir; (4) conduct or assist at children's services in schools or mission rooms; (5) conduct cottage lectures or services in mission rooms; (6) help to bring people to attend the services; (7) read to the sick, and make themselves generally useful in rendering the Church efficient.

Apply to the Hon. Diocesan Secretary, Louis Samson, Esq., Scotchwell, Haverfordwest.

Truro.—DIOCESAN LAY READERS.

Under the sanction and direction of the Bishop, there is in this Diocese a systematic recognition and use of lay service. There are at present sixty-six Lay Readers. The rule is to admit such persons to their office at a special service, at which the Bishop is present to deliver the licence. Each Reader is nominated by the

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Incumbent, having first obtained testimonials from two Communicants, and having passed the appointed examination. On his formal admission the Reader signs a declaration expressive of his acceptance of the doctrines of the Church of England. The licences given are of two kinds, the one limiting the Reader to use printed or written sermons, of which the Incumbent must approve; in the other case this limit is withdrawn when the fuller licence is given.

Communications should be addressed to Canon Moore, Trenwyn, Truro.

Wakefield.—DIOCESAN READERS' ASSOCIATION.

This Association was established by the Bishop in 1891, and is steadily growing in size and usefulness. There are now 25 licensed Readers working in the Diocese. All who are desirous of becoming members are required to pass an examination, consisting of questions in (1) Old Testament, (2) New Testament, (3) Special subject, e.g. Gospel of St. Luke, (4) Prayer Book, and must be able to satisfy the Bishop as to moral character and special fitness for the office. Such as are found worthy receive (1) a commission, which holds good for the Diocese, and (2) a licence, which enables them to exercise their office in a particular parish. The latter document is granted only on the request of the Incumbent of the parish. Stipendiary Readers sit for the same examination, but only receive the Bishop's licence, no commission.

The Diocesan Chaplain is the Warden, and gathers the members of the Association together on the first Saturday of every month for Bible study, instruction in Church Teaching, and for general counsel.

Address: The Diocesan Chaplain, Manor House Yard, Wakefield.

Winchester.—DIOCESAN LAY READERS.

The provision hitherto existing in this Diocese for the recognition and encouragement of lay help is undergoing some revision. During the year 1896 the Bishop has granted four additional licences, and there are now in the Diocese nearly 70 Readers, holding the Bishop's licence to conduct service and deliver addresses in licensed buildings. As in the year 1895, all the Readers were invited to spend from Saturday to Monday, August 1 to 3, at the St. Andrew's Home, Southsea, and some 20 availed themselves of this opportunity of joining in united acts of worship, hearing some devotional addresses, and discussing some practical questions connected with lay work.

Address: Canon Valpy, The Close, Winchester.

Statistical Summary.—The following statement presents as accurately as possible the number of Readers in each Diocese, acting under the licence or authority of the Bishop:

Diocese	No. of Readers	Diocese	No. of Readers	Diocese	No. of Readers
Canterbury	105	Gloustr. & Bristol	70	Ripon	73
York	41	Hereford	12	Rochester	142
London	174	Lichfield	95	St. Albans	39
Durham	138	Lincoln	24	St. Asaph	25
Winchester	76	Liverpool	95	Salisbury	25
Bath and Wells	26	Llandaff	91	Southwell	68
Carlisle	11	Manchester	52	Truro	55
Chester	68	Newcastle	21	Wakefield	26
Chichester	13	Norwich	23	Worcester	40
Ely	39	Oxford	25		
Exeter	111	Peterborough	55		

† This number includes Evangelists as well as Lay Readers.

FORMS OF LICENCE.—Those seeking for information as to certain 'Forms of Licence' for Lay Readers adopted in different Dioceses, should apply to the Secretaries of the Associations referred to in this Section.

TRAINING OF LAY HELPERS.

It will be readily admitted that the training of Lay Help is a very essential part of its efficient organisation. The personal character and mental qualifications must be considered in the choice and employment of those who are officially associated with the Clergy in their pastoral work. That this necessity is not overlooked, but is becoming year by year more widely recognised, is one of the most hopeful assurances that the Church will be efficiently aided in her ministries by Lay agencies, increasing in number, intellectual qualifications, and practical skill. The following are brief descriptions of existing provisions for the attainment of these objects.

CHURCH TRAINING COLLEGE FOR LAY WORKERS.—This institution, established in 1889 by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, provides instruction and training for men who desire to become paid lay workers for the Church, as Lay Evangelists, Scripture Readers, &c. The premises consist of four houses in Commercial Road, Stepney, with considerable outbuildings attached; in these, space has been found for a chapel, library (which also serves as a lecture-room), dining-room, recreation-rooms, and bedroom accommodation for twenty-five resident students. The College certificate is given after one year's residence, in three terms. Students are admissible from town or country parishes. A special welcome is given to zealous and intelligent artisans. A charge of 5*l.* per term (14 weeks) is made for each resident, in return for which board, lodging, and tuition are given.

The College appears to be meeting a need, for applications for admission have continued to come in from all parts of the country; and there were twenty-two students in residence throughout 1895. The course of work includes not only daily instruction in theology and experience in reading at the chapel services, but also a carefully directed training in house-to-house visitation, in class teaching, and in preaching at open-air and mission-room services. During the year 1895 three free Studentships were provided by private liberality. The East London Church Fund is also supporting a student, who is pledged to take up East London work after training.

During 1895 twenty-three men passed out from the College to various parishes in different parts of England, making a total of *seventy-four* since the work was begun. It is hoped that the Clergy will more and more frequently encourage suitable candidates to enter for the course of training, and apply to the College when they wish to employ paid Lay work in their parishes.

Evening Lectures are provided on three nights a week during the winter months for Church Workers (Sunday School Teachers and others), who cannot give up their regular daily employment and come into residence.

The **Extension Scheme** provides for lectures to be given in other centres as may be desired, and as far as the time of the College staff will permit.

There are now *two* Clergy in residence, giving the whole of their time to the work of instruction and supervision.

All communications should be addressed to the Warden, Rev. E. R. Ford, at 394 Commercial Road, Stepney, London, E.

DIOCESE OF LONDON.—**Training for Readers.**—The Readers' Board for the Diocese of London successfully carry on this work. The sixteenth annual course of instruction, open to all licensed Readers throughout the Kingdom, was held at Selwyn College, Cambridge, from July 11 to July 25. Fifty-three Readers attended from twenty-one Dioceses.

The Rev. J. O. F. Murray, Fellow and Dean of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, acted

as Principal. The cost to each Reader for board and residence is 25s. per week. Other expenses are defrayed by an annual grant from the S.P.C.K., and by private donations.

Hon. Treasurer, Everard A. Ford, Esq., 2 Eldon Road, Hampstead; Hon. Secretary, H. M. Hobrow, Esq., 51 Patsull Road, Camden Road, N.W.

DIOCESE OF LICHFIELD.—Lay Readers' Training.—The Lay Work of the Mission is organised by the Warden of a Training Home for Lay Evangelists at Wolverhampton, where men, chiefly of the working class, are trained to devote themselves entirely to Evangelistic work under the Warden (Mr. H. A. Colvile) and Chaplain (the Rev. J. M. J. Fletcher, Vicar of St. Andrews, Wolverhampton). Some forty of these Evangelists are at work in this and other Dioceses in England, Scotland, and Wales, returning at intervals to the Home, for rest and further instruction and devotion; there is accommodation for ten men in the Home, of whom four are usually probationers. Much valuable work is done by these Evangelists among those of their own social rank, and their services are often available where the expense of a Curate could not be met. Two of the men have during the past year been sent to South Africa, where they are working amongst the railway navvies in the Diocese of Grahamstown. Other members of the 'Brotherhood' are at work in British Columbia, in the West Indies (Nassau), and in Tasmania. It is hoped that in future there will be a considerable development of the work done by the 'Evangelist Brothers' abroad.

Address: The Warden, The Training Home for Lay Evangelists, Wolverhampton.

DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER.—College of Women Workers for God in South London.—Warden, the Bishop of Southwark; Head, Miss Yeatman.—This College has been founded with the object of giving place and efficient training to women's work in one of the most densely populated districts of the Metropolitan Dioceses. Systematic work, regularity of habit, simplicity of living, are all carefully secured by rules sufficiently stringent, without being severe. The members consist of three classes: (1) Resident, (2) Non-resident, (3) Affiliated Members. The Resident Members are sent, with the sanction of the Bishop, to the assistance of any Incumbent of a parish where a special opportunity for work seems to lie. The members wear a uniform dress whilst engaged in their work, and make a payment of 11. 1s. a week or 50l. a year for board and lodging. There are now thirty-two members who render such services as they have time and opportunity for, in accordance with the objects of the College. The work is steadily progressing. A Branch House has been started in Lorrimer Square, Walworth.

Address: Miss Yeatman, Greyladies, Dartmouth Row, Blackheath Hill.

SECTION VI.—HOME MISSION WORK.

GUILDS AND UNIONS FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE DEVOTIONAL LIFE AMONG COMMUNICANTS AND CHURCH WORKERS.

THE List of Retreats and Quiet Days for Lay Persons given here cannot for many reasons be represented as by any means complete, but only as marking the character of a much more comprehensive movement to deepen the influence of Church work by raising the standard of personal piety and devotion among those who are engaged in the service of Christ. It would be impracticable to give an exhaustive list of Parochial or District Guilds; we have therefore confined ourselves to a brief notice of such Unions organised upon a wider scale.

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Note : * signifies Retreats.

Diocese and Place where held	By whom conducted	For whom	Date
			1896
Canterbury.			
Ashford R. D.	Canon Carter	Church Workers	Jan. 29
*Beckenham	Rev. G. Congreve . . .	Sisters	Aug. 17-21
" (St. Paul)	Canon Carter	Parishioners	Mar. 24
*Broadstairs	Canon Thornton	Sisters	July 21-25
*Canterbury (St. Augustine)	Canon Carter	Wives of Clergy	July 21-24
" (St. Peter's Mission)	Rev. G. Longridge . . .	Parishioners	Aug. 11-15
Dartford	Canon Dyke	Sunday School Teachers	Mar. 10
*Folkestone (St. Andrew's Home)	Rev. J. Dixon	Women	Jan. 26-30
" (St. Gabriel's Home of Rest)	Rev. W. Black	Women	Feb. 10-14
*Malling Abbey	Rev. G. S. Hollings . . .	Sisters	Aug. 23-28
Sittingbourne	Canon Carter	Sunday School Teachers	Jan. 22
South Norwood (St. Mark)	Canon Carter	Parishioners	Feb. 5
Upper Norwood (St. John)	Rev. C. N. Carrington . .	Church Workers	May 11, 12
York.			
Beverley (St. Mary)	Rev. T. R. Willacy . . .	Parishioners	Feb. 25-28
*Carlton	Rev. C. Bickersteth . . .	Women	Oct. 6-10
*South Ormesby (the Sisters' House)	Rev. A. F. Langmore . . .	Sisters	Aug. 18-22
York (St. Olave)	Canon Mackarness	Parishioners	Dec. 9, '95
London.			
*All Saints, Margaret Street	Rev. F. W. Puller	Sisters	Nov. 9-14
Brondebury (Holy Trinity)	Rev. J. P. Cushing	Parishioners	June 26
Earl's Court (St. Matthew)	Canon Williams	Parishioners	Mar. 17, 18
*Fulham (Norwood House)	Rev. A. Gurney	Sisters	July 27-31
" (St. James)	Rev. G. J. Maxwell	Women	Oct. 26-30
Guy's Hospital	Rev. G. J. Maxwell	Wantage Assoc.	June
Hackney (Parish Church).	Canon Lester	Nurses	Dec. '95
Hackney, South (All Saints' House)	Canon Carter	Parishioners	June 19
"	Rev. S. C. Donaldson	Associates	May 8
"	Rev. R. L. Ottley	Deaconesses	Oct. 5-9
Hammersmith (St. John)	Rev. C. Bickersteth	Parishioners	Feb. 19-20
Highgate (All Saints)	Rev. T. R. Willacy	Parishioners	Mar. 2-5
*Kilburn	Canon Thornton	Women	Oct. 13-16
" (St. Peter's House)	Rev. E. B. Ottley	Women	Dec. 5, 95
"	Rev. H. H. Jeaffreson	Women	Feb. 7
"	Rev. H. Williams	Women	Mar. 26

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Diocese and Place where held	By whom conducted	For whom	Date
London—continued.			
* Kilburn (St. Peter's Home)	Rev. G. S. Cuthbert	Sisters	Jan. 27-Feb. 1
" " "	Rev. F. Willett	Associates	Oct. 26-30
" " "	Rev. B. W. Maturin	Sisters	Nov. 23-28, '95
* Lloyd Square (House of Retreat)	Rev. A. C. de Bourbel	Women	Nov. 25-29, '95
" " "	Rev. R. L. Ottley	Women Students	Jan. 14-18
" " "	Rev. H. F. B. Mackay	Women	Feb. 10-14
" " "	Rev. A. B. Sharpe	Women	July 27-31
" " "	Rev. E. S. Hollings	Sisters	Sept. 7-11
" " "	Rev. E. F. Russell	Sisters	Nov. 16-20
" " "	Rev. G. Congreve	Sisters	Oct. 19-24
* Paddington (St. Mary's College)	Rev. J. Dixon	Teachers	Feb. 14, 15
Pimlico (St. Saviour)	Rev. G. Congreve	Parishioners	Dec. 20, '95
St. Paul's Cathedral	Rev. B. W. Maturin	Men	May 10
Seymour St. (Sisters' House)	Rev. J. Dunn	Sisters	May 28
" " "	Rev. J. Dawson	Associates	Sept. 22
Stepney (Training College)	Rev. A. W. Robinson	Students	June 17
* Tavistock Crescent (Deaconesses' House)	Dean of Chichester	Deaconesses	Sept. 29-Oct. 4
St. John, Gt. Marlborough St.	Hon. & Rev. J. Adderley	Guild of St. Matthew	Mar. 21
St. John, Wilton Road	Hon. & Rev. J. Adderley	Rescue Workers	Feb. 20
" " "	Rev. F. W. Puller	Parishioners	Nov. 27, '95
Earl's Court (St. Matthias)	Rev. T. F. Davidson	Guild Members	Feb.
Westminster (St. Matthew)	Rev. P. M. Waggett	Men	Jan. 25
Willesden (St. Andrew)	Rev. G. Congreve	Parishioners	Mar. 6, 7
Durham.			
Darlington (St. Hilda)	Rev. B. W. Maturin	Parishioners	Oct. 20
* Durham Cathedral	Canon Body	Women Workers	Aug. 17-21
" " "	Canon Body	Women	Sept. 8-12
Gateshead	Canon Body	Church Workers	Nov.
Stockton (St. Peter)	Canon Body	Church Workers	Dec. 12, '95
Wearmouth (St. Cuthbert)	Canon Body	Church Workers	Nov. 19
Winchester.			
Guildford (Holy Trinity)	Canon Valpy	Church Workers	May 20
Newport	Canon Valpy	Church Workers	May 12
Portsmouth (St. Andrew's Home)	Canon Dundas	Church Workers	June 25
" " "	Canon Valpy	Lay Readers	Aug. 1-8
" " "	Rev. J. Yarborough	Sisters & Workers	Oct. 10
" " "	Rev. W. Sanders	Sisters & Workers	Oct. 27-Nov. 1
Southampton	Canon Linklater	Church Workers	Mar. 20
Winchester (St. Bartholomew)	Canon Valpy	Church Workers	Dec. '95
Yorktown	Canon Valpy	Church Workers	May 20
Bath and Wells.			
Radstock (St. Nicholas)	Rev. C. Gamlen	Teachers & Managers	Mar. 28
Wells Theological College	Rev. J. Dunn	Students	—
Chester.			
* Carlett Park	Rev. G. Congreve	Women	Mar. 24-29
" " "	Canon H. Carter	Laymen	Mar. 14-16
* St. Aidan's College, Birkenhead	Rev. J. Daubeny	Students	Nov. 25-27
Knutsford	Canon Lester	Communicants	June 18
Chichester.			
* Bognor	Rev. G. Congreve	Teachers	Feb. 1-4
* Brighton (St. Mary's Home)	Rev. G. Congreve	Community	April 20-24
" " "	Rev. W. Scott	Associates	Aug. 10-15
" " (Parish Church)	Canon Carter	Teachers	Nov. 14
* Brede	Rev. E. F. Elwin	Parishioners	May 13-18
Chalvey	Rev. G. E. Frewer	Parishioners	Mar. 18, 19
* East Grinstead (St. Margaret)	Rev. B. W. Maturin	Sisters	Aug. 17-22
" " "	Rev. J. Ives	Associates	July 28-Aug. 1
* Hastings (St. Mary's Lodge)	Canon Sanderson	Sisters	Oct. 13, 14
" " "	Rev. G. E. Frewer	Sisters	Sept. 17-19
* Hayward's Heath (Holy Cross Home)	Rev. R. E. Giraud	Associates	May 18-22
" " "	Rev. E. K. Grimes	Sisters	April 13-17
Lewes (St. Michael)	Rev. J. Dixon	Parishioners	Mar. 17-19
St. Leonard's (Christ Ch.)	Rev. G. Congreve	Parishioners	Mar. 12

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Evening (St. Andrew)	Rev. G. E. Frewer	G.F.S. Associates	Feb. 20, 21
Evening (Holy Rood)	Canon Field	Parishioners	Oct. 26-28
	Rev. E. F. Elwin	Sisters	July 6-10
Ely.			
10 (Dis. Home)	Rev. P. V. Waggett	Men	Mar. 15
	Rev. R. E. Giraud	Associates and others	Feb. 10-12
	Canon Thornton	Associates and others	Sept. 21-24
10 (St. Giles)	Rev. B. W. Maturin	Parishioners	Sept. 6
10 (Selwyn College)	Rev. C. W. Carrington	Lay Readers	July 19-25
10 (Selwyn College)	Canon Thornton	Day School Teachers	Mar. 14
Exeter.			
10 (All Saints)	Rev. F. H. leB. Girdlestone	Church Workers	Nov. 4
10 (Holy Trinity)	Canon Atherton	Church Workers	Nov. 4
10 (St. Leonard's)	Canon Atherton	Church Workers	Feb. 19
10 (Deaconesses' Home)	Rev. F. H. leB. Girdlestone	Church Workers	Nov. 23
10 (St. Peter)	Canon Atherton	Associates	Nov. 2
10 (St. Matthew)	Rev. J. Barratt	Church Workers	Nov. 25
	Canon Atherton	Assoc. of Wantage	April
Parish Church	Canon Atherton	Church Workers	Oct.
10 (St. James)	Rev. G. F. Seaton	Church Workers	Nov. 19
10 (St. Peter)	Canon Atherton	Church Workers	Feb.
10 (St. Mark)	Rev. H. P. Cronshaw	Church Workers	Feb. 17
10 (St. Michael)	Rev. A. F. Langmore	Church Workers	Nov. 23
10 (St. Raphael's Home)	Rev. H. Mackay	Parishioners	Feb. 19
	Canon Atherton	Women	Dec. 20, '95
		Church Workers	Sept. 28-Oct. 2
			Oct.
chester and Bristol.			
10 (St. Raphael)	Rev. R. T. Ives	Associates	Oct. 19-23
10 (St. Paul)	Rev. E. F. Elwin	Parishioners	Oct. 31
10 (St. Michael)	Rev. G. Longridge	Women	Sept.
10 (Mission Ch.)	Rev. C. E. Plumb	Church Workers	Mar. 28
10 (St. John)	Rev. G. Longridge	Women	Aug.
Lichfield.			
10 (St. Anne)	Rev. E. P. Williams	Women	July 29-Aug. 1
10 (St. Paul)	Canon Keymer	Laity	Sept. 15
10 (Parish Church)	Rev. H. J. Wilkinson	Church Workers	Sept. 29
10 (Theol. Coll.)	Rev. W. T. Price	Students	Nov. 30
10 (The Palace Chapel)	Rev. the Hon. R. E. Adderley	G.F.S. Associates	Mar. 4
10 (All Saints)	Rev. R. Wylde	Church Workers	Dec. 3, '95
10 (St. Peter)	Rev. G. Congreve	Parishioners	May 19
10 (St. James)	Rev. E. P. Nicholas	Communicants	Nov. 22-24
10 (St. Andrew)	Rev. A. Phillimore	Church Workers	—
10 (Christ Ch.)	Rev. A. W. Tindall	Parishioners	Mar. 24-26
10 (St. John)	Dean of Lichfield	Communicants	Mar. 24
10 (St. John)	Rev. T. P. Ring	Lay Evangelists	Sept. 29-Oct. 2
10 (St. John)	Rev. W. Hopkin	Laity	May 11-13
10 (St. John)	Rev. W. B. Wright	Communicants	Oct. 10-14
Lincoln.			
10 (St. Andrew)	Rev. G. W. Dauks	Parishioners	Mar. 24-27
10 (St. Andrew)	Rev. E. F. Elwin	Students	Mar. 9, 10
10 (St. Andrew)	Rev. E. R. Grimes	Parishioners	Sept. 19-21
10 (St. Andrew)	Rev. G. Congreve	Women	Sept. 15-18
10 (St. Andrew)	Rev. W. T. Jennings	Students	Feb. 23
10 (St. Andrew)	Rev. E. R. Grimes	Parishioners	Oct. 19
Llandaff.			
10 (St. John)	Canon Roberts	Church Workers	Oct. 3, 4
10 (St. John)	Canon Roberts	School Teachers	May 2
10 (St. John)	Rev. R. W. B. Sanderson	G.F.S. Associates	June 4
10 (St. John)	Rev. A. W. Robinson	Women	Aug. 8
10 (St. John)	Rev. A. W. Robinson	Lay Readers	Aug. 7

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Diocese and Place where held	By whom conducted	For whom	Date
Llandaff—continued.			
Llandaff Cathedral	Rev. A. W. Robinson	School Teachers	1896 Aug. 5
Merthyr Tydfil	Rev. J. E. Dawson	School Teachers	May 30
Newport (St. Woolos)	Rev. H. R. Johnson	School Teachers	June 13
Liverpool.			
Liverpool	Canon Thornton	Day School Teachers	June 19-21
" (St. Agnes)	Rev. H. S. Moore	Parishioners	Feb. 22-25
" (St. Margaret)	Rev. C. Bickersteth	Men	May 15
St. Helens	Rev. F. C. Chavasse	Church Workers	Oct. 8
Wigan	Rev. J. M. J. Fletcher	Assoc. of Wantage	Oct. 20-24
Woolton	Rev. J. M. Willink	Church Workers	Oct. 14
Manchester.			
Chorlton (All Saints)	Rev. G. Perry Gore	Sunday School Teachers	Mar. 26
Smithills	Rev. W. S. Standen	Church Workers	Jan. 1, 2
"	Rev. W. S. Standen	Church Workers	Aug. 7
Norwich			
Denver	Bishop of Thetford	Women Workers	Aug. 25
Ditchingham (All Hallows)	Rev. B. Dulley	Associates	June 8-12
"	Rev. G. S. Hollings	Sisters	Oct. 4-9
Norwich (Palace Chapel)	The Bishop of Norwich	Workers for Waifs and Strays	Oct. 21
Woolverston Park, Ipswich	Rev. P. N. Waggett	Men	Aug. 12-19
Oxford.			
Clewer	Rev. W. Watson	Associates	July 26-Aug. 1
"	Canon Williams	Sisters	Feb. 3-8
Cuddesdon	Rev. G. Congreve	Graduates	Oct. 6-19
Newbury	Canon R. Bristow	Sunday School Teachers	Oct. 24
Oxford Convent	Rev. E. R. Grimes	Sisters	Aug. 24-29
Oxford (St. Philip & St. James)	Rev. C. Biggs	Communicants	Mar. 18
" (Miss. House of St. John)	Rev. G. Congreve	Laymen	Dec. 6-9
"	Rev. E. F. Elwin	Sisters	Dec. 27, 28
"	Rev. E. F. Elwin	Sisters	July 14-19
" (St. John's Hospital)	Rev. G. Congreve	Sisters	July 20-25
Osney (St. Thomas)	Rev. F. Robinson	Sisters	Sept. 7-11
"	Rev. R. J. Ives	Associates	Aug. 3-7
Reading (St. Mary)	Rev. C. R. D. Biggs	Communicants	Mar. 19
Slough	Rev. H. Barter	Church Workers	Feb. 29
Wantage (St. Mary's Home)	Canon Bodington	Women	July 28-Aug. 1
"	Rev. A. Whitham	Women	June
"	Rev. G. S. Hollings	Sisters	Oct.
"	Rev. E. R. Grimes	Sisters	Mar. 9
"	Rev. V. S. S. Coles	Sisters	Sept.
"	Canon Bainbridge	Teachers	Sept.
"	Rev. G. Longridge	Teachers	Oct.
Wolverton (St. Mary)	Rev. C. Cox, D.D.	Teachers	Oct. 17
Peterborough.			
Peterborough Cathedral	Rev. J. B. Cox	Women	Sept. 8-10
Kettering	Rev. A. W. Robinson	Church Workers	Nov. 21
Ketton	Rev. C. Cox, D.D.	Assoc. of Wantage	Sept.
"	Rev. F. W. Fuller	Sisters	Mar. 10
Ripon.			
Bradford (All Saints)	Canon Eddowes	Communicants	May 20
Leeds (All Souls)	Rev. C. Bickersteth	Guild	Nov. 7
" (Parish Church)	Canon Gibson	Women	Sept. 12
" (Tenant Hall)	Canon Gore	Laymen	—
Rochester.			
Carshalton	Rev. D. Burton	Parishioners	Mar. 11
Clapham (Hostel of God)	Rev. the Hon. J. Addeley	Parishioners	Dec. '95
" (Deaconesses' Home)	Rev. S. Gedge	Associates	April 12-16
Horsleydown	Rev. the Hon. J. Addeley	Church Workers	May 9

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Wester—continued.			
on (St. John)	Rev. G. Congreve . . .	Parishioners . . .	Mar. 9-11
(St. Stephen)	Canon Grant . . .	Church Workers . . .	Oct. 21
	Canon Bristow . . .	Nurses . . .	July 30
St. Albans.			
	Rev. W. B. Trevelyan . . .	Women . . .	May 20
	Rev. E. J. Gallop . . .	Sunday School Teachers . . .	Mar. 17
	Rev. E. R. Grimes . . .	Parishioners . . .	July 24
	Preb. Eardley Willnot . . .	Sunday School Teachers . . .	Mar. 19
rdbury	Professor Kirkpatrick . . .	Sunday School Teachers . . .	Mar. 17
St. Andrew)	Bishop of Ballarat . . .	London Nurses . . .	June 25
worth	Rev. E. Gallop . . .	Guild Members . . .	Oct.
	Rev. D. Barton . . .	Church Workers . . .	Mar. 18
	Rev. B. W. Maturin . . .	Parishioners . . .	Oct. 9
	Rev. E. G. Hodge . . .	Sunday School Teachers . . .	Mar. 16
Cathedral	Rev. E. B. Ottley . . .	Sunday School Teachers . . .	Mar. 17
t. Paul's)	Rev. E. F. Elwin . . .	Sisters . . .	Aug. 17-22
	Rev. W. St. Hill Bourne . . .	Sunday School Teachers . . .	June 24
t. Asaph.			
	Rev. Cecil Hook . . .	Parishioners . . .	Feb. 12
	Rev. E. F. Elwin . . .	Parishioners . . .	June 3-6
t. Davids.			
th	Rev. A. W. Robinson . . .	Church Workers . . .	Sept. 30
	Canon Valpy . . .	Church Workers . . .	Oct. 21
west	Rev. A. W. Robinson . . .	Church Workers . . .	Oct. 6
	Rev. A. W. Robinson . . .	Church Workers . . .	Oct. 8
	Canon Valpy . . .	Church Workers . . .	Oct. 20
e Pontarlawe	Canon Valpy . . .	Church Workers . . .	Oct. 23
iore	Rev. A. W. Robinson . . .	Church Workers . . .	Oct. 2
Salisbury.			
	Canon Dugmore . . .	Church Workers . . .	Jan. 31
	Rev. E. W. Sergeant . . .	Laity . . .	May 20
	Rev. S. Dugdale . . .	Women . . .	Mar. 25
	Rev. C. H. Wilson . . .	Deaconesses & Assoc. . .	May 14
St. Martin)	Rev. C. Gamlen . . .	Teachers . . .	June 12, 13
Theol. Coll.)	Canon Carpenter . . .	Students and Staff . . .	Mar. 27
	Canon Whiteford . . .	Students and Staff . . .	June 19
	Canon Sidebotham . . .	Students and Staff . . .	Oct. 2
	Rev. T. C. A. Barrett . . .	Laity . . .	June 1
h	Rev. S. Boulter . . .	Laity . . .	Dec. 2-7
Southwell.			
ment)	Rev. H. Williams . . .	Churchwomen . . .	Mar.
	Rev. Binney . . .	Churchwomen . . .	Sept. 7-11
	Rev. T. R. Willacy . . .	Parishioners . . .	Mar. 10-12
Andrew)	Canon Jelf . . .	G. F. S. Associates . . .	Mar. 17
Anne)	Rev. C. Bickersteth . . .	Parishioners . . .	Mar. 17, 18
Thomas)	Canon Hamilton . . .	Communicants . . .	Mar. 16
	Canon Hamilton . . .	Parishioners . . .	Dec. 7-11, '95
n (St. John)	Canon Leeke . . .	Church Workers . . .	Feb. 15, 16
(St. Thomas)	Rev. W. St. Hill Bourne . . .	Parishioners . . .	Oct. 12-15
	Rev. T. R. Willacy . . .	Women's League . . .	Sept. 11
Truro.			
edral	Canon Hoskyns . . .	Lay Readers . . .	Sept. 2, 3
vent of the Epiphany)	Canon Body . . .	Sisters . . .	Nov. 2-6
	Canon F. E. Carter . . .	Women . . .	June 2-5
	Canon Donaldson . . .	Sisters . . .	Jan. 31
	Canon Hoskyns . . .	Church Workers . . .	May 20

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Wakefield.			
*Horbury	Rev. C. G. Browne	Women	Sept. 21-25
Mirfield	Archdeacon Bowler	G.F.S. Associates	Mar. 4
Thornhill	Canon Eddowes	Communicants	Oct. 4
Worcester.			
Hagley	Rev. J. M. J. Fletcher	Communicants	Dec. 4, '95
Holly Hall	Rev. A. Phillimore	Church Workers	—
Malvern (Convent)	Rev. E. R. Grimes	Sisters	Aug. 31
"	Rev. the Hon. R. E. Adderley	Associates	June 8-12
"	Rev. C. H. D. Sharpe	Women	Sept. 14-18
Sedgeberrow	Rev. A. F. Langmore	Parishioners	July 2
Upton-on-Severn	Rev. A. Mordaunt	Church Workers	July 17
Worcester (St. Oswald)	Rev. N. Ogilvy	Assoc. of the Holy Name	Mar. 21

THE CHURCH GUILDS' UNION. (Founded 1873.)

The Church Guilds' Union is an Association of Guilds and similar societies in the Church of England desirous of helping each other in the furtherance of the good works which are set before them. No interference is intended with the autonomy of any society, and it is not required of the Guilds entering the Union to undertake obligations of any description further than those of their respective institutions, with the exception of a minimum annual subscription of 2s. 6d. towards the expenses of the Union, and taking part in its corporate services and conferences.

The Union provides annually—

1. A corporate service of prayer and praise.
2. A Conference of Delegates for the consideration of questions of interest to Guildsmen, and at least two other Conferences (of Delegates, or otherwise).
3. A conversazione or meeting for social intercourse, when possible.

The annual Conference of Delegates was held at the rooms of the English Church Union in February last. After formal business a discussion took place upon the subject of 'Guilds, and Church Reform.' The twenty-third annual service of the Guilds was held on October 29, 1896, at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Applications for enrolment and information should be made to the President, W. Otway Mayne, Esq., Chantry View, Guildford.

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE.

This House is established on Community lines, to help men who might otherwise be living in solitary lodgings in London, to lead lives consistent with their profession as Churchmen. Members must be lay communicants of the Church of England, and busily engaged during the day. Opportunities are given to members to take up Church work should they be able to do so. Facilities are afforded to students preparing for professional and other examinations. The House is governed by the members meeting in Chapter. The members are drawn from the Universities and Public Schools.

All communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Community House, 14 Woburn Square, W.C.

SPECIAL GUILDS.

The following short notices should only be taken as descriptive of similar work, and not by any means as comprehensive of all such movements, for assisting the spiritual life and zeal of faithful Churchmen.

The University of Oxford.—'The Guild of the Holy Trinity' was founded in 1844 for the members of the University, offering them opportunities, from time to time, for prayer, meditation, and instruction. There are at present over 270 members.

The University of Cambridge.—‘The Guild of the Holy Trinity’ was founded in 1857 for the members of the University. There are now about 400 members, who meet periodically for devotional exercises and mutual intercourse upon subjects relating to the individual and corporate life of the Church.

The University of Durham.—‘The Society of the Holy Trinity’ was founded, in connection with the Guilds of a similar name at Oxford and Cambridge, in the Easter term of 1885, for members of the University. At present there are more than 170 members, under the presidency of Canon Body, and the Brethren in residence meet together from time to time for the purpose of devotion and theological study.

Apply to the Hon. Secretary, Hatfield Hall, Durham.

The Army.—‘The Army Guild of the Holy Standard,’ under the presidency of the Chaplain-General, is a voluntary association of soldiers of all ranks, being communicants, for the promotion of Church principles in the Army, and rendering lay help to the Chaplains in different ways. It has 77 branches in various military stations, and over 1,400 members. There is also a Guild for soldiers’ wives and daughters, called the Guild of St. Helena, of which the Chaplain-General is Visitor. These Guilds are supported by the voluntary offerings of the members, their united incomes being about 300*l.* The Guild of the Holy Standard publishes a monthly magazine, ‘The Sentry,’ giving an account of Church work in the Army; 2*s.* a year, post free.

The Guild of the Holy Standard presented a petition to Convocation in February 1895, which was the subject of debate in both Houses, and elicited the following unanimous resolution: ‘The spiritual condition of soldiers while serving in the Army is of great importance to the nation.’ It is the parent of—(1) Church of England Soldiers’ Institutes, seven of which exist at Aldershot, Colchester, Gosport, Woolwich, Pirbright Camp and the Curragh—others are in course of formation; (2) the Army Missionary Association is connected with the S.P.G.; (3) the Army Guilds’ Home under the patronage of their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. In this latter institution (at 7 Cambridge Gardens, Kilburn) the orphan daughters of non-commissioned officers and men are maintained and educated. 1,600*l.* has been subscribed in the last six years for the building fund of this home. The maintenance fund subscribed in 1895 amounted to 500*l.*

The Offices of the Guild are at 4 The Sanctuary, Westminster, S.W.
Lieutenant-Colonel S. Babington, Hon. Secretary-General.

The Medical Profession.—‘The Guild of St. Luke’ was founded in 1864. The object of it is to encourage and support its members in leading the higher Christian life and to promote and defend the Catholic Faith, especially amongst members of the Medical Profession, by (a) frequent and regular Communion, (b) intercessory prayer, (c) personal influence and example, (d) promotion of works of mercy. One of its special works is to assist in providing and maintaining fully qualified medical Missionaries for work with foreign missions. The Guild consists of students and practitioners of medicine, being communicants of the Church of England. All the officers and members of the Council are elected annually. The Council consists of the provost, vice-provost, warden, treasurer, secretary, and seven other members. The annual meeting and service are held on St. Luke’s Day or within the octave. A ‘Medical Service in State’ was inaugurated by the Guild in 1896. 1,100 medical men were present, 400 of whom wore Academic Robes. The Lord Mayor, the Sheriffs, and Masters of the City Companies attended in state. The Archbishop of Canterbury had undertaken to preach, but in consequence of his lamented death, the sermon was preached by the Bishop of Stepney. Nomination papers and every information will be gladly supplied by the officers—

EDMUND SYMES THOMPSON, M.D., *Provost*, 33 Cavendish Square, W.
OLIVER CODRINGTON, M.D., *Treasurer*, 71 Victoria Road, Clapham, S.W.

There is also a Ladies’ Branch of the Guild of St. Luke open to medical students and practitioners.

President: Mrs. Dowson, M.D., 22 Westgate Terrace, Redcliff Square, S.W.
Treasurer: Mrs. Stanley Boyd, M.D. 134 Harley Street, W.
Secretary: Miss M. Iles, 5 Alexandra Road, N.W.

Hospital Chaplains' Union (London).—This Union was established on October 3, 1889, at the suggestion of the Chaplain of St. George's Hospital. Those only are eligible for election whose sole or chief work is that of Hospital chaplain. The hospitals at present in association with the Union are St. Bartholomew's, St. Thomas's, Guy's, King's College, Hospital for Consumption (Brompton), Westminster, Charing Cross, the London, St. Mary's Middlesex (Cancer), Brompton.

Objects of the Union.—Social intercourse and the discussion of subjects connected with hospital work, and of difficulties arising from the peculiar position of unattached Clergy; or, as they were well described by the Bishop of Winchester, of institutional Clergy; fraternal union with the Association of Poor Law Chaplains, mutual help and counsel.

Meetings are held twice a year, after Easter and the Church Congress. On another occasion an invitation is sent to the Association of Poor Law Union Chaplains to meet the Union for the discussion of some subject of mutual interest and for social intercourse.

Since its foundation the Union has been of great practical value to hospital chaplains. Valuable papers and addresses have been delivered by the Bishop of Winchester, the Archdeacon of London, and others, and by members of the Union.

Hon. Secretary: Rev. Richard Adams, M.A., Assistant Hospitaller of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C., to whom all communications should be addressed, either at the Hospital or his private residence, 33 Rosebery Road, Brixton Hill, London, S.W.

Poor Law Chaplains' Association.—The object of this Association is the promotion of brotherly Union amongst Clergymen who are, or who have been, working under the Local Government Board, that they may strive together in raising the tone and standard of Church ministrations in workhouses, infirmaries, and schools.

Meetings are held from time to time for the discussion of subjects affecting more or less the welfare of the various institutions which this organisation would embrace.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. W. Harrison, 139 Asylum Road, Old Kent Road, S.E.

The Guild of Lazarus.—This Guild has been formed for the purpose of uniting all persons connected with, or interested in, Church Work in Poor Law Institutions, in intercessory prayer for the aged and the young, the sick and the dying, in our infirmaries, workhouses, and district schools. The Guild Prayer and all information can be had from Rev. C. H. Bowden, Guy's Hospital, S.E.

Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses.—This Guild has now a roll of 1,380 members and 177 associates, and has branches in Liverpool, Manchester, Birmingham, Stoke, Worcester, Leicester, Lincoln, Gloucester, Bristol, Bath, Oxford, Bournemouth, Rhyl, Haverfordwest, Cambridge, Canterbury, Croydon, Peterborough, Bradford, Hull, Tunbridge Wells, Bombay, Zanzibar, Cape Town, and Poona. It enrols trained nurses and midwives being members of the Church of England, and its members are scattered over the whole Colonial and Indian Empire. It publishes a monthly magazine, 'Misericordia,' for circulation among the members and associates.

Hon. Secretary, Miss C. J. Woods, 27 Percy Street, Tottenham Court Road, London, W.

Church Guild of Friends of the Infirm in Mind.—Founded 1871. First President, Bishop Jackson; President, Bishop of London. More than 470 members have joined.

Objects: (1) Intercessory prayer; (2) personal visits to suitable patients in asylums; (3) postal communication; (4) after-care; (5) furthering in any way the interests of the infirm in mind. *Conditions of Membership:* (1) Communion with the Church of England; (2) willingness to promote the objects of the Society by prayer and help according to opportunity. One shilling entrance fee. No subscription.

Address: Rev. H. Hawkins, Chaplain's House, Colney Hatch, N., Warden and Secretary.

The Railway Service.—The Guild of the Holy Cross' was founded in 1872 for the purpose of uniting different members in the railway service in endeavours to further their spiritual life.

Information may be obtained from Mr. G. A. Wright, Olive Cottage, Horsell, Woking.

The Church and Stage Guild was founded in 1879. It is a Society for getting rid of the prejudices of religious people against the stage.

The Hon. Sec., from whom literature can be obtained, is the Rev. S. D. Headlam, 31 Upper Bedford Place, W.C.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew.—This work, which owes its origin to the Church in the United States, and has so largely developed in usefulness throughout America, has now been established in England and Scotland.

The sole object of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew is the spread of Christ's Kingdom among young men; and to this end every man desiring to become a member thereof must solemnly promise to obey the Rules of the Brotherhood so long as he shall be a member.

The Rules are two: that of Prayer and that of Service.

The Rule of Prayer is to pray daily for the spread of Christ's Kingdom among young men, and for God's blessing upon the labours of the Brotherhood.

The Rule of Service is to make an earnest effort each week to bring at least one young man within the hearing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as set forth in the services of the Church and in young men's Bible-classes.

It is a mission of young men to young men, who, without leaving their daily occupations, are engaged as missionaries in purely spiritual and aggressive work.

The ruling aim of the members is to give, not to get, and for each Brother to concentrate his efforts upon individuals until they be brought under the influence of the Church.

President, G. A. Spottiswoode, 3 Cadogan Square, S.W.; Hon. Sec. (London), Harold Cutting, 8 Victoria Terrace, Stroud Green, N.

The Guild of All Souls.—Founded March 1873. The objects of this Guild are: (1) Intercessory prayer for the dying; (2) The devout remembrance of deceased members and all the faithful departed; (3) To provide furniture for burials according to the use of the Catholic Church, so as to set forth the two great doctrines of the 'Communion of Saints' and the 'Resurrection of the Body.'

The Guild consists of members of the English Church, and of Churches in open communion with her.

A quarterly intercession paper is issued, containing the names of departed members, and of the relatives and friends of members for whom the prayers of the Guild are desired.

The Guild supplies palls and mortuary copes and other vestments, of good material and design, at cost price, and the Council make grants, so far as the funds will permit, to poor parishes and missions, of vestments, palls, lych palls, shrouds, and other burial furniture, or towards the purchase of the same.

The Guild, through its Trustees, accepts the trust of land, or of moneys for the purchase of land, proposed to be set apart for the use of Church people as private burial-places, and also of burial furniture and similar property.

Branches exist in all parts of Great Britain, in Canada and the United States of America, also in India, South Africa and Barbados.

Communications to be addressed to Mr. Walter Plimpton, Dacre House, Arundel Street, Strand, W.C.

DIOCESE OF CANTERBURY.

Diocesan Society of Church Workers.—This Society was founded by the Archbishop in 1889. Its objects are to create and maintain a bond of union among those who are engaged in any kind of Church work in the Diocese, and to aid them in the attainment of holiness of living. It seeks to promote these objects (1) by the formation of Parochial Branches, (2) by the affiliation with itself of existing Communicants' Guilds, and other kindred Societies. It numbers about 1,500 members, of whom the greater part belong to Parochial Branches, but some are connected with affiliated Societies.

Rules.—(1) To be a regular communicant of the Church; (2) To undertake some definite work in the Church; (3) To use daily the prayer of the Society.

Method of Affiliation.—1. Any existing Parochial Guild or Society can be affiliated with the Canterbury Diocesan Society of Church Workers, on payment by the Parochial Guild or Society of a small subscription to the funds of the Diocesan Society.

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2. All the members of an affiliated Guild or Society will be expected either to say daily the prayer of the Society of Church Workers, or (if the Guild or Society has its own prayer) to include in such prayer the name of the Diocesan Society.

3. Members of an affiliated Guild or Society, who are regular communicants and are engaged in any Church works, such as are named in the *Manual of the Society of Church Workers*, may receive the Society's card of membership, and will have the same privileges as those who belong to a regular Parochial Branch of the Society; that is to say, they will be invited to all Diocesan and District Meetings of the Society; they will be at liberty to send requests for intercessions for insertion in the Monthly Intercession Paper of the Society; and will receive a copy of the Paper, &c.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. G. Clowes, Rectory, Hayes, Beckenham.

BATH AND WELLS.

Diocesan Church Workers' Association.—This Society was founded in 1881. The name was changed last year, when various alterations were made in the rules. All Communicant workers, clerical and lay, are eligible for membership. The object is to provide a bond of union between workers in their own parishes, and also between those in adjacent parishes and the diocese at large, and generally to promote Communicant Church work, and mutual friendliness and interest. The subscription has been altered to an 'affiliation fee' from branches at the rate of 3s. a member, and the government has been vested in a council chiefly elected by the branches, and in its turn appointing a small executive. The Society seeks to promote its objects chiefly through Diocesan, District, and Local gatherings. The members number about 1,700, in about 200 parishes.

Address to the Hon. Secretary, Rev. C. W. Bennett, Sparkford Rectory.

DIOCESE OF DURHAM.

A Union of Church Workers was founded in the Deanery of Wearmouth, with a view to consolidate the efforts of those who are voluntary workers in the service of the Church in the town and district of Sunderland. It originated in a meeting held on November 2, 1890, when the Bishop of the Diocese presided, and urged that every encouragement should be given to the furtherance of a work of such practical usefulness. The response that has been given indicates that the Union has exercised a deeply beneficial influence on the life and work of those who are devoted to the service of Christ in this crowded district. The Union is subject to the direction and control of the Ruridecanal Conference. Every member must be a communicant.

For information apply to the Rev. W. Budgen, Sunderland.

DIOCESE OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.

Provision is made in connection with the work of the Canon Missioner for the encouragement of lay work in the Church. The members triennially meet together in large numbers in the Cathedral City of Gloucester for a Festival Service and meeting.

DIOCESE OF LICHFIELD.

Diocesan Communicants' Guilds Union.—The object of this Union is to bind communicants together for holiness, intercession, work, and prayer. There are now sixty Guilds which have affiliated themselves to this Society, and the *Guilds' Manual* has been recently revised, and has attained a large circulation. Guild Wardens are appointed by the Bishop for the three Arch-deaneries, and from time to time local Festival Services under their direction are held at some central church. The Wardens also attend meetings to explain the object of the Union and to assist in the formation of new Guilds. The two Rules of the Union of general obligation are the Holy Communion and the use of the Guild prayer; but any Guild is allowed to add to these, or to use Rules of its own, subject to the Bishop's approval. Requests for intercessions are issued by the Bishop monthly in the *Diocesan Magazine*,

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and a Sunday is fixed by him, when all Guilds in union, unite in offering intercession for some branches of Diocesan work and organisation, at the Holy Eucharist. A Triennial Festival is held at the Cathedral for Guilds in union: the next will take place on Monday, May 31, 1897.

Information may be obtained from the Gen. Sec., the Rev. A. Páccé, Hartshill Vicarage, Stoke-on-Trent.

DIOCESE OF ST. ALBANS.

A Church Workers' Association has been organised for this Diocese for the purpose of binding all Church Workers in one society. A condition of membership is that the associates should be members of the Church of England according to the rule of the Prayer Book; and though it is not actually a Communicants' Union, it seeks, by principle and method, to emphasise the importance of every active Church Worker being a communicant. Much encouragement was given to this movement at Colchester, where a special service was held attended by more than 400 Church Workers; the Bishop of the Diocese gave the address, which was followed by a meeting, over which he presided.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. H. Darwin Burton, Ridgmont House, St. Albans.

DIOCESE OF SALISBURY.

A Communicants' Guild has been formed in this Diocese with the following objects:

To aid persons who have been confirmed in keeping their Confirmation vows, and to unite them together in such fellowship as may help them to aid one another onward in the way that leads to eternal life, and particularly by pledging them to join together in Holy Communion, and in some practical work for God and His Church.

As to the success attending the working of the Guild since the Bishop's visitation in July 1891, 24 branches of the Guild have been formed; of these, 14 are in Dorset and 10 in Wilts; the number of members varies from 6 to 200. The Guild works most successfully in town parishes, where the number of communicants is large, but it has also been found to meet the wants of smaller country parishes. Through the agency of these 24 parochial branches 980 communicants have been united in one body.

The Guilds and Church Societies which have affiliated themselves to the Diocesan Guild number 18; 9 of these are in Wilts and 9 in Dorset, numbering some 1,040 communicants, so that there are now banded together in the Diocesan Guild 2,100 communicants.

The Bishop of the Diocese has drawn up a manual for use, which is sold by Messrs. Brown & Co., Salisbury, price 6*d*. It suggests different kinds of Church work under twelve heads, from which members are invited to select one or more as their definite service; there are hints on devotion and holy life, and forms of service and private prayers for the members of the Guild, and also some suitable prayers for particular purposes and some appropriate hymns.

Information may be obtained from the General Secretary, Rev. W. Everingham, Church House, Salisbury.

SECTION VII.—HOME MISSION WORK.**THE DUTY OF THE CHURCH TOWARDS THE SPREADING INFIDELITY OF THE AGE, AND KINDRED HINDRANCES TO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH.**

It is evident enough that the prevailing scepticism of the day is presenting many obstacles to the work of the Church, which can only be successfully grappled with by the wisest and most intelligent methods. Direct personal influence and instruction will doubtless be found the most effectual way of guiding into the possession of a strong faith, those who may be doubting the truths of Christianity. Such work as this it is neither practicable nor desirable to give publicity to.

There are, however, circumstances in which it may seem wiser to take a bolder course, and the following records will briefly mark what has been done to counteract the teaching of modern unbelief, in its more open and hostile forms.

CHURCH PAROCHIAL MISSION SOCIETY.

It is now a recognised part of the work of this Society to provide for Evidential Missions where the opportunity is presented. The work is principally carried on by the Rev. A. J. Harrison, who has by his long experience acquired peculiar fitness for this work. During the year 1895 he conducted Christian Evidence Missions at Christ Church, Didsbury, January 27–February 1; Cambridge Guild Hall, February 3–8; All Saints, Northampton, October 7–19; Birkenhead, November 8, 15, 22. Owing to illness the work has been in a measure suspended during the present year.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. H. Muir, 7 Adam Street, Adelphi, W.C.

**SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.
CHRISTIAN EVIDENCE COMMITTEE.**

For many years past this Society has endeavoured to counteract the evils of infidelity by the publication of manuals in support of Christian evidence; these publications have been previously referred to, and information regarding them may always be obtained from the Editorial Secretary.

The Committee have not been able to see their way to accept any of the publications offered to them during the year.

Address the Secretary, Rev. E. McClure, Editorial and Publishing Department, Northumberland Avenue, Charing Cross, S. W.

CHRISTIAN EVIDENCE SOCIETY.

Objects and Constitution of the Society.—The Society was founded in 1870 by members of the Church of England and of other Christian bodies, to check the spread of unbelief, by the defence of Christianity, and by setting forth the reasons for believing it to be true. It has ever since been maintained on this broad basis.

The work of the past year is as follows:

Lectures and Sermons have been given (many of them gratuitously)—(a) *In London and Suburbs*: Lectures, &c. (b) *In the Provinces*: Brighton, Bromley (Kent), Chatham, Chester-le-Street, Croydon, Derby, East Dereham, Epsom, Hampton Court Palace, Jarrow, Leicester, New Brompton, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Newport (Mon.), Norwich, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Shankhouse, South Shields, Surbiton, Swansea, Wellingborough, &c. total 265; also in connection with Branches, 260 Lectures, &c. (c) Open-air Lectures at nineteen stations in the Metropolis, 375; Special Tracts given away, 18,287.

The Indoor Lectures given in a great variety of institutions, by members of every class of society, are adapted as far as possible to the special needs of particular audiences. They are sometimes delivered in localities where the Clergy have already interested and instructed their people in the subjects dealt with; at other times new ground is broken up. In this work, as in that of all other Home Mission agencies, it is found that the unwearied labour of the ordinary workers is the best guarantee of the success of that which comes occasionally from the outside. Among the most interesting places lately visited by the Christian Evidence Society may be named—the Church Congress, important addresses being given both to the actual members, and also (in connection with the Congress) to the people of East Dereham, where the Meeting was strikingly successful; Hampton Court Palace, Chatham and New Brompton, Swansea and Newport, Portsmouth, Derby, Norwich, and several of the London Parks. The Evidential Missions of Messrs. W. T. Lee and A. J. Waldron have been characterised by spiritual earnestness as well as by convincing argument, the whole tone of discussion having been thereby raised, the bitterest opponents of Christianity having only praise for the spirit of the Society's leading representatives. Important missions are being, or will be, held, or courses of lectures delivered, during the winter at Acton, St. George's in the East, Kilburn, South Bermondsey, Bethnal Green, Walworth, and Manchester. Early application should be made by those who desire to promote the defence of the truth of the Christian Creed.

Examinations in the allotted books resulted in the following awards (candidates, 116): prizes, 13; certificates, 78.

Private letters have shown that the publication by the Society of the uniquely beautiful address delivered by the late Sir Andrew Clark (when he presided at the annual meeting in 1890), and entitled 'The Physician's Testimony for Christ' (with a preface by Sir Dyce Duckworth), has been productive of much good. The eleventh thousand is now on sale. Miss March Phillipps' 'Cumulative Evidences of Christianity' may still be described as the best complete evidential handbook ever published. It is sold at cost price.

In many other ways the Society is working with a view to check the advances of infidelity, *e.g.* by giving information to writers in periodicals, by rendering auxiliary service to the Clergy, and by directing them and others to books on special subjects for their own study or for recommendation to inquirers. The work of the Secretary is by no means confined to ordinary secretarial duties. A very large part of his time is occupied in correspondence of the most difficult and anxious character, and in interviews with persons needing guidance for themselves or others. Much, therefore, of the most valuable work of the Society is done in the office itself.

Address the Secretary, Rev. C. Lloyd Engström, 13 Buckingham Street, Strand, W.C.

CHRISTIAN EVIDENCE SCHOLARSHIP.

DIocese OF LIVERPOOL.

This Scholarship, value income of 1500*l.*, is awarded on an examination of candidates, and may be held on residence at one of the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, Dublin, or Durham for two years, and for a further term of one year by a candidate, otherwise duly qualified, who intends to take Holy Orders.

Candidates for election must be of the age of eighteen, and not more than twenty, and resident, or having their home, or be sons of a parent resident or having a home, in the Diocese of Liverpool for three years next preceding the time of examination. Members of any University are disqualified.

Permanent subjects of examination for this Scholarship are Butler's 'Analogy,' Part I., Church History to A.D. 381, Unseen Latin Translation from some ecclesiastical writer, and Proficiency in Scriptural Knowledge.

The next examination will be held in or about March 1898.

Further information may be obtained from John Gamon, Esq., 53 Lord Street, Liverpool.

SECTION VIII.—HOME MISSION WORK.

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH AMONG THE SEAFARING POPULATION AND SOLDIERS.

The responsibilities of the Church, and the debt of duty she owes to an enormous population of British subjects, cut off by circumstances from parochial ministrations, are great indeed. It is not easy fully to record the extent of the provision made for their spiritual welfare. But by the kindness of the Chaplain of the Fleet, the Chaplain-General, and the Chaplains of the principal Military Depôts, we are able to illustrate to some extent the character of the ministrations of the Church provided for her Majesty's Navy and Army, whilst others have afforded us the opportunity of showing what is being done for the great seafaring population engaged in trading and fishing.

THE ROYAL NAVY.

The Queen's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions provide that daily morning prayer shall be said on board every ship of war, and that the usual services shall be held on Sunday. Where there is no Chaplain, the commanding officer or some one deputed by him says each day short morning prayer, and also conducts a service on Sunday morning at least. Besides the regular Sunday morning service there is in nearly all ships carrying Chaplains, and in some ships which do not carry them, an afternoon or evening service. These services are in all cases held in that part of the ship which is found most convenient for gathering together the ship's company; and everything is prepared and arranged, as far as possible, for the comfort of the worshippers, and with a view to rendering the place suitable for the occasion. In ships bearing Chaplains, it is ordered that the Holy Communion shall be celebrated at least once a month. In some ships there is a weekly Celebration, but in all there is a Celebration at least once a month, and on the great festivals of the Church. Provision is also made in the Regulations for the spiritual attendance on the sick in smaller vessels when in company with a ship bearing a Chaplain, and in such cases arrangements are also made for the officers and men to attend the Sunday morning service conducted by a Chaplain.

Besides these customary public services, meetings for prayer and other purposes are held by Chaplains—Bible Classes, Communicants' Meetings, Temperance Meetings, and meetings of the members of the Naval Church Society. The Regulations are careful to provide that a suitable place shall be screened off for these meetings, to ensure as far as possible the quiet which is needed for them.

For the circulation of religious literature, Chaplains are allowed to demand books of a moral and religious character for lending to officers and men; and ships not bearing Chaplains are supplied with suitable tracts for distribution amongst the ship's company.

There are at present ninety-eight Chaplains, some of whom act also as Naval Instructors. These Chaplains are employed not only in sea-going ships in all parts of the world, but in Dockyards at home and abroad, in Naval and Marine Barracks, in Hospitals and Naval Prisons, in Coast-guard Ships, in the Receiving Ships at the principal ports, and in the Training Ships for boys. On board each of these Training Ships there are from 600 to 1,500 boys. All these boys attend school nine or ten hours a week for at least seven months. During the past year at least 2,182 boys were confirmed, of whom a little over nine per cent. had not previously been baptised; and on board the sea-going Training-ship 'Northampton,' which recruits boys somewhat older

than the Harbour Training Ships, there have been 220 boys confirmed in each year that she has been in commission. On the whole the Church can point to the confirmation of over 2,500 men and boys as a portion of a work for the year in the Royal Navy.

The Royal Naval Scripture Readers' Society.—Office, 112 St. Martin's Lane, W.C. Secretary, Rear-Admiral H. Campion, C.B. Income, 1,707*l.* Object: To provide Scripture Readers for the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, the work being carried on under the sanction of the officers in command, and under the superintendence of the Chaplains. There are at present only 12 Readers employed, two being discharged this year from want of funds; some of them are retired seamen, petty officers, or Marine non-commissioned officers, a class of men peculiarly adapted for the work. These are detailed for work at Portsmouth, Devonport, Chatham, Walmer, Sheerness, Malta, (Hong Kong given up from want of funds,) and a subsidy is also paid to the Seamen's Missionary at Yokohama. The income of this Society, derived from voluntary contributions, is very inadequate. The Society certainly deserves the notice and support of all who are interested in our Royal Naval seamen.

The Naval Church Society.—Objects: To help officers and men of all ranks in the Royal Navy to lead holy lives, and, by means of the doctrine and practice of the Church, to draw together all who wish to serve God. The qualification of *Members or Associates* is, that they be members of the Church of England or of any Church in communion with her. *Members* consist of communicants, and *Associates* of those who are yet unconfirmed. Members of the Guild of the Holy Standard are hon. members of this Society. The Chaplain of the Fleet is President *ex-officio*, conditional on his consent; and the Council consists of Chaplains, Officers, and men of all ranks of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, the majority of the Council being required by the rules to be laymen if possible. Clergymen of the Church of England become *de facto* members of the Society when in spiritual charge of seamen, whether of the Royal Navy or Mercantile Marine, provided they express their wish to that effect in writing to the President, a Branch Chairman, or to a Naval Chaplain being a member of the Society. The Patrons of the Society are the Archbishop of Canterbury, all the Bishops of those Dioceses at home in which Naval Establishments are situated, and the Bishops abroad whose Dioceses have a seaboard visited by our men-of-war. Hon. Secretaries, the Rev. W. Stuart Harris, Haslar Hospital, Gosport; Colonel W. T. Miller, Alverstoke, Hants. The monthly magazine of the N.C.S. is the 'Church Pennant': Honorary Editor, Rev. George Goddenough, H.M.S. 'Thunderer,' Pembroke Dock.

THE MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.

Twelve Roadstead Missions.—The numerous mission vessels of The Missions to Seamen have ministered throughout the year to about 20,000 crews seeking shelter under the headlands forming outer roadsteads. 9,200 service and Bible-readings were held with isolated crews of mixed nationalities and various creeds, some of them heathen, on week-days as well as on Sundays, in cabins or forecables, or on the open decks. The crews of distant lightships, some of them moored out of sight of land, are ministered to; whilst the garrisons of the deep-water forts at Spithead, and the lonely islanders in the Bristol Channel, are periodically visited. 8,000 total abstinence pledges of The Missions to Seamen branch of the C.E.T.S. were taken, and 4,500 Bibles and Prayer Books bought by seamen in 1895. 18,000 bags of books were placed in the forecables of outward-bound ships, and the captains urged to conduct Divine worship for their crews at sea as well as in harbour.

In all, sixty-seven Mission vessels and boats, propelled by steam, sails, or oars, are in constant use. After several years' constant work, winter and summer, the Mission steamer 'Oriol' on the Medway has been pronounced unseaworthy. For sixty years a stout sailing Mission vessel has been maintained in the Bristol Channel to convey a chaplain about all the year round to the shipping. The present Mission cutter has been condemned as no longer fit for these hazardous duties. 2,200*l.* has been contributed towards the 2,550*l.* required for a steam Mission vessel for these exposed waters.

Eighty-five Seamen's Churches, &c.—Eighty-five Missions to Seamen Churches, institutes, and mission rooms are now the centres of mission effort in docks, rivers, and inner harbours to sailors living afloat, or in boarding houses or homes ashore. Churches and institutes combined under one roof prove great boons to sailors in harbour, especially

when strangers to the port, or out of employment after being paid off, waiting idly to be hired. The week-day mission services in many of them are attended in the course of the year by as many as 3000 different seamen of various creeds and mixed nationalities, who, by the aid of paged Prayer Books, heartily join in the worship.

A well-situated building was opened on January 30, 1895, as a Missions to Seamen Institute for the 37,000 sailors who annually pass through the shipping offices at Middlesbrough. The Church overhead for the sole use of seagoing men was dedicated by the Archbishop on July 30, 1896. A new Seamen's Church and Institute has been dedicated by the Bishop for seafaring men at Plymouth. Crowded out at Lowestoft, Poole, and Avonmouth, enlarged Seamen's Institutes are there contemplated. Anonymous friends of sailors have given 2,300*l.* to erect a Missions to Seamen Church and Institute on a site previously acquired for seafaring men at Lowestoft. The improved habits of seamen and fishermen call for better buildings and equipments for their accommodation than have heretofore been deemed necessary, calling for additional expenditure; whilst the desire for instruction in navigation, ambulance, and cookery calls for increased class-rooms.

T.R.H. the Prince and Princess of Wales opened The Missions to Seamen Institute for the Port of London, in Poplar, on June 11, 1894, on which 12,500*l.* has been expended, whilst 5000*l.* more is required to complete this block of buildings. A smaller Seamen's Institute and Church was opened in Well Street, London Docks, in January 1894, by the Archdeacon of London, and three Chaplains, and nine lay workers have been appointed for the service of sailors in London. An average of sixty seagoing men worship in these two Seamen's Churches on every week-day of the year.

On the Mersey there are four Chaplains giving their whole time and service to seamen, with six Readers, three Seamen's Churches, three Seamen's Institutes, and three Mission Rooms.

The weekly offertories of seamen in twenty-four of The Missions to Seamen Churches and Institutes reached last year 1,251*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.*

Though there are often great difficulties in the way of sailors obtaining Confirmation, fifty-six seamen and sailor lads were presented for Confirmation by the Seamen's Chaplain to the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol, and smaller numbers in other Dioceses. There were 4,698 receptions at the Holy Communion by sailors only in the Seamen's Churches or Institutes at London, Bristol, Newport, Carliff, Penarth, Swansea, Falmouth, Poole, Southampton, Deal, Lowestoft, Yarmouth, Hull, Whitby, Middlesbrough, Hartlepool, Sunderland, South Shields, Dublin, Bilbao, Hong Kong, Yokohama, and the Mersey.

Deep Sea Missions.—There are 36,000 registered British merchant ships, including colonials, and 27,000 fishing vessels of the United Kingdom only, not one of which carries a Chaplain for the crew. The Chaplain of The Missions to Seamen have accredited 1,277 devout captains, officers and seamen as volunteer helpers and associates for mission work on the high seas. Besides promoting the devout observance of the Lord's Day and week-evening prayers on board ship, they form Bible classes, read and pray with sick shipmates, instruct the lads, train choirs, promote temperance and purity, and give Christian burial to the dead. Volunteer mission snacks, flying The Missions to Seamen flag in the North Sea, are centres of Church worship in the fishing fleets all the year round. These have been much encouraged and helped by administrations of the Lord's Supper by Chaplains on board a few ships last year. 18,000 outward-bound ships took to sea small libraries in boxes or bags in their forecastles last year; and about 900,000 publications of all kinds were put on board sea-going vessels.

British Seamen in Ports Abroad.—Nowhere do sailors more need or more value the presence of a real friend and facilities for worship than in ports abroad. Unhappily the sparse British communities in such ports are not always able, however willing, to maintain local Missions to Seamen without external financial aid. It is something that The Missions to Seamen, which heretofore served the shipping in fourteen distant ports, has been recently enabled to secure a Chaplain for crews at Sydney, and a Reader at Port Adelaide, both in Australia, and a Reader for Kobe in Japan, and for Antwerp. It is in treaty with the Bishop of Singapore for a Chaplaincy exclusively for the shipping at Singapore. Lack of funds has compelled the Society to withhold much-needed aid for the shipping in ports elsewhere.

Foreign Seamen in British Ports.—It is estimated that about 87,000 foreign sailors enter ports of the United Kingdom annually. To these and to English-speaking seamen,

fishermen, and bargemen, 74,263 Bibles in thirty-one languages, and 16,271 Prayer Books in nine languages, were sold in the last sixteen years; whilst last year alone 189,000 tracts in twenty-six foreign languages were distributed.

Abstaining Seamen.—8000 total abstaining pledges were taken last year by seamen, fishermen, and bargemen, in The Missions to Seamen branch of the C.E.T.S. Owing to the absence of religious worship on board many British merchant ships, and the lack of privacy for prayer in the forecastles, many of these pledges will doubtless be broken. Nevertheless, the temperance movement has added largely to the seamen's congregations at most ports, to the *purchase* of Bibles and Prayer Books, and to the communicants, as well as to thrift.

The Mission Staff.—There are two experienced clerical superintendents, who, from time to time, visit the 51 home stations and some of the 17 foreign stations occupied by 43 Chaplains and 67 Readers, &c. Valuable services are also rendered to the crews of the shipping, fishing vessels, and barges by the 74 honorary Chaplains who take part in the work, and by the 1,277 captains, officers, and seamen who act as volunteer mission helpers on board their ships, as well as by large numbers of local friends acting under the guidance of the Chaplains. 1,110 offertories given in 1895 helped to make the income of that year 37,413*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

Address to Commander W. Dawson, R.N., Secretary, The Missions to Seamen, 11 Buckingham Street, Strand, London, W.C. The Committee meets on first and third Tuesdays in each month.

ST. ANDREW'S WATERSIDE CHURCH MISSION.

The existing work of the St. Andrew's Waterside Church Mission (established 1864) was efficiently carried on during the year. Applications for help were numerous, and some could not be entertained owing to the absence of funds.

The distinct Church principle; on which the Mission was founded—viz. to help the Church through her parochial Clergy at home and her responsible Clergy abroad—have been strictly adhered to. The Mission acts loyally under episcopal sanction, and respects the rights of Incumbents.

The thirty-second annual meeting was held in June at the Church House, presided over by His Grace the Lord Archbishop of York, supported by Bishop Barry, the Bishop of Nassau, the Bishop of Gibraltar, and others.

Port of London.—Grants were made to the Incumbents of all the large Waterside Dock parishes and to Tilbury, and books, magazines, newspapers, &c. supplied for ships' libraries and for distribution on board ship.

The Mission to Lascars, under a native Clergyman, continues to be carried on with much success at the Victoria Docks.

The Church has thus been enabled for over a quarter of a century to work most efficiently in the Port of London through the parochial Clergy.

Home Stations.—Liverpool, Hastings, Grimsby, Brixham, Gorleston, Brightlingsea, Newlyn, Sharpness, and Milford Haven received grants.

Foreign Ports.—At Port Said, the Church of the Epiphany, closely connected with the Mission, has proved a great boon both to English residents and passengers resting for a while on their way to and fro. A grant of 100*l.* a year is made by the Mission towards the Chaplain's stipend. The hospital at Port Said is most successful, and is much used. Grants were made to Port Said, Odessa, Genoa, Savona, Messina, Ghent, Dieppe, Stettin, Libau, and Newfoundland. Large supplies of clothing and provisions were sent to the Bishop of Newfoundland for the fishing stations in his large Diocese, and 174*l.* was forwarded to the Bishop for his Poor Clergy Relief Fund.

Emigration.—This part of the work, which for so many years has received special attention, has been energetically carried on in conjunction with the S.P.C.K. Large supplies of services and readings were sent to the various stations, and special attention given to emigrants.

Libraries.—Over 10,000 libraries have been supplied free, besides service and hymn books. Magazines, tracts, and illustrated papers have been distributed by thousands, and boxes sent to many foreign stations.

Missions to Seamen.

Church Ship and Mission Yachts.—The splendid yacht 'Goshawk,' provided by J. R. West, Esq., as long as she can be maintained as a Church ship, made a most successful cruise last summer and autumn, visiting Brixham, Milford Haven, Penzance, Isle of Wight, Sidmouth, Lyme Regis, Swanage, Bournemouth, Newhaven, Grimsby (for North Sea fleets), Gorleston, Lowestoft, Ymuiden, Amsterdam, Orkney and Shetland Islands, having visited all the large fishing fleets on the East Coast and the North of Scotland. She was heartily welcomed by the Clergy and fishermen wherever she went. Funds are greatly needed to enable the committee to carry out successfully this important work. The Mission accepted her on behalf of the Church, and it depends upon Church help whether she can be maintained. The 'Sapper' visited various East Coast stations and lightships, including in her cruises Boulogne, Dunkerque, and Ymuiden. Church services were held and library boxes supplied. Funds are needed for carrying on her special work. The 'Water Kelpie' remains as a harbour vessel at Grimsby.

About 2000*l.* worth of books are forwarded to sea-going ships annually; together with clothing for emigrants and the distressed fisher-folk of Newfoundland.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, A. B. Autram, Esq., 65, Fenchurch Street, London, E.C.

THAMES CHURCH MISSION.

Founded in 1844 to minister to seamen, fishermen, bargemen, &c. on the Thames, where services are held in every kind of vessel. A Clergyman and fifteen lay Missionaries constitute the staff.

Emigration.—The Society gives special attention to the spiritual necessities of emigrants. Emigration by steamship from the port of London has vastly developed during recent years. All the ships are visited by the agents of the Society; some of the lay Missionaries accompany the vessels as far as Gravesend, distributing portions of the New Testament and tracts, opening the way for the ministrations of the Chaplain, who puts off in his steam launch and conducts services on board.

Summary of Recent Work.—During the past year the agents of the Society have paid the following visits: *i. e.* to individuals, 54,764; barges, lighters, small craft, 20,572; British ships, steamers, and foreign vessels, 12,685; dock cabins, lighthouses, coastguard stations, 1,319. Services held, 3,383. Tracts distributed, 330,154. Since the New Mission Room has been erected at Leigh, in Essex, for the fishermen and their families, the attendance has increased from about 40 to 150. A really good work is being done here.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, F. Penfold, Esq., Paymaster-in-Chief, Royal Navy, 31 New Bridge Street, W.C.

MERSEY MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.

(AN INDEPENDENT BRANCH OF THE MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.)

The object of the Mersey Mission is the moral and spiritual improvement of the British merchant seamen who frequent the ports on the Mersey.

In furtherance of this end various agencies are employed, *viz.*: 1. Services in the mission churches, mission rooms, and on shipboard. 2. Visitation of the homes, hospitals, ships, and boarding houses. 3. The circulation of the Word of God and other profitable reading in the forecables of ships and steamers, specially for the seamen's use, and six Institutes are open daily for the use of seamen, provided with daily papers, books, writing-paper, and games.

The staff of the Mersey Missions at present consists of—four Chaplains, six lay Missionaries (it is hoped that a seventh may be added early in 1897), and four mission-room keepers. A lady worker visits the stewardesses, seamen in hospitals, &c. The cause is also greatly furthered by the kind help of voluntary workers.

The Mission works at LIVERPOOL: Seamen's Church and Institute, Hanover Street; H.M.S. 'Eagle,' R.N.R. Drill Ship; South Sailors' Home; Docks; Northern Hospital; Southern Hospital; Seamen's Church and Institute, Bootle. BIRKENHEAD: Docks; Mission Room, West Float. OUTFORTS: Runcorn, Garston, Ellesmere Port; the Training Ship 'Indefatigable,' and the four lightships.

Communications should be addressed to the Chaplain, Rev. Edgar Lambert, M.A., Hanover Street, Liverpool.

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SEAMEN'S FRIENDLY SOCIETY (ORDER OF ST. PAUL).

Good Church work for seamen at home and abroad is being done by the Fathers and Brothers of the Order of St. Paul, separated and consecrated to the service of God and our sailors in holy religion.

A Priest of the Order is Harbour Chaplain at Bombay, under the Bishop; and one of the Brothers, with an adequate staff under him, is working amongst the seamen at Barry.

The Mother House of the Order, with Novitiate attached, is situated near Alton, Hants, in the Diocese of Winchester. The Bishop of Winchester accords his formal sanction for services to be held in the Abbey Church, for the members of the Community.

The obligations of the Order are: (1) To lead 'into the way of truth' and 'righteousness of life' those who 'go down to the sea in ships and occupy their business in great waters.' (2) To extend to our sailors the hand of fellowship and friendship in any need, temporal or spiritual, which may arise.

The Community enter upon no work in any Diocese without the sanction of the Bishop of such Diocese.

Communications respecting the Community and its work should be addressed to the Superior-General of the Order, the Rev. J. Hopkins, The Abbey, Alton, Hants.

CHURCH EMIGRATION ORGANISATION.

The responsibility of the Church towards the emigrants who yearly leave for our Colonies and America has been frequently brought under the consideration of our Church Councils, and, owing to the encouragement given by such deliberations, active efforts are now being made to bring them under the fostering care of the Church. Of the development of this branch of Church work we give a brief summary below. It may be well here to point out how much assistance the Parochial Clergy may render by giving commendatory letters to such as may leave their parishes to find a home and work in our English Colonies or elsewhere. For the sake of general information the following statistics of emigration are given, corrected up to date.

British and Irish Emigrants who have left British Ports in the last eighteen years				Total number of Emigrants, including British subjects and foreigners, who have left British Ports in the last eighteen years			
1878	112,002	1887	281,487	1878	147,663	1887	306,494
1879	164,274	1888	279,028	1879	217,168	1888	308,401
1880	227,542	1889	253,795	1880	332,294	1889	342,611
1881	243,002	1890	218,110	1881	392,514	1890	315,980
1882	279,366	1891	218,507	1882	413,288	1891	334,543
1883	330,118	1892	210,042	1883	397,157	1892	321,927
1884	242,179	1893	208,814	1884	303,901	1893	307,633
1885	207,644	1894	156,030	1885	264,385	1894	226,827
1886	232,900	1895	185,181	1886	330,801	1895	271,772
Total . .			4,041,827	Total . .			5,715,477
Average per annum of British and Irish Emigrants (18 yrs.) }			224,545	Average per annum of all Emigrants (18 yrs.) }			317,526

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

EMIGRATION COMMITTEE.

THE Emigration Committee reported of their work for the year ending June 30, 1896, as follows:—To prevent any misconception, the Committee wish it to be clearly understood that they neither encourage nor discourage emigration. Their efforts are only directed to caring spiritually for those who have made up their minds to leave our shores. But, though the Committee's work is not directly affected by any slight fluctuation in the numbers enumerated by the Board of Trade, yet the following statistics will be of interest, as showing the magnitude of the problem with which they have to deal: The number going to the United States was 114,179; those going to Canada, 16,152; to Australasia, 10,504; and to South Africa, 23,110. Thus the total number of British emigrants under these four heads was 163,945, showing a slight decrease on the figures of the preceding year. There was a decrease of 8,422 in the number going to the United States, which was more than compensated for by an increase of 8,746 in the number of those going to South Africa. The number of those journeying to Canada and Australasia remained about constant. The feature in these numbers is the continued great increase of emigration to South Africa. This is in marked contrast to our other colonies, and engaged the serious consideration of the Committee, as is fully set forth below. But we must first refer to the regular work of the Committee in the usual order.

1. **The Stationary Chaplains at the Ports of Departure.**—The above figures show that the great stream of emigration is still flowing across the Atlantic. Four-fifths of those who leave our shores go West, either to the United States or to Canada. Thus the chief work under this head has to be done at Liverpool, though steamers for America also go from Southampton and Greenock. At Liverpool the Society's work is ably done by the Rev. J. Bridger and his assistants, who visit the outgoing ships, give parting counsel to the emigrants, and offer them letters of introduction to the clergy on the other side. Thus the links are drawn tighter between the Church at home and the Church abroad, and efforts are made to retain the Church's sons and daughters in the fold in which they were baptised. There is, we fear, much leakage still, but at least the offer is made of commendatory letters to those who depart from us. There is great ignorance still amongst our poorer people concerning the Colonial Church. They seldom realise that they will find clergy and churches and regular services to which they have been accustomed, on the other side of the sea. Yet if all Church-people who went out were carefully informed on these points, what a strength would be added to the daughter-Churches abroad! At least the Society's Port Chaplains do their best to prevent this leakage becoming greater. From Southampton there is not only a weekly steamer to America, but from thence goes the rush of emigrants to South Africa. They are going out at the rate of 400 per week all the year round. From London goes the great bulk of the emigration to Australasia. Here the ships are visited by the St. Andrew's Waterside Mission and other Church Societies, so the Committee has not thought it necessary to appoint a Chaplain.

2. **The Long-Voyage Chaplains.**—We are glad to record that there has been no appreciable falling off in the number of Chaplains appointed to this most interesting and important branch of the work. Last year 50 Chaplains went to Australasia and the Cape, in addition to 43 who crossed the Atlantic. This year we have secured the services of 49 Chaplains, while Mr. Bridger appointed 35. The great opportunity for good which is thus obtained need hardly be dwelt upon. In the few hurried moments of departure, when all things are in confusion, and minds and hearts are strained to the uttermost, there can be but little time for quiet converse or sustained instruction. But when the pilot has been dropped, and days and weeks of quiet voyaging supervene, then a wise and sympathetic clergyman can gain a great influence for good over his floating flock. The very monotony of life on board, with its opportunities for quiet converse, encourages confidences and opens hearts. Where tact and judgment and obedience to orders are shown by the Chaplain, there captain and officers give every facility for services, and these gain a new meaning and a fresh force when taken on board ship. We believe that many a young man, leaving home with a sad heart, with perhaps some-

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thing in the past of which he is now ashamed, has gained help and comfort from the services on board, and dates from this experience the commencement of a new life. We could wish that we could hear of more clergy proceeding to the colonies, who would be willing to undertake this most fruitful work. We shall not be satisfied till every big ship that leaves our shores carries on it a clergyman who shall care for the souls of all on board.

3. The Stationary Chaplains at the Ports of Arrival.—By means of these we strive to complete the chain of influence, and hand over our emigrants (who now become immigrants) to the care of the Colonial Church. Most of this work is done gratuitously by the colonial clergy, who are always glad to welcome the new arrivals. But at the large ports the Society makes grants for special Chaplains, who are ready to help the new-comers. At Quebec, our Chaplain, the Rev. T. W. Fyles, continues his most excellent and useful work. He meets the ships at all hours, and advises those who land friendless and unknown. His experience is large, and he puts it at the service of all who need it. Some extracts from his report are given below. At Montreal the Rev. J. F. Renaud is our Chaplain, and continues his work. The new Home for Emigrants (the Andrew's Home, 46 Belmont Park), the opening of which was referred to last year, is now in working order, and has proved of great benefit. There are separate departments for men and women, labour registers are kept, and a safe lodging is thus provided till the new-comers find employment. In addition to these Canadian Chaplaincies, the Society decided this year to make a grant towards the stipend of a Chaplain at Capetown. The Bishop of Capetown had pressed this matter, in consideration of the great increase of emigrants to the Cape. He asked for help towards a stipend of 200*l.* a year for three years for a clergyman whose main, or even sole, work it should be to furnish spiritual ministrations and assistance to the hundreds of sailors passing through Capetown, and to offer his sympathy and services to the crowds of immigrants who are constantly arriving, and who greatly need kindness, counsel, and practical guidance on reaching a strange land. The Society responded to this appeal, and voted 75*l.* a year for this purpose.

This completes our record for the year. We only add, in conclusion, that the thanks of the Committee are due to the Hon. Mrs. Joyce, who helps the Society to choose the matrons who accompany the young women and girls going out in 'protected parties.' Thus every effort is made to guard against possible dangers, and to care for those who cross the sea.

The Rev. J. Bridger, the Society's chief Emigration Chaplain at Liverpool, stated that the following statement would afford some idea of what had been accomplished during the year under review—

	Ships visited.	Personal Conversations.	Cards of Introduction.
Rev. R. O. Greep	250	18,000	7,500
„ G. H. Staite, for the } Rev. J. Bridger }	75	4,500	1,700
„ R. G. Brearey	5	100	25
Total	330	22,600	9,225

Thirty-five Chaplains had been sent out on vessels bound for Canada. With one exception their work has been thoroughly well done, and they report thankfully of the means afforded them for conducting religious services on board, and of the grateful appreciation of all classes of passengers.

The number of ships leaving this port with emigrants for the United States and Canada was 349, carrying about 112,190 passengers. Of this number 44,622 were foreigners, and 24,335 were saloon passengers. With very few exceptions, all these vessels were visited by our Chaplains.

Plymouth.—The Rev. F. Barnes reported that 1,432 emigrants had left this port in 50 ships. He had baptised 158.

Southampton.—The Rev. A. G. Joyce reported as follows: On my return to England in December 1895, I found that Archdeacon Maundrell, who had been in charge of my little parish, had taken great interest in the visiting of emigrant steamers, and also, as stated in his report, in visiting the Emigrants' Home, and the emigrants' sheds in the docks.

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With regard to my own work, from January to the end of May I have visited 31 steamers, chiefly the Union and American Line, and two of the Castle Line. The third-class passengers leaving England on these ships were about 7,533 in number, of whom by far the larger part are foreigners.

Londonderry.—The Rev. J. Potter stated that during the year 94 visits were paid to lodging-houses; about 490 emigrants were visited on ships (65 ships were visited); cards, Testaments, and tracts were also distributed. The persons for whose special benefit the work is carried on seem to value the efforts made on their behalf; and there are few agencies in connection with the Church more appreciated or better calculated to prove a blessing to the people.

Quebec.—Report of the Rev. T. W. Fyles, Emigration Chaplain at the port of Quebec. The Rev. T. W. Fyles continues his excellent work most efficiently. He sends the following summary of his work: During the period of river navigation, *i.e.* from April 25 to November 30, the vessels arriving at Quebec brought 19,774 passengers, of whom 10,822 were English, 984 Scotch, and 776 Irish. Of the whole number 4,345 brought tickets for places in the province of Quebec, 6,218 for Ontario and other parts of the Dominion, and the rest (mostly foreigners) for the United States of America.

In the course of the year I met 96 shiploads of passengers, wrote 305 business letters, crossed the St. Lawrence 218 times, found 41 places for immigrants, made 42 visits to hospitals and other public institutions, made 26 visits to new settlers at their homes, gave 19 public addresses, attended 20 business meetings, and travelled 6,568 miles.

In the winter I met the immigrants arriving by way of Halifax and the Intercolonial Railway, where the change to the Grand Trunk is made.

Montreal.—The Rev. J. F. Renand has been most helpful, kind, and attentive to the immigrants. The Andrew's Home supplies a great want for men and lads.

Winnipeg.—The Rev. H. T. Leslie is, as usual, helping us in every way. His kind offices have been often used to the advantage of the immigrants.

New York.—Dr. Drumm having resigned, the St. Andrew's Brotherhood have now temporarily taken up the work of meeting the immigrants.

Mr. Bridger is in correspondence with the officials, and hopes to make the necessary arrangements for efficiently carrying on the work.

The Care of Single Women.—The Hon. Mrs. Joyce, of St. John's Croft, Winchester, by the Committee's request, aids in directing this branch of the work. The care of single-women emigrants, collected by the Hon. Mrs. Joyce, for the 'protected parties' organised by her, so far as concerns Chaplains, commences on the evening before the young women embark, when a farewell service is given at the Wortley Rest, Liverpool. It is of great importance that all girls and single women who emigrate should go out under proper protection.

Apply to the Secretary, Emigration Committee, S.P.C.K., Northumberland Avenue, W.C.

CHURCH EMIGRATION SOCIETY.

This Society is managed by a Central Council and Executive Committee. The Home and Colonial Organisation of the Society comprises Diocesan and Local Branches and Hon. Local Secretaries and Colonial Members. The Society endeavours to send out none but eligible emigrants, and limits its responsibility to those emigrants who have obtained the Society's commendatory letters, forms 'A' or 'B,' according as they are or are not members of the Church of England. In addition the Executive Committee, to meet the desire of the Colonial Clergy to be informed of the advent of members of the Church of England, have arranged to grant certificates of Church membership to all Church of England emigrants applying for them, and to notify their names and destination to the Clergy in the Colonies. These certificates must be signed by a Clergyman of the Church of England, who is alone responsible.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. Edgar Sheppard, Sub-Dean of the Chapel Royal, Hon. Secretary, 34 Newark Street, Stepney, London, E.

CHURCH WORK IN THE ARMY.

THE following information, furnished with authority, will generally illustrate the work of the Church in the Army.

From the Chaplain-General :

Besides the Chaplain-General there are sixty Church of England Chaplains working in the Army, of whom sixteen are abroad and the remainder at home.

According to the last annual return, the following were the numbers of non-commissioned officers and soldiers of each religious denomination on January 1, 1896—Church of England, 145,902; Presbyterians, 14,606; Wesleyans, 11,619; other Protestants, 1,988; Roman Catholics, 36,122; Mohammedans, Hindoos, Jews, &c., and religion not reported, 3,205.

Thus the proportion per 1000, exclusive of colonial corps, is: Church of England, 695; Presbyterians, 70; Wesleyans, 54; other Protestants, 9; Roman Catholics, 172. There is a continual increase in the percentage of Church of England men every year.

The general returns of nationalities for the whole Army were as follows: English, 163,102; Scotch, 15,803; Irish, 25,386. Born in India or the Colonies, 7,966; foreigners, 154; not reported, 1,120. Thus the proportion of Englishmen in the Army belonging to the National Church is 90 per cent.

The Chaplain-General, Dr. J. C. Edghill, has visited repeatedly, as usual, the chief garrisons in England. He preached at All Saints, Aldershot, a series of mission sermons, which were listened to by crowded congregations, and led to a large increase in the number of Communicants on Easter Day.

At the smaller stations in England and Ireland the troops are under the care of the parochial Clergy.

The most pressing wants of the Church in the Army are increased, and more suitable buildings for Divine service, and the more general establishment of Church Rooms for soldiers in Barracks, where Chaplains can meet their men; as at Portsmouth, Winchester, and North and South Camps, Aldershot.

In the last five years a great advance has been made in the character of the buildings used for worship. Chapel schools have been changed to chapels and fitted up decently at Chatham, Preston, Winchester, and Devonport. The Chapels at Colchester, Shoeburyness, and The Curragh have been much improved; an iron church built at Hilsa, and a beautiful stone one at Caterham. The Castle Church at Dover has been entirely rearranged by Mr. Butterfield, a Choir Vestry added to Portsmouth Garrison Church, and All Saints, Aldershot, has been much improved.

On November 7, 1893, the new Church of St. George's, in the Stanhope Lines, Aldershot, was consecrated by the Lord Bishop of Winchester. It cost above 11,000*l.*

Permanent Church-rooms are now built through a legacy of 1000*l.* left to the Chaplain-General for this purpose in connection with the Church, supplemented by 500*l.* subscribed by Church-people interested in soldiers.

The School Chapel on the Western Heights, Dover, has been separated, and a chancel built and organ provided; and during the year 1896 the Chapel School at Canterbury has been made into a Chapel, and was opened by the late Archbishop of Canterbury. The Chaplain-General hopes to get an apse added during the year.

Aldershot.—In this large military station there are generally over 17,114 troops, and in summer a much greater number. The women and children are over 3000. There are eight Church of England Chaplains. They are assisted by four Army Scripture Readers and by two deaconesses for work among the soldiers' families.

There are three churches: All Saints, the mother church; the new St. George's Church, which has recently been consecrated by the Bishop of Winchester, a very fine and imposing structure, capable of seating 1000; and a wooden building in the North Camp. This latter is in a state of decay, and must shortly be superseded by a brick edifice, more in fitting with the permanent character of the newly constructed Camp. In all there is an early celebration of Holy Communion every Sunday and Holy Day, and later celebrations monthly. In All Saints' Church there are three, and in the other churches two, and sometimes three, morning parade services, at which the attendance is compulsory. At the evening services the attendance is voluntary. In All Saints' and St. George's there is daily Evensong. Children's services are also held. Average attendance at voluntary Evensong at All Saints' and St. George's is between 600 and 700.

The Chaplains give religious instruction twice a week in the Army schools to the children and band boys, visit the hospitals and married quarters, conduct temperance

meetings, mothers' meetings, guild meetings for men and women in connection with the Army Guilds of the Holy Standard and St. Helena, and perform pastoral work generally as in town parishes.

Church work amongst the soldiers is carried on in the Church of England Soldiers' Institute, and in the Church of England Soldiers' Rooms in the South and North Camps. These are much frequented both for social and religious purposes, and there are devotional rooms in connection, where prayers are said every evening.

A Church of England Soldiers' Institute has been built at Pirbright in the Alderholt district, for the use of the troops under canvas there during the summer. This is largely used by the soldiers, and has necessitated a further extension, which is in course of erection.

Returns of Denominations, October 4, 1895: Church of England, 12,304 officers, N.C.O.s, and men, 828 women, 1,422 children; Roman Catholics, 1,953 officers, N.C.O.s, and men, 202 women, 443 children; Presbyterians, 1,917 officers, N.C.O.s, and men, 126 women, 233 children; Wesleyans, 813 officers, N.C.O.s, and men, 75 women, 98 children; others, 127 officers, N.C.O.s, and men, 19 women, 36 children. Total: 17,114 officers, N.C.O.s, and men, 1,250 women, 2,232 children=20,596. Chaplains: Church of England, 8; Roman Catholics, 3; Presbyterians, 2.

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W. H. MILNER, *Senior Chaplain.*

Chatham.—At this station (exclusive of the Royal Marines, who are under the spiritual charge of Naval Chaplains) there are 3000 soldiers, 77 per cent. of whom belong to the Church of England.

There is one garrison church, which these men attend at two services which are held each Sunday morning at the hours of 10 and 11.30 A.M. The church has accommodation for 700, and there are good congregations at both services.

There is a voluntary evening service at 6.30, which is largely attended by men of the various corps, their wives and families.

On the last Sunday of the month a children's service is held in the afternoon.

The Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday morning at 7.45 A.M., and on the 1st and 2nd Sundays at the midday service. There are also Celebrations on Holy Days at 8. The Litany is said on Wednesdays and Fridays at 11 A.M., and there is a daily Evensong, the time of which varies according to the season.

The Choir at the evening service consists entirely of soldiers and the sons of soldiers of different ranks, in number about 40. The Sunday schools, two in number, are attended by about 150 children, many being prevented from coming in consequence of living so far away from barracks. The Brompton Barracks (Royal Engineers) Temperance Society has issued 1,400 pledges, and can point to much real work done with most encouraging results. This Society is now converted into a branch of the Army Temperance Association, and the change is calculated to increase its usefulness and power. Both the Infantry Regiments, the Royal Scots and the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, have formed branches of the A.T.A. The R.E. Band of Hope is doing good work among the children, under the direction of its founder, Mr. Wicks, the Army Scripture Reader.

A Branch of the Sowers' Band (C.M.S.) was inaugurated on Ascension Day last, and continues to progress under the care of Miss Campbell. The R.E. Branch of the Army Temperance Association has just completed the most successful year (so far as numbers enrolled are concerned) of its existence. A most useful piece of work is a Weekly Class held for Recruits on their joining the garrison. Each recruit is seen and spoken to individually by the Chaplain and Scripture Reader, who are thus helped in getting to know something of the lives and characters of the newly-joined young soldiers, and to show these a personal sympathy and interest in their highest welfare at the very outset of their lives in the Army.

There is a room used as a temporary Church-room (on furnishing which the sum of 80*l.* has been spent), which accommodates 70 people. This is a most useful auxiliary to Church work. It is used for Bible classes, instruction classes, mothers' meetings, temperance meetings, and meetings of the Guilds of the Holy Standard and St. Helena, besides social gatherings of various kinds.

Two Army Scripture Readers, paid by the Army Scripture Readers' Society, work earnestly and well in the barrack rooms and married quarters.

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W. E. R. BUCKLE, *Senior Chaplain.*

Goport.—This Garrison belongs to the Southern Division; headquarters, Portsmouth. There are two Chaplains stationed here, who are responsible for all the Church of England soldiers on this side of the water. There is a Garrison Church opposite Fort Rowner (iron) for the troops stationed in the forts, and the troops in New Barracks attend Holy Trinity Church, Go-port, for Divine Service under their Chaplain, Rev. F. Norman-Lee. The services at Garrison Church, Brockhurst, are 8 A.M. every Sunday, Holy Communion; and on the 1st and 3rd at 12 noon, as well as 8 A.M. Parade for all troops in forts, 11.15 A.M.

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Sunday school, 3 to 4 P.M.; Baptisms and Churchings, 4 to 5 P.M.; Evensong and sermon, 6.30 P.M. Both Chaplains attend this service. Hymn-singing after church in Soldiers' and Sailors' Institute, 8 to 9 P.M. Children's service first Sunday in the month at 3 P.M. The service for troops in New Barracks is held at 9.30 A.M., Hospital service at 2 P.M., Prison service at 10 A.M. Week-day services are held during Advent and Lent on Wednesday at 6.30 P.M. in Garrison Church, Brockhurst. Religious instruction for girls, Wednesday, 11.30 to 12.30; for boys, Friday, 11.30 to 12.30. Band of Hope, 5.15 P.M. every Monday. Church of England Temperance Society at 7 P.M. on Mondays. Bible class at 6.30 P.M. on Tuesdays. Choir practice for boys only, Wednesday at 6.30 P.M.; for men and boys, Friday, 6.30 P.M. Guild of the Holy Standard and Guild of St. Helena, first Friday in every month, 8 P.M. and 3 P.M. respectively. Sewing meeting in connection with the Guild of St. Helena every Thursday at 3 P.M. Winter and summer, all these meetings. Prison: Tuesdays and Fridays, 10 A.M., when men admitted and those to be discharged are interviewed by the Chaplain. On Saints' Days, Morning Prayer at 10 A.M., Evensong and sermon at 6.30 P.M. Rev. R. Morrison, C.F., has charge of Garrison Church, prison, and forts. Rev. F. B. N. Norman-Lee, C.F., has charge of the New Barracks and Station Hospital. Many other organisations are in force, but these are a few of the chief ones. There is also a Church of England Soldiers' Institute, situated in a central position in the Garrison, which offers to the men the advantages of a Club, with opportunities for worship, prayer, and instruction added. It comprises—on the ground-floor a bar and general room, billiard-room, bath-room, and concert-hall; and upstairs a cosy reading-room, devotional-room, and three bedrooms. The Institute is open free for the use of the men on week-days from 8 A.M. to 11 P.M., and on Sundays from 8 P.M. to 10 P.M.

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R. MORRISON,
F. B. N. NORMAN-LEE, } Chaplains.

Shoeburyness.—Garrison Church of SS. Peter and Paul. Holy Communion every Sunday and Holy Day at 8 A.M. Also at 11 A.M. on first Sunday in month, and at 12 noon on third Sunday in the month.

Parade Service at 11 A.M. on Sundays, and also at 10 A.M. in summer, and Evensong and sermon at 6.30 P.M. Children's Service on last Sunday in month at 3 P.M. Sunday School at 3 P.M., with a very successful circulating library. About 120 children attend.

From April 1, 1895, to April 1, 1896, there have been 88 celebrations and 1003 communicants. On Wednesdays and Holy Days and Fridays there is Evensong at 6 P.M., with an address in Lent and Advent.

There is a Band of Hope, average attendance 40.

A clothing and boot club is maintained, and averages 100 members. There is a monthly meeting for communicants held in the church on the Thursday before the first Sunday in each month, for instruction and devotion. The collections made for the Army Missionary Association (in connection with the S.P.G.) yielded about 13*l*. There are about 500 troops in the garrison, of whom about 150 are married.

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M. W. CHURCHWARD, *Chaplain to the Forces.*

There is a branch of the Army Temperance Association, which holds weekly meetings, and has about 50 members.

Portsmouth.—Royal Garrison Church, Portsmouth, St. Nicholas and St. John Baptist. Holy Communion: Every Sunday and Holy Day, 8 A.M.; also every Thursday, 8 A.M.; 1st and 3rd Sundays in month, 12.15. There is now a celebration of Holy Communion at 7 as well as at 8 A.M. on the first Sunday in each month (also on all great festivals, Easter, &c., at 8 A.M.), Ash Wednesday, &c. Total number of communicants, about 300. Matins, &c.: Sundays, 9.30 and 11 A.M. Evensong: Sunday, 6.45; Wednesdays, 8 P.M.; every other day in the week, 6 P.M. Children's service: 1st Sunday in month, 3 P.M. Church accommodation, 750; full at all Sunday services. Communicants' Union: Members meet in church on last Wednesday in each month—instruction and intercession. Missionary Association: Members meet in church 1st Wednesday in month—addresses and intercessory prayer. Temperance meetings in 'Soldiers' Room, Governor's Green,' during winter months. Clothing club, &c., managed by 'Sisters' and ladies of the garrison. Sunday school, 130; teachers 15. Number of members of Church of England in garrison, about 2,500, including women and children. 'The Guild of the Holy Standard' for officers and men of the British Army (communicants only), has a branch in the garrison and meets fortnightly. A garrison branch of the 'Church of England Men's Help Society' has also been formed during the past year. Guild of St. Helena meets fortnightly. The collection for Foreign Missions last year exceeded by 50*l*. the amount collected in any previous year. The general

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collection for church expenses, &c., showed an increase of nearly 100%. A Band of Hope and Children's Savings Bank: Meetings, weekly, Thursday evening. 'The Garrison Church Magazine,' published monthly, price 1d., gives full information as to services, &c. On Sundays the church is always crowded. During the summer months it is literally true that hundreds fail to gain admission Sunday after Sunday. During Lent 'After-Meetings' are always held in church after Evensong for intercession and instruction 'in the way of salvation.' More than half the congregation, sometimes nearly the whole, stay for these meetings.

December 10, 1894.

Senior Chaplain.

Woolwich.—For year 1895. Collections and Offerories at St. George's, £301. 18s. 6d. amount given out of the Church funds to various charities, 17l. 8s. 7d. Services at St. George's: Sundays, Holy Communion at 8 A.M.; prison service (Provost Prison) at 2.45 P.M.; parade services at 10 A.M. and 11.45; Children's service (1st Sunday in the month), 3 P.M.; voluntary evening service, 6 P.M.; Wednesdays and Fridays, 6 P.M. Evensong at 6 P.M. Baptisms and churchings on Wednesdays. Holy Communion on all Saints' Days, 8 A.M.

There is a well-attended Sunday school in connection with St. George's Church; and another at the Herbert Hospital, which provides also for the children living at 'the Camp.'

The prison is visited daily, and each prisoner seen individually.

There is a large and flourishing branch of the Indian Army Temperance Association, of which weekly meetings and entertainments are held; numbers on the books, about 350. A juvenile branch of this Association has recently been formed, which meets weekly in the schoolroom of the 'Cambridge Cottages.'

The Good Templars have also a strong 'Lodge' in the garrison, and a 'Band of Hope' for children. These are not worked by the Chaplains, but have their sympathy, and the Lodge and Band meet by permission of the Senior Chaplain once a week, each in the Chaplain's room.

There is a Needlework Association which gives remunerative employment to 600 women, wives or widows of soldiers. The Senior Chaplain is honorary secretary and manager of the Association. A committee of officers appointed by the General Officer Commanding supervises.

The Senior Chaplain is also clerical visitor of the Garrison Female Hospital, and on the committee of that institution. The hospital is of very great value to the women, and is highly prized by them.

The Dockyard Church has been handed over to the Chaplain at the Royal Arsenal by the Secretary of State for War.

The Chaplain assists in the week-day work of the latter church, and in the religious instruction to young soldiers and school children.

The Herbert Hospital is in charge of another Chaplain, who visits the married people connected with the troops quartered in the camp. He holds two week-day services (Wednesday and Friday), which is well attended by the patients.

The branches of the Guild of the Holy Standard and of St. Helena established in the garrison are in a flourishing condition. Weekly meetings of both are held in the Chaplain's room and Soldiers' Institute, where addresses or lectures are given, or discussion of some subject of interest to the soldier takes place.

Religious instruction to young soldiers and children is given by the Chaplains, who devote twelve hours a week to this work. Numerous prizes are given annually.

A Scripture Reader Church of England, supported and paid by the Scripture Readers' Society, works amongst the troops and helps in the Sunday school.

The Guild of St. Helena forms itself into a sewing and reading class on each Friday in the week, which does good work, and is well attended, this class being presided over by ladies in the garrison. A second in Cambridge Cottages schoolroom, in the midst of the married quarters. The meetings are presided over by ladies of the garrison, whose work is much appreciated by the soldiers' wives.

A branch of the Church of England Soldiers' Institute has been opened near the Barracks in Wellington Street, and is doing good work among the men. The Institute is open to every soldier without any charge to him. A new Institute is erected, close to the barracks, and we are all desirous that it will be well attended every day. The Chaplains have undertaken to read scriptures every night throughout the year in the devotional room.

An important system has been adopted in this smaller garrison, whereby all recruits are seen individually by the various Chaplains.

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C. GREGSON, Senior Chaplain.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SOLDIERS' INSTITUTES ASSOCIATION.

The Association is an incorporated Society composed of Churchmen of all shades of opinion interested in the social, moral, and religious welfare of the soldier. The objects for which it is established are to open and maintain Institutes or Clubs in Garrison Towns, which shall be free and open to every man wearing the Queen's uniform without inquiry as to religious denomination.

These Institutes or Clubs provide reading, writing, games, and bedrooms, a concert hall, baths, and refreshments.

Special rooms are provided in which opportunities for worship and religious instruction, in accordance with the creeds and principles of the Church of England, are offered to such men as wish to avail themselves of them.

Eight Institutes have already been established, viz. at Aldershot, Colchester, The Carragh, Gosport, Pirbright, Woolwich, and Malta (two). Steps are being taken to start an Institute at Hounslow.

Communications should be addressed to the

Organising Secretary, Colonel P. A. A. TWYNAM, C.B.,
The Church House, Westminster, S.W.

SECTION IX.—HOME MISSION WORK.

THE INCORPORATED FREE AND OPEN CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

THIS Association, since its formation in 1866, has been unceasingly engaged in endeavouring to form a strong public opinion in favour of free and open churches. Its objects are to abolish pew rents and appropriated seats, to encourage the adoption of the offertory at every service, and to promote the opening of churches daily, Sundays and week-days alike. The Association feels confident that nothing has done so much to alienate and drive away the masses from the Church as appropriation and closed churches, the poor being thus shown they were not wanted, and that until all our churches are free and open to all, rich and poor alike, the Church of England cannot be in reality, as well as in name, the National Church of the land.

During the past three years alone the Association has assisted more or less in freeing some 227 churches, a list of which will be found in its annual reports. In 1876, with the assistance of the Association, a similar society was formed in the United States, and another in Scotland in 1877, which is now in a very satisfactory state. The Association has during the past three years held public meetings in London, Notting Hill, Oxford, Exeter, Norwich (2), and Shrewsbury; and has distributed gratis during the same period over 250,000 leaflets.

The Association is always willing to advise clergy or laity who are anxious to make churches free, and has given advice during the last three years in a great number of cases.

The Association endeavours to emphasise the fact that the greatest possible use should be made of existing church accommodation before building new churches, and, owing to its teachings, Church people are at last becoming alive to the fact that a church is a permanent mission to all living in the parish, and should, as far as possible, be quite free, and open to all.

The Association makes small grants of chairs, kneelers, hymn-books, &c., to churches which are made free and open, as funds will permit. During the last three years grants have been made to 73 churches.

The Association is entirely unconnected with any party in Church or State, and the council earnestly appeal to all classes of Church people to aid in what is undoubtedly a work of great moment in its practical influence upon Church life.

The President of the Association is Earl Nelson; Honorary Secretary, F. C. Dobbing, Esq.; Honorary Assistant Secretary, Rev. H. M. Tyrwhitt. Communications should be addressed to the Honorary Secretaries, Church House, Westminster, S.W.

SECTION X.—HOME MISSION WORK.

TEMPERANCE AND RESCUE WORK.

THE following short records fairly represent the general aim and results of the organised endeavours of the Church to cope with two of the greatest vices that hinder the progress of her work. The Church of England Temperance Society, under the influential and discreet direction of Bishop Temple, has continued by patient work to stimulate the efforts of the Church to restrain the habits of intemperance, which are so prevalent as to amount to a national disgrace. The Society is also exerting a potential influence in showing the enormous evils of the drink traffic and in forming a strong and intelligent public opinion as to the immediate necessity of some wise measures of restraint. The evils of impurity are no less powerful and seductive. The most effectual remedy will be found in shielding the young from the vicious temptations of their surroundings and in urging them to recognise and practise the obligations of chastity. In addition to such personal influence, it becomes necessary to meet this evil by providing Preventive Homes, as well as shelter, for those who have fallen, that they may be brought under Christian guardianship and instruction. By increased attention and generous help, this work has been enormously advanced within the Church by the multiplication of such institutions as penitentiaries and refuges.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

The objects of this Society are the promotion of the habits of temperance, the reformation of the intemperate, and the removal of the causes which lead to intemperance. The Society has recently been re-constituted on a purely representative basis, its government being entrusted to representatives elected by members who have signed one or other of the Society's pledges and are subscribers of not less than sixpence a year to its funds. In thirty-four Dioceses active work is being carried on under the supervision of Diocesan Councils.

Police Court and Prison Gate Missions.—Further progress has been made during the past year, as no less than 9 new men were appointed, bringing the total up to 77 Missionaries employed at the Prison Gates or in the Police Courts of our large towns and cities. The last report shows that 35,076 persons were visited at their homes, 13,771 were met on discharge from prison, and 3,812 handed over to parochial Clergy; besides which help was also given in other ways by providing homes, employment, money, clothing, tools, food, blankets, restoring cases to parents, and preventing loss of employment when possible. The nine labour yards have been exceedingly useful in finding employment for persons who have been in prison, besides affording some opportunity to the missionary to watch over the cases he is trying to rescue, and often providing the means of restoration. There has unfortunately been no increase in this direction during the year.

The Junior Division.—Work among the young has been carried on with increased vigour. The syllabus of instruction on the effects of alcohol on mind and body, which has been carefully prepared and revised by medical men, was the subject of an annual examination simultaneously conducted in six dioceses, which competed for a Challenge-Banner offered by the Central Executive. The banner was won by Durham Diocese, the six papers selected gaining a total of 376 marks out of a possible 480.

Women's Union.—Considerable progress has been made by the Women's Union in the necessary work of re-organisation, and the dioceses have all evinced greater activity in this important branch of work.

The Women's Union have two Long Homes for Inebriates, one, Ellison Lodge, at Dulwich, and one at Torquay, and three temporary Shelter Homes in London, Liverpool, and Blackburn, all of which are doing an excellent work.

Racecourse and Van Mission.—The chief race-meetings all over the country have been visited by the Society's agents, and much influence for good has thus been exerted on those who habitually attend such places by the distribution of literature, religious talks, and open-air meetings. Agricultural fairs and shows have been similarly visited, and besides the ordinary distribution of literature, recipes for temperance drinks, and, in some cases, the drinks themselves, as substitutes for beer in the hay harvest field, have been given away, and meetings for farm labourers, &c., have not been arranged. Good work has also been accomplished amongst the hop-pickers. The Van Mission was in evidence in many parts of the country, the efforts of the Society touring in no less than twelve Dioceses, in many of which the work lasted weeks; 332 parishes were visited, 692 meetings were held; estimated attendances 55,057, and 597 pledges were taken.

The Navy.—There are branches of the Society on an increasing number of Her Majesty's ships, which are useful in promoting temperance amongst our sailors. The work carried on by the Chaplains of the training ships is most useful, and members of the Society are continually being drafted into other ships therefrom.

The United Kingdom Railway Temperance Union works in connection with the R.N.T.S. The work established on the different railways is thriving, and there are now about 18,000 members. 'On the Line,' the journal of the Union, is greatly appreciated and has a large circulation.

Publications.—A great deal of good work is accomplished in this department by means of disseminating temperance literature, and supplying requisites for the presses to carry on their work. Several new books, pamphlets, leaflets, and tracts of educational character, have been issued during the past year. The 'Temperance Chronicle,' 'Illustrated Temperance Monthly,' and 'Young Crusader' continue to be useful for the different classes for which they are issued.

The Executive generally meets on the first Tuesday in each month.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Deansgate, 4 The Sanctuary, Manchester, S. W.

ELLISON LODGE, DULWICH.

This Home is intended for women of all classes who have yielded to habits of intemperance. The Institution has accommodation for thirty-three inmates. The Home is in connection with the Women's Union of the Church of England Temperance Society, Mrs. Temple being President of the Committee.

The House is arranged to receive 9 drawing-room patients, paying from 1*l.* 1*s.* to 3*s.* a week; 11 workroom patients, 10*s.* 6*d.* to 12*s.* 6*d.*; 13 kitchen patients, at 6*d.* a week.

All applications for admission should be made to Miss Forsyth, 26 Fulham Road, S. W.

SPELTHORNE ST. MARY.

This Institution was founded by the late Rev. R. WEST, of St. Mary Magdalene, Addington, for the treatment, spiritual and bodily, of women who have given way to intemperance. It is intended primarily for the upper and middle classes.

Terms: 15*s.* 6*d.*, 1*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.*, and 2*l.* 2*s.* The poorer class are also received, if capable of doing needle-work, at 10*s.*, or laundry work, at 5*s.* per week.

There is a chapel attached to the house, where frequent services are held. The house is convenient and comfortable, and there is a large garden, which adds greatly to the health and enjoyment of the patients. The institution is under the care of the Sisters of the C. St. Mary the Virgin, Wantage.

All particulars can be obtained from the Sister in Charge, Spelthorne St. Mary, Feltham, near Feltham.

WHITE CROSS LEAGUE: CHURCH OF ENGLAND SOCIETY.

Objects.—To promote—1. Purity among men. 2. A chivalrous respect for womanhood. 3. Preservation of the young from contamination. 4. Rescue work. 5. A higher tone of public opinion.

The Society insists on the equal obligation of purity on both sexes.

Membership of the Central Society is confined to men over eighteen years of age, who undertake to promote the above objects and to subscribe annually to the Society (as a minimum) 5s.; but local bodies are free to adopt their own rules.

Summary of Work.—The Central Society has helped to organise and carry out the work of the dioceses and parishes in this matter, by deputations, lectures, sermons, grants of literature, information, &c. Also in connection with the Church Congress, as well as by conferences of Clergy, medical men, school-masters, and other responsible persons.

Literature.—'Papers for Men' published. About 10,000 copies sold and distributed.

Finance.—Income (subscriptions and donations, &c.), about 700*l.* Offerings and branch subscriptions are greatly needed.

Communications should be made to the Secretaries, Lieut.-Col. H. Everitt and Rev. Arthur Wright, 7 Dean's Yard, Westminster Abbey, S.W.

REFORMATORY AND REFUGE UNION.

The Union was instituted in 1859, and, though not strictly confined in its operations to the Church of England, has yet very considerably assisted many institutions carried on under the direction of Churchmen. There are now over 700 institutions affiliated with the Union.

Methods of Organisation.—1. The Union endeavours generally to assist Reformatory work by holding conferences, collecting information, tabulating results, forming new societies, and directing Parliamentary action.

2. **Children's Aid Society.**—This Society (which is in connection with the Reformatory and Refuge Union) has for twenty-five years employed the Boys' Beadle, and during that period he has aided 11,998 children who were in destitute or neglected circumstances, or otherwise requiring a friendly hand to prevent them drifting into a criminal career. Since May 1883 the Committee have appointed three Rescue Officers, who have rescued 3,880 children from the horrible dens in which they were living, and have had them placed under legal protection and training in industrial and voluntary schools, so to remain until they shall be sixteen years of age. Grants are also made to Homes connected with the Union which do not receive Government Grants. Upwards of 48,000*l.* have been expended in this manner. An Emigration Agency is also sustained, with a Reception Home at Winnipeg, Manitoba, for the reception of lads trained in Homes connected with the Society.

3. **A Woman's Mission to Women.**—This Mission employs twenty-two Christian Female Missionaries in different districts of London, who visit the streets at night, the hospitals, workhouses, &c., by day, where their fallen sisters are likely to be found.

4. **Central Committee of Discharged Prisoners' Aid Societies,** which has for its object the formation of Discharged Prisoners' Aid Societies throughout the kingdom.

5. **Provident and Benevolent Fund,** established for the benefit of officers connected with the Union.

6. **Girls' Protective Home,** 68 Vassall Road, Brixton, S.W. For the training of neglected girls or those found in dangerous circumstances, but not fallen. Lady Supt., Miss Hurley.

7. **Grotto Home,** 55 Paddington Street, W. For the reception and industrial training of 30 destitute boys, who are received up to 17 years of age.

All communications should be made to Mr. A. J. S. Maddison, 32 Charing Cross, S.W.

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REFORMATORIES AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

Boys.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Secretary	Accommodation		Total Expenditure, 1895
			No. in House	1895	
Bangor	Training Ship 'Clio,' Bangor—P	H. T. Brown, Esq., Northgate Street, Chester	250	238	£ 5,131 2 7
Bath and Wells	Somerset Industrial Home for Boys, Bath	Miss E. M. Sheppard, 26 Marlborough Road, Bath	180	180	3,884 13 11
Carlisle	Cumberland Industrial School, Cockerm' th*	C. B. Hodgson, Esq., Clerk of the Peace, Carlisle	160	160	3,028 8 10
Ely	Bedfordshire Reformatory, Carlton, Bedfordshire	Rev. W. H. Denison, Carlton Rectory, Bedford	70	56	1,842 15 4
Gloucester & Bristol	Hardwicke Reformatory for Boys, near Gloucester	Mr. Thos. Geo	80	56	1,199 1 11
Liverpool	Kirkdale Day Industrial School (Voluntary)*	Rev. Canon Major Lester	150	150	3,898 4 6
"	Liverpool Certified Industrial School, Everton Terrace—P	W. E. Barclay, Esq., Governor	200	200	4,068 11 3
Llandaff	Monmouthshire Reformatory, Pontypool	G. W. Chalklen, Esq., Hon. Sec.	35	33	886 16 7
London	Middlesex Industrial Schools, Feltham	T. B. Bentlex, Esq., Superintendent	750	722	20,566 0 0
"	Newport Market Industrial School—P	The Hon. Sec., Co-burg Row, Westminster, S. W.	100	98	2,206 7 2
"	The Boys' Home, Regent's Park Road*	Herbert James, Esq.	150	141	4,811 15 7
"	Grotto House, 55 Paddington St. W.	A. J. S. Maddison, Hon. Sec.	30	45	656 12 11
Manchester	Barnes Home, Heaton Mersey	Donald Ross, Esq., Governor	289	280	8,668 15 3
Norwich	Thorndon Reformatory, Eye, Suffolk	Rev. T. Lee French, Thrandeston Rec., Diss, Norfolk	84	84	1,186 19 9
Peterboro'	Boys' Reformatory, Tiffeld, Towcester	Rev. A. Wake, Courteenhall Rectory, Northampton	50	50	1,377 7 2
Rochester	Philanthropic Society, Farm School, Redhill	John Trevarthen, Esq., Farm Street, Redhill	300	298	7,745 9 11
"	East London Industrial School, Lewisham—P	J. Cartwright, Superintendent	150	150	4,241 19 2
St. Albans	Boys' Farm Home, East Barnet—P	A. Glaisby, Esq.	90	86	1,766 9 1

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Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Secretary	Accommodation		Total Expenditure, 1895
			No. in House	1895	
St. Albans	Herts Reformatory School, Chapmore End, Ware	J. B. Brandram, Esq., Hon. Sec., Ware	50	41	£ 1,319 3 6
Wakefield	Calder Farm Reformatory School, Mirfield, Yorkshire	Messrs. Tennant & Nevin, Dewsbury, Hon. Secs.	110	109	2,170 11 7
Winchester	St. Swithin's Industrial School, Upper Brook Street, Winchester	C. Wooldridge, Esq., 5 St. Peter's St., Winchester	85	85	2,210 17 1½
"	School of Handicrafts for Poor Boys, Chertsey—P	J. C. Noel, Esq., C.B., 8 Hanover Sq., W.	100	98	3,995 0 0
Worcester	Birmingham Certified Industrial School—P	E. M. Sharp, Esq., 120 Colmore Row	150	150	3,708 10 11
"	Saltley Reformatory, Birmingham	Mr. S. Arnold, Superintendent	100	99	1,889 14 11
York	Industrial School, Marygate, York—P	Rev. H. Vyvyan, Hon. Sec.	120	120	4,184 8 5

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Bath and Wells	Bath Industrial School for Girls*	Miss McCaskell, 17 Walcot Parade	86	80	1,581 2 0½
Chester	Training Home, Boughton—P	T. J. Powell, Esq., 14 Newgate Street, Chester	16	16	505 0 0
Exeter	Devon and Exeter Reformatory School	J. W. Gould, 4 Bouverie Place, Mount Radford, Exeter	60	55	1,042 0 10
Gloucester & Bristol	Home of Industry, Kemerton, Tewkesbury ¹	Mrs. Jerome Mercier, The Rectory	2	39	411 3 10½
"	St. Agnes' Industrial School, Upper Knowle, Bristol	Sister in Charge	60	57	1,120 3 7
Liverpool	Liverpool Certified Industrial School, Northumberland Terrace—P	Miss Skinner, Superintendent	100	00	1,910 19 1
"	Toxteth Park Girls' Reformatory School, 9 Park Hill Road	Mrs. H. Campbell, 85 South Hill Road, Liverpool	60	79	1,335 6 6½
"	Kirkdale Free Home (Voluntary) ² *	Rev. Canon Major Lester, St. Mary's Vicarage	70	70	910 0 0
London	The Girls' Home, 22 & 41 Charlotte Street, Portland Place, W.	Miss E. Garrod	30	27	671 15 5
"	Industrial Home for Girls, 125 Sloane Street, S.W.*	Mrs. H. Hopwood, Hon. Sec., 1 Eaton Terrace, S.W.	50	42	900 0 0
"	School of Discipline, Elm House, Parson's Green, S.W.	Mrs. Rashdall, 3 Eccleston Square, S.W.	50	50	951 0 0

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Diocese	Name of Institution.	Name and Address of Secretary	Accommodation	No. in House 1895	Total Expenditure, 1895
Newcastle .	Industrial School for Friendless Girls—P	The Secretary, Newcastle	45	45	£ s. d. 960 10 8
Norwich .	County Industrial Training School and Orphanage—P	Miss S. Hamond, Fakenham, Norfolk	70	64	1,368 18 7
Rochester .	Industrial Home, Chatham—P	Mrs. A. Smith, The Gleanings, Rochester	13	12	193 15 6
Salisbury .	Poole Industrial School*	The Secretary	100	98	1,615 6 0
St. Albans .	The Children's Home, Leytonstone*	Rev. G. Godsell, Warden	70	68	2,607 0 0
Winchester	Princess Mary Village Homes, Addlestone, Surrey—P	Rev. H. B. Gold	200	183	5,665 1 11
„	St. Faith's Preventive Home, Ryde—P	Lady Superintendent	11	12	214 0 9
Worcester .	Coventry Industrial School and Home, Leicester Street—P	Rev. F. M. Beaumont, Holy Trinity Vicarage, Coventry	32	28	602 3 7
York .	Industrial School, Lowther Street, York—P	D. S. Mackay, Esq., Hon. Sec.	50	49	965 7 9

¹ Primarily for training G. F. S. members.
P=Preventive Home.

² Large number of day boarders.
* No reply having been received, figures stand for 1891.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND INCORPORATED SOCIETY FOR PROVIDING HOMES FOR WAIFS AND STRAYS.

The object of this Society is to enable Churchmen to work together in rescuing from vicious surroundings destitute children, especially in large towns. Some idea of the progress the Society has made may be gathered from the fact that, since its establishment in 1881, 75 Homes have been opened, and over 2,400 children are now under the care of the Committee, and there are 1,300 hon. local secretaries.

In the year 1881 the Society started with an income of 740*l.*, whereas in 1895 it was instrumental in raising 64,390*l.* At the end of September last, 629 children were boarded out in suitable homes in the country; 1,574 were inmates of the Society's Homes, and 192 were in other Church Homes and Institutions, payments being made by the Committee for their support. The Society emigrated 35 girls and 5 boys. Applications were received for the admission of 635 children into the Society's Homes during 1895, of which 467 were accepted.

Communications should be made to the Secretary, E. de M. Rudolf, Esq. The Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

HOMES BELONGING TO THE WAIFS AND STRAYS SOCIETY.

Locality.	Age.	No.	Locality.	Age.	No.	Locality.	Age.	No.
BOYS' HOMES.			BOYS—cont.			GIRLS—cont.		
Almondbury, Huddersfield (Cottage Home).	8-7	6	Reading (Prospect Lodge).	8-13	15	Handsworth (Calthorpe Home), near Birmingham.	7-14	20
Appleton, Bolton Percy, Yorks. (Cottage Home).	5-10	8	Rochdale.	8-12	20	Harrow.	7-14	20
Ashdon (All Saints' Home), near Saffron Walden.	7-10	12	Rock Ferry, Birkenhead (Cottage Home).	6-10	10	Hemel Hempstead (Olive House), Herts.	8-14	20
Bexhill (St. Alban's Home), Parkhurst Road (Cottage Home).	8-8	14	Seaforth, near Liverpool.	8-14	30	Hillingdon Heath (Pine Home), near Uxbridge.	4-8	10
Bognor (Bersted).	8-14	40	Sherbrooke (Benyon Home), Canada.	8-16	12	Hillingdon Heath (Hayes House), near Uxbridge.	2-8	20
Bournemouth (Falbot Home).	7-12	20	Standon Farming Home, Eccleshall.	10-15	80	Hull (Clarendon House).	6-14	30
Bowerchalke (St. Bartholomew's Home), Salisbury.	4-8	6	Tattenhall, Cheshire.	8-13	40	Knole, Salisbury.	6-12	8
Bron Meirion, Arthog, Dolgelly.	5-10	15	Wakefield (Beda Home), College Green Road.	7-12	7	Leamington (Worcester Diocesan Training Home).	6-16	22
Byfleet (Receiving Home), Weybridge.	2-16	15	Walsham, Suffolk.	10-16	40	Lowestoft (Church Home for Girls).	7-14	26
Cambridge (Diocesan Home).	10-14	30	Warrington, Brick Street (Cottage Home).	6-10	7	Marylebone (St. Bilda's Home).	6-14	32
Chislehurst (St. Michael's Orphanage).	3-12	30				Meanwood (Beckett Home), Leeds.	8-14	30
Croydon (Gordon Home), North End House.	8-14	30	GIRLS' HOMES.			Mildenhall, Suffolk.	8-14	12
Dover (27 Pencester Road).	7-12	14	Audenshaw, near Manchester.	7-10	12	Mirfield (St. Agnes').	6-12	12
Frome (Sunny Side).	8-14	40	Bangor (St. Mark's Nursery Home), Tregarth.	6 months to 5	12	Moulsoe (St. Faith's Home), Newport Pagnell.	7-12	8
Gillingham (Thornham Memorial Home), Eye, Suffolk (Cottage Home).	6-10	6	Belbroughton (All Saints' Home), near Stourbridge.	7-12	28	Mumbles, South Wales.	7-15	20
Hanley Castle (Home of the Good Shepherd), Worcester.	8-12	20	Brighton (12 Egrement Place).	7-14	30	Newark (St. Barnabas' Diocesan Home), Millgate.	12-16	30
Hedgerley (Furn Home), Slough.	12-16	30	Byfleet (St. Nicholas Home), near Weybridge.	3-12	60	Ningara, Canada ('Our Western Home').	6-16	50
Hunstanton (St. Christopher's Home).	6-10	10	Carnarvon (St. Mark's Home).	6-14	16	Peckham (Avenue House) (Emigration Receiving House).	6-16	50
Knebworth, Stevenage.	7-10	6	Cheltenham (Cottage Home for Girls).	6-10	—	Penkridge (St. Margaret's Home).	7-14	20
Leicester (Cottage Home).	8-12	18	Cold Ash (St. Mary's Home), near Newbury.	7-14	27	Sherbrooke (Gibbs Home), Canada.	8-16	12
Lincoln (St. Hugh's Home).	6-10	6	Cullercoats (St. Oswald's), nr Whitley.	8-14	44	Shrewsbury (St. Saviour's Home).	7-13	15
Lyme Regis (St. Michael's Home).	7-12	32	Darlington (St. Cuthbert's Home).	8-16	40	Southbourne-on-Sea (St. Catherine's Home), nr. Christchurch.	8-12	20
Messing (Cottage Home).	6-10	8	Dickleburgh, near Soole (Rose Cottage).	7-14	24	Stockport (Home of the Good Shepherd).	6-14	14
Natland (St. Mark's Home).	6-12	25	Dulwich (Lampson Home), Overhill Road.	8-14	80	Torquay.	6-14	15
			Exeter (St. Olave's Home).	8-14	20	Winchester (Connaught House).	14-16	27
			Farbam, Hants.	12-15	32			
			Far Headingley (St. Chad's House), Leeds.	10-15	50			

THE CHURCH PENITENTIARY ASSOCIATION.

The Church Penitentiary Association has for forty-three years helped in the foundation and maintenance of Houses of Mercy and Refuges throughout the kingdom. Fifty-nine Bishops and two Archbishops preside over the Council of the Association. Each of the Homes has a Clergyman of the Church of England as Chaplain. All the Houses of

Mercy to which grants are made by the Association are managed by self-devoted women, though the temporary Refuges have, in some cases, paid Matrons. The average proportion of Sisters to penitents is one to five or six. The time spent by penitents in the Houses of Mercy varies from six months to three years or more, the usual time being two years.

Five new Houses were admitted into union during the past year.

At the end of the year 1896 the number of Penitentiaries in union with the Association was 44, and of Refuges 48. The former had accommodation for 1,480, and the latter for 408, together equal to 1888. The number of self-devoted women was 275—viz. 235 in the Penitentiaries and 40 in the Refuges, being in the proportion of one to six penitents. The total number who passed out from the Homes and Refuges in the last year was 3,802.

Assistance is gladly given to all who apply for advice in the treatment of penitents. A Free Registry of lady workers is kept at the office.

The income of the Association for 1896 amounted to 1,863*l*.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Church Penitentiary Association, 14 York Buildings, Adelphi, London, W.C.

CHURCH MISSION TO THE FALLEN.

Objects of the Mission.—The Church Mission to the Fallen was founded in 1880 for the purpose of carrying on direct missionary work amongst the fallen and unchaste, and combating vice in its own strongholds. It carries out its work by the employment of women as Missionaries to seek out fallen women in their own homes, in hospitals, in workhouses, and in public streets, by holding mission services in churches and schools, by united intercession, and by efforts of a preventive nature.

It does not propose to establish Refuges or Penitentiaries, but to confine itself to direct missionary work.

During the past year 187 were rescued from a life of sin, and placed in homes or situations or restored to friends.

In addition to these, the St. Pancras Ruridecanal Branch has rescued 49, the branch at the East India Docks has rescued 255, and the Camberwell Branch has done good work.

Monthly intercession services are held at St. John's, Wilton Road, S.W., at 5 P.M., on the first Tuesday in each month, and at St. Mary's, Bourdon Street, Berkeley Sq., W., at 11 A.M., on the first Friday in each month.

All communications should be made to the Hon. Secretary, Rev. V. G. Borradaile, 14 York Buildings, Adelphi, W.C.

FEMALE MISSION TO THE FALLEN AND FEMALE AID SOCIETY.

This is a 'Woman's Mission to Women,' and was established in 1858, under the presidency of the Earl of Shaftesbury. It sends earnest Christian women into the streets, the hospitals, and the workhouses, seeking to converse with and rescue the fallen of their own sex.

There are 6 mission houses; and 22 agents are working in different parts of London, one of whom attends the Police Courts and visits the gaols, with special reference to cases of attempted suicide.

There are usually upwards of 50 young women under the temporary care of the Missionaries. They are sheltered for a few days until a more permanent home can be secured. In the case of young women found in dangerous circumstances but not yet fallen, a training home is provided. The Missionaries have placed 8,061 in service during the last 38 years; 11,810 have been placed in institutions for training; 2,375 have been restored to their friends; 128 have been assisted to marry; 87 have been emigrated. Many others have been placed in hospitals, or otherwise temporarily assisted.

The total income for the year ending March 31, 1896, was 2,853*l*.

Particulars of the work of this Mission may be obtained of the Secretary, Mr. Arthur J. S. Maddison, 32 Charing Cross, London, S.W.

PENITENTIARIES.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE GENERAL WORKING OF THESE INSTITUTIONS DURING THE YEAR 1895-96.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodated in 1895	No. who left in 1895	Of Hopeful Character.	Voluntary Funds, 1895
						£ s. d.
Canterbury	St. Mildred's, Upper Grove, Margate	Mother Superior, St. Mary's Home, Stone	16	6	8	— 3 0
London	St. James's Diocesan Home, Fulham ¹	Rev. A. R. Whitham, Chaplain	60	38	28	1,216 15 2
"	Diocesan Penitentiary, Highgate ¹	Rev. J. H. Amps, Warden	66	29	15	468 13 0
"	St. Mary Magdalen's Home, Paddington ¹	Rev. W. H. Bleaden	30	29	26	654 13 5
"	Bethesda, Allsopp Mews, Dorset Square, N. W.	Sister in Charge	20	6	6	139 4 1
"	Home of Compassion, 63 Sutherland Street, Pimlico ¹	Mrs. Pain, 81 Cadogan Place, S. W.	8	10	8	378 8 4
"	Laundry Home, Alaine House, Uxbridge Road, W. ¹	Rev. E. G. Wood, Hon. Chaplain	28	4	3	40 0 0
"	London Female Guardian Society, Stamford House, Stoke Newington ²	Mr. W. E. Page	100	100	80	1,510 0 0
"	St. John Baptist Shelter, 16 Ranelagh Grove, Pimlico	Rev. A. Gurney	7	19	15	320 0 10
Durham	Durham County Penitentiary	Rev. H. J. Richmond, Sherburn	26	16	14	436 9 4
"	St Catherine's Diocesan Home, 110 Framwellgate, Durham	Miss Mary Elizabeth Crawhall	18	29	20	210 15 5
Winchester	St. Thomas's Home, Basingstoke ¹	Rev. R. F. Bigg-Wither, Warden, Worting Rectory	60	32	29	1,833 8 6

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² Not strictly confined to Church of England management.

³ Branch of St. Mary's Home, Stone.

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PENITENTIARIES—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	No. who left in 1895	Of Hopeful Character	Voluntary Funds, 1895
						£ s. d.
Winchester	Winchester Refuge ¹	Col. F. A. Dickins, Blackbridge House	12	15	12	242 5 1
Bath and Wells	Bath Penitentiary	Rev. H. B. Swabey, Chaplain	42	15	15	208 16 9
"	St. Michael's Home, Shepton Beauchamp	Rev. A. Lethbridge	8	2	2	50 9 0
Carlisle	House of Help, 26 Leatham St., Carlisle	Mrs. H. Ware, The Abbey, Carlisle	4	7	5	64 9 6
"	St. Mary's Home, Carlisle ¹	Miss Burton, Hon. Sec.	30	17	11	732 9 10
Chester	Dio. House of Mercy, Lache Lane, Chester ¹	Rev. E. C. Lowndes, St. Oswald's Vic., Chester	24	17	17	385 4 5
Chichester	Albion Hill Home, Brighton	Rev. R. C. Macdonald, Chaplain	82	66	41	1,000 4 1
"	St. Mary's Home, Brighton ²	Rev. A. D. Wagner, Chaplain	53	43	16	— ²
"	St. Mary's Lodge, Halton-in-Hastings	Sister Cordelia, The Lodge	14	4	3	323 4 0
Ely . . .	Cambridge Female Refuge	J. Hough, Esq., Cambridge	22	18	14	81 5 11
Exeter . .	Devon and Exeter Penitentiary *	E. G. Domville, Esq.	30	13	12	406 16 5
"	House of Pence, 157 North Road, Plymouth ¹	W. A. Buchan, Esq., 5 Athenæum Terrace, Plymouth	27	4	4	137 7 7
"	House of Mercy, Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbott ¹	Rev. Preb. Tudor	90	42	42	869 19 7
Gloucester & Bristol	Bussage House of Mercy, near Stroud ¹ *	Rev. Donald E. Robertson	24	12	8	259 1 9
"	Female Refuge and Home, Cheltenham *	Rev. P. Waller, Holy Trinity Vic.	22	16	9	416 16 1
Hereford .	St. Martin's Home ¹	Rev. M. Hepton, Vic., Canon, Froome	20	13	12	177 12 7
Lichfield .	Salop Home, Shrewsbury	Rev. J. Justice Norris, S. Alkmund's Vic. Shrewsbury	16	2	1	142 10 2
"	County Industrial Home, Salford	Sister in Charge	40	30	30	468 17 2

¹ In union with Church Penitentiary Association.

² The Penitentiary accounts are included with others.

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PENITENTIARIES—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	No. who left in 1895	Of Hopeful Character	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Lichfield .	Wolverhampton Female Refuge	Rev. H. L. Deck, St. Mark's Vic.	30	20	15	£ 50 5 8
Lincoln .	Lincolnshire Home for Girls	The Lady Superintendent	25	12	10	157 14 11
„	Diocesan Home, Boston ¹	W. Lane-Clayton, Esq., Hon. Sec.	21	10	8	384 9 2
Liverpool.	Magdalen Institution, Liverpool ²	Rev. J. Passfield, 20 Great Mersey Street	55	39	22	490 1 5
Llandaff .	St. Margaret's House of Mercy, Roath, Cardiff ¹	Rev. J. E. Dawson, Chaplain	20	14	11	201 1 9½
Manchester	St. Mary's Home, Rusholme, Manchester ¹	Ven. Archdeacon Anson	29	26	20	413 5 10
Newcastle	Dio. Penitentiary, Newcastle ¹	Sister in Charge	30	9	7	751 3 7
Norwich .	House of Mercy, Ditchingham ¹	Rev. H. Frere, Warden	30	16	13	377 13 0
„	Norfolk and Norwich Magdalen	Miss Scott, Hon. Sec.	13	11	6	196 17 0
Oxford .	Clewor House of Mercy ¹	The Rev. Canon Carter, Warden	115	51	39	4,941 3 7
„	St. Mary's Home, Wantage ¹	Mother Superior	51	32	24	348 15 8
„	St. Mary's Home, Reading ¹	Rev. Canon Garry, St. Mary's Vicarage, Reading	19	8	5	102 7 10
„	Oxford Penitentiary, Manor House, Holywell ¹	Mr. F. A. Dixey, Wadham Coll., Oxford	53	21	15	214 10 7
Peterboro'	The Home, Stoneygate, Leicester	Miss Lockington	40	35	23	137 9 6
„	St. Mary's Laundry, Narborough	Sister in Charge, The Home, Narborough	18	— ³	—	64 8 3
„	St. Mary's Diocesan Home, Ketton	Rev. D. E. Young, Hambledon Vic.	18	8	5	396 16 7
Rochester .	St. Mary's Home, Stone, Kent	Rev. Canon Murray, Warden	60	48	35	1,371 5 4
„	House of Refuge, Chatham *	Capt. Van Straubenzee, New Brompton	30	30	21	149 1 6
„	Magdalen Hospital, Streatham, S.W.	Rev. W. Watkins, Warden	112	100	89	3,503 0 0
St. Albans	Diocesan House of Mercy, Great Maplestead ¹ *	Mother Superior	35	28	25	1,029 9 8

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PENITENTIARIES—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	No. who left in 1895	Of Hoped Character	Voluntary Funds, 1895
St. Alban's	Memorial Home, Mrs. Walsham How ¹	Mrs. Billing, The Firs, Englefield Green	33	15	15	£ s. d. 990 16 7
St. Davids	Diocesan House of Mercy, Lamphey	Rev. Silas T. Phillips Vicarage, Pembroke Dock	20	12	6	236 7 1
Salisbury	Diocesan House of Mercy, Salisbury ¹	Rev. H. W. Carpenter, Chaplain	36	17	14	155 16 0
Southwell	Derby and Derbyshire Home	The Lady Superintendent	24	30	30	248 4 10
Truro	St. Faith's House of Mercy, Lostwithiel ¹	Rev. G. D. Cartwright, St. Winnow Vic., Lostwithiel	22	9	7	181 3 0
„	Epiphany Laundry Home, Truro	The Mother Superior	20	3	1	59 7 11
Wakefield	House of Mercy Horbury ^{1*}	Rev. J. E. Swallow	70	37	37	756 8 5
Worcester	Magdalen Home and Refuge, Birmingham	E. H. Holson, Esq., Hon. Sec., The Home, Clarendon Road	36	10	10	290 0 0
„	Home of the Good Shepherd, Malvern Link ¹	Rev. D. F. Scotcher	32	24	19	207 5 2
„	St. Michael's Home, Leamington ¹	The Sister in Charge	24	11	9	106 3 6

* No reply having been received, figures stand for 1894.

HOUSES OF REFUGE.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name of Chaplain or Secretary.	Accommodation.	Left in 1895	Voluntary Funds, 1895.
Canterbury	Rescue Home, Croydon	Miss Malleison, Hon. Sec.	20	22	£ s. d. 487 16 11
London	St. Barnabas' Home, 23 Commercial Road, S. W.	Rev. A. Gurney, Chaplain	13	41	323 17 0
„	Westminster Female Refuge, 14 Great College Street, Westminster ^{1*}	Rev. H. G. Daniell-Bainbridge	21	45	616 14 8½
„	Shelter, 47 Dunkeld St., Abbott Road, Poplar	Mrs. Riches	3	94	167 11 3

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HOUSES OF REFUGE—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Left in 1895	Voluntary Funds, 1895
London	St. Faith's Home, 259 Vauxhall Bridge Road ¹	Rev. A. Fairbanks, Chaplain	7	19	£ s. d. 239 10 7
"	Newport Market Refuge, Coburg Row, S.W. ¹	Sister in Charge	27	122	— ²
"	Manor Cottage, Sturry Street, Poplar E. ^{1*}	Mrs. Wilkes, Hon. Sec.	14	162	900 0 0
"	Probational Home, 21 Old Ford Road, E. ¹	Mrs. W. E. Page	30	42	— ²
"	St. George's Diocesan Shelter, Bourdon Street, W. ¹	Miss Duncombe	25	35	377 13 0
"	The Refuge, 23 Agate Road, Hammer-smith ¹	Rev. M. Turner, Hon. Chaplain	5	46	No return
"	Homes of Hope, 4-6 Regent Square, W.C. ⁴	W. Hornibrook, Esq., Hon. Sec.	60	80	813 10 10
"	St. Margaret's House, 193 Albany Street, N.W. ¹	Hon. Lady Superintendent	11	36	238 7 11
"	St. Mary's Home, 18 Oakley Crescent, Chelsea ¹	Miss L. C. Alexander, 137 Victoria Street, S.W.	14	20	157 3 0
"	Main Memorial Home, 49 Burton Crescent, W.C.	Miss Hincks	15	34	162 9 6
"	Blue Lamp Refuge, 10 Great Marlborough Street, S.W.	Mrs. Ruspini	6	119	—
Winchester	The Refuge, Aldershot ¹	Rev. J. de Verd Leigh	6	133	145 6 3
"	Home of Refuge, Forton, Gosport ¹	Rev. J. Stephenson, Sub-warden, Vicar of Forton	7	34	107 9 0
"	St. Thomas's Home, Portsmouth Refuge ¹	Dr. Axford, Clarence Parade, Southsea	5	84	— ²
"	The Refuge Home, Ryde ¹	Mrs. J. Worsley	6	23	206 13 1
"	St. Thomas's Refuge, Southampton	Rev. W. G. Edwards, Sub-warden	8	102	122 2 6
"	St. Thomas's Refuge, Jersey ¹	Rev. W. W. Payne, St. Luke's Vicarage, Jersey	5	33	187 8 5
Bath & Wells	Taunton Refuge, 4 Viney Street	Miss C. Lance	3	9	83 14 2
Chester	Rescue Home, Vicar's Lane ¹	Hon. Mrs. Parker, Hon. Sec.	7	53	345 19 2

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HOUSES OF REFUGE—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Left in 1895	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Chester	The Refuge, Marstand Street, Stockport ¹	Rev. A. Symonds	6	90	£ 231 2 10
„	Rescue Home, Birkenhead	Lady Superintendent	17	69	337 3 5
Chichester	Ivy Cottage, Queen's Park, Brighton	Mrs. Macdonald	8	88	133 16 0
Exeter	The Refuge, 2 Octagon Street, Plymouth ¹	H. P. Prance, Esq.	6	1 3	94 10 10
Gloucester & Bristol	Gloucester Magdalen Asylum	Rev. S. E. Bartleet, St. Mark's Vicarage, Gloucester	6	47	206 15 4
„	Frances Owen Home, Cambray Place, Cheltenham*	Mrs. Alfred Joy	18	45	358 0 0
Lichfield	Lichfield Refuge	Mrs. H. Bridgeman, The Close, Lichfield	6	20	229 1 11
„	Rescue Shelter, 26 Mayer Street, Hanley, Staff.	Rev. W. Knowles, Hanley Rectory	3	20	98 13 4
Lincoln	Home for Friendless Women, Grimsby	Rev. Canon Young, The Vicarage	12	88	120 9 0
„	The Refuge, Louth ¹	Rev. H. B. Streetfield, Trinity Vic.	2	8	39 6 0
„	St. Michael's Refuge, 44 Arboretum Avenue, Lincoln ¹	Miss M. E. Nevile, Lindum Terrace, Lincoln	3	— ²	—
Liverpool	Mariebourn Home, 97 Dicconson Street, Wigan	Mrs. Farington, Hon. Sec.	7	71	180 0 0
Llandaff	St. Margaret's House of Mercy, Roath, Cardiff	Sister in Charge	4	33	73 10 2
Manchester	Mission Refuge, 5 St. John's Parade, Manchester	Rev. Precentor Winstanley, The Cathedral	12	116	301 18 4
„	House of Help, Bank Parade, Burnley ¹	Miss Oding	4	21	197 12 0
Norwich	St. Augustine's Lodge, Pitt Street, Norwich ¹	Sister in Charge	13	45	174 10 7
„	Lodge of the Good Shepherd, Ipswich ¹	Sister in Charge	7	3	55 3 0
„	St. Saviour's Lodge, Ipswich	Sister in Charge	5	22	171 0 4
Oxford	House of Refuge, St. Aldate's, Oxford ¹	Rev. C. Bowring, Holy Trinity Vic., Oxford	4	37	258 14 3
„	The Refuge, 59 Castle Street, Reading ¹	The Matron	8	72	282 17 5
Peterboro'	St. Mary Magdalene Refuge, Leicester ¹	Rev. W. Townshend, Thurlaston Rect.	22	166	512 11 11

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² Amalgamated with St. Saviour's Lodge.

³ Opened Sept. 1896.

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HOUSES OF REFUGE—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Left in 1895	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Peterboro'	St. Anne's Preventive Home, Leicester	Rev. W. P. Holmes, St. Peter's Vicarage, Leicester	15	33	£ s. d. 101 7 4
"	St. Saviour's Refuge, Northampton	Mrs. Holding, Hon. Secretary	10	18	293 5 4
Rochester .	Southwark Girls' Rescue Society, 6 Dockley Road, Bermondsey ¹	Rev. W. J. Stobart, St. Augustine's Vicarage	6	72	111 13 10
"	The Shelter, 26 Gibbon Road, Kingston-on-Thames	Miss Longely, Hon. Sec.	2	26	332 17 0
"	Protective Home, 68 Vassall Road, Brixton	Miss Hurley	20	9	450 0 0
"	Refuge, 10 Wood Street, Woolwich	Lt.-Col. A. N. St. Quintin, Middle Gate, Woolwich Arsenal	6	51	124 0 0
"	Refuge, 98 Kennington Road, S. E.	Mrs. H. St. John	— ²	—	—
"	The Refuge, 117 Camberwell Road, S. E. ¹	Mrs. Wilson	10	150	158 19 4
"	The Shelter, 8 Nelson Road, Chatham ¹	Mrs. Athawes, Neville House, Chatham	5	60	87 0 0
St. Albans	The Refuge, Stratford, E.	Ven. Arch. Stevens, St. John's Vicarage	28	175	325 2 9
"	Female Refuge, Stowton Villa, Mersea Road, Colchester	The Matron	6	22	147 13 2
Salisbury .	House of Refuge, 99 Salt Lane, Salisbury	Sister in Charge	2	12	100 0 0
Southwell	Southwell House, St. John St., Nottingham	Rev. E. M. Vaughan, Daybrook Vicarage, Nottingham	8	94	539 14 3
Worcester.	House of Refuge, Melrose Cottage, Worcester ¹	The Mother Superior	8	57	297 2 0
"	Magdalen Refuge	Lady Superintendent	8	12	— ³
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Llandaff .	St. John the Baptist Home, Newport	Sister in Charge	55	4	550 3 7½
"	St. Margaret's Children's Home, Church Terrace, Roath ¹	Sister in Charge	25	— ⁴	115 11 6
Winchester	St. Andrew's Home, Southsea	Sister in Charge	60	12	881 3 8
Worcester	Chapel House, Atherton*	Hon. Mrs. Allfrey	20	8	107 13 0

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* No reply having been received, figures stand for 1894.

THE LONDON DIOCESAN COUNCIL FOR PREVENTIVE, RESCUE, AND PENITENTIARY WORK.

This Association was established in 1889—1. To bring into union the existing agencies in the Diocese, to aid them in developing their resources, and to impart strength to solitary efforts by improved organisation. 2. To make grants of money to institutions and towards the support of mission women, and to become a centre for the collection and distribution of accurate information in regard to the various agencies. 3. To aid in all practicable ways the work of prevention, to grapple with the formidable question of impurity in London, and to encourage the formation of a healthier public opinion than at present exists.

In addition to the District Associations, a Ladies' Committee of the Council is engaged in carrying on most valuable work, and is prepared to enter upon any unoccupied ground where a need exists for starting a fresh movement. The work of the Ladies' Committee is nevertheless supplementary to the larger object of the Council—viz. to help various Church Institutions in the Diocese to sustain and develop the work in their respective districts.

The work of the Council is varied and includes the following departments:—Preventive Work, which provides for the visitation and care of young women who may be coming up from the rural districts or who are known to be exposed to temptation in vicious or careless homes. Arrangements are made for meeting young girls from the country. This is more necessary than is generally known. The Rescue Work conducted by ladies and paid agents covers a very wide area, is carefully organised, and has been certainly successful, especially among the young. 137 cases were dealt with during the year 1895 by the Ladies' Committee of the Diocesan Council alone. St. Helena's Hospital Home for the reception of cases needing nursing, 'after-care,' and sympathetic treatment, has just completed a successful nine months under the able and helpful Presidency of H.R.H. Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein. The Office of the London Diocesan Council, in the Church House, is a centre of information. Lists of all the Homes and Refuges are kept, and any urgent case can be arranged for by application to the Secretary. There are no less than 73 such Homes and Refuges on our lists. With a view to give prominence to the spiritual aspect of this work, an Annual Service of Intercession takes place during Advent, and a 'Quiet Day' during Lent, thus affording opportunities for common intercession among those engaged in this cause. A register is kept of vacancies and of women offering themselves as mission workers.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, the Rev. R. H. Godwin, M.A., Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

THE PADDINGTON AND ST. MARYLEBONE LADIES' ASSOCIATION FOR THE RESCUE AND CARE OF FRIENDLESS GIRLS.

The Association consists of a company of ladies who seek out girls in their own homes and lodgings or in hospitals, with a view to bring them under Christian and reforming influences. Those who make personal application are also received at the Refuge. The object kept in view is twofold—(1) to restore fallen girls to a virtuous life, and (2) to save friendless and neglected girls from falling into temptation. The House of Rest and Night Refuge, 39 Earl Street, Edgware Road, is a temporary shelter whence girls are sent to homes, or to service, or are in other ways assisted. Gifts of material for clothing, and also of ready-made clothes, both new and old, are gladly received at the House of Rest. The Guild of Compassion, numbering 100 members, is in connection with this Association.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. E. Sidgwick, 29 Gloucester Square, Hyde Park, W.

THE PIMLICO LADIES' ASSOCIATION FOR THE CARE OF FRIENDLESS GIRLS.

The work of this Association is not only to carry on the five Rescue Homes mentioned in the preceding lists, but also a Preventive Home at Brixton; and a Temporary Lodging for young girls out of place, one at 32 Markham Street, King's

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Road, Chelsea; first night free; and the other for respectable servants at 31 Cumberland Street, Pimlico, charge for board and lodging 1s. per day. A band of trained working Associates carries on regular rescue and preventive work among the friendless girls in Pimlico and Chelsea, in their homes where possible, and in the various Infirmaries and Hospitals, and at Victoria Station. Monthly conferences are held, and a service of Intercession the first Monday in every month, at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec., Miss Rodber-Horton, 4 Vernon Chambers, Bloomsbury, W.C.

PRESTON.—LADIES' ASSOCIATION FOR THE CARE OF FRIENDLESS GIRLS.

There are now three institutions under the care of this Association. (1) The Alice Park Home, Cross Street, Preston, a Preventive Home for Friendless Girls. By means of this Home many wandering feet have been stayed on the downward course to evil, and helped according to their needs and circumstances. (2) A small Refuge in Knowsley Street, Preston, for the temporary reception of rescue and prison cases, previously to their being draughted into Homes. (3) An Industrial Home and Penitentiary for Women at Ashton-on-Ribble. There is accommodation for 20 fallen women, who usually remain two years in the Home.

Warden, the Rev. A. W. Wiseman, Vicar of Ashton-on-Ribble. Hon. Sec., Mrs. Swainson, Ashton-on-Ribble.

Communications relating to the general work of the Association should be addressed to the Chaplain, Canon Rawdon, Vicarage, Preston; or to the Hon. Sec., Mrs. Price, St. Luke's Vicarage, Preston.

HOME FOR WORKING GIRLS IN LONDON.

This Institution was founded in 1878, for the purpose of providing a dwelling for girls and young women employed in the workrooms, factories, &c., of London and its suburban districts. By patient labour it has developed its efforts, which have resulted at present in the possession of nine houses in different parts of the metropolis, providing accommodation for 514 young women.

These Homes have become channels for imparting great temporal comfort, and for exerting many kindly Christian influences upon those who would otherwise have been left comparatively lone and friendless in the great city. Each Home is furnished with books and periodicals, classes are held, and in many ways efforts are being made to compass the moral and spiritual well-being of those who become inmates. Some idea of the good work which is being done may be gathered from the fact that since the commencement of the Home no less than 24,839 young work-women have been received into the several Homes.

Income 1895, 10,393*l*.

Communications should be made to Mr. John Shrimpton, Honorary Director, 3 Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.

ST. ANDREW'S HOME AND CLUB FOR WORKING BOYS.

This Institution, founded in 1866, was successfully carried on in Dean Street, Soho, for some years. Its object is to provide a comfortable dwelling for boys employed in London who may be friendless, or whose friends live at a distance from the locality of their employment. The present institution provides for forty-five inmates, who contribute at least 5s. per week towards their maintenance, receiving such subsidiary assistance as the institution can afford.

An evening club is provided, of which there are about 100 members. A body of gentlemen systematically give their time in seeking the moral and spiritual welfare of the members of this club. Classes for instruction are arranged for those who wish to improve themselves in reading, writing, drawing, shorthand, and other useful branches

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of education. There is also a *gymnasium*, and instruction is given on three nights a week in gymnastics, fencing, and boxing. A suitable building has been erected at 26 Great Peter Street, Westminster, where the Home is now located. We have for many years had a gathering of Old Boys on the Sunday previous to St. Andrew's Day; this year we had between 200 and 300, who came from all parts.

Communications should be made to Mr. G. T. Biddulph, 43 Charing Cross, S. W.

THE CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE.

In view of the indisputable advantages of military organisation, the Church Lads' Brigade was formed in order to promote a spirit of discipline and respect among the elder boys of a parish. It is commonly felt that the Church tends to lose its hold upon boys who are too old to attend Sunday School; such an organisation as this, however, acts as an admirable preventive to this tendency, as it is especially formed with a view to retaining boys from twelve to eighteen, and combines strict discipline with systematic religious education. The movement was permanently set on foot at the close of 1891, and in five years 900 companies have been formed, with a roll of 35,000. The plan upon which this scheme works is, to form one or more companies in a parish under the religious supervision of the Incumbent, and in touch with the Church. The officers are nominated by the Incumbent. The general income for the year 1895 amounted to 877*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.*

Communications should be addressed to Mr. M. M. Gee, Brigade Secretary, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster.

THE BOYS' HOME.

The object of this Society is to provide a home for boys who, owing to stress of poverty, would otherwise be driven to take shelter in the common lodging-houses. Boys from various parts of the country have been received into the Home during the past year. The boys are trained to habits of industry, and, as far as possible, pay their board by their labour; but in many cases it has been found impossible to make them work until they have been under discipline for a considerable time. The help required was estimated at 200*l.*, but, owing to the reasons above stated, it fluctuates, and during the past year, in consequence of the boys having steadily kept their work, the sum required to meet payments was under 150*l.* Last year the total expenditure was 365*l.* 0*s.* 0¼*d.*, of which the boys contributed from their wages 216*l.* 10*s.* 3¼*d.*

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. H. E. Simpson, St. Matthew's Clergy House, Great Peter Street, Westminster.

SECTION XI.—HOME MISSION WORK.

SISTERHOODS AND ORPHANAGES.

Note.—The Diocese represents the centre from which the Sisterhood in each case originated; and the numbers, the separate works in which the community is engaged.

Canterbury.—**St. Mary and St. Scholastica**, St. Mary's Abbey, West Malling, Kent. A Community of Sisters who devote themselves to the devotional life. They also undertake Church embroidery, plain needlework, and the care of a few aged and infirm persons; a Home of Rest, especially meant for aged or disabled domestic servants, being attached to the Convent, and a few children also being received. Priests and lay people are admitted as associates of the Convent, and keep a slight rule; also oblates, ladies who desire to lead a stricter life and more in accordance with the rule followed by the Sisters, but who are unable to live always in community. Lady Boarders received.

Chichester.—**Sisterhood of St. Margaret**, The Convent, East Grinstead. To provide Sisters to visit and attend the sick in their own homes, in hospitals, and infirmaries. St. Margaret's Orphanage; St. Agnes' School for young ladies; Industrial School for servants; St. Margaret's College. Branch Works: School of Church Embroidery, St. Katharine's, 32 Queen Square, London, W.C. St. Saviour's Orphanage, Hitchin. St. Margaret's Mission (for St. Mary's Parish), 7 North Church Street, Cardiff—St. German's, 18 Agate Street, Splotlands, Cardiff; St. Saviour's, East Moors, Cardiff; St. Francis's, East Moors, Cardiff. St. Catherine's Home (for patients in advanced consumption), Grove Road, Ventnor, Isle of Wight. St. Thomas' Mission, 14 Golden Square, London, W. St. Margaret's Mission, 2 Percival Street, Collyhurst Street, Miles Platting, Manchester. St. Margaret's House of Mercy, Roath, Cardiff—St. Margaret's Refuge, 78 Claude Road, Roath, Cardiff; St. Margaret's Children's Home, Cardiff. St. Tydfil's Mission, Merthyr Tydfil. St. Margaret's Convalescent Home (for ladies), Kingsand, Devonport. St. Margaret's Home, Polwatte, Colombo, Ceylon—Orphanage, Polwatte; General Hospital, Kandy. Middle School for Girls, Polwatte. Bishop's College, Colombo. St. Alban's Home (Girl's Orphanage), Worcester. Home of the Good Shepherd (Boys' Orphanage and Mission Work in Hoar Cross Parish). St. Barnabas Cottage Hospital and Convalescent Home, Saltash. The Sisters' House, St. Columba's, Sunderland. St. Cuthbert's Mission, and St. Margaret's, in connection with St. Matthew's, Newcastle-on-Tyne—Hostel of God, Free Home for the Dying, Clapham, S.W. St. Margaret's Needlework Society: Secretary, 4 Manor Park, S.E.; St. Margaret's Pinafore Society: Secretary, St. Margaret's, East Grinstead.

Sisters of the Holy Cross. Mother House: Holy Cross Home, Hayward's Heath, Sussex (Diocese of Chichester): Orphanage; Training School; Convalescent Home for Women, and visiting. Branch Houses: (1) Holy Cross Mission Home, Old Gravel Lane, London Docks. (2) Dover, Holy Cross Mission Home: Mission Work. (3) Nurses' Home at 37 Monkgate, York, and Free Nursing of Sick Poor throughout the city. (4) Mission Home, Aylesford Street, Pimlico, St. Saviour's District. A Convalescent Wing in the Mother Home has been added; there are two divisions—one for ladies, and the other for middle-class patients.

St. Mary's Home, 2 Queen Square, Brighton, founded 1855. The following works of mercy are carried on by the Sisters. (1) The Reformation of Fallen Girls and Women; over sixty are maintained without payment. (2) A Nursery is provided for Orphan or Destitute Children. (3) School for Older Girls. (4) The Industrial School at Buxted, St. Margaret's Cottage. (5) A School for Boys who form the Choir of St. Paul's Church. When apprenticed, a separate Home is provided for them, under the supervision of one of the Clergy and the Sisters. (6) An Infirmary, which is chiefly occupied by the inmates; when there are vacancies other cases are taken. (7) The Dispensary is now only for poor persons afflicted with ulcerated legs, who are received from any part of the town or country.

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(8) Church Embroidery, orders received and executed, and lessons given. (9) A large amount of fine and plain needlework, Church linen, &c., is undertaken. (10) The Middle School is intended for the Daughters of Gentlemen of small means; a thorough education is given. Number of Pupils, 40. Day Scholars are received. Full particulars can be had on application. The work is carried on by Sisters, assisted by Associates and other ladies living in the town. Care of Churches (3), Sunday Schools and District work in the town.

Gloucester and Bristol.—The Sisters of Charity, St. Raphael's, Bristol. (1) House of Charity, St. Raphael's, Bristol. (2) Infant Day Nursery, Phillip Street, Bedminster. (3) Convalescent Home, Walton, Clevedon. (4) St. Agnes' Industrial Home, Upper Knowle, Bristol. Accommodation for sixty children, 12*l.* a year. (5) House of Charity, St. Saviour's, Leeds. (6) Mission House, St. Jude's, Bristol. (7) Mission House, St. Simon's, Bristol. (8) House of Rest, Convalescent Home, Plympton St. Mary, South Devon. (9) Mission House, Knowle. (10) Mission House, St. Margaret's, Anfield, Liverpool.

Sisterhood of St. Michael and All Angels. The Sisters have charge of the Bussage House of Mercy, which receives twenty-four penitents, and also work in the Parish of Bussage.

London.—**Sisterhood of All Saints.** 78 to 83 Margaret Street, W. Founded in 1851 for the care of aged and infirm persons, of the poor, and to train up orphans to useful employments. The following Works of Mercy are carried on by the Sisters: (1) 74 Margaret Street, W.: Orphanage for 40 girls, age 6-14. (2) White Rock Villa, St. Leonards: Nursery for 20 younger orphan-girls, 2-6 years. (3) 77 Margaret Street, W.: Training school for girls, age 14 upwards. (4) 37, 59, and 61, Mortimer Street, W.: St. Elizabeth's Home, for incurable women and children. (5) 4 Margaret Street, W.: Hospital for incurable boys, 10 small boys, age 2-11. (6) Eastbourne: All Saints' Convalescent Hospital. (7) 3 Fitzroy Street, W.: Nurses' Home, for trained nurses. (8) Edinburgh: All Saints' Mission House. (9) Cowley, Oxford: St. John the Evangelist Hospital for incurable women of the middle and upper classes. (10) Lewisham, St. Stephen's Home: Industrial Training School for Girls, and Crèche for Infants. (11) Lewisham: All Saints' Orphanage for boys. (12) Liverpool: St. Margaret's Home and Orphanage. Girls of the middle class receive a good commercial education—terms 16*l.* (13) Leeds: St. Saviour's Orphanage for 30 girls, age 3-15. (14) The nursing of University College Hospital is managed by the Sisters. A small Convalescent Home for women and girls at St. Leonards. St. Saviour's Hospital, Osnaburgh Street, London, N.W., for women of limited means; cancer cases received. There are besides Mission Houses at Wolverhampton, Lewisham, Helmsley, Bradford, Westminster, Hammersmith, and Liverpool; Coloured Sisterhood, Schools and Mission work—Baltimore and Philadelphia, U.S., Cape Town, and Bombay. St. George's Shelter (penitentiary), Berkeley Square, London.

The Sisters of Bethany. House of Retreat, 13 Lloyd Square, Clerkenwell, W.C. Primary object, to offer to persons living in the world the opportunity of Spiritual Retreat. General parochial work. Training girls for service. (1) 9 Lloyd Square, and St. Philip's Mission House, 47 St. Helena Place, Clerkenwell, W.C. 9 Lloyd Street: St. Barnabas Cottage Hospital, for cases inadmissible to the general hospitals, supported chiefly by two ladies. Parochial work. (2) 31 Wilmington Square, Clerkenwell, W.C.: Mission House of the Holy Redeemer. Parochial work. 45 Wilmington Square, St. Agnes' Crèche for the children of working parents in the districts of the Holy Redeemer and St. Philip's. (3) 6 Lloyd Street, W.C.: School of Embroidery. All kinds of Church work undertaken, and lessons given. (4) Mission work in the Parishes of St. Mary and St. John, Chatham. The Sisters undertake mission work at St. Agnes', Kennington. (5) 10 Washington Street, Brighton: Mission House of the Church of the Annunciation. Parochial work. (6) 16 London Road, Brighton: Mission House of St. Bartholomew. Parochial work. (7) Springbourne, Bournemouth: Orphanage and Industrial School; accommodates 110 children, from 3 to 18 years of age. (8) Mission House at St. Mary's, Somers Town, 21 Clarendon Square; mission work at St. Giles's, Reading; mission work at St. Clement's, Bournemouth. (9) Mission to the Nestorian Christians at Urmī, Persia, in connection with the Archbishop's Assyrian Mission.

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St. Cyprian's, Park Street, Dorset Square, N.W. Parochial and school work; an Orphanage for boys; and House of Mercy. Home for aged poor. Guilds for boys and girls.

St. Saviour's Priory, Gt. Cambridge Street, Hackney Road, N.E. Branch of East Grinstead Sisterhood, working in the parishes of St. Mary, St. Augustine, and St. Chad, Haggerston, and St. Saviour's, Walthamstow; also in St. Paul's, Knightsbridge. (1) Day nursery. Dinner kitchen. Workroom. Night Refuge for Women. (2) Home of Rest, Herne Bay, for women. (3) St. Saviour's Hostel, Brighton, for men. (4) St. Chad's Cottage, for women and girls. (5) Nazareth Home, Yalding, Kent, for fathers and mothers.

Nursing Sisters of St. John the Divine, 19 and 21 Drayton Gardens. To provide nurses for the sick in private houses and in hospitals. (1) 42, 44, and 46 Gunter Grove, S.W.: A Lying-in House for respectable poor married women—14 beds. (2) 1 Bow Lane, Poplar, E.; East London District Nursing Home. (3) St. John's Hospital, Morden Hill, Lewisham: For men and women—27 beds, and for paying patients at 3 guineas a week in separate rooms. (4) District Nursing Home, 444 New Cross Road, Deptford, S.E.

Sisterhood of SS. Mary and John, St. Mary's Convent, 39 Kensington Square, W. Founded in 1868 for the care of the incurable sick and dying, and other kindred works. St. Joseph's Hospital for women and children, 23 Ball Street. Library of Braille Literature for the Blind. A Church Magazine issued in Braille type. Parochial visiting at Brightonsea.

St. Peter's Home, Kilburn, N.W. The Home accommodates upwards of 80 patients—ladies, women, and children: acute cases, those in the last stage of illness, surgical and convalescent cases, and a few chronic and incurable patients. The Sisters undertake all kinds of Parochial and Mission work, Church embroidery, and a Training School for girls from 12 to 16 years of age. *Branch Houses.*—(1) Woking: This House accommodates about 75 patients—ladies, women, and girls—acutely ill, convalescents, and long cases of illness. (2) St. Saviour's Mission House, 21 Penn Street, Hoxton. (3) St. Columba's Mission, Haggerston. (4) St. Mary's Mission House, Golden Lane, E.C. (5) Mission House, 5 Taylor's Lane, Upper Sydenham. Mission work is carried on in St. Augustine's Parish, Kilburn, by Sisters residing in St. Peter's Home. (6) Free Home for girls from the East End of London, ages between 6 and 12, who want a few weeks' change and sea-air, yet who are not actually ill. (7) The Beauchamp Almshouses, Newland, Malvern. (8) St. Michael's Home, Cheddar, for consumptive men and women. (9) Chelmondiston Cottage Home for Girls between 3 and 12, and House of Rest for Sisters and other Church workers. (10) St. John's House for Nurses, Norfolk Street, Strand, W.C. (11) Mission and Hospital Work in Corea under the Bishop.

Sisters of the Church, Randolph Gardens, Kilburn, N.W. (1) Orphanages of Mercy: Free Homes for destitute children at Kilburn, West Kilburn, Broadstairs, Eastcombe, and Swansea for girls; also Liddon Memorial, Oxford (upper class), and Lady Adelaide Home, Brondesbury, for boys. (2) Mission work at St. John's, Whitechapel; Shoreditch; St. Michael's, Bromley; St. Augustine's, Victoria Park; Chalk Farm; St. Katharine's, Clare Mission, and St. Barnabas, Rotherhithe. This includes workrooms for 60 poor women, halfpenny and free dinners for thousands of children, winter teas for upwards of eight hundred unemployed. A restaurant and food trucks at St. Katherine's Docks for sailors and working men. (3) Accident Hospital: Lady Gomm Memorial, Hawkstone Road, Rotherhithe, for dockmen. (4) Night Refuge for 140 homeless men at Tenter Street, Whitechapel. (5) Convalescent Homes: St. Mary's, Broadstairs, for 300 poor children; Abraham Ormerod Home for 30 at Anne's-on-Sea, Lancashire. (6) Home of Rest for Missionaries: St. Augustine's House, Kilburn. A temporary Home for Missionaries on their return to England; also for Clergymen from the country who are in London for a few days. (7) Day Schools: St. Augustine's, Kilburn (girls and infants); Gordon Memorial, Kilburn (boys, girls, and infants); Princess Frederica, Kensal Green (girls and infants); Keble Memorial, Harlesden (boys, girls, and infants); Waterloo College, West Kilburn (girls and infants); Wilberforce Memorial, West Kilburn (girls and infants); St. Gabriel's, South Bromley (girls and infants); Upper School, Kilburn Park Road (collegiate girls); People's College, Harlesden; National High School, Saltram Crescent, West Kilburn; Old Palace, Croydon, Upper School (girls and infants); Castlegate, York, Higher Grade Schools (girls and infants); George

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Herbert Schools, Salisbury (girls and infants); St. John's Schools, Nottingham (mixed and infants); also Higher Grade Schools at Hamilton, Toronto, Ottawa, New York, Rangoon, Burma; Madras, India; and Sydney and Adelaide, Australia; Hobart, Tasmania (2). (8) Church Embroidery Room, Kilburn, from whence grants of altar furniture, church embroidery, books, &c., are made to Missionaries in all parts of the world. (9) Depôts for the sale of clothing to the poor at 229 Edgware Road, W.; 229 Maida Vale, N.W.; 248 Tottenham Court Road; 3 Glendower Place, W.; also at Birmingham, Bristol, Brighton, Dudley, Hull, Leeds, Leicester, Liverpool, Manchester, Norwich, Nottingham, Oxford, Ramsgate, Salisbury, Shrewsbury, Southampton, Southsea, Swansea, Torquay, York.

St. Katharine's Sisterhood, Normand House, Fulham. Founded in 1879, under a rule approved by the Bishop of London, for works of mercy of various kinds. (1) Normand House, Prison Rescue work for young women of good moral character convicted of first theft; accommodation for 36, nearly all received free. (2) Preventive work. (3) Laundry. (4) Church embroidery. (5) Fine needlework. (6) Mission work in the Parish of St. John's, Walham Green, and St. Alban's, Fulham. (7) St. Cyriac, Bexhill, 10 industrials trained for domestic service and 3 ladies, not invalids, received temporarily as boarders. (8) River Court, Hammer-smith, Church of England Middle Class Day School for Girls (opened October 3, 1895, by the Bishop of Marlborough).

Sisters of the Ascension, Mother House, 21, Seymour Street, Portman Square, W. Visitor, Bishop of London; Chaplain, Rev. E. Bickersteith Ottley. (1) Parish work, Sunday Schools, and workroom for poor needlewomen. Church of the Annunciation, Bryanston Street, W. Mission House, 45, Upper Berkeley Street, Portman Square, W. (2) Mission to the Canal population, Albert Road, Vieweley St. (3) Mission House, 39 Fawcett Road, Rotherhithe; Holy Trinity Mission House, Bury, Lancashire.

Norwich.—Sisterhood of All Hallows, Ditchingham, Bungay. House of Mercy. Thirty penitents received. Parochial work. Church embroidery. (1) The Rescue Hospital is now carried on at St. Saviour's Lodge, Foundation Street, Ipswich. This is also a Refuge. St. Augustine's Lodge, Pitt Street: Rescue work. (2) Training School for respectable girls for service.—Ditchingham: All Hallows' Orphan School, for girls of better class who have lost one or both parents, where they will receive a good education on moderate terms; also for boarders who are not orphans and who pay higher fees. All Hallows' Country Hospital, accommodates 20 patients. (3) British Columbia: Mission work. (4) Norwich: Mission House for the parishes of St. James with Pockthorpe, St. John's, Timberhill, St. Clement's with St. Edmund's, St. Julian's, and St. Mark's, Lakenham. (5) In Ditchingham: Mission House for parochial purposes. Guilds of Holy Family and of St. Agnes.

Oxford.—Sisterhood of St. John the Baptist, Clewer. Founded in 1849 under a rule approved by the Bishop of the Diocese for works of mercy of various kinds. More than 200 Sisters are employed. (1) House of Mercy, Clewer: Penitentiary. (2) St. John's Home, Clewer: Orphanage and Industrial School, established in 1855, for 68: payments per head are supplemented by subscriptions and donations; some cases are received free. When the children have passed the required standards they pass on to the Industrial School. (3) St. Andrew's Convalescent Hospital, Clewer: Convalescent Hospital for men, women, and children; established 1861. Accommodation for 85. Annual subscription of 1*l.* 5*s.* admits an adult for 3 weeks or a child for a month. In 1887 a small ward for incurable cases (chiefly consumptive) was added to the men's ward. Admission by payment of 12*s.* 6*d.* to 1*l.* 1*s.* per week; the ordinary subscribers' letters not being available for this ward. (4) St. Andrew's Cottage, Clewer: House of Rest for ladies of limited means; accommodation for 8. (5) St. Stephen's Schools, Clewer: Schools; College for the upper classes; also High School and Boarding House for girls; National School for boys, girls, and infants. Mission House for parish work. (6) St. John the Baptist's School, 33 Hamilton Terrace, Kilburn, N.W.: Ladies' School; sixty guineas per annum. (7) St. Barnabas', Pimlico: Orphanage and Mission House for parish work. (8) Pimlico: The Refuge for the reception of fallen women. (9) 9 Marnette Street, Soho, W.: Orphanage and Industrial School for 65 girls. (10) All Saints' Home, Hawley, Blackwater, Hants: Orphanage and Industrial Home. (11) 72 Gower Street, Bedford Square, W.C.: Ecclesiastical embroidery establishment. (12) House of Charity, 1 Greek Street, Soho, W.: House of Charity for the temporary relief of the

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homeless. (13) St. Alban's, Holborn, E.C.: Parochial work of all kinds. (14) Manor House, Holywell, Oxford: Penitentiary. (15) House of Mercy, Bove Tracey: Penitentiary; 90 inmates. Also a Mission House for parish work. (16) St. Raphael's Home, Torquay: Convalescent Hospital. St. Luke's Lodge adjoining for men. St. Barnabas Home for incurable cases, both men and women. (17) St. Lucy's Home, Gloucester: For orphans and Mission work in the town. (18) St. Lucy's Hospital, Gloucester: Free Hospital for children from all parts. Newar House, Hempstead, Gloucester: A training home for girls of the most neglected class. (19) St. Andrew's Home, Folkestone: Convalescent Hospital. (20) St. Eanswythe's Mission House, Folkestone: For general parish work. (21) St. Saviour's Mission: Also for parish work. (22) All Hallows' Mission, 127 Union Street, Borough, S.E.: General Mission work. Working Girls' Home, 49 Nelson Square, Blackfriars: accommodation for 60. (23) St. John Baptist Mission, Newport (Mon.): For parish work, and Preventive Home for children; accommodation for 55. (24) St. John the Baptist, New York, and Newark, U.S.A.: Mission an Orphanage, Ladies' School, &c., &c. (25) At Poplar, near East India Docks: St. Fridewide's Mission House, Ludlow Street. (26) St. Michael's Home, Learnington Penitentiary. (27) St. Mary's Home, Salisbury: Penitentiary. (28) House of Mercy, Great Maplestead, Essex: Penitentiary. (29) St. Mary's, Westminster Mission House for parish work of all kinds. (30) Mission work in the Parish of Cowley St. John, Oxford. (31) Lady Canning's Home, Calcutta: Home an Hospital. Charge of the nursing at different Hospitals. Eurasian School. European Orphan Asylum. Native Mission work.

Work in the 'Married Quarters,' Brigade of Guards, at the Chelsea, Wellington Tower, and Windsor Barracks.

Sisterhood of St. Mary, Wantage. The work undertaken by these Sisters includes: (1) Wantage: A Home for Penitents. St. Michael's Training School for Schoolmistresses, Pupil Teachers, and Training School for girls. St. Mary's School for Young Ladies (boarders), and St. Katharine's School for day scholars from Wantage. (2) Lostwithiel, Cornwall: St. Faith's House of Mercy. (3) Plymouth: St. Peter's. Parochial work. (4) 34 Delamere Terrace, Paddington: St. Anne House; parochial work in St. Mary Magdalene's parish. (5) Paddington: St. Mar Magdalene's Penitentiary. (6) Kennington: St. Mary and St. John the Divine parochial work. (7) Fulham: St. James's Diocesan Home: Penitentiary. (8) 5 an 6 St. James's Terrace, Paddington: College for the daughters of gentlemen. St. Matthias House, Earl's Court: parochial work. (9) Poonah, India: St. Mary Mission, Orphanage, High School, and Anglo-vernacular School. The Sassoe Hospital. (10) Leicester (The Newark): St. Mary Magdalene's Refuge; and St. Anne's Home for Friendless Girls. St. Mary's Home, Ketton: Diocesan Penitentiary. St. Mary's Laundry, Narborough. (11) Spelthorne, near Feltham: Sanatorium for inebriate women. (12) Worthing, Holy Rood House: Home for incurables—women and children. (13) Wigan, All Saints' Mission House: parochial work. (14) St. Mark's, New Swindon: parochial work. (15) St. Helena's Home, Ealing Dean, for girls discharged from prisons. (16) Lincoln Diocesan Penitentiary at Boston.

Society of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, The Convent, Woodstock Road, Oxford. The object of this Society is twofold: to pray for the increase and preservation of the True Faith; and to work under the Bishop and parochial Clergy for the instruction and protection of young girls of the city of Oxford, for the visitation of the poor and ignorant, and for the nursing of the sick poor in their own home. The Schools conducted by the Sisters in Oxford are—an Orphanage and Industrial School, established in 1852. A school for the Upper Classes, established in 1862, the profits of which go to the support of the Orphanage. A Public Elementary Day School, for the middle classes. The infant department is a Kindergarten taught by a teacher holding a certificate from the Froebel Society. In Cambridge with the sanction of the Bishop of Ely, and with the approval of the Visitor, the Bishop of Oxford, a branch of the Sisterhood is now at work in St. Giles's Parish and in St. Mary-the-Less.

The Sisters have charge of the Parish School at Freeland, near Woodstock, Oxford. **St. Thomas the Martyr,** Oxford. Parish work. (1) St. Anne's School, Rewl House, Oxford: School for the daughters of Clergymen and others. (2) St. Schastica's School; Girls' Middle-class School. (3) Girls' Home: Orphanage and Industrial Home for Girls. (4) St. Thomas's, Basingstoke: Diocesan Penitentiary (5) Parochial work, St. Peter's, Canterbury.

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Southwell.—The Sisterhood of St. Lawrence, Belper. Nursing, parochial work, Orphanage for children of professional men, School for ditto, Cottage Hospital. (1) St. Anne's, Derby: Branch House. (2) Scarborough: Convalescent Home for ladies and children. House of Rest for Clergy. (3) Mission House at Ambergate: also Sunday School. (4) Mission House at Lane End: also Sunday School with Church day school. Mission House at Milford. Mission House at East Retford.

Truro.—Community of the Epiphany, Home of the Epiphany, Truro. Laundry Home for 20 Penitents. Charge of an Industrial School. Convalescent Home for working men at St. Agnes'. A Mission House for work in Truro. Parochial and Mission work. The superintendence of the district nurse. The care of the cathedral altars and charge of the cleaning of the whole building. A Society for working altar linen and for making surplices.

Wakefield.—Sisterhood of St. Peter, House of Mercy, Horbury. Objects: Penitentiary for 75 cases, parochial work, laundry and needlework, Church embroidery, surplices, altar breads. (1) High School, Horbury. (2) St. Mary's Home, Rusholme, Manchester, 25 inmates. (3) Sacred Trinity Mission House, Salford, Manchester, for parochial work. (4) Parochial work in the parishes of St. Peter's, Horbury; St. Mary's, Horbury; St. John's, Horbury Bridge; and St. Luke's, Middlestown. (5) St. Peter's County Home, Stafford: 40 inmates. (6) Home of the Good Shepherd, London, W.: Permanent Laundry Home; 28 inmates.

Worcester.—Community of the Mission Sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus, Convent of the Holy Name, Malvern Link. Founded in 1865. *Object*—To honour the Holy Name of Jesus in the strength of union, and in the fervour of a devoted life, by winning souls to Him. The works below named are carried on by the Community. (1) At the Convent ladies and others are received for the purposes of spiritual retreat and retirement, and for training in penitentiary work. The Sisters undertake Mission work in the parish of St. Matthias, Malvern Link. School of Embroidery. (2) The Home of the Good Shepherd, close to the Convent, accommodates 33 fallen women of the middle and lower class. (3) The Refuge, Melrose Cottage, Worcester. (4) The Orphanage of the Holy Name, Malvern Link. To provide a home for little girls of the upper and middle classes who have lost one or both parents. (5) The principal Mission House, 141 Upper Kennington Lane, S.E. The Sisters undertake Mission work in all its branches in the parish of St. Peter, Vauxhall. Ladies and others are trained in Mission work. The Sisters also work in the schools. (6) The Mission House of the Holy Name, Victoria Street, Welnesbury, parish of St. James. (7) The Mission House of the Holy Name, 253 Moseley Road, Birmingham, parish of St. Alban. (8) The Mission House of the Holy Name, St. John, N.B., Canada, Mission Church of St. John Baptist. (9) Hamsey Cottage Home, near Lewes, receives six convalescent women and children from London. The Community is composed of Sisters (choir and lay), Associates (clerical and lay), and Companions. Further particulars may be had of the Mother Superior, or of the Warden, the Rev. G. Cosby White, Newland, Malvern.

York.—The Sisterhood of the Holy Rood, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough. Founded in 1867 to nurse the sick, and perform parochial work of all kinds. (1) North Ormesby: Cottage Hospital specially for working men suffering from accidents. (2) Brotton: Small hospital. (3) Children's Home, North Ormesby: School for orphans or destitute girls, supported by payments, subscriptions, and donations. (4) Liverton Mines Cottage Hospital for Men.

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Boys.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Age	Method of Admission	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Canterbury	Gordon Boys' Orphanage, Dover	T. Blackman, Esq., 7 Biggin St., Dover	106	8 to 15	Free and payment	£ s. d. 1,613 8 4

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Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Age	Method of Admission	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Canterbury	St. Michael's Orphanage, Croydon	Rev. A. Tooth	40	8	21 <i>l.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i> Private sources
London	St. Cyprian's Boys' Orphanage, 11 New Street, Dorset Square, N. W.	Hon. Secretary	28	5 to 7	13 <i>l.</i> yearly	443 19 2
"	Industrial Home for Boys, 119 Copenhagen St., Islington, N.	Miss Mann, 130 Haverstock Hill, N. W., Secretary	100	9 to 15	4 <i>s.</i> to 6 <i>s.</i> weekly	1,289 9 11
"	The Lady Adelaide Home, Brondebury	Rev. R. C. Kirkpatrick	40	3 to 6	Free	1,107 5 1
Bath and Wells	Williamson Orphan Home, Claverton Down, Bath	Miss H. J. Judell, Hon. Sec.	16	under 7	Varies	723 17 8
"	St. Saviour's Home, Park St., Taunton	Rev. T. E. M. Barrow	20	8 to 15	6 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i>	122 0 8
Chichester	Orphan Home, Buckingham Place, Brighton	Miss Anderson, 6 Lancaster Villas, Brighton	36	7 to 12	15 <i>l.</i>	342 8 4
Hereford	The Eardisley Boys' Home	Mrs. C. S. Palmer, Eardisley Rectory, R. S. O.	17	from 5	Application	213 11 7
Rochester	All Saints' Boys' Orphanage, Lewisham ¹	Rev. Canon Bristow, Warden	150	5 to 18	15 <i>l.</i> yearly some free	4,433 5 11
"	Gordon Boys' Home, Chobham	Col. Beaty-Pownall, 20 Cockspur St., S. W.	240	14 to 16	22 <i>l.</i> some free	5,031 15 3
Salisbury	Orphan Home for Boys, Calne, Wiltshire ²	Miss J. M. Gabriel	20	7	15 <i>l.</i> yearly	Private sources
"	Longbridge Deverill Orphanage	Hon. Mrs. Cooper	12	3 to 15	10 <i>l.</i> yearly some free	Private sources
St. Asaph	Mrs. Gladstone's Orphanage	Rev. H. Drew, Hawarden	22	4 to 10	12 <i>l.</i> yearly	610 2 0
Worcester	St. Edward's Orphanage, West Malvern	Rev. F. A. G. Eichbaum, Warden	100	3 to 10	10 <i>l.</i> ³	1,179 11 10
"	Home of the Holy Child, Highgate St., Birmingham	Sister in charge	12	3 to 9	Varies	172 0 5

¹ A branch Cottage Home at Birchington-on-Sea.² Children of parents of the middle class.³ If one parent living, 18*l.*

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Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Chaplain or Secretary	Accep- tion	Age	Method of Admission	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Canterbury	St. Peter's Orphan Home, Isle of Thanet	Rev. F. N. Style, Pluckley Rectory, Kent	80	3 to 16	15%. yearly	£ 1,552 0 0
"	St. Michael's Orphanage, Croydon	Rev. A. Tooth	40	8	21%. Private sources	
"	Home of Compassion, Beckenham	Rev. G. Griffith, St. Barnabas' Vicarage	12	4 to 9	Varies	193 14 6
"	St. Agnes' Orphanage, 3 Gladstone Terrace, Dover	Miss O. Orr	18	2 to 12	13%. yearly	— ¹
York	The Children's Home, North Ormsby, Middlesbrough	The Mother Superior	22	5 to 10	12%. yearly some free	218 7 1
London	St. John Baptist's Mission Home, Rose Street, Soho	Rev. G. J. Foster, Chaplain	60	2 to 17	10%. or 12%.	962 15 5
"	St. Gabriel's Home for Girls, Westbourne Park, W.	Rev. G. F. Prescott, Warden	6	12 to 16	5s. weekly	— ²
"	Home for Female Orphans, Grove Road, St. John's Wood	The Hon. Secretary, Major G. Deane	80	6 to 11	Free	1,164 1 2
"	Orphanage of Mercy, Randolph Gardens, Kilburn, N. W.	Rev. R. C. Kirkpatrick	700	2 to 9	Free	11,335 1 5
"	Home for Little Girls, Stroud Green *	Mrs. Freeman, Nicoll Rd., Harlesden	30	4 to 10	10%. a year	660 9 10
"	St. Cyprian's Orphanage	The Mother Superior	28	not under 4	5s. weekly	Private sources
Bath and Wells	Williamson Orphan Homes, 2 & 6 Macaulay Buildings	Miss H. J. Judell, Hon. Sec.	30	under 7	Varies	— ³
Carlisle	Stanwix Home for Friendless Girls, Stanwix, Carlisle	Miss Johnson, Hon. Sec.	22	11 and upwards	10%. some free	189 0 0
"	Howard Orphan Home, Kendal	Mrs. Crewdson, Helme Lodge, Kendal	40	from 4 to 14	Free and payment	466 16 1
Chichester	Holy Cross Home, Hayward's Heath	Sister in Charge	60	3 to 18	Varies	Private sources

¹ Opened in 1895.

² Included with London Deaconesses' Institutions.

³ Included with Boys' Orphanage.

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GIRLS—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Age	Method of Admission	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Exeter	Devon and Cornwall Female Orphan Asylum, Lockyer Street, Plymouth	Rev. N. N. Lewarne, Hon. Chaplain	46	7 to 11	Election	£ s. d. 598 15 5
Gloucester and Bristol	Female Orphan Asylum, Cheltenham	James H. Cochrane, Esq.	30	7 to 11	Election by Subscribers	788 14 11
"	St. Lucy's Home, Hare Lane, Gloucester ¹	The Sister Superior	33	12	12l. per annum	Private sources
Hereford	Industrial School and Orphanage, Tupsley	The Honorary Secretary	30	6 to 12	10l. per ann.	411 15 8
Lichfield	Orphan Home, Riches Street, Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton	Mrs. B. H. Mander, Trysull Manor, Wolverhampton	25	7 to 14	10l. per ann.	330 0 0
Norwich	All Hallows' Orphan School, ² Ditchingham	Sister in Charge	28	3 to 13	Payment	84 1 10
Oxford	St. John's Home, Clewer, Windsor	Rev. G. C. Cuthbert, The Warden's Lodge, Clewer	68	over 6	Entrance fee 3l. 12l. yearly	2,071 4 10
"	St. Thomas's Industrial Home and Orphanage, Oxford	Rev. W. Watson Warden	92	4 to 16	13l. yearly	800 0 0
"	St. Michael's Home, Shalbourne, nr. Hungerford	Miss Dagg	22	under 12	12l. 12s yearly	295 2 5
"	St. Peter-le-Bailey's Children's Home	Rev. F. J. Chavasse, Wycliffe Lodge	20	3 to 15	Free	207 9 8
"	Ascot Priory Orphanage	Rev. J. Framp-ton, Brack-nell	13	3 to 15	Applica-tion	Private sources
"	Convent, Wood-stock Road, Ox-ford	The Mother Superior	20	4 to 10	13l. Oxford 10l. per ann.	58 14 1
Peterboro'	Northamptonshire Orphanage for Girls, North-ampton	Miss Walker, Hon. Sec. Gt. Billing Rect., Northampton	26	8 to 16	Election and 16l. yearly	477 0 1

¹ Additional ward for incurable cases, 10s. per week.² Daughters of professional men.

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GIRLS—continued.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Age	Method of Admission	Voluntary Funds, 1895
Ripon	The Orphan Girls' Home, Manningham Lane, Bradford	Miss Wade, Oak Bank, Bradford, Hon. Sec.	33	2 to 15	7l. to 15l. some free	£ 878 5 11
"	St. Saviour's Home, Knowsthorpe, Leeds	Rev. J. Wylde, St. Saviour's Vic., Leeds	40	2 to 16	12l. yearly	Private sources
Rochester	St. Peter's Orphanage, Vauxhall, S. E. ¹	Miss Gregory, The Orphanage	8	1 and over	20l. some free	Private sources
"	National Orphan Home, Ham Common, Richmond, Surrey	Rev. T. G. P. Hough, The Vicarage	150	7 to 2	Some free, 20l. yearly	950 18 10
"	Children's Home, Roehampton	Mrs. D. Charrington	24	8 to 14	13l. 13s. a year	379 10 0
"	Orphanage of the Infant Saviour, Barry Road, S. E.	Miss Oakley	35	2 to 7	5s. per week	494 0 0
"	Female Orphan Asylum, Beddington	Brough Maltby, Esq., 82 Essex St., Strand	150	7 to 10	Election	3,031 7 4
St. Albans	St. Saviour's Orphanage, Hitchin	Rev. G. Gainsford, Chaplain	24	Any age	Varies, some free	277 5 9
"	The Orphanage, East Hill, Colchester	Miss C. E. Cooper	10	over 3	Free	Private sources
Truro	Rosewin Training School for Servants	Mrs. R. M. Paul, Southleigh, Truro	20	12 to 16	3s. 6d.	133 3 10
Winchester	Hampshire Female Orphan Asylum, Southampton	Miss Warner, Brooklands, Hill Lane, Southampton	100	7 to 12	Election, 5l. yearly	902 12 4
"	Orphanage, Springbourne, Bournemouth	The Sister Superior	105	2 to 10	6s. per week	Private sources
Worcester	St. Alban's Home and Orphanage for Girls	Rev. E. R. Dowdeswell, Bushley, Tewkesbury	55	over 3	12l. 12s. per annum some free	615 10 11
"	The Little Orphanage, Honington	Mrs. Webb, Honington, Shipston	14	6 to 14	Free	171 7 0
"	Orphanage of the Holy Name, Malvern Link ²	Mother Superior Rev. G. Cosby White, Warden of Community of the Holy Name	9	6 to 10	28l. per annum	Private sources

¹ Daughters of professional men.

² For girls of the upper class.

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BOYS AND GIRLS.

Diocese	Name of Institution	Name and Address of Chaplain or Secretary	Accommodation	Age	Method of Admission	Voluntary Funds, 1885
York . .	Hull Seamen's and General Orphan Asylum, Spring Bank, Hull ¹	R. Middlemiss, Esq., 11 Parliament Street, Hull	200	6½ to 12 years	Election or 15l. 15s. per annum	£ 3,476 15
„	St. Stephen's Orphanage, York	Miss Arlidge, Lady Superintendent	50	2 to 10	Free or 12l. a year	426 2
„	Cherry Tree Orphanage, Totley Rise	Mr. George Franklin, Broomfield, Sheffield	55	over 5	Election	1,173 11 12
London .	Children's Home, Observatory House, Lower Edmonton	Sister in Charge	44	Infants	5s. per week	350 0 0
Chichester	St. Mary's Hospital, Brighton	Rev. A. W. Wagner, St. Paul's Vicarage	240	over 2	Varies	Private sources
Gloucester & Bristol	St. Michael's Home, Frampton Cotterell, Bristol	The Mother Superior	22	under 8	Varies	424 13 8
Lichfield .	Wolverhampton Orphan Asylum ²	W. Hanblett, Esq., Secretary	400	7 to 14	Election	7,059 11 8
Oxford .	British Orphan Asylum, Mackenzie Park, Slough	Chas. T. Hoskins, Esq., Secretary	220	7 to 12	Election purchased & presentation	8,480 0 0
Rochester .	Royal Asylum of St. Anne's Society, Redhill, Surrey ²	Captain R. H. Evans, 58 Gracechurch St., E.C.	400	7 to 12	Election, purchase, or presentation	11,787 15 6
St. Albans	London Orphan Asylum, Watford	Henry C. Armiger, 21 Great St. Helen's, London, E.C.	600	7 to 11	Free	27,887 0 0
„	Infant Orphan Asylum, Waustead	H. W. Green, Esq., 100 Fleet St. E.C.	600	under 7	Election	18,538 7 1
Southwell .	St. Lawrence's, Belper	Rev. E. A. Hillyard	50	1 to 9	20l. yearly	Private sources
St. Davids	Diocesan House, Lamphay Park, Pembroke	Sister in Charge	23	Infants	Varies	390 4 1

¹ This is for children of seamen born within the ancient limits of the port of Hull.² For orphans of parents of the middle class. * No reply having been received, figures stand as 188

SECTION XII.—HOME MISSION WORK.

DEACONESSSES' INSTITUTIONS.

OPENING the wide scope for such service and the blessing attaching to the work of self-denying women, the Church has not failed to create organisations which may both provide for and direct their activities.

The following records of existing Deaconesses' Institutions will convey some degree the extent to which this agency is now employed :—

DEACONESSSES' INSTITUTIONS.—DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS.

Diocese	Description
London . . .	<p>St. Andrew's Deaconess Community was founded in 1861, to revive the primitive Church order of Deaconesses. The Deaconesses are trained in teaching, nursing, and in managing the various branches of parochial work. Ladies are received on probation, part of which consists of three months' training in a hospital. When fully qualified the Deaconesses are set apart for their office by the Bishop by the 'laying on of hands.' Application for admission should in the first instance be made to the Mother Superior. All who become Deaconesses are required to have an earnest purpose of <i>life-devotion</i>, and should regard themselves as entirely dedicated to their office for life. In connection with the work proper—parochial work—there is an Industrial Home for Girls, and a Convalescent Home at Westgate-on-Sea for men and women.</p> <p>The President and Visitor is the Lord Bishop of London; the Rev. G. F. Prescott, Vicar of St. Michael's, is Warden; Sub-Warden, Rev. H. B. Bromby; and Mother Christine, Superior, to whom all communications should be made at 12 Tavistock Crescent, Westbourne Park, W. The Community Chaplain is Rev. James O. Nash.</p> <p>The Quarterly Magazine, 'Ancilla Domini,' containing a record of the work of the Deaconesses, may be obtained from the Editor, St. Andrew's Deaconess House, 12 Tavistock Crescent.</p> <p>The All Saints' East London Diocesan Deaconesses' Home was founded in 1880 by Bishop Walsham How:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To extend the primitive Order of Deaconesses, and to train devout women for the Office, who are solemnly set apart by the Bishop in Church with the 'laying on of hands.' 2. To help the Clergy in East and North London who require the assistance of Deaconesses in their respective parishes. <p>It is under the direction of the Warden (the Right Rev. Bishop of Stepney), the Sub-Warden (the Rev. G. C. Fletcher), and the Chaplain (the Rev. H. V. S. Eck). Work is being done in eighteen parishes. There are eleven Branch Homes, where the Deaconesses and workers live, so as to be near the parishes in which they work under the parish Priest. The Central Home is at Church Crescent, South Hackney. The work is carried on by payments of Deaconesses and Associates, subsidised by subscriptions, by</p>

DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS—continued.

Diocese	Description
London (cont.)	<p>grants from the 'East London Church Fund,' and by payments from the Clergy. All who become Deaconesses are required to have an earnest purpose of <i>life-devotion</i>, and to regard themselves as entirely dedicated to their office for life.</p> <p>Further information may be obtained from the Mother Superior, All Saints' House, Church Crescent, South Hackney, N.E.</p>
Durham	<p>Durham Diocesan Mission Ladies.—These ladies are licensed by the Bishop of Durham to work in the Diocese under the direction of the Canon Missioner, after training in doctrine, theory and practice of teaching, nursing, cooking, and general parochial work. Their special works are nursing the sick poor in epidemics and ordinary parish work. There are about fifty workers now employed on the Mission Staff, and there are many parishes waiting for workers. Three of these ladies have been ordained Deaconesses by the Bishop, and two, a Deaconess and a Licensed Worker, are about to go to Cawnpore for Mission Work, as Durham workers, sent by the Bishop of Durham to that Mission.</p>
Winchester	<p>The Sisters are employed in nursing the sick, and in all such parish work as is within the provinces of women. Training is also given in penitentiary and outdoor rescue work. The Sisters are working in the parishes of St. Thomas, Portsmouth, St. Mary's, Portsea, St. George's, Portsea, St. Stephen's, Buckland, St. Bartholomew's and St. Mathew's, Southsea, St. Mark's, Northend, St. Agatha's Landport, St. James, Milton, and Eastney, amongst the soldiers' wives in the Portsmouth and Aldershot garrisons; also in the parishes of Alverstoke and Eastleigh (Bishopstoke). The refuge at Aldershot is placed under the care of a Winchester Deaconess. There are about 50 Deaconess Sisters, Probationers, and resident Church-workers connected with this Home at the present time.</p> <p>Ladies desiring to undertake foreign Mission work can now receive training in the Home.</p> <p>St. Andrew's Home, for the rescue of neglected children, receives sixty little girls too young for admission to other Houses of Mercy; is worked in connection with the Deaconess Home.</p> <p>St. Andrew's Laundry Cottage Homes have been opened for the reception of unmarried mothers and their infants. Only girls who have previously borne a good character are eligible. There is accommodation for twenty young women; 6l. is expected with each case.</p> <p>Home of Comfort for the Dying.—This Home is intended for those in the last stage of illness (consumption excepted), not for the very poor who can go to the Union Infirmary, but for better class patients, Clergy, Missionaries, Church Workers, Governesses, Clerks, etc. It is especially meant for those who are homeless, and without relations, and friends able to nurse and care for them. Application for admission to be made to the Mother Superior, St. Andrew's Home, Fancett Road, Southsea.</p> <p>All information can be obtained from the Warden (Canon Durst), The Deanery, Southampton; or Sister Emma, Deaconess Home, Portsmouth.</p>
Chester	<p>Chester Deaconesses' Institution.—This Diocesan Institution exists for the training of Deaconesses for service in all parts of the Diocese, working either directly under the Clergy as Parish Deaconesses, or as Heads of Homes and Institutions. Training</p>

DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS—continued.

Diocese	Description
	<p>is given in all kinds of Parish work (the course being two years), and in special cases also in nursing, rescue, and other work, according to individual capacity. Visitors (with a view to probation) are received at 1<i>l.</i> 1<i>s.</i> per week. Probationers contribute if possible towards maintenance during training. Visitors and probationers may leave at a month's notice, but a Deaconess is dedicated to her office for life even if she severs her connection with the Institution.</p> <p>There are three main branches of work :—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Mission House, with numerous classes and clubs, also a clothing depôt for the poor. 2. A Training Home for Girls (ages fourteen to twenty) whose home surroundings or faults of temper, &c., place them in grave moral danger. 3. A District Nurses' Home, with a staff of five trained and certified nurses for the sick poor of the City, who are nursed free of charge. The Home is supported entirely by voluntary subscriptions and offertories. <p>Communications may be made to the Secretary, Rev. J. T. Howson; the Chaplain, Rev. F. Edwards; or the Head Deaconess, Sister Violet Hyde, Deaconess Institution, Chester.</p>
Chester	<p>St. Mary's Lodge, Halton in Hastings: a Community of Deaconesses under rule.—The work (besides district and Sunday Schools) undertaken by them is: to provide in this House a home for, and to teach and train, girls who have fallen from the path of virtue, and, <i>having shown some signs of penitence</i>, desire to remain under protection; to undertake orders for Church embroidery, and other branches of needlework; to nurse, in St. Mary's Cottage, sick, chronic, and incurable girls, five to ten years of age, and of the dressmaker or upper-servant class. At Chapel House, Atherstone, Warwickshire, they have eighteen girls, from three to fifteen years of age, who, when they are old enough, are sent daily to the Parochial Schools till they are fit to be trained for service. At St. Mary's Home, Reading, they have twenty Penitents.</p>
	<p>The Ely Diocesan Deaconesses' Institution was established in the year 1869, to afford opportunities to faithful women of dedicating themselves to the special service of God in the work of the Church. Those employed act immediately under episcopal sanction and the control of the Clergy of the respective parishes within which their work is undertaken. There are at present six Deaconesses and one Probationer; of these some are living in Community, the others working as 'unattached.' There are also forty-three Associates, who in various ways render help to the Institution, and one Associate-Nurse. The work undertaken by the Deaconesses in and around Bedford includes nursing the sick, teaching in schools, Guild, G.F.S., and Mothers' Union and work. A Children's Association has been formed as subsidiary to the body of older Associates; these work regularly for the Home. There is also an Orphanage attached to the Home, in which the children after leaving school are trained for service, &c. The Orphanage work has much enlarged lately, and it has been found necessary to take another house in which to place the younger children. A Chapel and Refectory were added to the Home in 1890. These give opportunities for holding Retreats in the Home for Associates and others. Several Retreats have been held since</p>

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DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS—*continued.*

Diocese	Description
Ely (cont.) . .	the opening of the Chapel by the Bishop in July 1890, and each year it is hoped two or three will be organised by the Hon. Chaplain, the Rev. Canon Thornton, Downham, Ely, from whom, or from the Head Sister, all information can be obtained. Applications for Sisters to work in parishes are often received, and women who can offer themselves for the work are much needed. Work is now undertaken by the Sisters and Associates in villages near Bedford.
Exeter . . .	Diocesan Deaconess Home. —This Home has been established by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese for the purpose of providing for the systematic training of Deaconesses, and of becoming a centre from which they may be sent out for work among the poor, under the Clergy. No vows are taken, but the Deaconesses are expected to have an earnest purpose of consecrating their lives to the ministry of the Church of God. It is also intended that the Home should be a channel through which Church-workers may acquire a better knowledge of their work, and for this purpose, when practicable, they are temporarily received as Visitors. Ladies who are willing to help the Home, by giving a part of their time to its various works, or by assisting in some other way, are invited to become Associates. Minimum subscription, 5s. per annum. Visitors and Probationers pay one guinea per week. Visitor: The Lord Bishop of Exeter. Warden: Rev. Canon Atherton, M.A. Hon. Sec. and Treasurer: Rev. Canon Edmonds, B.D. Head Deaconess: Sister Emily, St. Andrew's Home, 12 West Southernhay, Exeter.
Lichfield . . .	A Deaconess Institution has been established for this Diocese at Walsall; the following rules set forth its purpose. The objects of the Deaconess Institution in the Diocese of Lichfield shall be twofold:—(1) To train and send forth devout women, duly set apart by the Bishop with the laying-on of hands, for active ministrations under the Parochial Clergy in the Diocese of Lichfield. (2) To provide a Home of Rest, to which those thus sent forth may periodically return. Every candidate for the office of Deaconess must reside as a visitor in the Home for Three Months, and if then approved by the Warden and Head-Deaconess, shall be admitted as a Probationer, to receive training for a period of at least one year. This period of probation, however, shall be terminable by the Bishop at his discretion. Associates shall be expected—(a) To remember the Institution in their daily Intercessions. (b) To assist the Deaconesses and Probationers in their Parochial work as opportunity may offer. (c) To suggest the office of Deaconess to those who seem suitable for it, and to give, as far as may be, information in all that relates thereto. (d) To collect or subscribe at least 10s. 6d. annually for the furtherance of its work. Since this Institution was established in 1894, one Deaconess has been ordained, and sent forth to work in the Pottery district in this Diocese. She also has charge there of a small Home for Church-workers. Three more ladies have been admitted Associates since the last Report. Address: The Head Deaconess, The Home, Birmingham Road, Walsall.

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Diocese	Description
landaff . .	<p>Llandaff Diocesan Deaconess Institution was founded in the year 1893, at Penarth, under the Presidency of the Bishop of the Diocese.</p> <p>The object of the Institution is to extend throughout the Anglican Branch of the Church, the primitive Order of Deaconesses. With this view it trains devout women for the Office, the time of Probation being <i>generally</i> two years, during which time experience is gained in teaching, visiting the sick and other visiting, nursing, and in managing the multifarious machinery of a Parish. Theological instruction is given, and examination papers are written by the Candidates.</p> <p>The Deaconesses have under their care a Home for Penitents. All who desire to become Associates must communicate with the Head-Deaconess, and arrange with her the special definite work which they will endeavour to undertake for the Institution. They can, if they wish, be formally admitted in the Chapel of the Institution.</p> <p>Communications should be addressed to the Head-Deaconess.</p>
rochester . .	<p>The Rochester Diocesan Deaconess Institution.—The first Home of the Institution was opened by Bishop Thorold on April 16. 1887. The new and larger Home was opened by Bishop Davidson on December 1, 1891. The object of the Institution is to train Christian gentiewomen for the work and office of Deaconesses. After they have been set apart by the laying on of the Bishop's hands, they are sent forth to live and work in parishes to which they are licensed by the Bishop. Such help in parochial work is greatly needed, particularly in South London.</p> <p>Candidates enter the Home for three months as Visitors; if approved they then become Probationers, and receive a training of about two years, terminable by the Bishop.</p> <p>Seventeen Deaconesses are licensed to and are working in parishes in Newington, Lambeth, Camberwell, Battersea, Lee, Nunhead, Clapham, Burham, Chatham, and Wandsworth. There are at present ten inmates in the Home, besides the Head-Deaconess. Many parishes are still waiting for Deaconesses.</p> <p>A lady trained in this Home has been sent to Lahore, to be set apart to serve as Head-Deaconess in that Diocese. Probationers for the Diocese of Lahore are trained for a time in the Rochester Institution. Ladies in England desiring information should apply to Rochester Head-Deaconess.</p> <p>Ladies desiring further information should apply for particulars to the Head-Deaconess, 83 North Side, Clapham Common, S. W.</p>
salisbury . .	<p>The Diocesan Deaconesses' Institution at Salisbury exists to give practical training, with religious instruction, to women who desire to devote themselves to nursing the sick, teaching, and visiting the poor. Every candidate for the office of a Deaconess must reside in the Home on trial for three months, and, if approved as a Probationer, receives practical training in her duties, and is afterwards admitted to the office of Deaconess by laying on of hands by the Bishop. The Deaconesses are bound by no vows, and are at liberty to resign their commission, or they may be deprived of it by the Bishop of the Diocese.</p> <p>The Head-Deaconess at Salisbury, besides the general charge of the Institution, has under her care and direction, and under the same roof, an institution for training girls for domestic service.</p>

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Diocese	Description
Salisbury <i>(cont.)</i>	Two Deaconesses are in charge of St. Michael's Home, Salisbury, for friendless girls, another has charge of the club and recreation rooms for business girls in the same city, another is in charge of rescue work at Bournemouth, and three are engaged in parsonage work at Calne, St. Martin's, Salisbury, and Finsbury. One Deaconess was admitted fully before Easter 1896. Two ladies are in training. Address: The Rev. Canon R. S. Hutchings, Alderbury Vicar, Salisbury.

SECTION XIII.—HOME MISSION WORK.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY.

It will be interesting to Churchmen to observe the readiness and liberality with which the Church has taken her part in giving success to this noble and benevolent movement.

In the Statistical Section of this book will be found given in detail the contributions of the Church of England and of all other religious denominations devoted to the Hospital Sunday Fund, in the metropolis of London and in the leading provincial towns, from the commencement of the movement in 1873, to the present time; the figures have been carefully collated from the official reports. The following is a statement in abstract form of the number of collections and total offerings contributed by the Church of England and other denominations from 1873 to 1896:

SUMMARY OF HOSPITAL SUNDAY.

Description	Church of England			Other Bodies	
	Number of Collections	Amount		Number of Collections	Amount
		£	s. d.		£
Metropolitan 'Hospital Sunday,' from 1873 to 1896	20,107	597,901	7 5	14,224	176,370
'Hospital Sunday,' Provincial Collections in certain towns, from which the Editor has been able to obtain authentic returns, ranging from the year 1874 to 1896 inclusive, with the exception of one or two cases, in which the amounts of contributions for previous years have been calculated in this Total	62,640	573,593	10 8	39,147	295,927
Totals	82,747	1,171,494	18 1	53,371	472,298

With a view to state as far as possible the full extent of the Church's labour and sympathy in this movement, an effort has been made to ascertain the number and amount of collective offerings devoted to Hospital Sunday Funds in the various towns where this organisation exists,

These tables will be found in the Statistical Section.

NURSING INSTITUTIONS, CONVALESCENT HOMES, AND COTTAGE HOSPITALS.

The growth of Christian philanthropy continues to be marked by the foundation and maintenance of Cottage Hospitals and Convalescent Homes for the sick poor, and the formation of Nurses' Institutions.

Such work as we here record has special interest as marking the desire of the Church to bring her ministry into conformity with our Lord's example, embracing the care and healing of both body and soul.

We have endeavoured to confine our records to such Institutions as are maintained by the labour and contributions of Churchmen; but it is obviously impossible to discriminate in some instances between those Charities which are entirely thus supported and those that receive partial help from others.

It is hoped these lists will be found valuable as a means of reference. The Editor will be grateful for assistance in making the lists as complete as possible.

THE AFTER-CARE OF THE INSANE.

The After-Care Association for Poor Persons discharged recovered from Asylums for the Insane.—Founded 1879. Patroness, H.R.H. Princess Christian; First President, the Earl of Shaftesbury; President, the Earl of Meath; Chairman, H. Rayner, Esq., M.D. During the official year 1895, 115 cases were considered by the Committee. Many were placed in homes, others were assisted by grants of clothing, money, &c., and to obtain suitable work. Cases were aided from about thirty-two asylums. Several medical superintendents and guardians have become members of the Society.

Address: H. T. Roxby, Esq., Secretary, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

THE METROPOLITAN VISITING AND RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

This Association was founded in the year 1843, under the presidency of the Bishop of London, to aid in the relief of destitution in the Metropolis by means of parochial and district visiting through the agency of unpaid persons acting under the direction of the Bishops and Clergy. The work of the Association extends over the three metropolitan Dioceses of London, Rochester, and St. Albans.

Address the Secretary, J. H. Allen, Esq., 46A Pall Mall, S.W.

NURSING

Diocese	Name of Institution	No. of Nurses	Number of Cases in 1895		Voluntary Funds, 1895
			For Payment	Free or Reduced	
Canterbury	Kent Nursing Institution, West Malling	55	486	75	£ 272 0 6
„	Kent and Canterbury Institute for Trained Nurses, Canterbury	27	281	159	171 0 0
York	Home for Nurses, 37 Monkgate	70	548	582	683 16 9
London	St. John's House, 8 Norfolk Street, W.C.	90	530	970	116 12 0
„	East London Nursing Society.	33	None	5,438	3,056 0 0
Bath and Wells	Bath Trained Nurses' Institute, 44 & 45 Rivers Street, Bath	26	188	680	419 14 5
Chester	See under Deaconesses' Institutions—Diocese of Chester				
Durham	Durham County Hospital Samaritan Society	3	None	747	584 1 10
Ely	Cambridge Home for Nurses	20	219	474	539 8 4
Exeter	Institution for Trained Nurses	13	129	—	26 1 6
Gloucester and Bristol	Bristol District Nurses' Society	19	33	2,987	1,502 2 1
Hereford	Nursing Association	3	None	546	210 7 0
Lichfield	Staffordshire Institution for Nurses.	120	733	33	110 4 6
„	Queen Victoria Nursing Institution, Wolverhampton.	38	285	436	163 8 6
Lincoln	Institution for Nurses, Lincoln	58	454	465	416 5 2

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Hon. Secretary	Remarks
Henry Hamar, Esq., 1 High Street, West Malling	The area of this Institution is the county of Kent; but, if disengaged, nurses are sent elsewhere. There are Branches of the Institution at Holly Lodge, Crescent Road, Tunbridge Wells, and Levenax, Elmfield Road, Bromley.
S. Horsley, Esq., St. Peter's House, Canterbury	Private nurses are sent anywhere. District nursing is confined to Canterbury for the present. Home for the nurses, 62 Burgate, Canterbury. Applications should be made to the Lady Superintendent, Miss Shaw.
Rev. G. Trundle, Minster Court	This Institution is under the management of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, who work amongst the sick poor of the city.
Mr. E. R. Frere, St. John's House, 8 Norfolk Street	Nurses are also supplied to private families, also to Hospitals.
A. W. Lacey, Esq., 49 Philpot Street Commercial Road Miss Lee, 5 Sion Hill	The Society's work is that of nursing the sick poor in their own homes, by means of <i>trained</i> nurses. There are 33 nurses residing in different parishes in the east of London. Four district nurses are employed in Bath for sick cases, and one for midwifery.
Miss M. E. Crawhall, South Bailey, Dur- ham	Three nurses are employed in district nursing. 13,803 visits have been paid.
Mrs. M. Foster, Nine Wells, Shel- ford	Private nursing has no area or limit; district nursing in Cambridge only; 17,172 visits have been paid. There are 7 district nurses at work in Cambridge.
Miss Mathew, Col- leton House, Exeter	Was originally founded to supply trained nurses for Devon, Cornwall, and Somerset; but nurses are sent to all parts of the country.
Miss Errington, 14 Oakfield Road, Clifton	This Society was instituted in 1882 to provide nurses for the poor.
Lt.-Col. Little, Mey- rick House, Here- ford	The Society nurses the sick poor in the city of Hereford free of charge.
Miss Shirley, Lady Superintendent, Nurses' Home, Stoke-on-Trent	Nurses are chiefly employed in Staffordshire and the adjacent counties, but are also sent much greater distances. There are parish nurses from this Institution working at Lichfield, and at Tunstall, Tettenhall, Padiham, Hanley, at Newcastle, Staffordshire, and many other centres under local committees.
Miss E. Loveys	This Institution was opened June 1889 as a commemoration of the Queen's Jubilee, to provide nurses for private cases, and also for nursing the sick poor in their own homes gratuitously.
Miss H. Bromhead, Institution for Nurses, Lincoln	—

Nursing Institutions.

NURSING

Diocese	Name of Institution	No. of Nurses	Number of Cases in 1895		Voluntary Funds, 1895
			For Payment	Free or Reduced	
Norwich	Nurses' Home, Fakenham	72	246	225	£ s. d. 222 0 9
Newcastle	Cathedral Nurse and Loan Society for the Sick Poor, 17 Ellison Place	13	None	2,154	1,867 11 5
Oxford	The 'Sarah Acland' Home for Trained Nurses	28	296	27	609 16 5
Peterborough	Northamptonshire Nursing Institution, 35 Hazelwood Road, Northampton	18	110	233	277 4 10
"	Leicester Institution for Trained Nurses, Aylestone Road, Leicester	38	247	1,662	705 7 0
St. Albans	Diocesan Institution for Trained Nurses	34	—	—	195 15 0
"	District Nurses' Home, Howard's Road, Plaistow, E.	64	—	4,628	1,034 13 11
Salisbury	Salisbury Institution for Trained Nurses	34	292	13	244 18 11
Southwell	The Royal Derby and Derbyshire Nursing and Sanitary Association ¹	67	355	389	175 4 6
"	Nottingham and Notts Nursing Association	51	386	802	762 10 5
Worcester	Nursing Home, Stratford-upon-Avon	9	—	118	259 9 3
"	St. John's House District Nursing Association	10	None	822	677 0 0

¹ Undenominational.

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Hon. Secretary	Remarks
Miss S. Hamond, Nurses' Home, Fakenham	Patients nursed, with subscribers' order, 77 weeks.
Mrs. W. D. Gruddas, Haughton Castle, Hunshaugh-on- Tyne	The Society nurses the sick poor in the city of Newcastle free of charge. It has a Loan Depot and Invalid Kitchen attached to the work; also 2 Convalescent Homes in the country of twelve beds. There are branches at Aluwick, where 2 nurses are working, also at Hexham, Alnmouth, and Fourstones.
Miss Bull, 84 Wood- stock Road, Ox- ford	Private nurses are sent any distance. 79 Patients were nursed in the Home last year. District nursing includes, besides Oxford, Sommertown and Wolvercote.
Miss Bayley, Priory Cottage, Northampton	Private nurses sent to any part of the kingdom; district nurses only in the town of Northampton.
J. Johnson, Esq., 4 Millstone Lane, Leicester	A nurse is provided for each of the eleven districts into which the town is divided. Private nurses may be engaged on application.
Rev. R. T. Crawley, North Ockendon Rectory, Romford	There are centres at Witham and Walton-on-the-Naze. The nurses were employed 990 weeks, of which 415 were free, or at reduced fees. There are district branches at Bishop Stortford, Hitchin, and Tring, also a small Convalescent Home at Walton-on-the-Naze, at which 172 patients were received during the year.
Miss A. J. Smith	The work extends throughout the wards of Plaistow and Canning Town. 1,365 maternity and 1,796 district cases were attended at their own homes, involving over 86,000 visits by the nurses during the year 1895.
Rev. and Hon. S. Meade, Frankleigh House, Bradford- on-Avon	This Institution will send nurses to any part, and, as far as possible, provide nurses free for the poor in the Diocese.
E. S. Johnson, Esq., J.P.	Five district nurses are working in Derby; they paid 14,673 visits during the year. Dinners, &c., are supplied for the poor. Sick appliances of all kinds lent.
Miss F. Forrest, Lady Supt., 1 Regent Street, Nottingham	Eleven district nurses work in Nottingham and neighbourhood. Private nurses sent anywhere.
G. F. Kendall, Esq., Hon. Secretary	The Society provides a home for convalescent women and children, nurses for private families, and district nurses for Stratford.
Rev. H. H. Woodward, Worcester	To nurse the sick poor in their own homes free of charge. There are six districts in connection with the mother house.

Convalescent Homes.

CONVALESCENT HOMES.

NOTE.—These Institutions are, with few exceptions, organised and maintained by members of the Church of England. In some cases they are under the joint management of Churchmen and others.

MEN AND WOMEN.

NOTE.—S.L. Subscriber's letter.

Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom Application should be made.	Accommodation	Patients received in 1895	Prescribed Weekly Payments	Voluntary Funds in 1895
Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ventnor	Mr. E. Morgan, 34 Craven Street, Charing Cross	134	778	10s.	£ 11,640 11 10
Rhyl Convalescent Institution for Men	Thomas Roberts, Secretary	122	742	S.L. 5s., 10s.	1,521 0 0
Convalescent Home, Walton-on-Naze ¹	Miss M. A. Luard, Witham	32	312	12s., 16s., 18s.	—
Derbyshire Infirmary Convalescent Home, Holbrooke ^{1 2}	The Matron	12	127	10s. 6d., 7s. 6d., S.L. 7s. 6d., 6s.	248 4 2
Cumberland and Westmoreland Convalescent Institution, Silloth ¹	Mr. J. A. Broughton, 81 Castle Street, Carlisle	90	732	3s.	636 15 8
Suffolk Convalescent Home, Felixstowe	The Matron	60	453	S.L. 5s., 15s.	931 14 0
Wingfield Convalescent Home, Headington, Oxford ²	The Manager	8	138	Up to 7s.	420 9 10
The Convalescent Home, Kenilworth	The Treasurer	27	369	5s., S.L. 3s.	554 13 11
Lincolnshire Seaside Convalescent Home, Mablethorpe	Rev. J. W. Hancock, Great Carlton, Louth	61	348	4s.	1,966 16 10
West of England Sanatorium, Weston-super-Mare	The Lady Superintendent	100	1,391	S.L. 5s., 13s., 21s.	2,261 14 0
Hunstanton Convalescent Home ¹	Rev. H. Earle-Bulwer, Stanhope Rectory, King's Lynn	93	815	S.L. 5s., 26s.	864 15 2
Herts Convalescent Home, West Hill, St. Leonards ⁴	Rev. F. Burnside, Hertingfordbury, Hertford	56	662	11s. 6d., S.L. 3s. 6d.	2,415 17 8
St. Catherine's Home for Advanced Consumption, Ventnor	Sister Bernardine	12	44	10s. 6d.	666 16 4
Convalescent Home, Southport	Mr. J. G. Andrews, Master	370	4,507	1l. 13s. for 3 weeks	8,514 1 0
St. John's Convalescent Home, Beach Road, Southsea	J. Pares, Esq., Westfield, Southsea	7	108	Free	191 5 8

¹ Children received.

² Free for Radcliffe infirmary cases.

³ Now in connection with St. Albans Diocesan Institution for Trained Nurses.

⁴ For men only.

⁵ Confined to patients in Herts

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MEN AND WOMEN—continued.

Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom Application should be made	Accommodation	Patients received in 1895	Prescribed Weekly Payments	Voluntary Funds in 1895		
					£	s.	d.
Meltham Mills Convalescent Home, Huddersfield	Col. Freeman, Huddersfield	64	552	Free	1,070	15	0
Convalescent Home and Children's Hospital, Coatham, Redcar, Yorks ¹	Mrs. Postlethwaite	150	777	Free	1,774	15	0
Mrs. Gladstone's Free Convalescent Home, Woodford Hall, Essex ²	The Hon. Sec. of Mrs. Gladstone's Home, London Hospital, E.	92	705	Free	938	14	8
St. Andrew's Convalescent Hospital, Folkestone ³	The Sister Superior	133	1,924	10s. 6d. S.L. 2s. 6d.	2,802	19	6
St. Andrew's Hospital and Convalescent Home, Clewer, Windsor ³	The Sister Superior	86	601	10s. 6d. 12s. 6d., 15s. S.L. free	3,129	13	9
All Saints' Convalescent Hospital, Eastbourne ²	G. Thurlow, Esq., Hon. Sec., 52 Mortimer St., W.	340	3,545	10s. S.L. free	7,612	4	10
Woodlands Convalescent Home, Rawdon, Leeds	The Matron	120	944	7s. S.L. free	1,507	4	1
St. Anne's Home, Bridlington Quay	The Lady Superior	160	908	11s. S.L. 5s.	1,840	12	3
St. Michael's Convalescent Home, Westgate-on-Sea	The Sister in Charge	16	187	15s. S.L. 5s.	1,077	7	8
Convalescent Home of the Sisters of Charity, Walton, nr. Clevedon	The Sister in Charge	30	332	14s. S.L. 5s.	408	9	1
Lowestoft Convalescent Home	Mrs. Birkbeck, Thorpe, Norwich	50	558	4s.	1,341	0	2
Sister Dora Memorial Convalescent Hosp., Milford, Stafford ²	Miss Lonsdale, Lichfield	13	156	12s. 6d. S.L. 6s. ⁴	265	0	0
Convalescent Home, Exmouth ⁵	Mrs. Welland, 3 Beacon, Exmouth	10	86	7s. 6d.	255	19	7
The Prudhoe Memorial Convalescent Home	Mr. W. E. Shaw, Convalescent Home, Whitley	170	1,595	14s. S.L. free	3,958	13	3
Herbert Convalescent Home, Bournemouth	The Matron	41	403	12s. 6d. S.L. free	2,562	6	7
St. Michael's Home, Axbridge	The Sister in Charge	40	52	Free	Private sources		
Convalescent Home, Coombe Down, Bath	The Matron	23	211	9s. S.L. 5s. 6d.	422	16	6

¹ Mothers and Infants received.

² Children received.

³ Private patients 15s., 21s., and 50s.; incurable cases extra.

⁴ Children, 10s.; S.L. 3s.

⁵ Four ladies received, 21s.

Convalescent Homes.

MEN AND WOMEN—*continued.*

Name and Locality of Institution.	Name of Official to whom Application should be made	Accommodation	Patients received in 1895	Prescribed Weekly Payments	Voluntary Funds in 1895
Essex Convalescent Home, Clacton-on-Sea	C. E. Ridley, Esq., The Elms, Chelmsford	40	358	15s. S. L. 5s.	£ 2,642 8 8
St. Saviour's Hostel, 103 Freshfield Road, Brighton ¹	The Mother, St. Saviour's Priory, Gt. Cambridge Street, Hackney Road, E.	16	274	10s. 6d.	194 15 3

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St. Peter's Convalescent Home, Broadstairs	Miss Gould	25	194	7s.	177 10 0
Mrs. Kitto's Convalescent Home, Reigate	Mrs. Kitto, St. Martin's Vic., Charing Cross	28	299	S. L. free	726 7 4
Rhyl Convalescent Home for Women	Mr. T. Jones	82	577	S. L. 5s. 8s.	477 6 8
Home of St. Mary and St. John, Rownhams, Southampton	The Lady Superintendent	11	106	7s.	72 8 2
House of Rest for Women in Business ²	The Misses Skinner, Babba-combe, Torquay	85	584	S. L. 5s. 12s.	868 10 6
Sanatorium and Convalescent Home, Llandudno ²	The Matron	24	176	S. L. 6s. 15s. ³	786 5 5
The Levett Convalescent Home, Eugeley, Staffordshire	The Matron	7	33	S. L. 7s. 6d. ⁴	135 12 3
St. Joseph's Convalescent Cottage Home, Chislehurst	The Matron	8	80	S. L. 2s. 8s. 6d.	42 17 0
Convalescent Home, Limpsfield, Surrey	Miss G. Jones, Limpsfield Rect.	14	134	S. L. free 7s. ⁵	202 1 5
Seaside Home, Whitby	Mrs. Bewicke	28	161	15s., 9s. 6d., 5s., 2s. 6d. S. L.	617 8 3
Home of Rest, Malvern Wells ⁶	The Lady Resident	22	246	G. F. S. 7s., others 10s.	273 0 0
St. Peter's Home, Woking	The Sister in Charge	75	120	7s.	Private sources
Nursing Home and Children's Hospital, Stratford-on-Avon	The Lady Superintendent	22	144	Women 7s. Children 2s. 6d. S. L.	259 9 3
St. Catharine's Home, Penn, Wolverhampton	Miss E. J. Sparrow, Penn, Wolverhampton	17	241	Women 7s. Children 5s. 3d.	34 9 6
Alexandra Home for Chronic Invalids, St. Peter's Road, St. Leonards-on-Sea	The Matron	20	6	8s. and upwards	377 7 11

¹ For Men only.⁴ Members of G. F. S. 6s.² Children not received.⁵ Mother and infant, 10s. 6d.³ Accommodation for four private patients—⁶ G. F. S. Assoc., 16s.; other ladies, 20s.

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WOMEN AND CHILDREN—continued.

Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom Application should be made	Accommodation	Patients received in 1895	Prescribed Weekly Payments	Voluntary Funds in 1895
Convalescent Home, Painswick, Stroud ⁴	Hon. Lady Superintendent	30	122	S.L. 6s. 6d., 8s., 10s. 6d.	£ 191 13 8
St. Saviour's Grange, Seaview Square, Herne Bay	Sister Helen, St. Saviour's Priory, Gt. Cambridge Street, E.	20	283	12s. 6d., S.L. 3s.	254 4 9
Home of Rest, Plympton, South Devon ⁴	The Sister in Charge	15	154	12s. S.L. 3s.	288 2 1
London and Ascot Convalescent Hospital ¹	The Mother Superior	50	184	10s., 7s., 5s. ch.	Private sources
Convalescent Home, New Brighton ⁶	Miss Dunn, Lady Superintendent	100	1,245	21s., 10s. 6d., S.L. 15s., 6s. 6d., 8s.	780 3 2
Convalescent Home, Heytesbury, Wilts	The Lady Superintendent	8	35	S.L. free	53 7 6
Hamsey Cottage Home, near Lewes	Mrs. Whitfold	6	35	Free	Private sources
Home of Rest, Shanklin, Isle of Wight	The Lady Superintendent	72	833	S.L. 7s. 6d., 11s. 6d., 15s. 6d., 21s. 13s.	965 17 9
Rhoda Lodge, Guildhall, Street, Folkestone.	The Lady Superintendent	20	280	8s. S.L. 5s.	271 14 2
CHILDREN.					
St. John's Home for Convalescent and Crippled Children, Kemp Town, Brighton ²	Miss Jane Borra-daile, St. John's Home	25	240	S.L. free, 9s.	1,490 9 8
The Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital and Convalescent Home, Rhyl ³	The Lady Superintendent	80	582	S.L. 5s., 8s., 10s., 11. 10s.	767 5 3
Cottage Convalescent Home, Totteridge ⁵	Miss Stobart, Wykeham Rise, Totteridge	7	79	5s.	150 9 0
Convalescent Home for Poor Children, West Hill Road, St. Leonards	The Lady Superintendent	75	788	S.L. free, 7s. 6d.	1,302 0 0
Lady Brassey's Convalescent Home, Bexhill	Lady Brassey, 24 Park Lane, W.	20	217	5s.	Private sources

¹ Incurables received.

² Seventeen beds are for delicate children received permanently.

³ Thirty beds are for ladies, or children of professional men.

⁴ Two or three ladies received, 11. 1s.

⁵ Girls only.

⁶ New wing opened for gentlewomen.

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CHILDREN—*continued.*

Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom Application should be made	Accommodation	Pat'ents received in 1895	Prescribed Weekly Payments	Volunt Funds in
St. Mary's Convalescent Home for the Children of the very poor, Broadstairs	Miss Frances Ashdown, 27, Kilburn Park Road, N.W.	300	—	S. L. free 8s.	£ —
All Saints', Highgate, Convalescent Home, London	The Sister in Charge, All Saints' Mission House, Highgate	16	193	Free	236
Convalescent Home, Meanwood, Leeds	The Matron	20	232	1s.	3,400
St. Mary's Home, Shortlands	Miss A. Miers, Wickham Road, Beckenham	7	99	Free	156
Great Yarmouth Children's Home	The Matron	36	190	Free	628
Victoria Seaside Orphan Rest, Dover	T. Blackman, Esq., 7 Biggin Street, Dover	40	540	Free, and 5s. weekly	—
Ormerod Home, St. Anne's-on-Sea, Lancashire	The Secretary	50	—	8s.	—

GENTLEWOMEN.

Yorkshire Convalescent Home, South Cliff, Scarborough	Miss Mackarness, Hon. Sec.	30	191	15s.	244
Hastings and St. Leonards Home for Invalid Gentlewomen	Miss Beasley, Lady Supt., De Charn Rd., St. Leonards	20	66	21s. 18s.	312
House of Rest, Hartington House, Buxton	The Lady Superintendent	20	134	12s. 6d. 15s. 6d.	186
Countess Cowper's Home of Rest for Ladies, Hertingfordbury, near Hertford	The Countess Cowper, Panshanger, Hertford	8	45	12s. 6d.	Private source
Home at Cannes	See p. 178				
St. Mary's Home, Parkstone, Dorset ¹	The Mother in Charge	13	30	Varies	20
Holy Cross Home, Hayward's Heath	The Sister in Charge	15	90	30s. 8s. ²	213
St. Gabriel's House of Rest, Lennard Road, Folkestone	The Sister Superior	20	305	Varies	Private source
Penbroke House, Guildhall Street, Folkestone	Miss T. Smith Hon. Lady Superintendent	15	200	12s. 6d. 15s.	—

¹ For five ladies and eight children, incurable cases.² For poor women and girls.³ Included with Rhoda Lodge.

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COTTAGE HOSPITALS.

Diocese	Name and Local'ty of Institution	Name of Official to whom to apply	Accommodation	Weekly Payments	In-Patients	Voluntary Funds in 1895
Canterbury	Betteshanger Cottage Hospital, Dover	Lady Northbourne	7	Free	53	£ s. d. Private sources
"	Ashford Cottage Hospital	Hon. Sec.	15	5s. 3d.	102	1,270 14 0
"	Holmsdale Cottage Hospital, Sevenoaks	Rev. J. M. Burn-Murdoch	9	3s. 6d. 10s. 6d.	64	529 5 2
"	Faversham Cottage Hospital	T. G. Gillett, Esq., Hon. Sec.	7	payments	47	289 9 8
York	Cottage Hospital, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough ¹	R. T. Milner, Sec.	58	Free	585	2,845 3 6
"	Cottage Hospital, Northallerton	J. Hutton, Esq., Sowler Gate, Northallerton	12	2s. 6d.	65	367 16 1
"	Beverley Hospital	C. W. Hobson, Esq., Beverley	14	Varies	72	780 0 0
London	Harrow Cottage Hospital	H. T. Prior, Roxette Villa, Harrow	12	5s. to 14s.	59	299 13 0
"	Cottage Hospital, Potter's Bar	Mrs. Short, Hon. Sec.	11	2s. 6d. upwards	81	407 2 2
"	Stanmore Cottage Hospital	Miss Wickens, The Pinnacles	8	3s. 6d. Children 2s. 6d.	62	Private sources
Winchester	Cottage Hospital, Andover	Edwd. Clarke, Esq., Hon. Sec.	9	5s. to 10s. 6d.	64	523 15 1
"	Cottage Hospital, Basingstoke	H. Kingdom, Esq.	11	3s. to 8s.	63	342 8 11
"	Capel Village Hospital, Dorking	Rev. A. J. Howell, Capel Vic., Dorking, Hon. Sec.	10	5s.	29	285 6 7
"	Cranleigh Village Hospital	Ven. Archdeacon Sapte	6	3s. 6d. 7s. 6d.	33	141 19 6
"	Inwood Cottage Hospital, Alton	Rev. C. Theobald, Lasham Rect., Alton	7	2s. 6d. to 20s.	85	405 0 8
"	Shedfield Cottage Hospital and Convalescent Home, Botley ¹	Mrs. Franklyn, Shedfield Lodge	7	S.L. 2s. 6d. 8s.	45	116 19 0
"	Dorking Cottage Hospital	W. H. Birley, Esq., Hon. Sec.	17	5s. Children 3s. 6d.	112	339 6 9

¹ A large number of out-patients.

Cottage Hospitals.

COTTAGE HOSPITALS—continued.

Diocese	Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom to apply	Accommodation	Weekly Payments	In-Patients	Voluntary Funds in 1895
						£ s. d.
Bath and Wells	Wells Cottage Hospital	R. Iagar, Esq., Hon. Sec.	4	7s.	23	218 0 0
"	Shepton Mallet Hospital	Mr. F. G. Bradbury, Hon. Sec.	26	Free	160	634 3 0
"	Crewkerne Hospital	C.R. Salisbury, Church St., Crewkerne	13	varies	98	645 8 9
"	Sir George Bowles's Hospital, Butleigh, near Glastonbury*	Dr. W. H. Gillespie, Med. Supt.	10	2s. 6d. to 15s.	62	436 16 9
Carlisle	North Lonsdale Hospital ¹	Mr. H. Cook, Barrow-in-Furness	32	Free	217	1,201 8 5
"	Ulverston Cottage Hospital	R. Casson, Esq., Hon. Sec.	14	Free	73	454 16 8
Ely	Mildenhall Cottage Hospital	G.W. Ord, Esq., M.R.C.S.	8	5s. to 7s.	62	269 14 6
Exeter	The Tyrrell Cottage Hospital, Ilfracombe	Miss Down, Hon. Sec.	26	7s. to 10s. 6d.	149	933 12 10
"	Axminster Cottage Hospital	Hon. Secretary	12	Varies	62	260 3 2
"	Dawlish Cottage Hospital	G. I. Cutcliffe, Esq.	10	2s. 6d. 7s. 6d.	43	379 18 11
"	Tavistock Cottage Hospital ¹	T. F. Pearce, Esq., Woodvice	9	5s. and 3s.	51	306 6 8
Gloucester & Bristol	Cirencester Cottage Hospital	R. A. Anderson, Esq., Park House	9	2s. 6d. upwards	105	509 3 3
"	Bourton-on-the-Water Cottage Hospital	The Hon. Secretary	8	2s. 6d., 5s.	36	228 3 9
"	Tewkesbury Rural Hospital	Mr. Ralph Chandler	20	Free	244	757 3 0
"	Berkeley Hospital	W. Legge, Esq., Hon. Sec.	8	Free	68	223 16 7
"	Moreton-in-Marsh Village Hospital,	H. J. Smith, Esq.	11	Varies	110	319 17 10
"	Hambrook, Bristol	Miss Callaghan, The Gables, Iron Acton	6	Varies	49	82 17 10
Hereford	Ross Dispensary and Cottage Hospital ¹	F. Cooper, Esq., Rose- dale, Ross	9	3s. 6d.	66	144 9 5

¹ A large number of out-patients.

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COTTAGE HOSPITALS—continued.

Diocese	Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom to apply	Accommodation	Weekly Payments	In-Patients	Voluntary Funds in 1895		
						£	s.	d.
Hereford	St. Mary's Cottage Hospital, Burford, near Tenbury	W. S. Davis, Esq., Hon. Sec.	8	3s. 6d.	79	230	7	2
"	Bronyard Cottage Hospital	Rev. D. Nicholl, Edwin Loach, Rector, Bronyard	5	3s.	34	165	6	2
"	Ledbury Cottage Hospital	J. B. Masefield, Esq., Hon. Sec.	9	3s. 6d.	41	188	4	9
"	Kington Cottage Hospital	A. Temple, Esq.	5	3s. 6d. upwards	52	194	4	10
"	Ludlow Cottage Hospital	Rev. Preb. Clavton, Ludlow	12	10s.	41	Endowed		
Lichfield	Barton-under-Needwood Cottage Hospital	Miss F. Lyon, Hon. Sec.	6	10s. S.I. free and 5s.	35	283	2	3
"	Hanmerwich Cottage Hospital *	A. Sopwith, Esq., Chase-town, Walsall	10	None	67	530	0	1
"	Longton Cottage Hospital *	W. R. Blair, Esq.	33	Free	264	1,093	14	1
"	Tamworth Cottage Hospital	Miss Clark, Matron	30	3s. 6d. to 17. 1s.	182	836	18	0
Lincoln	Louth Hospital	H. F. V. Falkner, Hon. Sec.	20	Adults 2s. 6d. Children 1s. 6d.	83	561	4	2
Norwich	Cromer Cottage Hospital	Miss Cooper	10	2s. 6d. to 5s.	96	557	2	7
Oxford	Calverton End Cottage Hospital	S. R. Rooke, Esq., Stony Stratford	6	From 4s. to 10s.	28	175	2	0
"	Nursing Home, Buckingham *	Rev. F. G. Kiddle	11	6s. to 10s.	45	304	14	7
"	Maidenhead Cottage Hospital	General Davies, Lowood	12	2s. 6d. to 10s. 6d.	119	655	8	4
"	Watlington Cottage Hospital *	Rev. J. G. Chester	8	3s. 6d.	45	124	7	1
"	Cottage Hospital, Chalfont St. Peter	Mrs. Seymour Misbourne	6	3s. 6d.	34	127	2	4
"	Burford Cottage Hospital	T. H. Cheatle, Esq., Sec.	8	2s. 6d. to 5s.	57	176	17	1
"	Morrell Memorial, Wallingford	Colonel Blunt, Dorchester	8	2s. upwards	87	920	12	2

* A large number of out-patients.

Cottage Hospitals.

COTTAGE HOSPITALS—continued.

Diocese	Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom to apply	Abscon- modation	Week's Payments	In- Patients	Voluntary Funds in 1895
Peter- borough	Brackley Cottage Hospital	C. B. Barnes, Esq.	6	Varies	57	£ 184 14 4
Ripon	Ripon Cottage Hos- pital	F. D. Wise, Esq., Ripon	12	Free	62	458 3 5
Rochester	Eltham Cottage Hos- pital	The Sister in Charge	10	3s. 6d. to 21s.	70	436 9 6
"	Blackheath and Charlton Cottage Hospital	Major-General Swayne	18	5s.	163	808 7 1
Salisbury	The Savernake Hos- pital, Marlborough	Rev. W. Gar- diner, Marl- borough	20	Free	212	797 0 0
"	Westminster Memo- rial Cottage Hos- pital, Shaftesbury	Mr. W. L. Chitty, Hon. Sec.	13	From 2s.	80	412 14 6
"	Trowbridge Cottage Hospital	F. R. Willis, Esq., Trow- bridge	11	5s. to 10s.	50	275 18 3
Southwell	Wirksworth Cottage Hospital *	M. Mason, Esq.	7	3s. 6d.	34	207 17 8
"	Derbyshire Hospital for Women, 48 Bridge St., Derby	Miss Emily Newton, Hon. Sec.	12	21s. S.L. Free	98	108 5 10
St. Albans	Brentwood Cottage Hospital	Mrs. Goode, The Grange	7	2s. to 5s.	48	Private sources
"	Cottage Hospital, Watford *	H. M. Turner, Esq.	11	2s. 6d. to 10s. 6d.	83	461 16 9
"	Hatfield Broad Oak Cottage Hospital *	H. M. Greatrex	8	5s. to 12s.	58	151 6 1
"	Halstead Cottage Hospital	Rev. J. G. Gib- bons, Hon. Sec.	8	From 3s.	39	197 11 8
"	Royston Cottage Hospital	H. S. Take, Esq., Hon. Sec.	8	3s. 6d.	45	714 14 3
"	Buckhurst Hill Village Hospital	N. Powell, Esq., Hon. Sec.	7	5s.	58	509 12 2½
St. Asaph	Oswestry and Elles- mere Cottage Hospital *	M. B. Law- ford, Esq., Prook St., Oswestry	13	Varies	73	382 14 1
St. Davids	Llandrindod Wells Hospital and Con- valescent Home	Mrs. Bryan- Smith, Hon. Sec.	22	2s. 6d. 5s.	187	642 4 9
Truro	Stratton Cottage Hospital	W. Rowe, Esq., Stratton	6	2s. 6d. 5s.¹	36	133 4 9

¹ Exceptional cases 10s.

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COTTAGE HOSPITALS—continued.

Diocese	Name and Locality of Institution	Name of Official to whom to apply	Accommodation	Weekly Payments	In-Patients	Voluntary Funds in 1895
Truro (cont.)	St. Barnabas' Hosp., Port View, Saltash	F. Blatchley, Esq., Hon. Sec. & Treas.	11	12s. S.L. 3s.	65	£ s. d. 277 8 7
Wakefield	Stanley Cottage Hospital	Rev. H. C Ince, Warden	5	Free	24	81 3 6
Worcester	Bromsgrove Cottage Hospital	J. Green, Esq., Hon. Treas.	13	Varies	110	485 19 6

* No reply having been received, figures stand for 1894.

SPECIAL HOSPITALS.

Diocese	Name and Locality of Institution.	Name of Official to whom to apply	Accommodation	Weekly Payments	In-Patients	Voluntary Funds in 1895
Chichester	St. Mary's Lodge, Halton, Hastings ¹	Sister Cordelia	9	5s. 6d. to 7s. 6d.	6	£ s. d. —
Gloucester & Bristol	Children's Hospital, Kingsholm, Gloucester ²	The Sister in Charge	27	Free	117	1,343 1 2
London	St. Monica's Home for Sick Children, Brondebury Park	The Lady Superintendent	34	5s. 6d.	53	1,058 3 5
„	The Mary Wardell Convalescent Home for Scarlet Fever, Stanmore	Miss M. Wardell, Stanmore, Middlesex	40	15s. adults, 10s. children ³	247	1,161 0 10
Ripon	The Royal Bath Hospital and Rawson Con- valescent Home, Harrogate	Mr. B. Shaw	125	Free S.L. 7s. or 17s. 6d.	1105	4,257 4 7
Rochester	Free Home for the Dying, 82 The Chase, Clapham	Capt. Portlock- Dadson, 281 Strand, W.C.	10	Free	167	695 0 4
Southwell	Devonshire Hospital, Buxton	Mr. J. Taylor, Secretary	300	17s. 6d. Free S.L.	2562	6,612 3 6
Worcester	Droitwich Hospital for Rheumatism	Mis. Martin, Hon. Sec.	32	22s. 5s. S.L.	500	979 0 0

¹ A ward for children suffering from chronic or incurable complaints, girls only, five to ten years of age. Included in Home accounts.

² A large number of out-patients.

³ Private rooms, 31, 3s.

Invalid Ladies' Home, Cannes.—Fourteen ladies of limited means, between the ages of eighteen and forty, being British subjects, can be received. Board, 3½ francs per day (just under 1*l.* per week) inclusive, with the exception of private washing. The journey from Victoria or Charing Cross, viâ Folkestone and Boulogne, first class, is 7*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; 56 lbs. of luggage allowed. The Home is open from November 1 to April 30. There is a Chapel attached to the Home.

Apply to Miss Hankey, The Palace, Much Hadham, Herts.

SECTION XIV.—HOME MISSION WORK.

CLERGY HOMES OF REST.

THE attention of the Church has not unfrequently been called of late to the extreme usefulness of making some provision for the overworked Clergy, by which they may be enabled to secure a short interval of rest from the pressing strain of their labour. The following is a brief statement of such institutions as they now exist, and also of the Hostel of St. Luke, and the Home of St. Barnabas, Homes for the Clergy in sickness, and in the case of the latter for the aged and incapacitated also :

Hostel of St. Luke.—A Home in sickness for the Clergy, their wives, widows, and children. President, the Archbishop of Canterbury. This institution was founded in 1892 for the purpose of affording relief to the poorer Clergy by providing for them and their families medical and surgical help and nursing in time of sickness. The Nursing Home is in London (16 Nottingham Place, W.), where patients are received for medical and surgical treatment, with all the advantages of trained nursing and care. Medical and surgical treatment, nursing, medicine, board and attendance are provided *free* in necessitous cases. For paying patients the scale of charges is from 10*s.* 8*d.* per week, according to their circumstances. Patients may be attended by their own medical men on application to the Committee, payment from 3*l.* 3*s.* per week. Out-patients treated and consultations arranged on application to the Secretary. The Nursing Home is available for the Clergy of the Anglican communion, and their families.

For all information and forms of application for admission, apply to the Secretary, 16 Nottingham Place, London, W.

York Diocesan Clergy Seaside House.—Opened 1878, this House, which has been purchased and conveyed to the Bishops Suffragan and Archdeacons of the Diocese of York, is pleasantly situated in Albemarle Crescent, Scarborough; it is open to such Clergy of the Diocese of York, whether beneficed or licensed, as may by reason of overwork or illness be desirous of obtaining rest and change of air, at the nominal cost of 8*s.*, 10*s.*, or 12*s.* a week for a suite of one sitting-room and two bedrooms. This payment includes attendance, kitchen fire, and house linen. Extra bedrooms in the attics can be had for 2*s.* 6*d.* a week.

Communications should be made to the Hon. Sec., The Bishop of Hull, The Vicarage, Scarborough.

The Cottage, Malvern Link.—This is a *small* House of Rest intended for the poorer Clergy who are in need of a holiday, and it is open all the year round. There is accommodation for two married or unmarried clergymen, with separate sitting-rooms. The visitors provide their own food and laundry expenses. All else is free, including attendance.

Application (with references) should be addressed to Miss Childs, Tower Lodge, Malvern Link.

St. John's House of Rest, Mentone.—This House was opened in October 1879, to give change and rest to the Clergy and other professional men who from broken health need such help. During the last year this Institution was freely made use of, to the benefit of many.

Communications should be made to Rev. Henry Sidebotham, Chaplain of St. John's Church, Mentone, 19 Delahay Street, Westminster, S.W.; or Rev. C. Wyatt Smith, Middleton House, Upper Tooting, S.W.

West Malvern Clergy House of Rest.—This House has been in existence for twenty-two years, working under the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese, and from the testimony of very many it is well known to be doing a most useful work.

The object of the House is twofold:

1. To afford a House in a healthy locality, and with moderate charges, to which the Clergy can come when in need of rest from their work.
2. To furnish a place at which Retreats for the Clergy can be held in the autumn.

Communications should be addressed to Rev. F. A. G. Eichbaum, Warden.

Clergy House of Rest, Margate.—This Institution has existed for some years, and has been the means of affording rest and comfort to many of the overworked Clergy. During the year 1895, seventy-two Clergymen and their wives were resident in the Home for various periods. (Special cheap tickets from London are supplied, and the inclusive charge is one guinea per week.)

Communications should be addressed to Rev. H. Woods Tindall, St. Edmunds, Alexandra Park, Manchester.

Clergy House of Rest, Llanfairfechan.—This House was solemnly dedicated by the Bishop in the month of July. The building is situated in a very lovely part of the country on the Welsh coast. It is open to any clergyman of the Church of England, and it is especially intended for those who cannot afford, by reason of their small income, to find the necessary funds for a holiday.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, at the House of Rest.

Home of St. Barnabas.—Founded 1895. Objects: (1) To provide permanent Homes for Aged Clergy who are past work, or who are incapacitated from incurable disease or other causes. (2) A Home of Rest to which the Clergy who have broken down in their work, and Convalescents can be admitted for longer or shorter periods as necessary. (3) A Home where Missionaries who have returned home invalided can be received, cared for, and nursed until able to resume their work. There is no Institution in connection with the Church of England that meets the cases that are provided for by the Home of St. Barnabas. It can truly be said that the need for such an Institution has long existed, but the reasons for founding it are now stronger than they ever were before. Until funds have been collected to build the first portion of the permanent Home, provision has been made to receive cases in two detached houses at Dorman's Park, a beautiful and healthy locality, on the borders of Surrey and Sussex. A Wooden Church, within fifty yards from and opposite the Home, has been secured at a low rent as the Chapel of the Institution. The Home is now open for the reception of sixteen inmates. Mrs. W. H. Cooper, who was Hon. Lady Superintendent of the Hostel of St. Luke, undertakes the same position in the Home of St. Barnabas, assisted by Trained Nurses.

Application for admission to be sent to the Hon. Secretary and Warden, who will be glad to give full information about the Home. Necessitous cases Free.

Communications should be addressed to Canon W. H. Cooper, Home of St. Barnabas, East Grinstead.

CHAPTER III.

THE EDUCATIONAL WORK OF THE CHURCH.

SECTION I.—ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, AND LITERATURE
FOR THE PEOPLE.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION.

THE following tables, taken from the Returns of the Education Department, will show the statistics relating to the various classes of schools inspected during the past three years :

Day Schools, Year ended August 31	Accommodation			Number on Registers			Average Attendance		
	1893	1894	1895	1893	1894	1895	1893	1894	1895
Church	2,093,841	2,702,978	2,702,270	2,266,756	2,278,921	2,273,320	1,806,207	1,847,660	1,850,545
British, &c.	303,437	370,617	355,447	320,387	302,136	288,755	253,871	243,568	235,151
Wesleyan	209,399	199,185	189,905	175,905	168,463	161,479	136,631	133,757	129,724
Roman Catholic Board	357,651	301,053	306,724	272,585	276,079	284,537	214,653	223,057	230,395
	2,108,319	2,190,111	2,322,942	2,090,740	2,173,142	2,291,378	1,688,668	1,777,797	1,879,218
Total	5,762,617	5,832,944	5,937,288	5,126,373	5,198,741	5,290,469	4,100,030	4,225,834	4,325,030

The slight decrease in accommodation will probably be accounted for by the increased demands of the Department, who in many cases have reduced the number of places for which the older schools were considered available. As in many country schools the accommodation provided in 1870 was largely in excess of the possible attendance, managers did not feel it necessary to contest the reduction. The two really important statistics are very satisfactory.

The average attendance has risen from 1,847,660 to 1,850,545, being an increase of 2,885; and the voluntary contributions have risen from £622,034 to £640,406, being an increase of £18,372. This last statistic can be seen from the following table.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

Day Schools, Year ended August 31	1893			1894			1895		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Church	617,878	0	0	622,034	0	0	640,406	0	0
British, &c.	83,771	0	0	82,440	0	0	82,361	0	0
Wesleyan	18,144	0	0	17,544	0	0	19,681	0	0
Roman Catholic.	88,031	0	0	84,729	0	0	92,215	0	0
Total	807,824	0	0	806,747	0	0	834,663	0	0

When it is remembered that the voluntary subscriptions of Churchmen in 1870 were 336,103*l.*, about half the sum now contributed, the serious inaccuracy of the assertions lately made, that subscriptions were diminishing, is most apparent. It must not be forgotten that the incomes derived from land and tithe are from twenty-five to fifty per cent. less now than they were in 1870, but Churchmen, whether clergy or lay, though many of them have been affected by this depreciation, have not been hindered from doubling their contributions to Church Schools. And further, it must be borne in mind that the amount returned to Government by no means represents what Churchmen spend upon their schools. The following figures, carefully compiled from official sources, show what Churchmen were really spending in 1894 :

For General Maintenance	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	689,297	13	9				
For Maintenance of Church Training Colleges	14,000	0	0				
Cost of Diocesan Inspection of Schools	15,000	0	0				
For Building: <i>i.e.</i> for Additional School Accommodation and for the Enlarging and Improving of existing Premises	525,797	16	10				
					1,244,095	10	7
Income arising from Endowments for the purposes of General Maintenance					113,641	19	5
					1,357,737 10 0		

Last year's voluntary expenditure upon Church Schools and Training Colleges raises the amount spent by Churchmen on their schools, since the National Society was founded, to nearly 39,000,000*l.* The total amount will largely exceed this sum if account be taken of the value of sites, and also of the cost of numerous schools built by individual owners of property.

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Accurate statistics respecting the value of these sites and schools, it is obvious, cannot possibly be obtained, but their number and value, as shown by information constantly coming before the Committee of the National Society, prove that in previous statements they have been underestimated. Considerably more than half the voluntary expenditure has taken place since the year 1870, as may be seen from the following table :

VOLUNTARY EXPENDITURE ON CHURCH SCHOOLS AND TRAINING COLLEGES.

	From 1811 to 1870	Since 1870	Total
	£	£	£
Schools :			
Building	6,270,577	7,575,402	13,845,979
Maintenance	8,500,000	15,804,221	24,304,221
Training Colleges :			
Building	194,085	106,810	300,895
Maintenance	185,276	333,647	538,923
	15,149,938	23,840,080	38,990,018

The best evidence of the vitality and progress of the Schools of the Church is to be found in the increase in the average attendance and in the amount of accommodation between 1870 and 1895.

CHURCH SCHOOLS.

	Year ending Aug. 31, 1870	Year ending Aug. 31, 1895	Increase
Accommodation	1,365,080	2,702,270	1,337,190
Average attendance	844,334	1,850,545	1,006,211

Churchmen must feel that the foregoing statistics afford satisfactory evidence that Church Schools are in a position to meet with confidence the crisis with which they now find themselves face to face.

In consequence of the Government having failed last year to carry any scheme for redressing the grievance of Voluntary Schools, an important Committee, consisting of four members of the Northern Province and four members of the Southern Province, was convened by the National Society. The Resolutions formulated by this body were, with slight alterations, adopted by a large representative meeting, at which the Standing Committee of the National Society met specially-chosen delegates from both Houses of Convocation, from both Houses of Laymen, from all Diocesan Boards of Education, and all Diocesan Conferences. The resolutions thus adopted were, with certain additions, submitted to the Joint Meeting of Convocations and Houses of Laymen held on November 5th, 1896, and were finally adopted as follows :

Report of the Standing Committee of the National Society and Delegates as amended by the Conference of Members of the Convocations and of the Houses of Laymen:—

1. To ask the Government for *Statutory* aid from the Imperial Exchequer at a rate less than 6s. a child to all public Elementary Schools alike.

2. That the said grant, in the case of Voluntary Schools, be paid to Federations of Schools only.

3. To ask for aid from the rates—

(a) In School Board Districts only;

(b) This rate-in-aid to be expended within the School Board District from which it is raised.

(c) To be payable to Federations of Schools only, and on their written demand.

(d) Not to exceed the total amount of voluntary contributions, including endowments and donations.

4. Federations to be either Denominational or Undenominational.

The area of no Federation, except in the case of London, to be smaller than the School District in which any of the Schools are situate, nor any Federation to consist of more than three Schools.

Subject to appeal to the Education Department, no Denominational Federation be allowed to refuse admission to any contiguous School belonging to the same denomination.

The administration of the special grant-in-aid, the rate-in-aid, and (if provided the rules of the Federation) the fee grant to be vested in the Council of the Federation.

The rules and constitution of each Federation to be approved by the Education Department.

The Council to give no advantage to, nor to impose any disadvantage upon, any School because the Managers thereof have appointed or dismissed, or refused to appoint, any particular teacher; nor because they have provided or refused to provide any particular form of religious instruction.

5. That in any scheme for granting aid from the rates, while it is essential that the appointment of the teachers and the control of the religious teaching in Denominational Schools shall remain under the control of the denomination, it is reasonable that the Rating Authority shall be satisfied that the secular part of the teaching is efficient and the money economically spent.

6. In addition to the rate-in-aid hereinbefore mentioned, the following shall form part of any scheme for rate aid:—If any School Board raises the maintenance *per capita* per child in average attendance above that which was expended in 1895–1896, the additional rate thereby rendered necessary shall be called an excess rate, and shall be divided among all the Schools, whether Board or Voluntary, in the strict proportion to the number of children in attendance.

7. In any School Board District any religious denomination shall have the right to open any new School upon the same conditions as if it were a non-School Board District.

8. In any School Board District the Managers of any School transferred to a School Board, or any new Managers of the same denomination, shall have the right to claim the re-transference of the School to them, and to re-open it as a Voluntary School, subject to such conditions as the Education Department may approve.

9. The Limitations of Grant (Code, Article 107; Elementary Education Act 1876, c. 19; and Elementary Education Act 1891, sec. 3) to be repealed.

10. The local rates on School building to be abolished or paid by the Rating Authority.

J. S. BROWNRIGG,
Secretary.

NATIONAL SOCIETY'S OFFICE,
SANCTUARY, WESTMINSTER, S.W.
November 6, 1896.

N.B.—The amendments inserted by the Conference of Convocations are printed in italics.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE MAINTENANCE OF CHURCH SCHOOLS
COMPARED WITH THOSE OF OTHER BODIES, SINCE THE PASSING OF THE
EDUCATION ACT OF 1870.

Year ending August 31	Church Schools	British, Wesleyan, Roman Catholic, &c.	Year ending August 31	Church Schools	British, Wesleyan, Roman Catholic, &c.
1870	£336,102	£92,317	1883	£577,314	£138,356
1871	352,412	96,582	1884	585,072	147,453
1872	389,769	116,403	1885	583,936	172,000
1873	427,183	121,409	1886	586,951	154,986
1874	482,513	132,146	1887	580,872	161,544
1875	528,483	144,719	1888	582,082	163,259
1876	592,300	156,018	1889	582,018	167,802
1877	620,034	162,389	1890	589,641	167,888
1878	613,252	157,592	1891	602,574	176,521
1879	599,641	151,649	1892	613,573	181,555
1880	587,273	149,983	1893	617,378	189,946
1881	582,382	144,293	1894	622,034	184,713
1882	581,179	142,120	1895	640,406	194,257
		Sum-total		£14,456,874	£3,967,900

STATISTICS SHOWING PROGRESS OF CHURCH SCHOOLS SINCE THE YEAR 1870,
COLLECTED FROM THE LATEST RETURNS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

Year ending Aug. 31	Number of Scholars for whom Accommodation is provided	Average Attendance	Expenditure per Scholar in aver- age attendance			Paid Teachers	Assistant Teachers	Certifi- cated Teachers
			£	s.	d.			
1870	1,365,080	44,334	1	5	7½	9,841	944	9,631
1871	1,439,428	891,484	1	5	9½	11,622	929	10,107
1872	1,606,621	950,813	1	9	8½	14,482	1,178	11,062
1873	1,751,697	1,017,688	1	10	1	16,172	1,282	12,225
1874	1,889,236	1,117,461	1	10	11	17,112	1,546	13,152
1875	2,011,434	1,175,289	1	11	11½	18,008	1,541	14,222
1876	2,105,849	1,217,619	1	13	7	18,712	1,732	15,063
1877	2,171,639	1,273,041	1	14	0½	19,117	2,099	15,661
1878	2,252,794	1,368,029	1	14	1½	18,739	2,719	16,346
1879	2,301,073	1,426,595	1	14	7½	17,569	3,149	17,036
1880	2,327,379	1,471,615	1	14	10½	17,479	3,636	17,512
1881	2,351,235	1,490,429	1	15	1½	16,874	4,130	18,130
1882	2,385,374	1,538,408	1	14	9	13,614	4,862	18,634
1883	2,413,676	1,562,507	1	15	0½	12,462	5,884	19,201
1884	2,454,788	1,607,823	1	15	2½	12,228	7,138	19,563
1885	2,505,477	1,631,763	1	15	10½	11,889	7,678	19,873
1886	2,535,671	1,626,231	1	16	5½	12,196	7,854	20,054
1887	2,579,565	1,644,884	1	16	4½	12,559	8,105	20,427
1888	2,597,396	1,664,076	1	16	3½	11,856	8,613	20,523
1889	2,621,100	1,678,068	1	16	3½	12,274	9,173	20,643
1890	2,651,078	1,680,596	1	16	10½	12,354	9,804	20,779
1891	2,670,529	1,677,123	1	17	7½	11,902	10,650	20,915
1892	2,684,991	1,716,877	1	17	8	11,205	10,408	20,917
1893	2,693,841	1,806,207	1	17	5	11,224	10,928	20,772
1894	2,702,978	1,847,660	1	18	0½	11,738	11,205	20,945
1895	2,702,270	1,850,545	1	18	11	12,672	11,768	21,020

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Year	Accommodation				Average Attendance			
	Church	British, Wesleyan, &c.	Roman Catholic	Board	Church	British, Wesleyan, &c.	Roman Catholic	Board
1870	1,365,080	411,948	101,556	—	844,334	241,989	66,066	—
1871	1,439,428	459,761	113,490	—	891,484	266,839	73,111	—
1872	1,606,621	531,518	140,599	17,156	950,813	296,464	80,155	8,726
1873	1,751,697	543,558	162,236	125,058	1,017,688	305,981	88,828	69,983
1874	1,889,236	557,883	179,199	245,508	1,117,461	322,633	100,372	138,293
1875	2,011,434	571,582	189,236	387,227	1,175,289	328,180	106,426	227,285
1876	2,105,849	568,566	200,753	556,150	1,217,619	327,914	110,969	328,071
1877	2,171,639	563,485	213,172	705,122	1,273,041	332,140	117,969	427,533
1878	2,252,794	572,882	226,497	890,164	1,368,029	351,785	126,305	559,078
1879	2,301,073	582,284	242,403	1,016,464	1,426,595	361,969	136,690	669,741
1880	2,327,379	582,600	248,140	1,082,634	1,471,615	364,420	145,629	769,252
1881	2,351,235	582,776	261,354	1,194,268	1,490,429	364,113	152,642	856,351
1882	2,385,374	584,969	269,231	1,298,746	1,538,408	370,602	160,910	945,231
1883	2,413,676	587,403	272,760	1,396,604	1,562,507	373,493	162,310	1,028,904
1884	2,454,788	597,262	284,514	1,490,174	1,607,823	381,628	167,841	1,115,832
1885	2,505,477	600,073	292,450	1,600,718	1,631,763	379,258	172,849	1,187,455
1886	2,535,671	610,941	306,175	1,692,505	1,626,231	382,149	178,738	1,251,307
1887	2,579,565	615,491	318,042	1,765,894	1,644,884	382,236	184,800	1,315,461
1888	2,597,396	621,610	328,067	1,809,481	1,664,076	384,799	188,086	1,378,006
1889	2,621,100	626,517	334,032	1,858,792	1,678,068	389,398	190,324	1,424,835
1890	2,651,078	631,072	341,953	1,915,182	1,680,506	386,678	193,283	1,457,358
1891	2,670,529	628,893	348,383	1,980,396	1,677,123	386,206	195,056	1,491,571
1892	2,684,991	613,976	352,544	2,041,464	1,716,877	382,196	201,304	1,570,397
1893	2,693,841	602,806	357,651	2,108,319	1,806,207	390,502	214,653	1,688,668
1894	2,702,978	569,802	361,053	2,199,111	1,847,660	377,320	223,057	1,777,797
1895	2,702,270	545,352	366,724	2,322,942	1,850,545	364,875	230,392	1,879,218

DIOCESAN INSPECTION OF CHURCH SCHOOLS IN RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE.

In consequence of the insufficiency of the information, and the general incompleteness of the Returns made by the Inspectors, it is impossible, we regret, to furnish any facts which would be of any practical value.

Church Training Colleges.

CHURCH TRAINING COLLEGES.

FOR MASTERS.

Training College	Name of Principal	No. of Officers	No. of Students in Training	How Founded
Bangor . . .	Rev. J. Fairchild . . .	9	60	Aided by National Society
Battersea . . .	Rev. H. W. Dennis . . .	13	104	Leased by National Society
Carmarthen . . .	Rev. C. G. Brown . . .	7	60	Built by National Society
Chelsea, <i>St. Mark's</i>	Rev. G. W. Gent . . .	16	118	Ditto
Cheltenham	Rev. H. A. Bren . . .	14 ¹	90	Home and Colonial Society
Chester . . .	Rev. J. D. Best . . .	11	105	Diocesan aided by National Society
Culham . . .	Rev. W. Long . . .	8	85	Ditto
Durham . . .	Rev. Canon Smith . . .	9	65	Ditto
Exeter . . .	Rev. J. G. Dangar, D.D. . . .	9	63	Ditto
Peterborough	Rev. T. Ward . . .	7	47	Ditto
Saltley . . .	Rev. F. W. Burbidge . . .	10	100	Ditto
Winchester . . .	Rev. H. Martin . . .	5	58	Ditto
York . . .	Rev. G. W. De C. Baldwin . . .	6	67	Ditto

FOR MISTRESSES.

Training College	Name of Principal or Chaplain	No. of Officers	No. of Students in Training	How Founded
Bishop's Stortford	Rev. W. J. Frere . . .	9	62	Diocesan aided by National Society
Brighton	Rev. Geo. Corfield . . .	8	65	Ditto
Bristol	Rev. E. Compton Gill . . .	7	77	Ditto
Cheltenham	Rev. H. A. Bren . . .	—	90	Home and Colonial Society
Chichester	Rev. J. Cavis Brown . . .	7	31	Diocesan aided by National Society
Derby	Rev. A. E. Vinter . . .	7	66	Ditto
Durham	Rev. J. Haworth . . .	10	64	Ditto
Home and Colonial, <i>Gray's Inn Road</i>	Rev. J. B. Armstrong . . .	18	145	Home and Colonial Society
Lincoln	Rev. A. W. Rowe . . .	8	41	Diocesan aided by National Society
Norwich	Rev. J. A. Hannah . . .	10	63	Ditto
Oxford	Rev. H. D. De Brisay . . .	10	27	—
Ripon	Rev. G. W. Garrod . . .	11	61	Diocesan
Salisbury	Rev. Canon Steward . . .	12	80	Diocesan aided by National Society
Tottenham	Rev. E. Hobson . . .	14	103	Christian Knowledge Society and National Society
Truro	Ven. Archdeacon Cornish . . .	10	40	Diocesan aided by National Society
Warrington	Rev. M. Stevenson . . .	15	118	Ditto
Whitelands, <i>Chelsea</i>	Rev. J. P. Faunthorpe . . .	13	144	Built by National Society

J. S. BROWNRIFF.

¹ Includes staff of College for Mistresses.

CHURCH DAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS.

It is self-evident that if Voluntary Schools are to maintain their position the most vigorous efforts should be made to increase and insure their efficiency. That Churchmen are alive to their responsibility in this matter is clearly apparent from the accounts here given of the steps being taken to assist the weaker schools to fulfil the requirements of the Education Department.

NORTHERN COUNTIES VOLUNTARY SCHOOLS' PROTECTION ASSOCIATION.

This Association has recently been formed in defence of the Voluntary Schools of the Church of England in the seven northern counties, and already some practical work has been done in giving effect to its objects, which are as follows: (1) To educate public opinion upon the questions at issue; (2) to counteract the misrepresentations of those who are the opponents of definite religious teaching; (3) to organise public meetings; (4) to adopt every legitimate means to convince H.M.'s Ministry that any measure for the relief of Voluntary Schools, in the interests of justice, religious liberty, popular education, and sound finance, should be adequate in scope and permanent in character.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretaries, T. H. Jenkins, Esq., and J. G. C. Parsons, Esq. Office, No. 20 Royal Exchange, Liverpool.

DIOCESAN AND DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS.

DIOCESE OF CANTERBURY.—The Canterbury Diocesan Board of Education was founded 56 years ago, for the purpose of diffusing and maintaining throughout the Diocese a system of sound, useful, and religious education on the principles of the Church of England.

It undertakes the inspection in Religious Knowledge of all the schools in the Diocese. Its inspectors in 1895 examined 576 school departments, containing 80,206 children and 333 pupil teachers and paid monitors. In addition to this the examiners appointed by the Board examined, under a Prayer Book Prize Scheme, 308 scholars.

The Diocesan Board has since its foundation voted grants amounting to 26,502*l.* towards building, enlarging, and fitting schools in the Diocese. The total outlay, it is estimated, on those objects has amounted to 248,547*l.* In 1895 it voted building, enlarging, and fitting grants which amounted to 677*l.*

The Diocesan Board also makes maintenance grants to struggling schools, after a full inquiry into their condition has been made by its Organising Visitor.

The Board also makes grants to monitors. It undertakes the examination of Higher Grade Schools. Its income in 1895 was 1,353*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* Its annual meeting was held at Sevenoaks, and was very largely attended. The Archbishop presided.

Secretaries, Rev. Canon Nisbet, Ringwould, Dover; and Rev. J. Williamson, Farningham, Dartford.

DIOCESE OF YORK.—Sheffield Church Day School Association.—This Association has contributed much practical help in the way of strengthening the position of the Church Schools in Sheffield. Since its institution in 1884 there has been a steady improvement in the returns from the affiliated schools. The grants earned last year exceeded those earned in 1884 by 6,607*l.*, and during the past twelve years the total gain to the associated schools from this source alone has been 45,525*l.*

Within the past three years special donations to the amount of 9,000*l.* have been given to provide suitable structural alterations in the school buildings.

Address Hon. Sec., Rev. G. W. Turner, St. Jude's Eldon Vicarage, Sheffield.

Church Day School Associations.

York National School Society.—This Society exists to further the maintenance of Church Schools in the city, and to act as a channel for advice and aid where such necessity exists. During the year 1895 ten grants were made, amounting in all to 149*l.*, and the necessity for further help on the part of the Churchmen of the city is strongly urged on behalf of schools still pressing for support. This Society is not responsible for the maintenance or management of any school, but collects money to be apportioned annually to such schools as most need aid.

Communications should be addressed to Rev. Canon Argles, St. Clement's Rectory, York.

Scarborough Church Day School Association.—During the past year two grants amounting to 50*l.* were made for the enlargement and maintenance of two of the principal schools in the Rural Deanery of Scarborough, and grants of books were made to several Pupil Teachers in Church and Board Schools for proficiency in Holy Scripture and a knowledge of the Prayer-book. A contribution of 7*l.* 7*s.* was further made to the Funds of the York Diocesan Board of Education. In other ways this Association has practically tended to strengthen the position of Voluntary Church Schools in the Rural Deanery.

Information may be obtained from Rev. C. C. Mackarness, St. Martin's Vicarage, Scarborough.

DIOCESE OF LONDON.—Poor Schools Relief Fund.—During the past year the Committee has rendered valuable assistance to the weaker schools of the Diocese. A large sum is still urgently needed to make such schools efficient, and to defray the cost of the improvements which have been carried out under pressure of the Education Department. The Bishop of London made an earnest appeal for the necessary funds, and the response was fairly liberal, but not sufficient, and much still remains to be done. The Committee assisted 38 schools in 1895 with grants amounting to 2,265*l.* It is absolutely necessary that 5,000*l.* at least should be contributed in donations during the year, and that the regular income of the Diocesan Board from *annual subscriptions* should be increased by 1,000*l.*, to enable the Board to make grants to necessitous schools, and to maintain the 56 school departments for which they are now entirely responsible. The Bishop urges most strongly the immediate and generous help of Churchmen, on the ground of the critical position in which Church Schools have been placed by the action of the Education Department.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Church House, Dean's Yard, S. W.

DIOCESE OF WINCHESTER.—Ruridecanal Committee of the Diocesan Council of Education for the Deanery of Southampton.—This Committee was formed in November 1893, and takes the place of the Church Day Schools Association. It consists of all the Incumbents in the Rural Deanery; one Lay representative from each school, to be chosen triennially by all the subscribers of 5*s.* and upwards to that school, or donors of 5*l.*; 6 head teachers (3 masters and 3 mistresses), to be chosen triennially from the whole body of head teachers; 4 Sunday School teachers. A scheme for the complete federation of the Church Schools in the town of Southampton is now under consideration. In view of this, the Ruridecanal Committee has taken no active measures during 1895.

Apply to Rev. W. G. Edwards, St. Augustine's Vicarage, Southampton.

DIOCESE OF BATH AND WELLS.—Church Day Schools Association.—The Diocese has been divided into ten districts under the Rural Deans, and in each district associations have been formed of the managers and teachers of the affiliated schools. An Organising Master has been appointed. The fee for affiliation is 5*s.* or 10*s.*, and for the Organising Master 10*s.* or 1*l.* During 1895 the sum of 217*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* was received in voluntary subscriptions to further the work of the Association.

Apply to Rev. Preb. Brymer, Charlton Mackrell Rectory, Somerton, Somerset.

DIOCESE OF CARLISLE.—Association of Church Day Schools.—The Diocese is now divided into five districts, in each of which there is a Committee working under the Diocesan Education Society for the purpose of advancing the interests of Church Day Schools. The affiliated schools number 174, and the funds are now merged in those of the Diocesan Education Society. The advantages offered are as follows: 1. Organising Visitor. During the past year nearly all the schools have been visited, and with excellent results. 2. Special terms for the banking of school accounts. 3. Certificates of good attendance to every child who makes 40 unbroken weeks in the school year. 4. The Organising Visitor undertakes the periodical examination of pupil teachers. In special cases the District Committees are prepared to undertake the entire management of Church Schools, including the financial responsibility.

The Fund established by the Bishop of Carlisle for the enlargement and improvement of Church Schools is now closed. The total amount collected is 1,300*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* And this has been voted to 32 schools towards the cost of structural alterations, estimated at upwards of 14,000*l.* As a result of the Organising Visitor's work, the Government grant in the schools visited by him has increased by upwards of 1*s.* 6*d.* per head.

Apply to Rev. H. Lonsdale, Upperby Vicarage, Carlisle.

DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER.—The Schools Confederation has been organised in 21 out of 25 Rural Deaneries of the Diocese. About 210 schools have been affiliated to the Confederation. The scheme embraces (1) a Central Diocesan Council, formed of partly *ex officio*, partly elected members, the latter representing the school managers and the head teachers of the affiliated Church day schools; (2) an executive committee of the Council for the Transaction of Business; (3) Local Ruridecanal Associations of Representative Members, elected by the managers and certificated teachers in the Rural Deanery.

Annual offerings are invited in every church throughout the Diocese on the 5th Sunday after Trinity, to assist the Diocesan Fund, raised for the help of schools which may need assistance.

Between August 1892, when the actual work of the Confederation may be said to have practically begun, and November 1896, seventy-nine schools have been assisted by grants amounting to 3,365*l.* in all.

Since the Confederation has existed, no school in the Diocese, except one only, which refused all assistance, has been transferred to a School Board.

Communications should be addressed to Rev. W. P. Crawley, Firlie Vicarage, Lewes.

DIOCESE OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.—Bristol Church Day Schools Association.—The Association now includes all the Church Schools in the Deanery of Bristol, and also all those in the urban portions of the Deanery of Stapleton; so that of the 123 departments of Church Schools in the two Deaneries, 108 departments with 25,297 school places are affiliated, giving a larger number of places than that provided in the district by all other kinds of schools taken together.

The income, including 469*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* received through the Women's Branch of the Association, was 635*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* Grants were made to ten schools, amounting in all to 450*l.*, all with one exception in aid of buildings or structural alterations ordered by the Education Department, which are estimated to cost about 4,300*l.*

192 teachers from 67 affiliated departments attended central classes assisted by the Association. An increased grant was made in aid of these classes, in order to meet the cost of providing independent examiners.

Address—Rev. C. S. Taylor, 2 Upper Byron Place, Clifton.

DIOCESE OF LLANDAFF.—The Bishop issued a pastoral letter, at the commencement of the year 1893, to the Clergy and Laity, urging co-operation with him in an organised effort to assist the weaker schools of the Church in the Diocese. The Bishop reports that during the year 1894 ninety grants were made to various schools in the Diocese, amounting in all to 2,500*l.*, but that this by no means represents all that was done, as a sum of at least 20,000*l.* was devoted to the enlargement and improvement of school buildings by the independent offerings of the laity.

Church Day School Associations.

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER.—Manchester and Salford Church Day School Association.—The first Association of its kind established in the country. The following particulars are from the annual report of the Organising Inspector:—The number of departments in affiliation with the Association at the end of 1895 was 109, with a number on books of 26,052, an average attendance of 20,749, and earning a Government grant of 19,407*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* The variable grant of 2*s.*, 4*s.*, or 6*s.*, in infants' schools:—52·4 per cent. received payment at the 4*s.* rate, and 47·6 at the 6*s.* rate. The principal grant (12*s.* 6*d.* or 14*s.*) in schools for older scholars:—Lower rate, 33·3 per cent.; higher rate, 66·7 per cent. The discipline and organisation grant (1*s.* or 1*s.* 6*d.*) in schools for older scholars:—Lower rate, 7·4 per cent.; higher rate, 92·6 per cent.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Diocesan Chambers, South King Street, Manchester.

DIOCESE OF NORWICH.—The Norwich Church Schools Aid Association is affiliated to the Diocesan Board of Education, and embraces all the Church day schools in the city and its hamlets. Its income for the year 1895 from all sources was 346*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* Besides giving grants to meet the current expenditure of needy schools, it has set on foot a system of Central Classes for Pupil Teachers, at which instruction is given in science, drawing, and in all the subjects of Schedule V. of the Revised Code. It has also established a system of quarterly examinations of all the pupil teachers in the affiliated schools in the subjects of the Government syllabus. A Scholarship Class is held for the fourth-year pupil teachers. The Committee have just raised, in conjunction with the School Managers, a second Building Fund, of 3,250*l.*, to enlarge and further improve existing schools. They obtain the services of the Organising Visitor for their schools, free of charge, by paying a lump sum to the Diocesan Board of Education.

Apply to the Hon. Clerical Secretary, Rev. Samuel Cox, St. Martin-at-Palace Vicarage, Norwich.

DIOCESE OF OXFORD.—Church Elementary Schools Association for the Archdeaconry of Oxford.—An Organising Visitor has been engaged, and is at work over the whole Diocese. During the year he has examined, and reported on, about 80 departments in the three counties of the Diocese. Grants have been made to schools to the amount of 97*l.* during the year, to compensate them for loss under the 17*s.* 6*d.* limit, and towards building.

Central Classes for Pupil Teachers are being carried on in Oxford, organised and subsidised by this Association. This Association also has contributed three-fifths of the Organising Visitor's salary.

All applications for the services of the Organising Visitor to be made to the Rev. H. D. de Brisay, 11 Bradmore Road, Oxford.

DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH.—Leicester Church Day School Association.—In the year 1892 this Association was formed to assist the extension and maintenance of Church Schools in the Borough of Leicester. During the year 1895 successful provision was made for the continuance and development of the central classes for pupil teachers and assistants and for improving the financial position of one school by a grant from the Central Fund, amounting to 50*l.* Classes were arranged for instruction in Mathematics, English, Geography, History, School Management, Music, and French, and 181 pupil teachers availed themselves of these opportunities. Examinations were held three times during the year with satisfactory results. The sum of 176*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* was raised for the purposes of the Association.

Information may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Rev. Arthur M. Rendell, St. Margaret's Vicarage, Leicester.

Leicester Archidiaconal Board of Education.—By the work of this Board real service has been done in maintaining and strengthening the position of Church Schools in the Archdeaconry. During the past year the Organising Visitor made 161 visits, when he frequently offered suggestions as to alterations and improvements in school-buildings, which led to an advance in the Government grant.

No school has been given over to a School Board during the year. A strong effort is being made to induce schools to federate, but it does not meet with the success it deserves, because the Clergy and Managers look upon the schools as merely parochial, and forget that they are part of the machinery of the Church as a whole.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Rev. J. H. Green, Mowsley Rectory, Rugby.

DIOCESE OF RIPON.—The Leeds Church Day School Association, founded in 1884, has greatly improved the condition of its affiliated schools, of which there are 14 at least, with an average attendance of about 17,000. Its chief methods are: (1) the periodical inspection by its Organising Master of such schools as desire it; (2) an endeavour is made to influence the managers in this matter, but all the affiliated schools have asked that they may be visited by the Organising Master; (3) assistance by the advice of its Committee given to managers of schools on particular points of management; (4) co-operation with the managers in the general management of a school without undertaking any pecuniary responsibility; (5) joint management of schools of which the Association undertakes the pecuniary responsibility. There are now three such schools. Whilst preserving the independent character of the school, so far as is possible, the Association expects to have in these schools a dominant voice in respect of—(a) any structural alterations; (b) determination of the character of the schools, whether mixed or otherwise; (c) number, character, appointment, and dismissal of staff; (d) rate of school fees. The Central Fund, inaugurated in 1891 for the purpose of assisting the poorer schools to effect necessary structural improvements, is still open.

Joint Banking of Government Grants.—Schools are invited to deposit the amount of their grant with the Association, and in return are allowed an overdraft not exceeding two-thirds of their average grant for the three last preceding years. By this system strong schools can materially assist the weak, and the weak each other; 'A,' which has just expended its grant, using the money of 'B,' which has just received its grant. No school which is not solvent is admitted. For this purpose a school is deemed solvent which upon receipt of its grant can clear off all liabilities in respect of its current expenditure up to the end of the financial year just closed.

Organising Master's Work.—(a) Inspection of Schools.—The Organising Master is required to visit each school three months before H.M. inspection. After examining every standard two reports are drawn up, one for the head teacher of each department, pointing out fully any weakness in the work of the various standards, and one to the managers, dealing generally with the work of the school, and drawing attention to any deficiencies in staff, apparatus, &c. (b) Consultation.—The Organising Master is present at the Leeds Church Institute twice in the week for purposes of consultation with managers and teachers. Mondays, 2.30 to 4.30; Saturdays, 10 to 1. (c) H.M. Inspection.—When possible the Organising Master attends the Government inspection of schools in affiliation as the representative of the Association.

Information may be obtained from the Honorary Secretaries, the Rev. J. B. Seaton, Clergy School, Leeds; C. Cautherley, Esq., 8 Albion Place, Leeds.

The Bradford Church of England School Society.—This Society, formed in 1881, has rendered practical service in retaining several schools in the district on the verge of closing or becoming Board schools. It has made grants to assist schools in times of exceptional difficulties, and to render them more efficient with a view to their permanence.

Information may be obtained from the Secretary.

DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER.—No schools have been lost during the year and several new ones have been built. The demand of the Education Department for improvements in the school fabrics have cost 117,000*l.*, apart from 30,000*l.* per annum raised by voluntary effort for maintenance. The work has been practically completed, and a strenuous effort is being made to extend the Church Schools of the Diocese by (a) re-opening closed buildings, (b) erecting new ones. In order to create a Central Fund for this purpose, the Bishop has asked for 11,000*l.* in five years, and 2,500*l.* have already been promised.

Church Day School Associations.

The reorganisation of the Diocesan Board, which took place at the end of 1893, has proved a success. The whole Diocese is covered with Church School Unions, the area of which for the most part corresponds to that of the Rural Deanery. These consist of all managers and teachers of Church Elementary Schools, and are the constituencies by which the central body is elected. The Church School Union retains for local purposes one-third of the income of the Board collected within its area, a plan which is stimulating in a marked degree local effort. There is a joint Banking Scheme, which comprises eight groups of schools, and also a Common Fee Grant Fund for the purpose of making loans for building purposes, repayable in four years. The staff consists of four Diocesan Inspectors (one of whom is Secretary), an Organising Master, and Assistant. There is a Diocesan prize scheme, and lectures are delivered to the students at the Central Classes for Church Pupil Teachers, and also to teachers in Board Schools.

The Diocesan Board is incorporated, and acts as Trustee of new schools, as well as of the funds of the Banking scheme. The general income of the Board for 1895 was 18677.

Apply to Rev. A. W. Maplesden, Secretary, Rochester Diocesan Board of Education Incorporated, The Church Institute, Upper Tooting, S. W.

DIocese of Southwell.—**Nottingham Church School Board.**—This Board has existed for several years, and is doing much valuable work among the teachers and schools of the town. The pupil teachers are assisted by special instructors in central united classes. Prizes are given by the Board for Religious Knowledge, and the interests of the Church Schools are watched and guarded.

Apply to the Hon. Sec., Rev. W. Pope, St. Nicholas' Rectory, Nottingham.

Derby Archidiaconal Board.—Grants to the amount of 190*l.* have been made during the year, chiefly in aid of structural alterations required by the Department. It is believed that there are now very few (if any) schools in the Archdeaconry which are not in good order. The inspection in Religious Knowledge is now under one Chief-Inspector for the whole Diocese, assisted by seven voluntary (Clerical) inspectors in each Archdeaconry.

Communications should be made to Canon Atkinson, Darley Rectory, Matlock.

Southwell Diocesan Education Committee.—In addition to the Archidiaconal Boards of Education for Derby and Notts, efforts have been made from time to time towards the formation of a central committee of this Diocese. Last year the above boards elected representatives for this purpose. A Diocesan Education Committee was a felt want to promote unity of purpose and action in educational matters, to be ready to act in emergencies, and to simplify procedure. A Diocesan Inspector for the whole Diocese has been appointed by this body, and the Syllabus for Religious Instruction has been revised.

The Bishop of the Diocese has taken an active and warm interest in this matter.

The Rev. F. B. Manners, Kirklington Vicarage, Southwell, is the Hon. Sec. of this Committee.

Notts Archidiaconal Board.—The work of this Board may be divided into three parts: (1) The inspection of Schools in Religious Knowledge; undertaken by an Inspector-in-Chief and Assistant Inspectors. In the county there are 197 schools, of which 155 were inspected. These schools have 35,336 scholars on the books, and 28,046 in average attendance. Only 59 were withdrawn from all religious instruction. Pupil teachers and monitors numbering 276 were examined, all showing higher attainments than the previous year. (2) The Organising Visitor. The special disadvantages of rural pupil teachers are only too obvious. These have been in a measure met by the institution of a Quarterly Examination in accordance with Circular 343 to H.M. Inspectors. This effort has been met by an adequate response, and beneficial educational results. The primary work of this official in giving the aid of an expert to managers and teachers makes but slow progress owing to conservative and parochial prejudices. When his services are utilised, in emergencies generally,

there is a consensus of opinion that his advice is of permanent value. The schools visited produce higher educational results. (3) Finance. The sum of 297*l.* was paid in grants towards school alterations and enlargements. The cost of inspection in Religious Knowledge was 177*l.* and of the Organising Visitor 63*l.*; both the latter payments are only a portion of the total Diocesan cost.

In conclusion, it is perhaps superfluous to add that the Board, in company with others, has been occupied in the discussion of the various schemes suggested to relieve the 'intolerable strain.'

Hon. Secretary, Rev. F. B. Manners, Kirklington Vicarage, Southwell.

Derby Church School Council.—This Council, composed of representatives of all the Church Schools in Derby, has existed about four years. Besides giving opportunities for conference on questions of school management, it has maintained a centre for the instruction of pupil teachers, in which about one hundred are now being taught.

Hon. Sec., Canon Sing, St. John's Vicarage, Derby.

DIOCESE OF WAKEFIELD.—Wakefield, Dewsbury, and Birstall Church Day School Association.—The above Association was established under the scheme adopted on May 29, 1890, by the Wakefield Diocesan Education Society.

The object of the Association is to maintain, extend, improve, and render more efficient the various Church Schools in the above district.

There are 73 Church Schools in the Association's area; and of these 67 are affiliated to the Association.

Conferences are held with managers, and advice is specially given on finance, school apparatus, and condition of premises.

Grants to necessitous schools are made by the Diocesan Education Society on the recommendation of the Central Committee of the Association.

The Association has interested itself in the establishment of Central Classes for Pupil Teachers, and in the establishment of organisations for their periodical examination. Except in one district the whole of the pupil teacher instruction is provided for under the Central Class system.

A school library has been established with samples of books, apparatus, and school materials of an approved character.

Great success has attended the work of the Association. Throughout the district large sums of money have been raised for effecting improvements in the school buildings, and since the formation of the Association eight entirely new schools have been erected, and improved accommodation has been provided in the majority of the other school buildings, at a total cost of over 26,000*l.*

The work of school extension and improvement is still actively progressing, and in the case of seven schools only is work now needed to bring the buildings of all the affiliated schools fully into line with modern requirements.

In the matter of attendance and grants, quoting from the Organising Master's Report, we find that the average attendance and the Government grants have considerably improved; that an increasing number of schools are earning the higher fixed grants, and the higher grants for discipline and organisation; that the grants for class subjects are being well earned, and that a great measure of success has attended the teaching of drawing, now a compulsory subject in upper schools where there are boys. Every school is '*efficient*.' No warning has been received in any school.

Apply to Hon. Sec., Rev. Canon Grenside, The Rectory, Thornhill, Dewsbury.

Huddersfield, Halifax, and Silkstone Church Day School Association.—This Association was founded in 1890, and takes the place of the Huddersfield and Saddleworth Church Day School Association, which was commenced in the year 1881.

The Association under its present constitution embraces the Rural Deaneries of Huddersfield, Halifax, and Silkstone, within which area there are 115 schools, 86 of which are affiliated. One school in the Saddleworth district continues its connection with the Association, making the total number of affiliated schools 86. The number of scholars on the registers of the affiliated schools last year was 21,360, and the

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average attendance 16,754; the total school accommodation being 34,483. The total grant earned last year was 16,014*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*, against 16,100*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.* the previous year, the average grant earned being 19*s.* 1*d.*, against 18*s.* 9*d.* the year before. The deductions from the grant under Article 107 of the Code amounted to 278*l.*

The provision of Central Classes for Pupil Teachers. These classes are managed by a joint committee appointed by this Association and the District Church Teachers' Association. Commencing with 40 pupil teachers, it now has 70 names on the registers. The pupils are divided into seniors and juniors, the subjects of instruction in the case of each being English, Mathematics, Geography, and History. The classes are held from 9.30 to 12.30 on Saturdays.

Hon. Secretaries: Rev. A. W. Icely, Moldgreen Vicarage, Huddersfield; A. C. Sharpe, Esq., 39 Upper George Street, Huddersfield.

DIOCESE OF WORCESTER.—Birmingham Archidiaconal Board of Education.—The work of the Board has been carried out with great thoroughness and success. A correspondence bureau has been started, a modification of the Newcastle scheme, and has largely put an end to the isolation of the schools. The information thus gained has been of great service to the Board both in the apportionment of its grants and in giving advice to any school managers who desired it. The Board has entirely taken over the control of the Pupil Teachers' Central Classes and the Cookery and Manual Instruction Centres lately started by the Birmingham and District Church Council, and has entrusted the management of these to a committee. Three other committees, the Advisory Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Religious Instruction Committee, help in carrying on the work of the Board, all committees reporting to the Board at the monthly meeting. Grants have been made to 23 schools, &c., amounting to 3,275*l.*, thus more than exhausting the funds of the Association. An anonymous donor has since given the sum of 2,000*l.*, and an appeal is now being issued for an enlarged subscription list, the present subscription amounting to only 315*l.* per annum. The Bishop of Coventry is chairman of the Board, and devotes a great deal of time to its work.

Further information can be obtained from the Hon. Secretaries: Rev. F. S. Webster, 17 George Road, Edgbaston; S. Royle Shore, Esq., 1 Newhall Street, Birmingham.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CHURCH SCHOOL MANAGERS AND TEACHERS.

This Association was founded in 1872.

Objects.—1. To bring Church School managers and teachers into closer union, for the purpose of enabling them to give expression to their opinions on any public question affecting national education.

2. To protect the liberty of religious teaching in Church Schools, and to enable managers and teachers to lend their combined influence to secure its efficiency.

3. To enable managers and teachers to exert their due influence in the protection of the many important interests common to both, which are seriously affected from time to time by the regulations of the Council Office.

To effect these objects it seeks to form in all parts of the country local associations of managers and teachers in affiliation with itself, and to unite all local societies with similar objects.

The Central Council, consisting of an equal number of managers and teachers elected by the general body, meets in London at least seven times in every year.

A Congress is held every year, to which branches send representatives to confer on matters of importance.

About fifty branches are connected with the Central Society.

Communications to be made to the Hon. Secretaries, Rev. W. T. Farmiloe, 4 Cockspur Street, Charing Cross, S.W.; and Mr. Morgan, 20 Marshall Street, Golden Square, W.

**CHURCH SCHOOL-MASTERS AND SCHOOL-MISTRESSES'
BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.**

THIS Institution was founded in the year 1857 for providing for Church Teachers in public elementary schools (or their widows and orphans)—(1) assistance in times of temporary affliction or misfortune; (2) small annuities in cases of permanent disablement; (3) assistance towards the maintenance and education of their orphans; (4) aid in the purchase of immediate or deferred annuities. The income for 1895 was 6,903*l.*, and 4,776*l.* was spent in relief under the above headings, raising the aggregate of the Society's grants since 1857 to 99,253*l.* There are now 41 males and 153 females receiving annuities of 20*l.* and 15*l.* respectively, and 56 orphans for whom home allowances of 13*l.* per annum are made.

Communications to be addressed to Mr. George W. Perry, 4 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster, S. W.

**NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING THE EDUCATION OF THE
POOR IN THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ESTABLISHED CHURCH.**

Brief Summary of Work, 1895.—The gross amount contributed by the Society towards the erection of training institutions and schools up to December 31, 1896, is 723,713*l.*, and 347,194*l.* towards the cost of maintaining training colleges. It should be borne in mind that, large as this sum undoubtedly is, it only represents a small portion of the actual outlay expended, as each grant from the Society is made on the condition that a proportionate amount of local contributions has, in each case, been raised.

Training Institutions.—During the past twenty-five years grants to the amount of 6,289*l.* have been voted towards the building and enlargement of Church Training Colleges, and 92,620*l.* have been paid towards the maintenance of students in these Training Colleges.

Religious Inspection of Schools.—The National Society has already voted grants to the amount of 15,369*l.* in aid of this work to twenty-seven Dioceses, in addition to an expenditure of 1,680*l.* in providing schedules for the use of Diocesan Inspectors. During the past twenty-five years a sum of 25,295*l.* has been paid for the inspection and examination of training colleges in religious subjects.

Central Depository.—As an additional help in furthering the work for which the Society was incorporated, the Committee about forty-two years ago established a Depository for the sale, at a reduced rate, to 'members of the Society,' school committees, and teachers, of the most approved school books, maps, slates, apparatus, &c. The sales, which in 1846 were about 3,000*l.*, have amounted during the past year to 51,483*l.*

Book Grants, &c.—Although the Society does not make grants towards the annual maintenance of schools, the Committee have nevertheless been able to assist, to a limited extent, in supplying suitable materials and apparatus for both day and night schools. Under the head of books, fittings, and repairs, the Committee have during the past twenty-two years made grants to the amount of 42,474*l.*

Grants to Sunday Schools.—The Society makes grants towards the building of Sunday Schools, provided that the trust deed allows the schools to be used at any future time for day-school purposes, and is in other respects satisfactory. Grants are also made, under certain conditions, for books, fittings, and repairs.

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SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DURING A PERIOD OF MORE THAN 83 YEARS—*i.e.* FROM ITS FORMATION IN OCTOBER 1811 TO DECEMBER 31, 1895.

	£	s.	d.
Building and Fitting-up Schoolrooms and Teachers' Residences	653,924	4	8
Building Metropolitan and Diocesan Training Institutions	69,789	2	2
Maintaining Metropolitan and Diocesan Training Institutions and Schools; also for Exhibitions in the Provinces	347,193	14	4
Inspection and Organising of Schools	52,756	7	3
Establishing and supporting Provincial Depositories	9,197	17	1
Grants for School Books and Apparatus	15,926	16	8
Conducting Inquiries as to the State of Church of England Schools	4,214	10	3
Temporary Grants to Poor Schools, Advice to School Managers, Diffusing General Information on Educational Subjects and other matters in connection with the Society	204,113	19	9
Total	£1,357,116	12	2

All communications respecting the Society's work should be addressed to the Secretary, the Rev. J. S. Brownrigg, National Society's Office, Sanctuary, Westminster, S.W. As a rule the Board meetings are held on the first and last Wednesday in the month.

THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

ABSTRACT OF WORK, 1895-96.

I. Money Grants: 1. For Church Purposes at Home.—At home the Society has continued to assist the cause of religious education by the maintenance of St. Katharine's Training College for School-mistresses, at Tottenham, which again has received the very highest commendation from both the Religious and Government Inspectors. Maintenance and other establishment expenses are defrayed by the Society. The total cost of founding the College has amounted to upwards of 40,000*l.* Many grants have been voted to build Sunday Schools and Mission Rooms, and funds provided towards the employment of Church History Lecturers.

The training of Lay Evangelists has been continued with much success at its Training Home at Stepney, for which 1,500*l.* were lately voted. The Society has lately taken the important step of deciding to erect permanent buildings for the College in place of those which have hitherto temporarily served for the purpose. It has also continued to help in the education of the children of the poor in the principles of the Church. Some grants in aid of religious education call for special remark. In co-operation with the London and Rochester Diocesan Boards of Education, the Society has provided for the religious instruction of pupil teachers in Board and other schools. Courses of lectures have been given at many centres. 100*l.* were given for a Canon Lecturer in the Diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, and considerable grants were voted for the enlargement of Training Colleges for school-mistresses in the Dioceses of Oxford, Peterborough, St. Albans, Durham, and Ripon. Last year the Society offered 180*l.* in exhibitions to London School Board pupil teachers, to enable them to enter Church training colleges. The Society gives prizes of 2*l.* to every pupil teacher on entering a Church training college who has taken a first-class in the Archbishop's theological examination, and in the past year 430*l.* were voted for this purpose. The work of lending lanterns to the parochial Clergy in populous places to aid the work of evangelisation of the masses, and spreading a knowledge of Church history, has been continued. In the past year 963 lectures were given in connection with this scheme.

Since 1869 the total sum granted for building and renting Sunday schools has exceeded 48,000*l.* 2,199*l.* was voted for the building and fitting of 22 mission rooms, and towards the rent of various buildings for Sunday-school purposes last year.

A grant of 60*l.* has been renewed towards the stipend of an Irish-speaking Clergyman in Berehaven, and another of 25*l.* for a similar purpose at Innisbegle.

The Society's Church Training College for Lay Workers in East London, accommodating 26 students, has been at work, and about 100 men have been trained during the last four years, and evening classes specially for Sunday-school teachers have been held.

2. Grants for Church Work Abroad.—In connection with the work of theological and general education the Society continues to give help towards the training of Missionary Clergy at various colleges in the Colonies. Pecuniary aid is also given to a number of S.P.G. theological colleges and girls' boarding schools. Last year grants, amounting to 8,140*l.*, were made for more than 145 churches and schools in all parts of the globe, two Bishoprics were helped, and 1,000*l.* were voted for the endowment of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, in Canada. Seventy-seven students were maintained in training for Holy Orders and lay mission work.

Industrial Training.—No fresh grant has been voted during the current year, but the Bishops of Sierra Leone and Grahamstown have both claimed the grants promised last year. At Freetown, Sierra Leone, the Technical School to which the Society promised 300*l.* has been successfully finished, and was opened by the Governor of the Colony on Jan. 25, who made a noticeable speech on the occasion, touching on the important bearing which industrial work must have on the future of the African race. The grant of 100*l.* towards the salary of the Director of this School has also been claimed. Good reports have also been received from *Keiskama Hoek* in the Diocese of Grahamstown, where a start has been made in training both native boys and girls under the new Teachers.

Canning's Fund, which helps towards the passages of Missionaries proceeding for the first time to their spheres of labour, has been largely drawn upon, and altogether 24 such missionaries received grants.

Medical Missions.—The Society helps in the erection and equipment of buildings, the maintenance of missions in their early days, the training of students, and the cost of the passage out of Medical Missionaries. It is at present assisting Medical Missions at Mahonoro in Madagascar, at St. Barnabas Mission, Pondoland; at Durban in Natal; at Dummagudem, Chaibasa, Poona, and Alambaukum in India; at Haifa in Palestine; at Peking in China; at Tokyo and Kobé in Japan; and at Metlakatla in British Columbia. Last year three fresh grants were made, all of which were renewals of help given in previous years. To the Medical Mission at Freetown, Sierra Leone, which the Society began to help in 1892, a further grant was given of 100*l.* a year for three years, and also 15*l.* towards the cost of the doctor's passage out. To Nazareth, Tinnevely, the Society voted 140*l.* a year for three years towards the cost of a native Christian Doctor. To Chemulpó in Corea, where Dr. Landis has done excellent work for the last three years, the Society promised 50*l.* a year for three more years.

Altogether the Society is at present pledged to the annual expenditure of more than 1400*l.* for the maintenance of Medical Missions. 24,450*l.* have been voted during the last nine years.

Foreign Translation.—This branch of the Society's work is fully dealt with on pp. 242-244.

Emigration.—By the Society's system of Port Chaplains and Long-Voyage Chaplains every emigrant can now be commended to the care of a Clergyman, who will give him the best counsel in his power.

II. Book Grants for Church Purposes.—The Society's operations as the Bible and Prayer Book Society of the Church, and as a Church Pure Literature and Tract Society, are, for the purpose of classification, divided into five sections—viz. (1) special cases, for which 571 separate grants have been voted during the year, amounting in value to 2,920*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.*; (2) public worship, comprising grants of Bibles, Prayer Books, and hymn books to churches, &c., for which 285 grants have been made, amounting to 819*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*; (3) schools, libraries, and distribution, for which 705 grants, of the total value of 2,359*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.*, have been made; (4) service books to new churches, &c., for which 63 grants, amounting in value to 172*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*, have been made; (5) trust funds, from which 122 grants, amounting to 467*l.* 13*s.* 7*d.*, have been made.

III. Publishing and Literary Business.—The Tract Committee have been busily occupied during the year 1895-6, as the following list of publications will show:—'The Bible in the Light of To-day,' by the Rev. Dr. Croslegh; 'Traces of Greek Philosophy and Roman Law in the New Testament,' by the Rev. Edward Hicks, D.D., D.C.L.; 'Sermons on the Pentateuch,' by the late Dean of Canterbury; 'Foundations of Sacred Study' (second series), by C. J. Ellicott, D.D., Lord Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol; 'Church Services and Service-books before the Reformation,' by Professor the Rev. Henry Barclay Swete, D.D. The series of the 'Fathers,' for English readers, has been

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enriched by a small monograph on St. Boniface, by the Rev. I. Gregory Smith. Of the additions to the Society's Church History Series during the year may be mentioned among others—'The Conversion of the Heptarohy,' by the Right Rev. G. F. Browne, Bishop of Stepney. This is a continuation of the series of monographs begun in 'The Christian Church in these Islands before Augustine.' 'Church History in Queen Victoria's Reign,' by the Rev. Montague Fowler. The following publications have been published for the Church Historical Society:—'Has the English Church preserved the Episcopal Succession?' 'What Changes were made at the English Reformation?' by Professor the Rev. Canon Mason, D.D.; 'What was the Position of the Pope in England in the Middle Ages?' by Professor the Rev. W. E. Collins, M.A.; 'On what are Modern Papal Claims Founded?' by the Right Rev. G. F. Browne, Bishop of Stepney; 'What is the Position of the Roman Catholic Body in England?' by the Rev. W. H. Frere, M.A.; 'What Objections have been made to English Orders?' by the Rev. F. E. Brightman; 'The Abolition of the Roman Jurisdiction,' by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Peterborough; 'The Continuity of the Holy Catholic Church in England,' by the Right Rev. G. F. Browne, Bishop of Stepney; 'The Bible in the Church,' by the Rev. R. L. Otley; 'The Teaching Power of the Church,' by Prof. the Rev. W. E. Collins, M.A.; 'The Voice of the Church and the Bishops,' by the Rev. R. B. Rackham; 'The Authority of General Councils,' by Prof. Collins; 'Roman Claims to Supremacy,' by the Rev. A. Robertson, D.D.; 'The Encyclical *Satis Cognitum*'; 'The Doctrine of Intention, with Special Reference to the Validity of Ordinations in the English Church'; a new edition of 'The Dictionary of the Church of England,' by Dr. Cutts; a new edition of 'A Handy Book of the Church of England,' by the same author. 'The Corán: Its Composition and Teaching, and the Testimony it bears to Holy Scripture,' by Sir William Muir, has also gone into another edition, and has been revised throughout by the author. 'Church Difficulties,' by the Rev. A. F. Warrington Ingram, consists of a series of Papers originally addressed to East London audiences. The biography of 'John Ellerton' will find, doubtless, a large number of sympathetic readers. 'The Principles and Practice of Teaching,' by the Rev. Edwin Hobson, will be a boon to many engaged in this work. 'The Life of Communion,' by the Rev. J. Brett, is a little book to put into the hands of Communicants. It is intensely spiritual, and is sure to be widely appreciated. 'The Bechuana of South Africa,' by Archdeacon Crisp, gives an interesting account of this South African people. Among miscellaneous publications during the year may be noted the following:—'A Bible Class,' by L. H. M. Soulsby, a thoughtful and valuable paper for teachers and taught alike; 'The Ethics of Home Life,' by Mary D. Hort; 'Doubt and Faith in God,' by the Rev. G. Sarson; 'Agnosticism,' by the Rev. I. Gregory Smith; 'Confirmation Resolves,' by the Right Rev. F. B. Wynne, Bishop of Aghadoc; 'Forty Days,' by the Rev. W. G. Mosse; 'The Missionary's Vocation,' by the Rev. Robert Lay Page; 'A First Book on Worship,' by Canon Garnier.

The General Literature Committee has added a considerable number of books during the year to the Society's list. First in importance is a new volume from the pen of Prof. Maspero, carrying the history of Egypt, Syria and the Empires of the Euphrates down to the ninth century before our era. It is entitled 'The Struggle of the Nations,' and gives us a picture of the strife among the chief peoples of the East for supremacy, during the centuries following the expulsion of the Shepherds from Egypt. Like the preceding volume, the work is largely illustrated, and contains several maps. The translation is by Mrs. McClure, and Prof. Sayce is the editor. The Library Edition of Mrs. Ewing's Works is now complete, and consists of eighteen volumes. Mothers who value healthy minds in their children ought to see that such literature is placed within their reach. 'The Romance of the Sea,' its Fictions, Facts and Folk-lore, by Frederick Whympier, deals with a subject which possesses a never-failing attraction for English readers. 'By Ocean, Prairie, and Peak,' by the Rev. A. C. Boddy, contains a bright and interesting account of travels along the Canadian-Pacific line of Railway. Among the Story-books published during the year the following may be mentioned:—Stories for boys: 'Jack at Sea,' by G. Manville Fenn, and 'Jack Beresford's Yarn,' by Harry Collingwood, are two stories of adventure of a healthy, manly type, by authors who thoroughly understand how to interest their young readers. 'His Level Best,' by F. B. Fortescue, 'World's Gain,' by Helen Shipton, and 'Peter the Peacemaker,' by 'E. A. T.,' are tales of widely varying character, likely to attract boys of all ages. For adults generally, and for school-prizes, the following tales will be found suitable: 'Matthew Parkyn,' by Mrs.

Henry Clarke, a story which brings us back to the time of the Chartists; 'A Little Lass and Lad,' by Sarah Tytler, whose name is a sufficient guarantee for the merits of her book; 'The Temptation of Ernest Ellerby,' by F. Lethbridge Farmer; 'An Ill-Matched Pair,' by Austin Clare, a well-known story of the north country; 'Ballinvalley,' by the Venerable Archdeacon Wynne, a tale of the Irish Rebellion; 'Miss Chilcott's Legacy,' by Miss L. Bedford, in which the hero is gradually reclaimed from dissipated courses. For the parochial library the following tales of middle and working-class life are particularly suitable: 'Poor Little Mother,' by Eleanor C. Price; 'A Thankful Heart,' by Lady Dunboyne; 'Behind the Bow Window,' by K. M. Fitzgerald; 'Whispering Tongues,' by Phoebe Allen; 'A Mystery at King's Grant,' by A. E. D.; 'A Colt from the Heather,' by Christabel R. Coleridge; 'Chilbury Folk,' by C. E. M.; 'The Fortunes of the Fairlies,' by Lucy Hardy; and 'Smith's Weakness,' by G. Manville Fenn. The Quiet Hour Series, which will include a number of dainty volumes by well-known writers, is initiated by Crona Temple, with 'About the Feathered Folk,' a series of studies of birds, and 'Kirsty's Prince,' a story of Holywood. Young children are provided for in 'Nursery Rhymes and Fables,' by W. J. Morgan, which is profusely illustrated in colours. 'Friendly Joey' is the title of a collection of short stories, by Mrs. Molesworth, also illustrated in colours. 'Punch, Judy, and Toby,' by Miss Bramston, appeals to a humbler class, while 'A Little Girl's Adventures,' 'The Little Joneses and Amantha Ann,' 'Possies' Joy Bells,' and 'A Please One-self Day,' are marvels of cheapness.

Bound books other than Bibles and Prayer-Books continue to maintain a wide circulation. In 1888 there were 5,253,769; in 1889, 5,841,161; in 1890, 6,044,670; in 1891, 6,041,585; in 1892, 6,378,871; in 1893, 6,276,214; in 1894, 6,857,307; in 1895, 7,935,529; and in 1896, 7,912,059.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretaries, Northumberland Avenue, Charing Cross, W.C. The Board Meetings are held the first Tuesday in every month.

RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY.

This Society was established in 1799, on the basis of united action on the part of Churchmen and Nonconformists in the production and circulation of Evangelical Literature. It was felt that, without any compromise or surrender of the distinctive principles of the body to which they might individually belong, they could heartily co-operate in diffusing literature inculcating and upholding those great Gospel truths on the importance of which all Protestant Evangelical Christians are agreed. So from the first the Committee of the Society has been composed of an equal number of Churchmen and Nonconformists. Both are represented on its Editorial and Secretarial staffs. One of its Honorary Secretaries is always a Clergyman of the Church of England, the other a Nonconformist minister.

The subscribers belong to many Churches—a very large proportion to the Church of England. Its grants are made without distinction to all who apply and make out a case for assistance.

The Foreign operations of the Society are also extensive through its corresponding Committees in India, China, Japan, &c., by help given to Missionaries all over the world. The Society does an important work in the publication of a Christian literature—the Missionaries of all Protestant Societies participate in the help thus given, and some of the best known and valued Missionaries of the Church of England serve on these Committees. The grant made by the Society in aid of colportage and in aid of the formation of circulating libraries, as well as those for the circulation of periodicals and tracts, are most thankfully acknowledged by Colonial Bishops and English Chaplains abroad.

The amount given in grants last year was 32,561*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.* The balance of this amount over and above the receipts from subscriptions, &c., was supplied from the trade receipts of the Society, which also pay all expenses of every kind.

All communications should be made to the Secretary, the Rev. Prebendary Lewis Borrett White, D.D., 56 Paternoster Row, London, E.C.

Popular Literature.

PURE LITERATURE SOCIETY.

THIS Society was established in 1854 upon non-sectarian principles, and has since been actively engaged in promoting the circulation of pure and interesting literature, and it has supplied books at half-price to 9,044 libraries for working men, schools, and other institutions, to the value of 72,780*l.*

More than 100 'Magazine Associations' are connected with the Society, and above 1000 parcels of selected periodicals are sent out monthly from the office.

Address: The Secretary, Mr. Richard Turner, 11 Buckingham Street, Adelphi, Strand, London, W.C.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND BOOK SOCIETY.

THIS Society aids the Poorer Clergy and Missionaries by making free grants of theological books to those whose incomes do not enable them to purchase such, and during the last year granted books to the value of 2,647*l.*

All communications should be addressed to the Honorary Secretary, Mr. John Shrimpton, 11 Adam Street, W.C.

POPULAR LITERATURE.

It is generally admitted that very much of the popular literature of our day is directly injurious in its influence upon the purity of social life, and tends unfairly to arouse the prejudice of men against all classes and institutions. A very practical work then lies before the Church in providing for the circulation of a literature of higher tone and character, yet sufficiently popular to attract the working classes. To this necessity the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge has especially turned its attention with many beneficial results. The Parochial Clergy also have very generally helped in popularising wholesome literature by the adoption and extended use of local libraries and magazines.

The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.—The success of the Society's 'Penny Literature,' of which millions of copies have been sold during the last four or five years, has induced the Committee to extend it by a series of reprints of English classics. As the aim of these penny books is to supplant the demoralising literature circulated here and there by cheap stationers throughout the country, and greedily devoured by boys, the reprint at a penny each of interesting standard tales cannot but further the object in view. Seven volumes of this new series were published in the autumn of 1894, and seven more in the autumn of 1896, and met with most extraordinary success. The Committee have thus been encouraged to continue the series, and the following five additional volumes have now been added, viz. :—'The King's Own,' by Captain Marryat; 'Nick of the Woods,' by R. M. Bird; 'The Little Savage,' by Captain Marryat; 'The Subaltern,' by J. R. Gleig; 'The Borderers,' by J. Fenimore Cooper. This series, which is in process of enlargement, is especially characterised by the careful choice of healthy material and the extreme handiness of the small volumes, which can be easily carried in the pocket.

Another 'Penny' series which has achieved great popularity is that of penny booklets, similar in size and appearance to the ordinary penny novelette, in each of which some important hygienic or scientific truth is clearly taught in narrative form. It is hoped that this series may induce many to take a further interest in the matters with which they deal.

Under the title 'The Romance of Science,' the Society is publishing a set of popular books which cannot but enlarge the views of general readers. The following have already been published: 'The Birth and Growth of Worlds,' by Professor Green, F.R.S.; 'Spinning Tops,' by Professor Perry; 'Soap Bubbles,' by Professor C. V. Boys, F.R.S.; 'Coal, and what we get from it,' by Professor Meldola; 'Colour, Measurement, and Mixture,' by Captain Abney; and 'The Making of Flowers,' by Professor Henslow. A new work on the Spectroscope is in hand.

Parochial Magazines.—By increasing the circulation of these serials much good has undoubtedly been done, in introducing popular and pure literature into the homes of the working classes. It is to Canon Erskine Clarke that the Church is chiefly indebted for the idea which has led to the introduction of a parochial magazine into so large a number of well-organised parishes. The publication ('The Parish Magazine') lately edited by himself is well known, and has a very large circulation; 'The Dawn of Day,' issued by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, has reached a monthly issue of about half a million copies. This magazine is now issued in two forms, quarto and octavo, the first containing 24, the second 32 pages: it is by far the cheapest of parochial magazines. In the issue for 1896 is a serial story by C.E.M., author of 'Adam Gorlake's Will.' Dr. Maclear, Professor Swete, Miss C. J. Wood, Miss May Cochrane, Helen Shipton, Austin Clare, Miss Marshall, Mrs. Clarke, Christian Burke, and others contribute articles on Church Doctrine and History, Temperance, &c. Among other parochial magazines doing a good work we should mention the following: 'The Gospeller,' 'Things New and Old,' 'The Evangelist,' 'The Banner of Faith,' and 'The Church Monthly.' There are also 'Home Words' and 'The Day of Days.'

SECTION II.—SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

THAT the Church is zealously working for the increased usefulness of Sunday Schools is evident from the following review of the organised efforts made in this direction. The necessity for this agency is more than ever enforced by the prevailing agitation to eliminate religious instruction from the elementary schools. The measure of the power which the Sunday-school system may exert to supply this lack will depend largely upon the spiritual and intellectual qualifications of those who devote themselves in this way to the instruction of the young. That this aim is being kept carefully in view is evident from the following records, illustrating the steps that are being taken to promote the growth of a higher standard of devotional life and sense of responsibility among Sunday School Teachers, and to multiply opportunities for their advancement in knowledge.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

THIS Society was established in the year 1843. During the fifty-three years of its existence it has made steady progress, accompanied by exceptional expansion in the years immediately following the passing of the Education Act of 1870, and the commemoration of the centenary of Sunday Schools in 1880.

In commemoration of its Jubilee, the Institute has raised a fund to assist in the extension of its existing operations and the inauguration of new work, the latter including the formation of Central Training Classes for the purpose of instructing Sunday School Teachers in the art of teaching, the founding of a Home of Rest for Sunday School Teachers, and the establishing of a fund for assisting the Clergy of poor parishes to hire Board Schools for Sunday School purposes.

Publications.—An important part of the Institute's work consists in supplying suitable Manuals on Sunday School management and teaching. Notes of Lessons, covering the whole Bible and Prayer Book, and other publications for the use of Sunday School Teachers, a Sunday School Hymn Book, services of song and other musical publications, registers, and other Sunday School material, are issued; and the Institute also publishes three monthly Magazines, namely, the 'Church Sunday School Magazine,' for

the Clergy and Teachers; the 'Church Worker,' for Teachers and other Church Workers; and the 'Boys' and Girls' Companion,' for children. During the year the 'Church Sunday School Magazine' has completed its thirty-second volume, and has been enlarged and improved.

Teaching of Teachers.—Another mode in which the Institute carries on its operations is by sending qualified persons into all parts of the country, for the purpose of instructing teachers. They give Lectures and Training Lessons, and afford information on matters connected with Sunday School work. During the year 282 visits have been made by the Institute's Deputation staff. Eleven associations have been added to the list of those which are in union with the Institute; the total number of associations in union is now 396. Of these, 39 are in London, 338 in other parts of the United Kingdom, and 19 in India and the Colonies. During the past year courses of lectures on the 'Art of Teaching' have been given by experts in London, and also in the large towns.

Teachers' Examination.—During the past 25 years examinations of teachers have been arranged, and from 600 to 1000 teachers from all parts of the country have entered annually for the examinations. Local centres, under the management of the Clergy, have been formed in all the principal towns. The result of the Institute's Examination held in April last, conveys some idea of the influence exercised by the Scheme. The total entries amounted to 625. Grouping the candidates into Dioceses, we find that London heads the list with 121, Worcester comes next with 57, Liverpool 51, Rochester 44, Canterbury 40, Ripon 40, Durham 33, Norwich 29, St. Albans 28, Wakefield 22, Chester 21, Gloucester and Bristol 20, Carlisle 18, York 15, Peterboro' 12, Salisbury 12, Bath and Wells 10, Oxford 10, Fredericton (Canada) 8, Sodor and Man 7, Winchester 6, Lincoln 5, and smaller numbers from other dioceses. New centres have been formed at Chard, Chapel Allerton, Godmanchester, Grantham, Macclesfield, Matlock, New Seaham, Stroud, and Sevenoaks. As might be expected, the largest number of candidates have been received from centres where Preparation Classes were held. Of the total number of Teachers entered for the Examination, 548 were examined, of whom 516 passed, and have been awarded prizes or certificates.

Free Grants.—Free grants of Sunday School books and material have been made to Church Sunday Schools in several districts throughout the country, and abroad. Grants have also been made to assist the Clergy to hire Board Schools, when such are required for the provision of new accommodation for Sunday Schools.

Bible Reading Union for Young Churchmen.—This Union, for encouraging amongst the young the systematic daily reading of the Scriptures, now has upwards of 55,000 members, and is largely localised throughout the country. Sympathy with this movement has been shown in several of the Colonies, where branches of the Union have been formed.

Church Teachers' Union for Prayer and Bible Study.—This Union has been formed to encourage those engaged in Sunday School teaching, to unite in the systematic study of Holy Scripture and in private prayer for one another and for their children. A *Quarterly Paper*, containing subjects for Prayer and a Scheme of Bible Study, is issued to members.

The Biblical Museum.—This valuable collection of Oriental objects and models illustrating the Bible has been open ten years, and its development, both as regards the objects exhibited and its usefulness to teachers, has far exceeded the expectations of the Committee.

Finance.—The subscriptions to the General Fund amount to 1,656*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* The total expenses of the General Fund amount to 2,181*l.* 9*s.* 7*d.* The sum of 13*l.* 3*s.* 11*d.* has also been received during the year for the Special Fund, and 7*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* for the Museum Fund. The receipts from the Trade Department amount to 10,434*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* The total gross receipts for the year, from all sources, amount to 12,111*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Mr. John Palmer, 13 Serjeants' Inn, Fleet Street, London, E.C. The Board meets on the first Tuesday in each month.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANISATIONS,
DIOCESAN OR OTHERWISE.

Canterbury.

The Canterbury Diocesan Sunday School Teachers' Association has been formed for the purpose of undertaking any work likely to improve and strengthen the Sunday Schools in the Diocese. The Council is composed of (1) *Ex-officio Members*. His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Dean of Canterbury, and the Archdeacons of Canterbury and Maidstone. (2) *Elected Members*. One elected by each Deanery. The Rev. Canon Holland is the Chairman of the Council. The Association sends annually to every parish (1) A Syllabus of Lessons for Sunday Schools. (2) A list of books suitable for Sunday School purposes. (3) Annual Report. It undertakes to examine Sunday School Teachers who desire to obtain the Archbishop's certificate, and to deliver addresses to meetings of the local associations of Sunday School Teachers. It holds annually one or more conferences of Sunday School Teachers.

On Monday, June 23, 1896, a Conference was held at Canterbury, the Dean of Canterbury presiding. The subject discussed was: 'How to increase the interest of Teachers and Scholars in Sunday Schools.' The Dean of Canterbury preached the sermon at the service held on the same day. 1424 tickets were applied for.

The Diocese is now covered with local associations which hold frequent meetings for teachers, at which model lessons and addresses on Sunday School work are given. There are also special services and devotional meetings for teachers.

There are now the following twenty-one Local Associations in the Diocese: Canterbury, Croydon, East Dartford, West Dartford, Dover, Elham, Maidstone, North Malling, South Malling, Ospringe, Tonbridge, Sandwich, East Bridge, Ashford, Westbere, West Charing, Shoreham, North Lympne, South Lympne, Sittingbourne, and West Bridge. In every Deanery in the Diocese there is now an association.

A Conference was held on October 26, 1896, at Canterbury. The subjects discussed were: (1) The Method of St. Sulpice. (2) Children's Services. (3) Teachers' Instruction Classes.

An examination of Sunday School Teachers for the Archbishop's Certificate is held annually on the second Thursday in November.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Rev. Canon Nisbet, The Rectory, Ringwood, Dover.

York.

No Diocesan or Archidiaconal organisation exists. In several parts of the Diocese associations have been formed in connection with the Church of England Sunday School Institute, and meetings are held once a year or oftener to discuss papers or hear model lessons.

Hull Association.—This Association has been accomplishing a useful work during the 26 years of its existence. Recent reports from schools in union, as far as it has been possible to tabulate them, show that there are 19 schools, with 433 teachers and 6,204 scholars, and an average attendance of 301 teachers and 4,675 scholars respectively.

Information may be obtained from Mr. B. Brooks, 59 Lister Street, Hull.

In the City of York there is an organisation called the York Incorporated (Church of England) Sunday School Committee. It was instituted in 1786. There are 7 schools belonging to the Committee, containing 964 pupils, 97 of them being above fourteen years of age, with an average attendance of scholars of 35½ per cent. in the morning, and 75½ per cent. in the afternoon; taught by 87 voluntary teachers, 28 of whom attend the whole day.

Information may be obtained from Mr. John Howard, Cumberland House, York.

Carlisle.

The Committee appointed by the Diocesan Conference, and referred to in the YEAR-BOOK for 1884, has been successful in forming Sunday School Associations in several Deaneries.

The Committee also founded last year a Band of Hope Union for the Diocese with a view to increasing the efficiency of the instruction given to the young in Temperance. They have issued a syllabus, and propose to hold an examination from time to time, prizes being offered to the best candidates and a banner for the best Band of Hope.

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Model lessons and addresses to teachers are frequently given by the Ruridecanal Associations. The Committee is willing to arrange for giving model lessons, &c., if asked to do so. The Committee issues annually a syllabus of lessons, the sale of which last year was about 3,000 copies. The work is carried on as before.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. G. Crewdson, St. Mary's Vicarage, Windermere.

Chester.

A Diocesan Sunday School Association has been formed under the presidency of the Bishop, with the general design of aiding Sunday School work in its several branches throughout the Diocese. The progress already made has given encouragement to hope for greater results in the future. There are at present 12 affiliated associations, embracing over 127 separate schools. The Committee has issued a syllabus and notes of lessons, which have proved generally acceptable. In 1896 the Annual Service and Conference was held at Rock Ferry, Birkenhead. An increased use of the Syllabus and Notes of Lessons has marked each year.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. J. Grant Bird, Christ Church Parsonage, Stalybridge.

Chichester.

A Committee has been appointed to further the efficiency of the Sunday School system, and submits its report from time to time to the Diocesan Conference. A Diocesan system of examination for the senior classes in Sunday Schools has been provisionally accepted by the Bishop's Council on Education, somewhat on the lines of the Sunday School Institute.

The Committee in its recent report submitted to the Diocesan Conference recommend the importance and encouragement of 'well-organised Sunday School Teachers' Associations, the retention under religious instruction of the elder children in our parishes, the formation of classes for the religious instruction of the middle and upper ranks of society, and beg to append the following resolution to our report: "That the formation of Sunday School Teachers' Association throughout the Diocese is highly desirable."

Information may be obtained from Rev. Prebendary Masters, Slinfold Rectory, Horsham.

Ely.

Diocesan Sunday School Council.—The report for 1895 records various meetings of teachers in the different Deaneries, prominent among which were the combined Services and Conferences in the Deaneries of March and Wisbech in the Isle of Ely: and it is specially noted, as a matter for satisfaction, how much more generally these useful gatherings are being held, and that the teachers themselves are beginning to take an active and prominent part in them.

Sixty-one 'Diocesan Teachers' were enrolled during the past year, bringing up the total number of teachers who have received certificates to 828.

The Sixth Triennial Festival of Clergy and Sunday School Teachers was held in the Cathedral on July 14, and more than usual interest was taken in the proceedings, owing to the fact that Mr. Spencer Jones was announced to speak on the Dupanloup System of Catechising. Between 600 and 700 teachers were present, and Mr. Jones' clear and animated account of the system made an excellent 'impression' on both teachers and Clergy. The Bishop's subsequently expressed hope 'that the Dupanloup System would become widely used in the Diocese' is already being realised. The other subject at the Conference was 'The Responsibilities of Parents with regard to Sunday Schools.' An eloquent sermon by the Dean of Ely concluded the Festival.

Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. E. T. Marshall, Sutton Vicarage, Isle of Ely.

Exeter.

The Diocesan Council of Religious Education emanates from the Diocesan Conference, and is its executive for educational purposes. It elects the Diocesan Inspectors, and raises a sum of some 1,000*l.* annually for educational purposes.

It is divided into committees on Elementary Education, Sunday Schools, Middle and Upper Schools, and Higher Religious Education (Church Reading Society), for dealing with different branches of the educational work of the Diocese. It has lately raised an

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additional special three years' fund of 500*l.* per annum for the support of an Organising Visitor and the relief of poor schools; and it has now raised a Central Diocesan Fund to supply the place of the three years' special fund.

Paid Diocesan Inspectors, Rev. J. F. Powning, Exeter, and Mr. G. S. Bicknell; and six voluntary Clerical Inspectors.

Organising Visitor, Mr. G. S. Bicknell, Exeter.

Schemes of Diocesan and Local Confederation of Church Schools are in operation in connection with this committee.

The Associations in connection with the Diocesan Sunday School Association continue doing their work steadily. Letters of recognition to teachers are now issued by the Bishop, tenable after a period of five years' service; a diocesan system of examination for elder scholars and for teachers has also been commenced.

A Diocesan Association for maintaining the Religious Education of boys and girls of the middle and upper classes has been formed.

Further direction and encouragement are given to Sunday School work by the adoption of a Syllabus of Lessons, and by the use of forms of certificate and letters of recognition for teachers.

Information may be obtained from Ven. Archdeacon Sandford, The Close, Exeter.

Gloucester and Bristol.

A Diocesan organisation (in connection with the Diocesan Mission) was instituted four years ago, consisting of a Central Council, with representatives from the Associations existing in the various Rural Deaneries of the Diocese, who meet for an annual conference under the presidency of the Bishop; a special feature being that each local secretary reports to the Bishop in person the work of his Association during the year—great care is also taken in the selection of reliable literature in connection with Sunday School work. Each Association arranges its own local meetings, and works on whatever lines it thinks best, but the Diocesan Missioners are ready to help whenever called upon to do so. Good and substantial work has been done.

The Second Triennial Festival of Church Workers for the two Archdeaconries of Gloucester and Cirencester was held in the year 1895 in Gloucester, under this organisation. A large number attended the Festival Services in the Cathedral and the Conference in the Shirehall, under the presidency of the Bishop.

Gen. Sec., Rev. G. C. Keble, B.A., Vicar of St. Catharine, Gloucester; and Hon. Assistant Diocesan Missioner.

Lichfield.

Diocesan Sunday School Council.—This Council is continuing its work in accordance with the scheme which has been arranged, and which has been in operation for the last nine years.

To teachers not less than 25 years of age, already at work in Sunday Schools, specially recommended by their Clergy as having done efficient service to the Church for at least five years, letters of recognition have been presented by the Bishop. During the past nine years over 1000 such letters have been issued.

Examinations have been held for the past ten years. First, for teachers who had done good work for two years, and were recommended by their Clergyman. Secondly, for young persons, not under 14 years of age, who are prepared to enter on a three years' course of study, and to be examined at the end of each year.

The Council recommend that in each Rural Deanery, or in two or more Rural Deaneries combined, a Sunday School Teachers' Union or Association should be kept actively at work.

The members of such Union should meet, at least once a year, for the express object of deepening their spiritual life.

The examination of Sunday Scholars has been held for the past nine years on the second Sunday in Advent. The Bishop gives special prizes to the first child in each division, and other prizes are given to the children who are placed in the first class.

In Salop there is a Union of Teachers with a general Festival meeting held once a year at various centres, and local meetings held in most of the towns. This year (1896) one teacher has presented himself for examination from this part of the Diocese, but about 300 senior and 500 junior Sunday scholars entered, being the selected scholars from the schools in the Archdeaconry.

Address: (for Staffordshire) Rev. E. B. Charlton, King's Bromley, Lichfield; (for Shropshire) Rev. S. Hobson, Uppington Vicarage, Wellington, Salop.

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Liverpool.

The Committee of the Liverpool Diocesan Sunday School Institute make the following Report:

The Committee have decided for the next two years not to collect the statistics. Last year's figures give 309 schools, 6,841 teachers, and 108,133 scholars.

Children's Services show 112 services in existence, which are attended by a total average of about 12,400 children and 690 helpers. These services are mostly held in Liverpool and immediate neighbourhood.

The Second Diocesan Teachers' Examination.—In October last year, at two centres, Liverpool and Warrington, out of 16 candidates 15 presented themselves for examination; 5 obtained first-class, 2 second-class, and 3 third-class in the Elementary Stage: 1 second class and 1 third class in the Advanced Division.

Teachers' Examination by the London Institute.—The 19th Annual Examination was held at this centre last April, when 47 candidates presented themselves. The results were highly satisfactory. All the candidates passed, and all but 7 gained honours or first-class certificates.

The 20th Annual Examination of the Scholars in Sunday Schools connected with the Institute was held on the evening of Monday, December 2, 1895, at 11 centres. There were 429 entries, and 340 presented themselves; 143 seniors, whose ages range from 15 to 20 years, and 286 juniors, ages ranging from 12 to 15 years. Candidates entered from 24 schools. There were 69 absentees, i. e. 33 seniors and 56 juniors.

During the past year additions have been made to the Institute's Library, which now numbers 1,200 volumes. A Lending Library has been formed, and the Reading Room and Library (B Commerce Court, 11 Lord Street) have been well used by Clergy and Sunday School Teachers, besides Committees of various Church Associations.

October 18 and 19 were selected by the London Institute for the United Intercession Days, 1896.

A Service of *United Intercession* on behalf of Sunday Schools, held by kind permission of the Ven. Archdeacon Madden in St. Luke's Church, on October 20, was attended by a large congregation. The preacher was the Rev. Canon Eyre, Vicar of Sheffield.

A combined Calendar, containing the programmes of the Associations and the united gatherings of the teachers of the Diocese, has again been printed, with the view to encouraging co-operation and a feeling of unity between the Associations in connection with the Institute, having proved of great service in past years. A syllabus of lessons, based on the London Institute courses, has been again published.

The Vice-President, who is Chairman of the Committee, is the Right Rev. Bishop Royston, D.D.

Mr. F. Gregory Jones, Earlscroft, Waterford Road, Oxton, Cheshire, acts as Hon. Secretary, from whom further information may be obtained.

Llandaff.

No organisation, Diocesan or Archidiaconal, exists.

Examinations for teachers are conducted at certain centres by the Church of England Sunday School Institute.

Sunday Schools (in parishes where there are no Church Day Schools) are examined in religious knowledge by the Diocesan Inspector.

Several Sunday Schools (in Board School Districts) have notified their willingness to be inspected—and five such schools are now under inspection, with very satisfactory results. In some parishes the bilingual difficulty is felt to stand in the way. The Diocesan Inspector has drawn up a Syllabus, approved by the Bishop, for the guidance of such schools, and the Bishop has offered prizes for proficiency in Catechism and Prayer-Book knowledge.

There are within the Diocese several *local* Sunday School Unions, formed to promote and give definiteness to Sunday School work.

Information concerning the examination of Sunday scholars in Board School districts may be obtained from the Rev. A. J. H. Russell, St. John's Villa, Penarth, Cardiff.

Manchester.

The examination of Sunday Scholars and Teachers forms a department of the Diocesan Board of Education.

During the year three examinations are conducted by the Board:

1. Examination of Teachers. The subjects for this examination are arranged in four groups: Group (A) Church Catechism and Confirmation Service. (B) The Services for

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orning and Evening Prayer and the Holy Communion. (The examination will be adequately prepared for by reading such part of the text books of Canon Evan Daniel, Bishop Barry, the S.P.C.K., or such others as bear on the explanation and order of these services.) (C) General Knowledge of Historical parts of the Old Testament. (To include a knowledge of the history contained in the first Lessons for Sundays from Septuagesima to XXII. after Trinity inclusive.) (D) General Knowledge of Historical parts of the New Testament. (To include an Elementary Knowledge of the substance of the Four Gospels and of the Acts of the Apostles i.-viii.) As a result of this examination, the Bishop of the Diocese grants to successful candidates a certificate of qualification to teach in Sunday Schools.

2. Examination of Teachers and Scholars in Special Subject. The subject selected is at chosen for study by the Church Reading Branch of the Lay Helpers' Association. For the year 1897 the subject for this Examination is: 'How we got the Bible,' by Dr. J. Atterton Smith; or, 'English Church History prior to the Norman Conquest,' from the same's *Notes on English Church History*, pp. 1—137, at the option of the candidate. Certificates are issued specifying the class obtained, and prizes given to those candidates placed in the first class.

3. Examination for Sunday School Scholars. Candidates must have been in regular attendance at the Sunday School during the four months previous to the examination. The subjects for examination are sixteen selected lessons taken out of the Diocesan Syllabus, published by the Board of Education. The candidates are arranged to three groups, according to age. Certificates and prizes are given to successful candidates. The examination for teachers is held in March, the special-subject examination in April, and the scholars' examination in November.

The Board of Education have prepared and issued a cycle of lessons for Sunday Schools for five years. A book of Notes of Lessons on the year's syllabus has been published, of which upwards of 3,000 volumes were sold.

There are several Sunday School Associations in the Diocese.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. John F. W. Drury, General Secretary, Diocesan Chambers, 51 South King Street, Manchester.

Ipwich.

A Committee of the Diocesan Board of Education was formed in October 1890, for the encouragement of Sunday Schools and promotion of their efficiency. The Committee consists of certain appointed members and two representatives from each Sunday School Association in the Diocese.

A Diocesan Syllabus of Sunday School Lessons is issued annually. A very successful Festival of Sunday School Teachers was held on June 27, 1895, when the Bishop of Bedford preached in the Cathedral.

Apply to Hon. Sec., Rev. R. H. Cautley, M.A., Westerfield Rectory, Ipswich.

Reading.

A Sunday School Association was formed in 1879 in Chipping Norton Rural Deanery. President—Rev. W. E. D. Carter, M.A., R.D. Secretary—Rev. T. W. Lee, M.A., Leafeld vicarage. There are similar associations in the Rural Deaneries of Maidenhead—Secretary, Mr. B. Hobbs; Banbury—Secretary, Rev. J. F. Warren; and the Thame and Watlington Association—Secretary, Rev. A. Bros. There are also annual gatherings of Sunday School Teachers in the Rural Deaneries of Reading, Newbury, and Sonning.

Assistance is also given to Sunday School work in this Diocese in connection with the scheme for Higher Education in Religious Knowledge, which provides for the definite instruction of intelligent members of Church families by courses of lectures and in other ways.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. Canon Brown, Laggan House, Maidenhead.

Stratford.

Northampton Ruridecanal Sunday School Association.—This Association has held several meetings during the year just past, concluding with a festival. Lectures and oral lessons were given by various Clergymen and laymen in different parishes of the Deanery.

Leicester Ruridecanal Sunday School Association.—The Association was formed towards the close of the year 1879, and now includes almost all the parishes in the Rural Deanery.

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There are each year meetings of its General and Working Committees, every spring there is a special service in one of the parish churches, every autumn there is a conversation held in one of the public halls of the town. Four times in the winter lectures bearing upon Sunday School work or model lessons are given, and this year there has been arranged, in place of one of these four lectures, a Quiet Evening in one of the churches—a Quiet Evening such as may deepen the lives of the members of the Association, and so strengthen their work.

There are several Buridecanal Associations actively working in the Diocese. The Rev. Canon Sanders, St. Martin's, is Secretary for Leicester.

St. Albans.

Archdeaconries of Essex and Colchester.—Forty children were presented for examination in five groups according to age. In each group prizes were awarded to two children. The Bishop kindly gave a prize of a Bible to the Sunday School Teacher who best passed the examination.

There were Festival Services at Mistley and Feering.

Apply to Rev. W. J. Packe, Feering Vicarage, Kelvedon.

Archdeaconry of St. Albans.—In this Archdeaconry Devotional Services were held during the Lenten season at the following centres: St. Albans, Hertingfordbury, Royston, Barnet, Hatfield, Ware; the attendance of Sunday School Teachers and Clergy was most encouraging. Several Buridecanal Associations have been organised, and during the past year held their yearly festival service and conference.

Apply to Rev. F. Burnside, Rector of Hertingfordbury, Hertford.

St. Davids.

A scheme for the Association of Sunday Schools throughout the Diocese has been issued by the Diocesan Board of Education, and a syllabus of Sunday School Lessons is published every year, in English and in Welsh.

Both the scheme and syllabus are adopted in many parts of the Diocese, but as yet neither are used generally.

In several Rural Deaconries, Festivals, or gatherings of Sunday Schools, have been held during the past year with very encouraging results.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. D. E. Williams, Llawhaden Vicarage, Narberth.

Salisbury.

In 1878 the Diocesan Board of Education appointed a permanent Sub-Committee to promote the efficiency of Sunday Schools.

A special examination of voluntary Sunday School Teachers was held for the first time in November 1884, and has been continued annually. The quality of the work has been very satisfactory. In 1895 a Diocesan Secretary was appointed, and also a Secretary for each of the Archdeaconries.

There are several local associations of teachers. Cards have been issued, signed by the Bishop and the parochial Clergymen, to teachers duly qualified.

The Annual Diocesan Congress of Sunday School Teachers was not held in 1895.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. Canon Hart-Dyke, Lullington, Wimborne.

Southwell.

Nottingham Church of England Sunday School Association.—This has been in existence for some years, and has done much good work. It consists of a Committee, elected annually by every Church Sunday School in the borough. Each school elects three representatives—one Clergyman, one superintendent, and one teacher. This Committee meets quarterly for the transaction of business. The various branches of Sunday School work are managed in their details by three sub-committees—a General Purposes Committee, a Statistical Committee, and a Children's Service Committee; the latter keep a list of laymen who are always ready to give addresses in schoolroom services, and who keep up the services in several parishes. Local conferences and teachers' meetings for the reading of papers and discussions and model lessons are given in various centres each winter. A special illuminated certificate is given to each child who has been present on every occasion for fifty Sundays during the year, in time for opening prayers, and a

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bronze medal to those gaining this certificate three years in succession, and a silver medal to those who do so for five years. The whole town has been divided into districts grouped round some church in that district, and quarterly devotional services or conferences have been held in some centres, and occasional ones in others. An Annual Service with special sermon for teachers is held in some central church. There are special celebrations of the Holy Communion at all the churches on the Day of Intercession for Sunday Schools, and a Prayer Meeting on the Sunday afternoon, at which a devotional address is given, and some 300 teachers attend.

Ruridecanal Associations also exist in the Bulwell, Gedling, and Mansfield Rural Deaneries, and in the Derwent Valley, Newark, and Newbold districts. Annual conferences and services are held in these districts in some central place and well attended.

A very large *Soirée* was held at the Castle, at which 2,000 Sunday School Teachers were present. The Bishop gave an earnest address. A new and beautiful illuminated certificate has been brought out, and is the property of the Nottingham Association. It contains symbolical devices and pictures illustrating our Christian Faith.

Communications should be made to Rev. T. B. B. Ferris, St. Matthew's Vic., Nottingham, or to Mr. A. Stillman, 21 Barkland Avenue, Nottingham, Hon. Lay Sec.

Truro.

The Diocesan Committee is entrusted with the general superintendence of all Church Sunday School work in the Diocese. It consists of a Clergyman and a layman elected by each of the Decanal Conferences, with other members added by the Diocesan Conference.

A syllabus of lessons is drawn up annually. Parochial Church History Reading Classes are formed under the superintendence of the Diocesan Sunday School Committee, which are open to all Church-workers and others, and an Annual Examination (*advanced and elementary*) is held and Prizes are awarded.

The Diocesan Committee is also empowered to meet in 12 ruridecanal sections, each section comprising the resident members of the Diocesan Committee, and other members added by the Decanal Conference.

Meetings of Sunday School teachers from one or more Deaneries have been held this year at various centres. At these meetings model lessons have usually been given, or papers have been read, or the meetings have been conducted as Quiet Afternoons for the Teachers.

The total number of children on the books of Sunday Schools in the Diocese returns made to the 'Diocesan Kalendar, 1895,' is computed at 19,811.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. Canon Bone, St. Newlyn Vicarage, Grampound Road, Cornwall.

Worcester.

The Diocesan Church Education Society provides a 'Prize Scheme' Examination for those who are not day scholars, and who have been present at not less than two-thirds of the Sundays during the previous twelve months.

The Diocesan Inspectors inspect Sunday Schools when desired.

There is an Annual Festival of Sunday School Teachers for the Archdeaconry of Worcester. The Conference was held on Tuesday, August 18, 1896, at Stratford-on-Avon, when about 100 Clergy and Teachers attended from twenty parishes in the Archdeaconry. At twelve o'clock a meeting was held at which the special subject for discussion was 'The Discipline of the Sunday School.' The afternoon was devoted to the sights of Stratford; after tea at the Vicarage, there was Evensong in the Parish Church, when a short address was given by the Vicar.

In order to provide for the encouragement and improvement of Sunday Schools the Board of Education, when desired by the parochial Clergy, provide lecturers to give lessons and addresses to teachers at certain selected centres in the several Rural Deaneries.

The object of such lectures is to encourage and help Sunday School teachers in the method and matter of their work, especially with a view to the systematic teaching of the Catechism, and the rest of the Book of Common Prayer, as well as of the Holy Scriptures.

It is much to be regretted that the voluntary examination of Sunday School Teachers has come to an end owing to lack of candidates.

These suggestions are framed to meet a widespread desire that teachers should continue, with increasing definiteness, to prepare the children in the school-room and elsewhere for catechetical instruction.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. Canon Houghton, Blockley Vicarage, Worcestershire, Hon. Secretary.

SECTION III.—HIGHER EDUCATION IN RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE.

THIS movement has assumed its present position from a conviction that the education of the upper and middle classes in Church principles is of equal importance to that of children in our Elementary Schools. The subject was fully considered by a Committee of the House of Laymen, which recommended that the Parochial Clergy should be urged to recognise the necessity for this provision, and to encourage the formation of societies for Church reading and similar objects. It was in the Diocese of Oxford that this movement practically originated. A Central Society has now been formed, and from its report we learn that many Diocesan Associations have been organised. In several of these Dioceses courses of Lectures have been provided upon Holy Scripture, Church History, Christian Evidences, and the Prayer Book.

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Canterbury.

Diocesan Church Reading Society, formed in 1886 to assist those who might be disposed to follow a plan of definite reading in a course of systematic study of Holy Scripture, the Book of Common Prayer, and Church History. The Society has now 1,015 members, and is represented officially at 16 centres in the Diocese. During last year 182 lectures were delivered in 16 centres, and were attended by 6,222 persons. For the examinations 36 passes were obtained by candidates, and the examiners reported most favourably upon the results. Arrangements have been made for 'Village Lectures' in two districts. The experiment of establishing Centres in Villages with a small population has been tried successfully in three places. Five Upper Grade Schools have been examined in Religious Knowledge under the 'Higher Religious Education Committee' of the Diocesan Board of Education. Much practical good has also been done by the establishment of Local Libraries.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. J. H. Carr, The Rectory, Adisham, Dover.

London.

The London Diocesan Church Reading Union, formed in 1890, and worked by a Committee nominated by the Bishop of London, with the object of cultivating a definite and systematic study of Holy Scripture, the Prayer Book, Church History, Christian Evidences, and Christian Literature bearing on moral and social questions, now numbers over 2,200 members. There are 68 branches. Throughout the past year lectures have been delivered in various parts of the Diocese, which have been well attended. The sixth examination was held in Lent 1896. The number of examinees showed a large increase, and candidates were presented from 25 branches. In these and in other ways the Union is making steady progress. Lectures were delivered in 1895 in 47 branches. The total number of members returned in 1895 was 2,238. Occasional papers were issued in 1895 on the Epistle to the Ephesians, the Collects, the Sixth and Seventh Centuries, the Book of Jeremiah, and 'Christian Evidences.' In the course of 1896 lectures have been delivered as heretofore, but the record will not be made up till December 31. In 1896 occasional papers have been issued on the Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Centuries, the Eucharist, and 1 Kings.

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ous of Religious Instruction for Schools and Families, issued by a Sub- of the Reading Union, has been published by the S.P.C.K. Short n this syllabus will shortly be issued by the Bishop of Stepney, Bishop hdeacon Cheetham, Canon Maclear, and Revs. A. J. Carlyle, E. Hobson, urloch Johnston.

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it published report states that 129 candidates presented themselves for n in one or more subjects, namely, 33 in Old Testament, 77 in New . 26 in Church History, and 19 in the Prayer Book. Of the above candi- ceived the highest class of certificates in one or more subjects.

of lectures were delivered at 34 centres in the Diocese. The number is now 30, with about 2000 members. Since the formation of the years ago, some 350 courses of lectures have been given, and libraries ll centres.

erest fluctuates locally, and is mainly confined to women. The standard k is good. The position of the Society during the year has been main-

ation may be obtained from the Rev. F. T. Madge, Clevedon, Winchester.

Wells.

esian Society was established in 1889 to promote the study of Holy Church History, and Christian Evidences, by providing lectures at given recommending books for study, and by holding periodical examinations. herance of this work lectures have been delivered at fifteen centres, ds of 900 members have been enrolled. Courses of lectures have been ath, Clevedon, Taunton, Wells, Glastonbury, Weston, Bridgwater, Chard, Wincanton, Burnham, Barton, Flax Bourton, Castle Cary, Langport, Port, and Wellington. Upwards of 100 candidates in the last year themselves for examination. The last Session of the Society concluded with essful gathering of about 300 members, at Wells, on the invitation of the the Lord Bishop. On July 2nd, after Evensong in the Cathedral, an s given by the Dean of Wells in the Chapter House. The Bishop and Mrs. indly received all to tea at the Palace. The Palace grounds were opened, istory and architecture of the Cathedral were explained to those who hrough the evening.

ications should be addressed to Canon Church, The Liberty, Wells.

oal to form a Society for promoting the study of the Bible, the Book of rayer, and Church History, was made at the Diocesan Conference in 1890, ociety was constituted early in 1891, under the name of *The Chichester ociety for Promoting Religious Study*. The management of the Society is n executive committee of 14 Clergymen and 7 laymen, with two secretaries ch Archdeaconry), an editorial and organising secretary (the Rev. Dr. s, Chichester), and a librarian and treasurer. The Bishop is president. The lists of reading members and honorary members, clerical and lay. The

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Committee annually prepares a scheme of study, and issues it to all members, together with a list of books recommended for their use; and 'occasional papers' are circulated, dealing with the several subjects prescribed in the course. Lectures are given from time to time in the 'centres' to which members are attached, and in each of the centres lending libraries are being formed. An examination is held for those members who desire to go in for it. The total number of members at the present time is about 800, grouped in 16 centres.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. Dr. Codrington, Chichester.

Ely.

A Special Committee of the Diocesan Council of Education has been formed for the furtherance of Higher Religious Education in the Diocese.

A paper explanatory of the movement has been circulated by the Hon. Sec., Rev. H. H. Wyatt, Rector of Conington, Hunts. Members from the parishes of St. Mary and of All Saints, Huntingdon, from Godmanchester, and from Brampton, have been added to the Society, who in considerable numbers (all educated persons) have attended the lectures given by Rev. H. H. Wyatt at Huntingdon on the Apostles' Creed, Ignatius Loyola, and Religious Orders, and great interest has been shown.

It is hoped that next year further lectures will be given on Church History. Some have already been given at Huntingdon, by Canon Stanton, Ely Professor of Divinity. Lectures have also been given at Bedford.

The Archdeaconry Library at Huntingdon has been thrown open to the Members of the Higher Religious Education Society in the Archdeaconry of Huntingdon.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Lecturer, Rev. H. H. Wyatt, Conington Rectory, Peterborough.

Exeter.

A Diocesan Church Reading Society was founded in 1888 under the presidency of the Bishop. Since its formation it has been instrumental in enrolling about 2,500 members, and has formed nineteen ruridecanal branches. In some of the ruridecanal branches there are two centres for lectures. One new branch, with two centres, was formed in 1896, and another resuscitated, after an abeyance of some years. Lectures have been delivered at various centres upon Holy Scripture, the Prayer Book, Church History, and Christian Evidences. Occasional papers have also been issued for circulation among the members, and local libraries formed in the various centres, for the use of members. A syllabus of subjects for study, and of books recommended, or suggested, for reading is issued every year. There are now about 850 members.

Information may be obtained from the Secretary, the Rev. Prebendary Gregory, Halberton Vicarage, Tiverton.

Gloucester and Bristol.

In this Diocese a Church Teaching Department has been organised in connection with the work of the Diocesan Mission; courses of instruction in Church Doctrine and Church History have been provided at several important centres. Last year courses of instruction in Church Doctrine were given at over 120 centres, and courses of lectures on Church History (with lantern illustrations) in a considerable number of parishes. There are now 26 lecturers in Church History assisting in the furtherance of this work. The Association also aims at fixing a standard for the Grammar Schools and other schools above the elementary ones.

Information may be obtained from Canon Bowers, The College Green, Gloucester, and the Rev. G. Fox, The Vicarage, Stroud.

Lichfield.

Diocesan Guild of Christian Study.—For the work of this Guild the Bishop has secured the services of a considerable number of Clergy, who have consented to act as lecturers in many parts of the Diocese. Other Clergy have given their services

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us local secretaries in furtherance of this work. No syllabus of subjects has been issued, but the various lecturers were left to choose their own subjects. In this way lectures have been delivered during the past year at several centres throughout the Diocese; being attended in nearly every case by appreciative and increasing audiences. The main subjects chosen were Scripture, the Creeds, English Church History, and Prayer Book.

Warden of the Guild, Rev. Prebendary Southwell, the College, Lichfield.

Lincoln.

The Lincoln Diocesan Board of Education has since 1887 appointed an influential committee to organise and promote the diocesan scheme of Higher Education in Religious Knowledge.

There are now seven centres in this Diocese, at six of which lectures on the syllabus subjects have been given during the past year. The number of candidates for examination is still small, but those who offered themselves on the last occasion did very satisfactory work. The number of members connected with the Society is 125.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. G. W. Jeurwine, Harlaxton Rectory, Grantham.

Oxford.

In the year 1883 the Oxford Diocesan Board of Education appointed a Committee for Promoting Higher Religious Education. The work undertaken by the Committee was twofold:

(1) To stimulate, guide, and systematise religious teaching in upper and middle class schools on Church lines.

(2) To promote the same systematic teaching among the educated classes in after-life.

(1) The Oxford scheme suggests lines of study in the Bible, the Prayer Book, and Church History, and examines on them, but schools are allowed to offer their own subjects, and may be examined at their own terminal examinations. A small fee is exacted. Bishop's certificates are given to candidates who distinguish themselves.

But the Oxford scheme is not confined to the suggestion of subjects and examination. It aims at associating schools where the children of Church-people are educated in every way with the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese. One step in this direction has been to meet the head-masters and principals of schools in conference. In July 1890 a Conference was held, under the presidency of the Bishop, with the masters and principals of boys' schools, at which, among others, Eton, Wellington, Radley, and Bradfield were represented. In October similar Conferences were held at Oxford and Reading with the principals of girls' schools, the Bishop of Reading presiding.

The discussions at these Conferences were suggestive and interesting, and it is hoped will lead to good results. In February 1895 the Bishop addressed a letter to Principals of Secondary Schools in the Diocese, calling their attention to the importance of the religious training of their pupils, and it is hoped that this may lead to more schools joining the scheme of Diocesan Examination in Religious Knowledge.

(2) In the second branch of the scheme for Higher Religious Education, the Committee, acting with the direct sanction and authority of the Bishop, suggests each year a course of study in (1) Holy Scripture, (2) the Prayer Book, (3) Church History, recommending at the same time books of reference, and arranging examinations, with certificates for those who pass. A simpler syllabus in the same three subjects is suggested for the use of parents and teachers who are carrying on education at home. Candidates may be examined under the scheme as well.

In connection with the course of reading for seniors, lectures are given in various parts of the Diocese. In 1895-6 lectures were delivered in twenty-four different centres, as against twenty in 1894-5. New centres have been formed this year, and it is hoped that lectures will be resumed in several other places where they were formerly held.

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A Church History Society, established in 1885, assists in carrying out the scheme by (1) issuing 'Notes on the Selected Subjects' each year, (2) establishing lending libraries at various centres, (3) putting out intermediate papers of questions for guidance in reading, and in preparing for examinations, (4) holding drawing-room meetings, (5) forwarding reports to members and assisting their studies in various ways. The Society in 1895-6 numbered 595 members.

Information may be obtained from the Rev. J. W. Nutt, Harpsden Rectory, Henley-on-Thames.

Rochester.

A Society for Promoting Higher Religious Education has been founded on the conviction that a definite plan of study in religious knowledge will be found to supply a want in the families of many Church-people. It proposes for all its members an annual course of reading in one or more of the following subjects: Holy Scripture, Church History, the Prayer Book, and Christian Evidences.

The Society has a staff of 19 Lecturers, and there are fifteen centres at which systematic instruction is given, at Blackheath, Dulwich, Eltham, Greenwich, Lewisham, Penge, Reigate, Richmond, Rochester, Streatham, Surbiton, Sutton, Sydenham, Tooting, and Wimbledon.

Last year 40 entered for the Society's examinations, of whom 24 passed in the first class, 12 in the second, and 4 in the third.

An attempt is also being made to make the Society useful in the schools of the Diocese other than elementary.

The Society numbers some 600 members, and 22 courses of lectures were given in 1895, with an average attendance of 30.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec., the Rev. Canon G. W. Daniell, The Old College, Dulwich.

St. Albans.

The Diocesan Church Reading Society has been formed with the object of promoting the systematic study of the Old and New Testaments, the Book of Common Prayer, the History of the Church of Christ, and Christian Evidences. A syllabus of subjects and books for study and reference has been drawn up.

The Bishop has also appointed thirty gentlemen to be Lecturers in connection with the Society.

93 lectures have been delivered during the past year. Lantern slides to illustrate English Church History have been purchased and are lent at 6*d.* per Lecture Set anywhere in the Diocese.

The Bishop has appointed the Rev. J. H. Maude, Fellow of Hertford College, Oxford, Examiner of Schools other than elementary. In the last examinations 961 boys and 21 girls from 13 different schools, including Haileybury, Felsted, and Berkhamsted, were presented. The subjoined table shows the results of this branch of the work:

	New Test.	Prayer-book.	Catechism.	Church History.	Total.
Certificates	33	2	13	17	65
Passed	93	56	188	230	567
Failed	10	65	54	138	267
	136	123	255	385	899

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Sec. and Treasurer and Organising Sec. for Essex, Rev. A. L. Whitfeld, on Rectory, Dunmow.

Herts.—Rev. Canon Wigram, St. Andrew's Rectory, Hertford, and Rev. p. St. Paul's Vicarage, Hemel Hempstead.

y for Slides Department, and Secretary of Schools Committee, Rev. s, Ardleigh Rectory, Colchester.

esan Society for Promoting Higher Religious Education was founded in omete the study of religious subjects, particularly of Holy Scripture, ose who are responsible to God for two great gifts—the gift of education ft of leisure. Local secretaries have been appointed at 16 centres to an interest in this movement, and there are at the present time 703 A yearly syllabus is published and circulated among the members, giving ts of study for the year, and a list of books recommended. Occasional ublished to guide study. Libraries have been established at 17 centres. urses of 4 to 6 lectures have been given during the past year. Although st is not equally maintained at all the centres, yet there is abundant hat the Society is doing useful work, especially in the smaller country ere there are fewer competing interests and engagements. Answers y members attending the lectures, and corrected by the lecturer in form an important feature of the work. At some centres popular lectures scribed subjects have been given in the parish churches, and these have largely attended. It was resolved to offer prizes for essays by members of y on subjects taken from the syllabus, and a prize was to be awarded say of sufficient merit. The examiners received twenty-five essays, and l result of this experiment is deemed satisfactory, as showing the value of y in stimulating study among the more thoughtful of its members. is given in the home teaching of young people.

ation may be obtained from Canon P. Hart Dyke, Lullingstone, Wim-

urch Reading Society has now entered upon the sixth year of its existence. se of the Society is to encourage systematic study of Holy Scripture, the ok and Church History. With this object a syllabus of study, together of selected books in circulation, and lectures are given at various centres, ves to reading and as a means whereby those who attend them may learn oportions of various branches of research. The Society pursues its work on same lines as those societies in connection with the Central Society for ; Higher Religious Education which have been formed in other dioceses in of England. It has now 7 centres in the Diocese—4 in Derbyshire and 3 ghamshire, with a total of 348 members. A new feature of the Society's ie past year has been the course of 'Cameo' Lectures—a series of detached n connected subjects—but the attendance at the two courses has not rraging. It is hoped that in the coming year there may be an increase both nber of centres and of members.

ation may be obtained from the Hon. Secretaries, the Rev. Canon Madan, lam, Derby, or the Rev. P. H. Douglas, Thrumpton, Derby.

esan Church Reading Society has been formed under the Presidency of the the Diocese of Truro. Its object is the same as that of similar societies in ceses, viz. to encourage by means of lectures and classes, with voluntary ons, the systematic study of (1) Holy Scripture, (2) Church History, eds, (4) The Prayer Book. A council, consisting of several Clergymen and nen, has been formed for the management of the Society. The number of

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persons who have taken cards of membership is uncertain, but, probably, about 400 have done so. There is a staff of lecturers, all Clergymen. Lectures have been given since 1891 at Truro, Bodmin, Falmouth, St. Columb, Hayle, Launceston, Looe, Lostwithiel, Penzance, and Stratton, and a few occasional lectures have been delivered elsewhere. Four small 'travelling libraries' have been formed. Owing to the smallness of some of the centres, the great difficulty of communication with many parts of the Diocese, and lack of support in many quarters and interest in others, no rapid progress can be expected, but in a few of the centres there are good and attentive audiences.

Communications should be addressed to Canon Worledge, Truro.

THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE.

THIS Institute was founded in 1865 to investigate fully and impartially the most important questions of Philosophy and Science, and more especially such as may bear upon the great truths revealed in Holy Scripture. It has, by its published proceedings, been found to meet a need felt at home and abroad, especially in India and our Colonies, where the want of a true appreciation of the actual results of scientific inquiry has led many to credit such statements as that 'Science and Philosophy were alike opposed to Revelation,' and that 'the progress of Science has given a death-blow to all belief in the truth of the Bible.'

The Institute, of which Sir G. G. Stokes, Bart., F.R.S., is president, consists at present of 800 home and 500 foreign and colonial members and associates. Lord Kelvin and a considerable number of men of science take part in its proceedings. Its supporters may be classed—firstly, as workers; and secondly, those who approve of and desire to strengthen its power for work. There is a good library of reference.

Communications should be addressed to Captain F. Petrie, F.G.S., Hon. Secretary, Victoria Institute, 8 Adelphi Terrace, London.

SECTION IV.—HIGHER EDUCATION.

IN the YEAR-BOOK for 1884 (p. 185) an endeavour was made to trace the extent of the existing provision for higher education based upon the principles and teaching of the Church of England. The Report comprehended a Tabular Record of Church of England Schools for Boys and Girls. The Council of the Church Schools Company is in a position to report such progress as will afford encouragement for the complete success of the movement. The following pages will enable the reader to gather some idea of the existence and working of the several organisations which are endeavouring to compass the education of a class of society which manifestly presents so many and strong claims to the care and guidance of the Church.

SCHOOLS ATTACHED TO CATHEDRAL CHURCHES.

The Statutes of many of the Cathedral Churches on the New Foundation make provision for and include upon the foundation masters and scholars of a Cathedral school. Such schools are, in fact, in direct succession to the schools maintained by the monastery before 1539. They claim, therefore, a high antiquity. Schools at Canterbury existed in the time of Theodore of Tarsus, and at York in the days of Alcuin. The following is the list of schools still on the Foundation of Cathedral Churches, and recognised as Church of England Schools by the Endowed Schools Act, 1869.

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Name of School	Date of (a) Foundation (b) New Scheme	Fees per annum— (a) Tuition (b) Board	Endowment and Sources.	No. of (1) Boys (2) Scholars	Teaching Staff
Canterbury, King's School	(a) *1541 (b) 1878	(a) 20l. (b) 55 gs.	1,000l. from Cathedral revenues	(1) 150 (2) 50	Head, The Rev. A. J. Galpin, M.A., and ten assistant masters
Chester, King's School	(a) 1541 (b) 1873 & 1895	(a) 8l.-16l. (b) 28l. & 34l.	280l. fr. do. and 350l. other funds	(a) 112 (b) 27	Head, Rev. J. T. Davies, M.A., and six assistant masters
Durham School	(a) *1541. (b)—	(a) 16 & 12 gs. (b) 54 gs.	3,000l. from Cathedral revenues	(a) — (b) 27	Head, Rev. W. Hobhouse, M.A., & eight assistant masters
Ely, King's or Cathedral School	(a) *1543 (b) 1879	(a) 15l., 12l., 10l. (b) 30l. and 45l.	500l. from Cathedral revenues	(1) 38 (2) 12	Head, Rev. F. W. Hawes, M.A., & three assistant masters
Exeter, Cathedral School	—	(a) 10l. 10s. (b) 40l.	—	(a) 21 (b) 14	Head, Rev. H. de Vere-Welchman, M.A., and two assistant masters
Hereford, Cathedral School	(a) 1381 (b) 1894	(a) 12 and 14 gs. (b) 43l. and 51l.	400l.	(a) 100 (b) 12	Head, Rev. T. Thistle, M.A., and seven assistant masters
Peterborough, King's School	(a) Dissolution of monasteries by Henry VIII. (b) 1891	(a) 15l. 15s.-10l. (b) 30l.	500l. from Cathedral revenues	(1) 60 (2) 10	Head, Rev. E. J. Cunningham, M.A., and three assistant masters
Rochester, Cathedral Grammar School	(a) 1542 (b) 1877	(a) 15l. (b) 45l.	1,600l. fr. do.	(a) 62 (b) 6	Head, Rev. J. B. Lancelot, M.A., and four assistant masters
Worcester, Cathedral Grammar School	(a) *1541 (b) 1884	(a) 15-12 gs. (b) 60l.	600l. from Chapter, also other funds	(a) 76 (b) 20	Head, Rev. W. H. Chappel, M.A., and six assistant masters
York, St. Peter's School	(a) 8th cent. and 1557. (b) —	(a) 12 and 14 gs. (b) 45l. and 52l. 10s.	Tithes and land	(a) 118 (b) 8	Head, Rev. G. T. Handford, M.A., & seven assistant masters

* Formerly a monastic school : date unknown.

ST. NICOLAS COLLEGE AND ITS SCHOOLS.

Origin.—In 1848 the Rev. N. Woodard founded a society of men united as Fellows of a College, to build, endow, and carry on schools with definite religious teaching in accordance with the doctrines of the Church of England, unfettered by any conscience clause. His first thought was for the middle and lower-middle classes, but ultimately his plan embraced the education on the same principles of the upper classes also, although one school only (Lancing) has been as yet founded for these.

Organisation.—This when complete will include—(a) a central governing body, the Corporation of SS. Mary and Nicolas; (b) five colleges, covering in their sphere of work the whole of England, each with its Provost and Fellows, who transact their business in Chapters and College Meetings, and each providing Church education for boys and girls of different classes in schools of three grades, with three corresponding grades of charges. Of these five colleges, two are in active operation: 1. *SS. Mary and Nicolas of Lancing*, for the Southern Division, of which the Bishop of Chichester is Visitor, with a first-grade school at Lancing, a middle-class school at Hurstpierpoint, a lower middle-class school at Ardingly, and also a girls' school at Bognor. 2. *SS. Mary and John of Lichfield*, for the Midland Division, of which the Bishop of Lichfield is Visitor, with a middle-class school at Denstone, a lower middle-class school at Ellesmere, and also schools for girls at Abbots Bromley and Bangor. Another lower middle-class school is in course of erection at Worksop. Schools have also been established at Dewsbury and at Taunton, which will eventually belong to the Northern and Western Divisions when colleges for these have been founded. The eleven schools now open contain about fourteen hundred pupils.

Provost of SS. Mary and Nicolas of Lancing: Rev. Canon Lowe, D.D. Provost of SS. Mary and John of Lichfield: Rev. Arthur Henry Talbot.

SCHOOLS IN UNION.

Name and Date of Foundation	(a) No. entered since commencement (b) No. on books	Inclusive terms	Social Class for which designed	Teaching Staff
Launcing College, Shoreham, Aug. 1, 1848	(a) 1,700 (b) 122	90l. 10s., 80l. 6s., or 78l. 10s.	The sons of gentlemen, preparatory to Universities and higher professions, army, &c.	Head-Master, Rev. Ambrose J. Wilson, D.D. Chaplain, Rev. Walter Back, B.A., and 20 graduates
The College, Hurstpierpoint, 1851	(a) 3,600 (b) 213	37l. 6s.; Day Scholars, 9l. 9s.	For boys of the middle class—sons of professional men, army and navy officers	Head-Master, Rev. C. E. Cooper, M.A. Chaplain, Rev. A. C. Morston, M.A., and 20 assistants
Ardingly College, Hayward's Heath (for 440 boys), 1858	(a) 7,305 (b) 351	Boarders, 22l. to 25l.	For sons of gentlemen of narrow means, tradesmen, farmers and others, to whom education at a small cost is necessary	Head-Master, Rev. F. K. Hilton, M.A., and 17 assistants
King's College School, Taunton, October 1880	(a) 283 (b) 22	Boarders, 37l. 6s., and 84l. 13s.; Day Scholars, 10l. 10s. 9l. 9s.	Boys educating for the University, army, profession, or business	Head-Master, Rev. G. O. L. Thomson, M.A., Oxon, and three assistants
St. Michael's School, Bognor, 1844	(a) 115 since 1888 (b) 38	Boarders, —l.	For daughters of gentlemen	Lady-Warden, Miss Radcliff Head-Mistress, Miss Hunt, and six teachers
Midland Division. —The Bishop of Lichfield is Visitor, and the Rev. A. H. Talbot, Provost.				
St. Chad's College, Denton, July 29, 1873	(a) 1,350 (b) 275	Boarders, 42l. and 50l.	Public school	Head-Master, Rev. D. Edwards, M.A., and 20 Assistant Masters
Ellesmere College, Salop (for 100 boys), Aug. 5, 1879	(a) 1,128 (b) 212	Boarders, 22l. 1s.	For sons of professional men, of farmers, and of tradesmen	Head-Master, Rev. R. Bevis Thompson, M.A., Chaplain, and 11 Assistant Masters
St. Augustine's Grammar School, Dewsbury (for boys), May 1884	(a) 100 (b) 49	45l. to 50l.	Day and boarding school for middle-class	Head-Master, the Rev. W. Johnson, B.A., 3 other masters
St. Anne's, Abbots Bromley (for 72 girls—boarders) April 1874	(a) 563 (b) 70 boarders and 3 days pupils	45l. to 50l.	For daughters of professional men, and of the middle-class	Lady-Warden, Head-Mistress, Miss Dugdale, Chaplain, and six teachers
In connection with St. Anne's, Abbots Bromley.				
St. Mary's, Abbots Bromley (for 52 girls—boarders & day scholars) March 1882	(a) 320 (b) 60	Boarders, 21l. Day Pupils, 3l. 3s.	For daughters of professional men, and of the lower middle-class	Lady-Warden, Head-Mistress, Miss Gamble, and 5 teachers
Diocese of Bangor.				
St. Winifred's School (for 30 boarders and numerous day scholars), Feb. 1887	(a) 136 (b) 22 boarders and day pupils	40l. to 45l.	On the same lines as St. Anne's	The Lady-Warden, Head-Mistress, Miss Welchman, 5 senior and 3 junior teachers

Of these three schools the Lady-Warden is Miss Alice M. Coleridge.

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL, BLOKHAM.

ool was opened in 1860 by the Rev. P. R. Egerton, B.C.L., M.A., late Fellow College, Oxford. In 1884 the property was conveyed to Trustees by Mr. the Founder; and in 1896, by a munificent deed of gift, was transferred to the of St. Nicolas' College, under the management of the Provost and Fellows of with a view to securing it for its original object, viz., the education, upon the of the Church, of boys preparing for professional or commercial life. The ildings are designed to accommodate 180 boarders. Head-Master: Rev. F. S. M.A. Provost: Rev. E. C. Lowe, D.D., Canon of Ely.
as: The Head-Master.

DEAN CLOSE MEMORIAL SCHOOL, CHELTENHAM.

ool was opened in 1886. There are 12 resident masters, 160 boarders, and 80 ars. The buildings are large and convenient: the dormitories are arranged bicle system. The playing fields cover more than 20 acres. There is a large n of sons of Clergy amongst the pupils. Terms, 48*l.* per annum. Upwards ys have passed various public examinations, some with marked success.
unications should be made to the Rev. Dr. Flecker, Head-Master, or to the I. Clark, Hon. Sec., Weston-super-Mare.

ST. EDWARD'S SCHOOL, OXFORD.

ot of this School, which was founded through the influence of the late Canon ain in 1863, is to provide education in preparation for the universities, army, r professions, upon the basis of definite religious teaching in accordance with ines of the English Church. The staff consists of the Warden (Rev. T. W. and 7 assistant (graduates) masters. The buildings accommodate 110 boarders. nation as to fees, scholarships, &c., may be obtained from the Warden.
unications should be addressed to the Warden, Rev. T. W. Hudson, St. School, Oxford.

THE SOUTH-EASTERN COLLEGE, RAMSGATE.

by the South-Eastern Clerical and Lay Church Alliance, 1879. Incorporated orporation of South-Eastern College, 1892. President: John Deacon, Esq. idents: The Archbishop of Dublin, Lord Kinnaird, the Dean of Norwich, the s of Ridley Hall, Cambridge, and Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, and others. Head id Principal: Rev. F. W. Tracy, M.A., St. John's College, Cambridge. Vice- : C. Morris, M.A., Sidney-Sussex College, Cambridge. Secretary: Lieut.- . Russell, retired Royal Artillery. The College is a Church of England Public he religious training being definitely on the Reformation basis. Preparation is Universities, Army, Navy, Professions, and Business. The younger boys are a separate junior school under the Vice-Principal. Exhibitions are main- aid of parents of narrow means, especially Clergymen, and there are scholar- the Universities.
nation as to fees, open scholarships, exhibitions, &c., may be obtained of the ster or the Secretary.

TRENT COLLEGE.

lege was definitely founded upon Church of England principles, and is com- furnished with all the appliances of a first-grade Public School. There is a junior school for boys between 8 and 13 years of age. Trustees: Lord Kinnaird, Kennaway, Bart., M.P., the Rev. F. E. Ingram, Sydney Gedge, Esq., M.P. s: E. S. Hanbury, Esq., Rev. Prebendary Webb-Peploe, and others. Head- Rev. J. S. Tucker, M.A. There are scholarships and exhibitions both at ol and the Universities, varying from 10*l.* to 50*l.*
er information may be obtained from the Head-Master or the Secretary.

Church Schools, Higher Grade.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS Company was formed in 1877 in order to provide an education for girls of the upper and upper-middle class in accordance with the principles and teaching of the Church of England. This work is carried on with the entire sympathy of the Bishop of London and by the active operations of an influential committee. The Rev. Canon Holland is acting as chairman. Two schools have been opened, one in the neighbourhood of Regent's Park, and the other in the neighbourhood of Eaton Square, in which about 270 girls are under education, besides 80 children in the Kindergarten department. There are open scholarships in these schools given every year. Great success has been achieved by these schools of late.

All communications to be addressed to the Rev. Canon Holland, The Precincts, Canterbury.

ST. CATHERINE'S SCHOOL, BRANLEY, GUILDFORD, CHURCH OF ENGLAND PUBLIC BOARDING SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

THIS School has been founded, under the presidency of the Bishop of Winchester, to provide an education for girls upon the principles of the Church of England. An education equal to that of the best high schools is given at the moderate cost of 39*l.* per annum. There is now accommodation for eighty boarders. The School has its own chapel.

Address: The Head-Mistress.

WIMBLEDON ART COLLEGE FOR LADIES.

THIS is the only Residential Art School, and the only Art School conducted on Church principles. It was established in 1881. The study is in either painting or music, supervised by Royal Academicians of both arts. Students have exhibited in sculpture and pictures in the Royal Academy and other London galleries for several years, and they have sold pictures. Only girls of gentle birth are eligible as residents. Stained glass and embroidery executed. The Archbishop of Canterbury is the President.

Address: Hon. Lady Superintendent, Miss Bennett, The Garth, South Wimbledon.

JERSEY HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

THIS School was founded in 1883, under the patronage of the Bishop of Winchester, to provide a thoroughly high-class education on the principles of the Church of England. Boarders are received, and special attention is given to French.

Information may be obtained from the Secretary, R. Crows, Esq., Jersey High School for Girls, St. Helier's, Jersey.

HIGH SCHOOL FOR WELSH GIRLS.

(Supported by the Society of Ancient Britons. Founded 1715. Re-organised 1882.)

THIS School, which is situated at Ashford, in Middlesex, on the London and South-Western Railway, offers to all girls of Welsh parentage a first-class education, costing the charity between 50*l.* and 60*l.* per annum, for the reduced rate of 32*l.* There is accommodation for about 150 girls, all of whom are boarders. The staff consists of head-mistress and 12 assistant-mistresses, and a trained nurse.

Address: The Rev. J. Studholm Brownrigg, Secretary, Welsh Girls' School, Ashford, Staines, Middlesex.

CHURCH SCHOOLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Church Schools Company dates its legal existence from July 1883, and was inaugurated at a public meeting in Willis's Rooms, with the Archbishop of Canterbury in the chair, who warmly commended the movement on the following lines: That the object should be to establish for boys and girls above the class attending elementary schools, schools of various grades, providing at a moderate cost a thoroughly efficient education in accordance with the principles of the Church of England, the right of withdrawing a scholar in the day schools from religious instruction being reserved to the parent or guardian. That, where practicable, local committees should be formed to support and assist the Central Council in the management of each school. That the schools

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examined from time to time both in religious and secular knowledge by representatives of the Universities, or of King's College, London, or by other competent persons appointed by the Council.

The Company commenced active work in the establishment of schools at the beginning of 1884, when the first school was opened under its auspices at Surbiton, for which there are now 29 schools in operation.

Whether the number of pupils receiving education under the Company's management is now between 2,000 and 3,000.

Twelve thousand nine hundred shares have been taken, representing more than nominal capital of 100,000*l.*

It is a principle of the Company not to undertake the establishment of a school unless a certain proportion of the capital required is subscribed in the locality.

The number of appeals which have been received from different parts of the country for the establishment of such schools would seem to denote a real want, and to justify the Company's effort to assist in meeting it.

Following is a table showing the number of schools which are being carried on by the Company:

District	Heads
North, Ellerslie, Hinton Road	Miss James.
North, 56 Old Steine	„ Nall.
North, Ebury	Rev. W. Williamson.
North, Edmunds, Northgate Street	Miss Babington.
North, Osmaston Road	„ Tuke.
North, Ebury, Eightlands House	„ Page.
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¹ 188 Schools.

² A Kindergarten Department is attached to these Schools.

CHAPTER IV.

THE FOREIGN MISSION WORK OF THE CHURCH.

SECTION I.—CENTRAL AND SPECIAL ORGANISATIONS.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL IN FOREIGN PARTS. INCORPORATED 1701.

DURING the year 1895 the Society received 118,258*l.* under the following heads :

General Fund.—Collections, subscriptions, and donations, 81,334*l.* ; legacies, 11,600*l.* ; dividends, 4,565*l.* **Special Funds,** 20,750*l.*

During the year 1895 the Board of Examiners considered offers to engage in work abroad from twenty-three clergymen and thirty-five laymen. The number of less formal offers was, of course, several times larger. The Board recommended fifteen clergymen and nineteen laymen to the Society for work abroad. Of these, eleven were students of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury ; five were graduates of Oxford ; four of Cambridge ; one each of Dublin, London, Durham, and Harvard, U.S.A. ; and the rest came from Dorchester, Warminster, Chichester, and other Colleges. With regard to destinations the thirty-four may be grouped thus : for South Africa, eleven ; for India, ten ; for America, four ; for Borneo, three ; for Corea, three ; for Australia, two ; and for the West Indies, one.

The number of Ordained Missionaries, including eleven Bishops, on the Society's list is 769, that is to say, in Asia, 250 ; in Africa, 178 ; in Australia and the Pacific, 39 ; in North America, 226 ; in the West Indies, 45 ; and 40 Chaplains in Europe. Of these 133 are natives labouring in Asia, and 46 in Africa. There are also in the various Missions about 2,900 Lay Teachers, 3,200 Students in the Society's Colleges, and 88,000 children in the Mission Schools in Asia and Africa. One hundred and eighty-five persons were elected by ballot and added to the roll of Incorporated Members during the year 1895.

The Junior Clergy Associations in connection with the Society are steadily spreading over the country, and now number not less than thirty-four.

SUMMARY OF THE WORK ABROAD.

I. Asia.—The Society is spending about 50,000*l.* in Asia, where its numerous Missions include those in Bengal and Assam ; the Diocese of Chota Nagpur, with its 14 native clergymen, its 14,000 native Christians, its Trinity College, Dublin, brotherhood of 6 clergymen, and many other agencies ; Cawnpore, with its brotherhood of 5 clergymen ; Delhi, with the Cambridge brotherhood of 8 clergymen ; the Karen Mission in Burma with 5,000 Christians ; Tinnevely, with its 30,000, and 30 native clergy ; the Telugu Missions (Madras) with over 7,000, ready, as it seems, for immediate and almost unlimited multiplication ; Ahmednagar (Bombay) with 3,000 ; Borneo, with its Dyaks converted from head-hunting and other savagery ; the young but hopeful Missions of North China and Corea ; and Japan with its unique presentment of Missionary opportunity.

Connected with the Missions are Colleges which, beyond their present value, are full of promise for the near future. In some of them, *e.g.* those at Madras and Ranchi, the future native clergy are students. Many others are training native catechists and teachers ; while great educational institutions, *e.g.* Bishop's College, Calcutta ; St.

John's College, Rangoon; St. Stephen's College, Delhi; St. Thomas' College, Colombo; and Tanjore and Trichinopoly Colleges in South India, not only contain future workers, but spread Christian influence in directions where it will be widely effective.

Changes have been made which are in keeping with the rapidity which characterises the politics and progress of the Japanese nation. The Ecclesiastical changes are all in the direction of progress, extension, and consolidation. An arrangement has been sanctioned by the Synod whereby Bishop McKim becomes Bishop of North Tokyo, and Bishop Bickersteth of South Tokyo. To the American Church has also been assigned the district of Kyoto, for which it is expected that a Bishop will shortly be appointed. South Japan or Kiushiu received a Bishop in 1894, in the person of Bishop Evington. In this district, and also in that of Yezo to the North, the Anglican Missions are supported by the Church Missionary Society, which maintains Bishop Evington, and a Bishop in Yezo. Between Kyoto and Kiushiu there lies the district of Osaka with a population of 10 millions, and in this district the two Societies support Missionaries, of whom by far the larger number are connected with the Church Missionary Society. The appointment of a Bishop for this district, Bishop Bickersteth declared, was 'the most important step which can be taken at the present time.'

The S.P.G. took no part in the preliminary arrangements, but difficulties arose, and on January 2, 1896, the Standing Committee had the subject brought before them by a letter from His Grace the President, and guaranteed an income of 500*l.* per annum, and the cost of outward passage to the Bishop of Osaka, leaving the selection of the Bishop, in accordance with the invariable custom of the Society, to the absolute and unfettered choice of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

II. Africa.—The Society is at work in thirteen African dioceses, including the islands of St. Helena, Mauritius, and Madagascar, at an expenditure of more than 21,000*l.* yearly. Besides much work among natives in Capetown and other Dioceses in close connection with colonial work, there are famous stations such as Springvale, Herschel, Keiskamma Hoek, Phokoane, and Thaba 'Nchu, the great and fruitful Missions of the Diocese of St. John's, Kafrraria, those of Basutoland and Zululand, and the newer ventures in the Dioceses of Mafsonaland, Pretoria, and Lebombo.

In the disturbances following the occupation of Madagascar by the French, the clergy have been exposed to great danger, but, let it be thankfully recorded, they none of them allowed their work to cease, and from actual hurt they have been preserved, although the Rev. E. O. McMahon and his family had to fly for their lives for five days and nights. At the capital itself the services in the Cathedral were suspended for only one day. The Bishop, who, after an unbroken stay of eight years, had come to England, returned immediately to his post of duty and of danger when he realized that a changed condition of things secular demanded his presence.

Bishop Kestell-Cornish, on his resignation, had given nearly twenty-three years of service as Bishop. He leaves 10,000 members of our Communion, a beautiful Cathedral, many other churches, some of real beauty, 102 schools, eighteen native clergy, and a network of organisation ready for his successor. The Society has already offered him its respectful congratulations on the work which he has been permitted to accomplish.

III. Australasia.—Grants to the Dioceses of Perth, North Queensland, Rockhampton, and Honolulu, to Fiji and Norfolk Island, are all that are now made for this large section of the world where the Church owes so much to the Society in the past, but is now almost able to be independent of outside help.

Western Australia is now entering on a period of rapid immigration which the Society is helping the Church to meet.

The Bishop of Perth writes, 'The Society has done a great work in enabling us to send two men to the Goldfields, one to the Murchison, the other to Coolgardie.' The Bishop has visited the whole of these districts, and he wrote that at Coolgardie people were pouring in at the rate of a thousand a week.

It seems at first sight incongruous to send money to a district which is raising gold in fabulous quantities; but on second thought it will be seen to be wise and proper, for a digger population is not composed of people of settled habits, but of just the very people who, in the circumstances of such a life, are likely to lose whatever of religious feeling they may ever have possessed. And they respond to the care of the Church. At Cuo, on the Murchison Goldfields, the miners have built a church—the first ever seen in

those regions, and there is much about it that is appropriate. The cross over the altar is made of specimens of precious stones from several mines, while the pulpit is a huge block of quartz from one of the reefs, the gold sparkling in the quartz untouched, save by the hand of the Great Creator.

IV. America and the West Indies.—In this section of the world the Society spends more than 14,000*l.* a year. This includes Honduras, where the Society has lately increased its aid. The Bishop writes :—

'I hope the Committee will feel that my report of a year and a half's work in this diocese has justified the revival of the episcopate here as separated from the Diocese of Jamaica. I thank them and you most sincerely for the help you have given us. Owing to your kindness eight new districts have been formed—seven are managed by clergymen (three of whom are partially paid by your Society), and one by a layman, who works at his own charges. But the real work is only beginning. On every side God is opening doors, and calls are coming to occupy new ground. The Government at Blewfields have offered us a site for a church and school, provided that the buildings are begun at once. At least two new churches should be built this year, and seven Mission schools, and houses for the clergymen at Orange Walk, Kendal, Stann Creek, the Sibup River Mission, and at Monkey River. At present some houses are lent to us, and for others we are paying rent.'

The Society issues three monthly magazines, the 'Mission Field,' the 'Gospel Missionary,' and the 'Children of the Church Magazine.' The meetings of the Corporation are held monthly.

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CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE year under review is the ninety-seventh year of the Society's existence, and in view of the approaching close of the Centenary, the Committee have been led to invite their friends to combine in a 'Three Years' Enterprise leading up to the commemoration of the Society's Second Jubilee and Hundredth Anniversary. During the three years the Committee desire to direct the thoughts of the Society to the special 'consideration of the great and world-wide work of evangelisation, and they call upon all their friends to rally round them in a resolute and prayerful effort to make the three years an epoch of development and extension in actual mission work all round the world.'

The number of missionaries who sailed from this country during the year from June 1, 1895, to May 31, 1896, was 156; of these, 73 went out for the first time in connection with the Society, 27 men and 46 women. The total number of European missionaries on the Society's list on June 1, 1896, was 970, viz. 364 clergymen, 94 laymen, 299 wives of missionaries, and 213 women. There are also in the Society's service 338 native and country-born Clergymen, and 5,074 native lay teachers of all classes. Of the European missionaries 63 are honorary, drawing no allowance from the Society's funds; 15 are partly honorary, drawing only a portion of the usual allowance; 46 are supported, as to their personal expenses, by individual friends of the missionary or of the Society; and 108 by various bodies, such as the Gleaners' Union and its branches, local C.M.S. Associations, &c. The Colonial Associations (New South Wales, Victoria, New Zealand, and Canada) connected with the Society, who have authority to select and train and send out missionaries, are responsible for the maintenance of thirty of the Society's missionaries. This number includes three clergymen and two ladies who were connected with the Wycliffe College (Toronto) Japan Mission, now absorbed by the Canadian C.M. Association. At the urgent request of the Canadian Association, a Deputation from the Parent Society visited the Dominion, and during the last three months of 1895 held numerous meetings in seven of the nine Dioceses of the ecclesiastical Province of Canada.

The Society's receipts during the financial year ending March 31, 1896, amounting to 261,153*l.*—Associations 159,126*l.*, Legacies 35,934*l.*, Benefactions 27,519*l.*, Contributions appropriated for special objects (including 8,868*l.* from Associations) 30,457*l.*, other receipts 8,117*l.*—proved inadequate by some 15,600*l.* to meet the year's expenditure; and as a deficit of 1,400*l.* was inherited from the previous year, a deficit had to be carried forward of over 17,000*l.* This was not due to any falling off in the ordinary income of the Society, but owing to the expenditure having risen in consequence of the expansion of the work and the increase in the staff of missionaries.

number of native Christian adherents in the Society's Missions is 217,825, of whom 15,564 are communicants. There are 88,205 scholars in 2,130 schools. The inmates in Mission hospitals numbered (so far as statistics were received) 6,432, and the out-patients 417,928.

Information regarding the operations of the Society in its various Mission-fields is given in the Annual Reports and other publications. The circulation of the monthly *Intelligencer* shows an upward tendency, an average of 6,300 copies of the *Intelligencer* printed each month, 73,000 of the *'Gleaner'* (of which 30,700 were for localised editions), 41,000 of *'Awake,'* and 55,000 of the *'Children's World'*; also of the *'Quarterly Token,'* 215,000 in English and 5000 in French; and of the *'Medical Mission Quarterly,'* 6,500. The total circulation of the magazines and papers was about 4,500,000 in the year.

THE FOREIGN WORK OF THE SOCIETY.

1. West.—Bishop Ingham paid a visit in the summer of 1895 to the West Indies at the invitation of the Bishop of Jamaica and his Diocesan Conference, and on his return he expressed to the C.M.S. Committee his fervent hope that suitable spiritual work in the Hinterland of *Sierra Leone* would in due time be called forth from the India Islands. The Mission was reinforced by a graduate of Oxford, an Islington man, a lady. Forty students of Fourah Bay College have passed the final B.A. Examination of the College was affiliated to Durham University in 1876. Fifteen of these have obtained the licence in theology, and eight others who did not graduate, obtained the same. The Grammar School celebrated its Jubilee in March 1895. During the past years of its history, 1,661 pupils have been admitted. Over 250 "old boys"—all natives—were assembled to honour the occasion, including an Archdeacon, a Canon, a Chaplain, several pastors, men in high rank in the Government service, members of the Legislative Council, &c. One hundred pounds was contributed to a Jubilee Bazaar Fund. The School has 63 boarders and 83 day boys. The report of the Diocesan Auxiliary affords evidence of good progress on the part of the people in the fields of religion, and the support of their ministers. The income for 1895 was more by 22*l.* than in the previous year. The Jubilee of the *Yoruba* Mission was celebrated at Lagos in December 1895. Bishop Tugwell divided his time between the West and the Niger Missions. Bishop Phillips was at Ode Ondo the greater part of the year under review, and Bishop Oluwole was at Lagos, in charge of the Training School and the Grammar School. An Islington man and two ladies joined the

Two natives were admitted to Deacons' Orders by Bishop Oluwole in December 1895. There are 65 pupils in the Girls' Seminary. The receipts of the Abeokuta Native Diocesan Auxiliary, announced at the anniversary in September 1895, amounted to 406*l.* In the instance of the ladies, the wives of the native agents have commenced systematic work for the spiritual good of the women in their husbands' districts. At one of the farms a blind slave boy was baptised, who possesses a powerful memory and had eleven children in the Church Catechism. Thirteen thousand attendances were recorded at the dispensary. A memorial church in memory of the late Rev. David Jones is in course of erection at Kudeti (in Ibadan). Oyo was bombarded by the Queen's forces in the autumn of 1895, in consequence of certain abominable practices which were carried on in spite of warnings. Upon quiet being restored, the Rev. and Mrs. F. Melville went there, and a Training Institution is being built to supersede the one at Oyo. A new church was opened at Ilesha, and two towns in the Ekiti country, Ijero and Ilesha, were occupied. One clergyman joined the staff of the *Niger* Mission, but one Rev. C. E. Watney, was removed by death. Much consideration was given by Bishop Tugwell and the leaders of the Bonny Pastorate to the drawing up of a constitution submitted for the approval of the Archbishop of Canterbury. The Bishop was ordained in St. Stephen's Cathedral in September, and admitted one of the members of the pastorate to Priest's Orders. Twelve hundred were present at the annual conference and the sermon was preached by the Rev. James Johnson, of Lagos. The Delta has suffered considerably from the political disturbances referred to in last year's report. Confidence has gradually been restored. A new church, *'Immanuel,'* was opened at Onitsha in November, towards the cost of which the Christians readily contributed 50*l.*; 850 persons, including many chiefs, were present at the opening. A similar position is experienced at the neighbouring town of Obotshi. A new mud-built

church was opened at Ogidi, and nine converts, the firstfruits of the place, were baptised. A training institution has been opened at Asaba, and two new out-stations were occupied. During the latter half of 1895 Lokoja, at the confluence of the Niger and Binue, had no resident missionary, but Bishop Tugwell and the Rev. T. J. Dennis visited it in October, and three adults were baptised by the latter, and the same number at Glebe. During this visit the Bishop went up to Bida to salute the new Emir, who expressed a hope that he would go again and pay a longer visit.

Africa, East and Central.—East Africa experienced some trying visitations last year. Famine, earthquake, a plague of locusts followed one another in succession, and finally, the Missions on and near the coast were placed in considerable danger by rebel Arabs, headed by Mbaruk and other chiefs. Rabai and Frere Town were attacked, and Jilore had to be vacated by the missionaries. The reinforcements of the year under review consisted of one ordained graduate of Cambridge, one of Trinity College, Dublin, and one from the Highbury College of Divinity, four laymen of Islington College, two other laymen, and eight ladies. Of these, five men and four ladies, and one other lady missionary accompanied Bishop Tucker up to Uganda from the coast, leaving Mombasa on July 15, 1895, and reaching Mengo on October 4. The natives received them with great rejoicing. Bishop Tucker admitted the Rev. I. Semler (native) to Priest's Orders in June 1895. Thirty-two adults were baptised at Frere Town, and thirty-eight candidates were confirmed by the Bishop. The hospital work at Mzizima made steady progress; and the work among the liberated slaves at Kilindini reaped its first baptisms—four men and two women—on Easter Day 1895. Forty-eight adults were baptised at Rabai and three at Jilore. The Bishop admitted four native agents at the former station and two at the latter to the office of lay reader. Sagalla, in the *Taita* country, was re-occupied in October 1895; the missionaries were greeted on their arrival with the words 'Welcome home at last.' Bishop Tucker confirmed twelve candidates at Taveta in February 1895, and set apart the first convert as a lay reader. In October the staff at this forest station was strengthened by the arrival of a married lay-agent with his wife and a single lady, and also by some native teachers from Frere Town. In *Usoga* the famine greatly interfered with the work at Mumboia and Mpwapa. The villages were left uninhabited, the natives who survived having migrated to the coast. At Nassa, in *Usukuma*, on the South of the Victoria Nyanza, there were six adult baptisms, one of the converts being the first woman to confess Christ. Three out-stations were opened, and the four congregations average 700. At the beginning of 1895 the European missionaries in *Uganda* and *Bosoga* numbered eleven. At the end of the year the reinforcements had brought the number to twenty-four, nineteen men (eleven in orders) and five women, and the work of edifying the converts and evangelising the masses received direction and encouragement, which, under God, resulted in a very remarkable advance. In July 1895 a new church, accommodating 4000 worshippers, was opened on Naudrembe Hill, in lieu of the one blown down the previous October. It was consecrated by holding special mission services. Classes for instructing and training the teachers were daily held. One of the missionaries writes: 'The people all have such an intimate knowledge of the text of the New Testament as can only come from the most persistent and systematic reading of it. More responsibility was thrown on the natives in the government of the Church. One of them was made to preside at the meetings of the Church Council, the Europeans being present merely as advisers. The classes of candidates for baptism numbered 575 at Mengo alone in November, and 1,431 adults were baptised; while in connection with the 23 congregations within a few miles of Mengo 527 other adults were baptised. Sixty-six adults were baptised in Singo, 321 in Kyagwe. In the latter province there were 37 out-stations, in one of which there were three churches. (These figures relate to the end of 1895, and have since been outstripped.) *Bosoga*, separated from Uganda by the Nile, which is its eastern boundary, is gradually opening to the Gospel; *Toro*, also beyond the western boundaries of Uganda, has several congregations. *Kaki*, also beyond the borders of Uganda to the south-west, was visited in June 1895. Bishop Tucker confirmed 2,052 candidates during his visit of eight months, from October 1895 to June 1896. He writes: 'We have seen great things, but I firmly believe we shall see greater things yet; we are not straitened in Him.'

Egypt, Palestine, Persia, &c. An ordained missionary was transferred to the *Egypt* Mission from Eastern Equatorial Africa. Some 40 villages were visited in the

the Delta by Dr. Harpur, travelling in a dahábeyah (Nile boat) along one of the canals. A large proportion of the children in the schools at both Cairo and Old Cairo are Moslems. The brother of one of the girls—a Pasha's daughter—threatened, unless the books were changed for another reading-book, that he would spread a report that the school his sister attended was for converting Moslems. 'This is the only kind of reputation we ever want,' is the lady missionary's comment. A medical missionary and three ladies joined the *Palestine Mission*, and an ordained missionary was transferred from Egypt. The Preparandi Institution at Jerusalem was full with 20 students; the Bishop Gobat School had 62 pupils, including an Armenian orphan lad from the unfortunate Diarbekr district; and the girls' school had 12 boarders and 146 day scholars. Encouragements in the work among Mohammedans are referred to with confidence by the missionaries from motives of prudence. An Egyptian Moslem was baptised on Palm Sunday 1895 at Jaffa. The village work around Jerusalem affords such encouragement. One of the ladies writes: 'It is interesting and delightful to see some of these poor women's minds little by little opening to understand and grasp something of the love of Christ.' Similar expressions of opinion and testimonies of spreading and deepening influence upon the character and homes of the people come from Amallah, Bir Zeit, Jaffa, Lydd, Nablous, Haifa, Keft Yasif, and Acca, at each of which one or more ladies are stationed. The Gaza hospital had 219 in- and 14,277 out-patients. Some of these, belonging to influential Moslem families, showed a marked interest in the Gospel message. Attempts were made during the year to close the Mission Hospital at Nablous, but they did not succeed. Over 10,000 out-patients and 20 in-patients were treated. Indications are not wanting to show that the medical work is breaking down the prejudices of the people. The *Persia Mission* was reinforced by a clergyman of experience and his wife, from Melbourne, and a lady was also taken up in the Mission in 'local connection.' There was less of open and pronounced opposition during the year than in the two previous years. Bishop Stuart called upon several of the principal mullahs in Ispahan, and was received courteously; he also spent several weeks in the country districts, and met with a very friendly reception from all classes. At Julfa 50 adult Church members of the Armenian congregation were confirmed, and on Christmas Day the number of communicants was 111. A Sayyid was baptised in February 1895, and an old Persian villager and two converts from Najifabad in March, and all suffered much persecution in consequence, the old man being brutally logged again and again. On Good Friday 1895, a young married woman and her little boy, of a village near to Julfa, were baptised—the first Persian woman in connection with the Mission. The convert was repeatedly flogged by her relatives, once with a chain so severely that she fainted. Subsequently she was taken by the Prince Governor as servant to one of the ladies of his harem, and thus protected from violence. Dr. Carr's hospital work went on quietly; 234 in-patients were received; 10,587 attended the women's dispensary, notwithstanding an order of the mullahs forbidding him to do so. Miss Bird visited in Ispahan. On one occasion she was asked to see the suffering daughter of a dervish, and found over 20 other sufferers collected, who were told by another daughter of the dervish to 'sit quiet while the *hukim* prays. She is not an infidel; she always prays first and then sees her patients.' Two ladies from Sydney joined the little band of workers in *Baghdad*. Opposition was at one time raised, and an attempt made to close the hospital, but a petition in its favour was signed by some 320, mostly men of influence and position—Mohammedans, Jews, and Christians—and the opposition immediately ceased. Permission has been obtained from the Turkish Government to open a Mission school.

India.—The Mission-fields of the C.M.S. in India are, for the greater part, in what is called British territory. In a few instances, however, as in Kashmir, Travancore, and Kochin, and some others, they are in 'Protected' Native States. The Nizam's dominions contain stations connected on the one side with the Western India Mission, and on the other side with the Telugu Mission, South India. The various fields are divided, mainly following the Diocesan divisions, into Bengal (Diocese of Calcutta), North-West Provinces (Diocese of Lucknow), Punjab and Sindh (Diocese of Lahore), Western India (Diocese of Bombay), South India (Diocese of Madras), and Travancore (Diocese of Travancore and Cochin). Several races and languages are found in each division, and the operations of the Society are carried on in fifteen different tongues, not counting Persian and Arabic, which are needed in some places.

Bengal.—Two Cambridge graduates and two Islington men in orders, one layman, and two ladies joined the staff of the Bengal Mission. At *Calcutta* seventeen men studied in the Divinity Class, the Principal of which also superintends the Book Depot, where 6,050 Scripture portions in the vernacular were sold during the year. The Christian Boys' Boarding School had 80 on its rolls, 20 of whom were, however, day-boys. The Garden Reach High School had 250 boys, three-fourths of whom were Hindus, while the Mattiaburj Middle School had 125, most, if not all, of whom were Mohammedans. The Girls' Boarding School, with 107 pupils, 78 being boarders, now occupies a new building. The band of Associated Evangelists has an extensive district of *Calcutta* for its sphere, enclosed by the Hooghly, the Bow Bazaar, and the Canal. Eight preaching stations are so many centres of evangelistic work, and hospitals are visited. Two adults were baptised, one of them a Sanscrit scholar, the other a Mohanmedan. In the *Nadiya* district there has been encouragement in the pastoral work. The contributions of the Church Council funds increased by Rs. 200. The Missionary in charge of the evangelistic work in the neighbourhood of *Krishnagar* says that antagonism to Christ has given way to a persistent attempt to incorporate Him into Hinduism; that one of the Gospels has been versified in the vernacular, and that the Hindus have commenced to make a translation of the Bible, and have published at their own expense St. Matthew's Gospel, with a Hindu commentary. The Associated Evangelists at *Santirajpur* have a district of 500 sq. miles and a population of 350,000 for their itinerations. With the full staff in constant activity it is barely possible to compass the district once in two years. At *Burdwan* there is a growing spirit of inquiry. In connection with the *Santal* Church Council there are 2,900 Christians—*Santals*, *Paharis*, and also some whose language is Hindi and Bengali. Over four tons of rice was given at the harvest festivals. A 'Special Mission' for the agents was held at *Taljhari* in June. The superintending missionary writes highly of the steady, systematic way in which the agents labour. Six agents are supported by the Native Missionary Association. The missionary at *Bhagalpur* pleads earnestly for evangelists for the province of *Behar*, 'with fifteen millions of people who have never heard the Gospel.'

North-West and Central Provinces.—Bishop Clifford has drawn the Society's attention during the year to the vast rural districts in his diocese which are completely unevangelised. Three Islington men (two ordained) and one lady (for *New South Wales*) were added to the staff. The *Allahabad* Divinity School presented its first candidate to the Oxford and Cambridge Preliminary Examination for Holy Orders in 1895; he took a second class. The students took part regularly in bazaar preaching. In *Benares* the charge of the *Jai Narayan's* school, and the supervision of the bazaar preaching, rests on the veteran missionary, the Rev. B. Davis. *Gorakhpur* and *Basti*, two adjoining districts, with an aggregate population of nearly five millions, are practically left to the C. M. S., but the staff consists of only two European and 34 native agents. Six adult converts were baptised, one of them a Mohammedan Begum. Eleven adults were baptised by the Rev. W. McLean at *Agra*. *St. John's College* sent up its first two candidates for the M. A. examination during the year, and passed them. Fifteen passed the B. A., one obtaining double-first honours—the only examinee so distinguished. An old student, now a native judge, wrote to the Principal attributing his success in the Government service to his observance of the 'lessons of truth, honesty, and morality' which he was taught in the College. Eighty-five of the 620 students are boarded in the Christian Hostel, under the charge of a missionary. Seven adults were baptised at *Aligarh*. The Rev. A. E. Bowlby mentions, as a sign of the progress the Gospel is making, that three *Zenana* hospitals in his district are under the charge of Hindustani Christian ladies. Eleven converts of the domestic servant class were baptised at *Mussorie*. The Associated Evangelists among the Gonds of the *Central Provinces* pursued their itinerations with many encouragements; one of them visited with his catechists over three hundred villages. They had many proofs that the Gospel is becoming widely known, and is remembered by many. Seven adults were baptised. The headquarters of the *Bhil* Mission are at *Kherwara*. There is comparatively little progress to report. A man and his wife were baptised on Christmas Day, 1894, making twenty-four baptisms since the Mission was commenced in 1880.

Punjab and Sindh Mission.—Four ordained graduates and one layman reinforced the Mission. One native was admitted to Deacon's Orders. *Amritsar* and the district immediately around present undoubted evidence of diminishing prejudice against Christianity,

and the missionaries find it necessary to increase their caution in receiving converts by baptism into the Church in proportion as opposition decreases. Twenty-one adults were baptised. The Amritsar Boys' High School has 486 pupils, some of whom have changed their attitude towards Christianity during the year under review. The lady missionaries at Amritsar and Clarkabad write brightly of their work in the Alexandra School, the Middle Class Girls' School, and among the women. Among fourteen baptised at Tarn Taran were three lepers. The Baring High School at Batala has 65 boys, all Christians, and all boarders except three. Some of them are from places 800 miles distant. About twenty-five per cent. of the old pupils are engaged in evangelistic work as ordained missionaries, catechists, and school-masters. The Divinity School at Lahore had five students during the year. At Kangra and at the *melas* (religious fairs) in the Kangra Valley there is an increasing sale of the Scriptures. A leper was baptised at the Dharm-sala Leper Asylum, and a convert from Mohammedanism at Multan. At Srinagar, the capital of Kashmir, the various agencies aim at influencing all classes; the Medical Mission work is chiefly among the Mohammedans of the city and villages, and the C. E. Z. M. S. ladies visit the women, many of whom are Sikhs, in their homes. The most encouraging sign in the work at Peshawar is the evident interest displayed by many in God's Word. At the Dera Ghazi Khan and Fort Munro Hospitals 232 in-patients and 6,070 out-patients were treated, and had the Gospel preached in their hearing. Nearly 15,000 visits of out-patients were registered at the Quetta Hospital, and there were 165 in-patients. Two Hindus and two Mohammedans were baptised at Karachi, in *Sindh*, and a man of the sweeper caste at Hyderabad. 1,627 portions of Scriptures were sold from the Karachi Book Depôt.

Western India.—A graduate of London University joined this Mission. Seven adults were baptised from among the 155,000 Mohammedans of Bombay at the beginning of 1895. Lieut.-Col. Freeman found access to the Parsis through the help of a Parsi convert. Three Parsis were baptised. There were seven adult baptisms in connection with the Gujerathi congregation. The Robert Money School has 210 pupils. In the course of 1895, five Brahmans, one of them a hereditary priest, were baptised at Nasik; the event caused much excitement among the Hindus of that place. At Junir the Mohammedans were very eager to discuss religious questions in consequence of the baptism on Whit-Sunday, 1895, of a Mohammedan sweeper. Four adult converts were baptised at Aurungabad.

South India.—The additions to the staff consisted of two ordained men. Five natives were admitted to Deacons' Orders. Four students of the Divinity School at *Madras* were presented for the Oxford and Cambridge Preliminary, and all passed. Altogether, 13 of the students have passed since 1888: five in the first, six in the second, and two in the third class. The first of the Greek Testament prizes offered by Bishop Gell was won by one of the students, for the sixth time since 1886, besides two second prizes during the same period. A native pastor has ready access to some 200 houses of educated Hindus in different parts of *Madras*, and is welcomed at the meetings of the literary societies recently formed by young Hindus. Twenty adults were baptised at Zion Church, ten at Mount Pastorate, eight at Ootacamund, and six in the Wynaad. The Mission in the Nilgiris and the Wynaad has greatly extended. The Noble High School at Masulipatam, in the *Telugu* Mission witnessed the baptism of one of its pupils, a Brahman, after repeated efforts had been made by his family to dissuade him, and the usual painful scenes had been enacted. Fifty-nine adults were baptised in the Elore district. The work spreads in the villages of the Khammamett district. Bishop Gell made a visitation of the *Telugu* Mission in the winter of 1895-6. His tour extended over two months, and involved a large amount of travelling by rail and road and river, a serious undertaking for one in the thirty-fifth year of his episcopate. The Preparandi Institution, at Palamcotta, in *Tinnerelly*, has some 40 students. Out of twelve candidates for the Matriculation Examination from the High School in the same town, ten passed, all Christian lads—80 per cent.; whereas only 20 per cent. from the whole Presidency were successful. Over fifty ordained native pastors minister to the congregations scattered over the district. They are each assisted by a small number of evangelists, catechists, and school-masters and mistresses. The itinerating missionaries and their native helpers visit these pastorates, and both help them and are helped by them in making Christ known to the Heathen.

Travancore and Cochin.—Bishop Hodges admitted three natives to Deacons' Orders in December. Eleven students were in the Divinity Class of the Cambridge Nicholson Institution, of whom five were in Syrian orders. A convention of from ten to fifteen thousand Syrians was held in March, which concluded with an evangelistic service, at which some 25,000 are said to have been present. The College at Cottayam has 315 pupils. In the Mundakayam district during the past thirteen years the Christians have grown from 800 to 3000. Bishop Hodges confirmed 62 candidates at Allepe, besides four lepers.

Ceylon.—One graduate of Cambridge and four ladies joined the Ceylon Mission. The lady missionaries labouring among the Tamil-speaking women of Colombo and neighbourhood are well received. Eighteen adults were baptised in the Cotta district. The 59 schools in the district have 3,527 names on their rolls, and the average attendance at Sunday-school was 1008. Two pupils in the 'English School' were baptised. The Bible-women visited 3,123 houses, and read the Scriptures to 19,685 people. The catechists preached to 57,551 people in the villages, bazaars, market-places, &c., and 326 portions of Scripture were sold, and 8,900 Singhalese tracts distributed. The Baddegama district has over 2000 children in 33 schools, and there, as elsewhere in the Mission, the majority of the 17 adults baptised are the fruits directly or indirectly of the schools. The work among the coolies on the tea estates is superintended by three missionaries who divide the area among them. In the district of one of the missionaries there are 676 estates, with 200,000 Tamil coolies. It takes the missionary two years to visit all the estates. In the Jaffna district one of the fourteen adults baptised was the priest of a village temple, and several others, private, were among the inquirers.

Mauritius.—Two ladies joined the staff for work among the women. In the six pastorates there were 44 adult baptisms during the year. In one district out of a population of 50,000, 37,000 were said to be Hindus or Mohammedans, most of the rest being Roman Catholics. 1,626 children are under instruction in 28 schools.

China.—The work of the C.M.S. in China consists of the South China and Mid-China Missions. In the former the Society has a Mission at Hong Kong, and several out-stations in the *Kwang-tung* province, but the main work is in the *Fuh-kien* province, where, on August 1, 1895, an appalling disaster was permitted, in the mysterious providence of God, to fall upon the Missions of the C.M.S. and the C.E.Z.M.S. A number of men, moved apparently by animosity to their own Government, rather than by anti-Christian feelings, massacred eight missionaries, viz. the Rev. R. W. and Mrs. Stewart, the Misses H. E. and E. M. Saunders of the C.M.S., and the Misses Hessie Newcombe, Elsie Marshall, F. J. Stewart, and M. A. C. Gordon of the C.E.Z.M.S. A child, Herbert Stewart, aged six years, was also among the killed, and an infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart died a few days later from injuries received. After the massacre, it was dreaded by the missionaries that a general persecution of the Christians would take place. But Archdeacon Wolfe wrote, 'Not a church was interfered with, not a native Christian persecuted or injured,' as a consequence of the murders. On the contrary, in Fuh-chow a great and widespread interest manifested itself; the churches have since been thronged and inquirers numerous. The spirit of inquiry in the district of Hok-chiang, referred to last year, continues. There were 231 adult baptisms in the district, but Archdeacon Wolfe says that some 2000 or 3000 profess to be Christian adherents. Three ordained missionaries and ten ladies joined the Mission during the year—all for work in Fuh-kien. The ladies were delayed a few months at home, until the excitement consequent on the massacres had abated. The Mid-China Mission has also gained two ordained recruits—one a graduate of Cambridge and one of Oxford—and two ladies. During the last twenty years the native clergy in *Shanghai* and *Cheh-kiang* have increased in number from one deacon to seven priests and six deacons; the lay teachers from 26 to 61 male and 31 female agents; the schools from 13 to 36, and the scholars from 109 to 553; the native Christians from 538 to 1,723, the communicants from 274 to 902. Nearly 1000 patients were treated in the Hang-chow hospital in 1895, 5000 at Ningpo, and 3000 at Shaou-hing. Ten adults were baptised at Shanghai, 33 at Ningpo, 33 at T'ai-chow, and 21 at Hang-chow. A new diocese has been formed for Western China, thus relieving Bishop Moule of the episcopal charge of the missionary work in the province of *Si-chuan*. The Rev. W. W. Cassels, one of the famous

'Cambridge seven,' who went out as members of the China Inland Mission in 1885, was consecrated to the see on St. Luke's Day, 1895. To the five cities mentioned last year as having been occupied by the C.M.S. in Si-chuan, a sixth was added at the beginning of 1895.

Japan.—By mutual arrangement between Bishops Bickersteth and McKim, the latter of the American Episcopal Church, the main island of Japan has been divided into four 'missionary jurisdictions,' two to be under bishops of the American Church, and two under bishops of the Church of England. Bishop Awdry has been appointed Bishop of the Osaka jurisdiction, and Bishop Bickersteth retains the jurisdiction of South Tokio. For the northern island of Hokkaido, the Rev. P. K. Fyson, a missionary of the Society in Japan since 1874, has been appointed. Four ordained men and six ladies were added to the Society's staff during the year. Two natives were admitted to Deacons' Orders. Twenty-four adults were baptised in the Matsuye district, in the Diocese of Osaka, and fifteen at Tokushima and out-stations. An ordained man and two ladies were added to the staff at work in the Diocese of South Tokio, and the C.M.S. staff was further increased by the addition of the Wycliffe College Mission, now amalgamated with the Canadian C.M. Association. A Leper Hospital was opened during the year at Kumamoto, in the Diocese of *Kiu-shiu*. Bishop Evington confirmed 38 candidates. Three adults were baptised in the Loo Choo Islands, the first-fruits among the actual natives of these islands. A grievous disappointment was experienced at Oyamada in the apostasy of twelve heads of families. Bishop Evington visited the Diocese of Hokkaido from June to August 1895, and confirmed 79 Japanese and 46 Ainu. A meeting of the Church Council and the first meeting of the Missionary Conference were held during the Bishop's visit. The Rev. W. Andrews writes, 'The catechists are becoming every year more alive to the importance of keeping in order the machinery of the Church, and the members of the several congregations accordingly are beginning to value their Church privileges more.' Two churches were built for the Ainu, of whom 102 were baptised.

New Zealand.—The Society's Missions are confined to the North Island, and are under the charge of a C.M.S. Mission Board, consisting of the three Bishops of Auckland, Waiapu, and Wellington, three missionaries, and three laymen. This Board administers the funds proceeding from lands given in the early days for the support of the Mission, supplemented by an annually diminishing grant from the Society. Three natives were admitted during the year to Deacons' Orders by Bishop Williams of Waiapu. In Auckland Diocese there are now sixteen Maori clergymen. Two new churches were built; one in the 'King Country' was erected by those who had been Hauhaus, but who, since the death of the late Maori 'King,' have returned to the Church. In the Diocese of Waiapu the former followers of the late Maori 'prophet,' Te Kooti, have in several villages resumed attendance at the church services. In Wellington Diocese the return is reported of all the Hauhaus and Te Kootiites and many of the Mormons in the district of Wairarapa.

North-West Canada.—The C.M.S. Mission is to the remnant of the Red Indian tribes scattered over the vast country formerly known as the Hudson's Bay Territory, now included in the Dominion of Canada. What was once the Diocese of Rupert's Land has been more than once sub-divided, and there are now eight dioceses, in all of which are C.M.S. stations. In many parts the work is in a large measure pastoral, but here and there the old Heathenism is still in force. A new station was opened in 1895 at Valley River, in the Diocese of *Rupert's Land*. Bishop Newnham visited the northern part of the Diocese of *Moosonee* in the summer, travelling about two thousand miles. Much of the country traversed had never before had an episcopal visitation. Letters were received in November from Cumberland Sound. Over forty of the Eskimo had learned to read, and many could repeat the Lord's Prayer and Ten Commandments. On one occasion the seal-skins covering the little church were devoured by starving dogs. The Eskimos in Repulse Bay, in the Arctic Circle, were reached from Fort Churchill, and those in Frobisher Bay from Blacklead Island. A clergyman from Eastern Canada joined the staff in the *Calgary* Diocese. Bishop Young of *Althabasca* spent six months in visiting the stations, and was encouraged and thankful to observe the spirit of the workers, of whom he wrote that they were 'not only seeking to do their duty, but are

proving themselves true soul-winners.' Bishop Reeve of *Mackenzie River*, in the autumn of 1895, visited the Eskimo near the mouth of Mackenzie River and on Herschel Island. At the latter place a blacksmith's shop served for a church, and the anvil for a reading-desk, and there was a daily congregation of about thirty. Bishop Bompas of *Selkirk* wrote in July 1895, that for two years he had been unable to leave Buxton because he had no one to leave in his stead, but on the arrival of a new labourer he hoped to find an opportunity to move about his vast diocese.

British Columbia.—Bishop Ridley of Caledonia returned to the Mission in May 1895. At Metlakahtla a band of voluntary native evangelists, or 'Church Army,' now numbers thirty members. Mrs. Ridley manages a large branch of the White Cross Society. The work at the salmon canneries among Indians, Japanese, Chinese, and whites is carried on amidst scenes of drunkenness and gambling, but is manifestly blessed of God. At Kitkatla, the home of Chief Sheukah, twenty-five adults were baptised. The first sea-otter taken in the summer hunt, valued at \$200, was brought as a thankoffering to God, and as a gift towards the cost of erecting a new church. At Hazelton, on the Skeena River, and Giatwangak there were 24 adult baptisms, and 16 at Alert Bay, on Vancouver's Island.

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND ZENANA MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THIS Society is now in its seventeenth year of work. It was established upon its present basis in April 1880 to work in co-operation with the Church Missionary Society, its object being to make known the Gospel of Christ to the women of India in accordance with the Protestant and Evangelical teaching of the Articles and formularies of the Church of England. By its constitution also, it was free to engage in similar work in other heathen or Mohanmedan countries. It took over in 1880 17 stations, with a staff of 36 European ladies (of whom 14 are still upon its roll), 25 assistants, and about 100 Bible-women and native Christian teachers from the original Society—The Indian Female Normal School and Instruction Society—which since 1851 had been working for the same object, and still is working on undenominational lines in India. Of the stations transferred to the new Society all, with the exception of Jabalpur in the Central Provinces and Mirat in the North-West Provinces, were in Bengal, the Punjab, and South India. It is within these provinces that the development and extension of the Society's Indian work has mainly been confined. Three stations have been occupied in Sindh—Karachi in 1880, Hyderabad in 1885, and Sukkur in 1888. In 1887 Miss Hull went to begin work in Kashmir, and Dr. Fanny Butler followed in the next year as a medical missionary to women.

During the past year the returns, as far as received, speak of 5,311 pupils receiving regular instruction in Zenanas, of which the Bible is an essential element, from our Missionaries and their assistants. Not less than 9,137 girls have been in attendance in 211 schools. Girls are seldom allowed to continue to attend school after the age of ten or eleven, but in many cases their instruction is continued after their marriage in the Zenana, of which they have become inmates. In Tinnevely no less than 53 Bible-women are employed in giving Scripture teaching to pupils in Zenanas.

Village Missions, which were begun by Miss Clay in the Punjab from Jandials as a centre in 1880, are now carried on during the cold season, from at least 9 centres in the Punjab, and also in connection with several of the stations in Bengal and Tinnevely, with very encouraging results. The statistical reports of the Indian Missions speak of at least 2,470 villages having been visited. The importance of this branch of work is seen in the fact that about 90 per cent. of the population of India is found in the villages.

Medical Missions are also found one of the most successful agencies for opening the way to the Gospel both among the town and the village populations. The Society has long had St. Catherine's Hospital at Amritsar, with its 3 dispensaries. In Peshawar and at Bangalore new hospitals have been built. Both of these are under the charge of fully qualified medical ladies, and a lady-doctor has made an encouraging beginning at

setta, on the Afghan frontier. Four fully qualified lady-doctors have been added to the staff this autumn, one of whom will take charge of the medical work at Ratnapore in the Nuddeo District in Bengal. Dispensaries are opened at several stations, and in some of them small nursing wards have been opened in which those who require lengthened treatment are received. In some cases the dispensary is in the charge of native Christian ladies, who have been trained for the work.

The Society also takes its share in **Educational Work**. Besides supplying the teaching staff at the C.M.S. Alexandra High School at Amritsar, the Sarah Tucker Institution at Palamcottah, and the Girls' Boarding School at Krishnagar, it also has its own Normal School at Calcutta, for the training of native Christian teachers; and Training Homes for Assistant Missionaries have been started at Amritsar and Baranagore, near Calcutta.

In 1883, on the urgent appeal of the C.M.S., a special *China* Fund was started, and ladies sent to help in training Bible-women and visiting in the homes of Chinese ladies Foochow. At the present time the Society occupies 8 stations, and has 28 ladies on the roll of workers in the *Fuh Kien Province*, and 5 new missionaries are about to join the Mission at the end of the year. The massacre of the 1st of August, 1895, has had the effect of arousing a wide-spread spirit of enquiry in the province, and of stimulating them more than checking offers of service. Miss Codrington, the sole survivor of the massacre, will accompany the outgoing band of new workers.

In 1889 two ladies were sent at the invitation of, and mainly through Funds raised by, the Rev. J. Ireland Jones, to *Ceylon*, to open a school for the daughters of Kandyan chiefs. There are now 14 pupils under instruction. A fourth lady has been added, who is working among the village women in the neighbourhood of Kandy.

Twenty-six new ladies have been added to the Society's staff during the past year, raising the total number in Home connection to 203. Five of these are sent from Australia. There are also 90 Missionaries and assistants in local connection, and 637 native Bible-women and teachers. In 1880 the income was 13,500*l.*; during the year ending March 31, 1896, the ordinary receipts were 32,106*l.* The Society is at present committed to an expenditure of at least 6000*l.* above the average income.

The magazines of the Society are *India's Women*, monthly, 1*d.*, and *Daybreak*, quarterly, 1*d.*

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THE MISSIONARY LEAVES ASSOCIATION.

ORIGINATED in the efforts of the friends of some Missionaries of the C.M.S. to assist them in their work. A monthly paper was first issued in 1868 as a means of communication between Missionaries of the C.M.S. and their friends at home. In 1870 an Association was formed, and took its title from the 'Missionary Leaves,' which had been issued monthly.

The objects of the Association are to supply the Missionaries and stations of the C.M.S. with help in money and material towards such requisites as it is not in the province of the Society to supply, but which aid nevertheless is found to be most helpful in the various works undertaken by the Missionaries. Most of the members of the committee are members of the C.M.S. Committee.

The funds of the Association are expended upon the maintenance of children in C.M.S. mission schools; the erection of mission churches, schools, &c.; the purchase of the accessories of public worship, such as church furniture, bells, books, harmoniums, &c.; and towards Missionary Diocesan Funds, and other similar objects. During the year 1892, 218 children were supported in mission schools, and funds provided for the maintenance of ten catechists and teachers, three divinity students, and fifteen Bible-women.

During the last twenty-two years the Association has received and forwarded contributions in money to the amount of 62,852*l.*, and in goods to the value of 36,159*l.*

In the year 1884 the C.M.S. invited the Association to administer the funds provided for 'Special Objects,' and to receive, pack, and forward goods intended for particular mission stations. The work of the Association has thus been greatly enlarged.

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THE SOUTH-AMERICAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

IN the history of this Society few years have witnessed greater changes and developments than the year which has just passed. Archdeacon Shrimfield left Rosario and the Argentine Republic to resume the work which he carried on so successfully for several years in Uruguay, where he now ministers to numerous English-speaking people, scattered over a district as large as Great Britain. In Rosario and Argentina he has been succeeded by the Revs. W. H. T. Blair and J. B. Hunt; while the Bishop of the Falkland Islands at Buenos Ayres has ordained for Evangelistic work among the Spanish-speaking people, and missionary work among the Mapuches of Araucania, Messrs. Tho. Wilkos and P. J. Walker. Misses Searle and Pegrum have volunteered for and entered upon missionary work in Rosario and neighbourhood. The Rev. G. E. Craven has met with much encouragement both in Sao Paulo and in the fever-stricken port of Santos, Brazil. At the former place the English community have built a much-needed parsonage for his accommodation. The Rev. J. Williams has been appointed to ministerial work in the Straits of Magellan, where are many English settlers, who were without any public means of grace. Rev. W. H. Elkin has been removed from Lota to a larger and more important sphere of work, with the town of Concepcion for his head-quarters; and Mr. J. S. Robertson has been transferred from the sparsely-peopled mining districts of the Chanaral to the more populous town of Coquimbo. The Bishop of Honduras, subsidised by the Society, has appointed a Clergyman to Carthagena, where the English-speaking residents contribute towards his support.

The Rev. C. A. Sadleir's hands have been strengthened in Araucania, by the appointment of Mr. R. Denmark as an assistant missionary; and, while Rev. P. J. Walker remains at Quino, Mr. Sadleir is able to move southward to Cholchol, where the Indians are very numerous. In both districts the medical side of the work is carried on vigorously by Mr. Walker and Mr. Wilson, whose services are in great request. After eleven years' work in the Falkland Islands and the Paraguayan Chaco, Mr. W. Harbrooke Grubb, the leader of the Chaco Mission, returned to England for needed rest and change, but has been almost ceaselessly occupied seeking men and additional means, and with much success. Mr. Robert Graham has gone out, and Messrs. Hawtreay and Mark have been appointed, and will accompany Mr. Grubb on his return in February. The Chaco Mission has for its object the conversion to the faith of Christ of many millions of aboriginal Indians in the heart of South America. The Missionaries are making great progress with the languages, of which seventeen are spoken in the Chaco. In the extreme South, Miss Harvey, Hon. Missionary to the Fuegians, has married, and her husband has returned with her to the work at Tekenika. While the Society has lost many friends by death during the past year, it has only lost one missionary. Mr. Henry Brandreth, of the Seamen's Mission, Rio de Janeiro, was drowned in the harbour when on duty. Mr. W. J. Lumby has been appointed in his place. Mr. McCarthy, of Monte Video, has succeeded Mr. W. Morris at the Boca Mission, Buenos Ayres, and Captain Ericssen has taken the place of the late Mr. George Spooner, at Rosario.

At home the Rev. Alan Ewbank, M.A., Cambridge, has been appointed to succeed the Rev. W. E. Martlew, Association Secretary for the Southern District, who is retiring after nine years' faithful and valued service.

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THE COLONIAL AND CONTINENTAL CHURCH SOCIETY.

THE aim of the Society is to provide the means of grace for Englishmen abroad, and in whatever part of the world they are to be found there it follows them.

In the Colonies it works in thirty dioceses:—Montreal, Quebec, Toronto, Algona, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Fredericton, Rupertsland, Saskatchewan, Calgary, Athabasca, Mackenzie River, and Selkirk, in the Dominion of Canada; Jamaica, British Honduras, and Nassau, in the West Indies; Cape Town and Grahamstown, in South Africa; Madras, in India; Goulburn, Riverina, Bathurst, Ballarat, Grafton and Armidale, Perth, and North Queensland, in Australia; Auckland, Waiapu, and Nelson, in New Zealand; and Mauritius, in the Indian Ocean. During the past year the Society has extended its work in Labrador, where the scattered fisherfolk have been much neglected; has made a grant in the Diocese of Grafton and Armidale, where one Clergyman had the oversight

of 17 congregations, from 5 to 25 miles apart; has given further assistance in the Diocese of British Honduras, where three new Mission Districts have lately been formed; and is prepared to make a grant to Mombasa, the starting-point of the new railway to Uganda, so soon as a suitable person can be found to go out.

On the Continent of Europe four new Summer Chaplaincies have been added to the list:—Chandolin, St. Pierre-en-Port, Schwartz See, and Cava.

At the Rhone Glacier a new Church is in course of erection.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Rev. Canon Hurst, B. D., or the Editorial Secretary, Miss E. Dibdin, 9 Serjeants' Inn, Fleet Street, London, E. C.

ANGLO-CONTINENTAL SOCIETY.

THE Anglo-Continental Society was instituted in 1853 to be the handmaid of the Church of England in her intercourse with Continental and other Christians. It has been carrying on its work in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, and France, chiefly in co-operation with the Old Catholics of those countries. The Society transmitted 10% during the year to Austria, where Pfarrer Cech has continued Administrator of the Diocese (Bisthums-Verweser). Owing to difficulties raised by the Austrian Government as to the endowment, the election of an Austrian Old Catholic Bishop has not yet taken place. The Society has collected 298*l.* for the endowment of the Bishopric, and 50*l.* for the immediate use of the new Bishop on his consecration. In Germany, the Adjutor Bishop, Bishop Weber, has succeeded Bishop Reinkens. The Bishop of the Christian Catholic Church in Switzerland has ordained Signor Bruni for work at Novadola, in Italy, at the request of the Italian Old Catholic Bishop-Elect, the Rev. Count Henry di Campello. The Society has transmitted 900*l.* to the Rev. Count Henry di Campello for the maintenance of his work in Italy. A thousand pounds has been raised towards the endowment of the Old Catholic Bishopric for Italy, by a sub-committee of the Society. Ten pounds have been given to Count Giulio Tasca, 10*l.* have been transmitted to Bishop Herzog for the Theological Student Fund in Switzerland, 10*l.* have been given in prizes to two Old Catholic Theological Students at Bonn, for their proficiency in knowledge of the Scriptures, and three guineas have been sent to Madrid. The Society has for its objects—

1. To make the principles of the English Church known in the different countries of Europe and throughout the world.
2. To help forward the internal reformation of national Churches and other religious communities, by spreading information within them, and co-operating with Catholic reformers.
3. To promote friendly relations with the East, and to commend Episcopacy to the non-Episcopal Communities on the Continent.
4. To save men whose religious convictions are already unsettled from drifting into infidelity, by exhibiting to them a purified Christianity, which they may be able to embrace.
5. To spread information at home.

The income for the last year is 1,134*l.* The report of its operations and other foreign Church news are to be found in the *Foreign Church Chronicle* (Gilbert and Rivington, St. John's House, Clerkenwell, London).

Communications should be made to the Rev. Canon Meyrick, Blickling Rectory, Aylsham, Norfolk.

THE UNIVERSITIES MISSION TO CENTRAL AFRICA.

THE Mission consists of 2 Bishops, 25 English and 9 African Clergy, 24 laymen, 29 ladies, and 116 native readers and teachers; 205 in all. Mission work of the ordinary kind is scattered over some 200,000 square miles. In the nurseries, schools, homes and workshops about 2000 are being taught, and some 600 children are entirely supported by the Mission; and a census taken at Easter 1896 showed 1,405 communicants, whilst the adherents numbered over 4000 more. The cost of the work in 1895 was 22,754*l.*; the cost of raising funds about 8½ per cent. The Mission is occupied in three distinct

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branches of missionary work: (1) In Zanzibar Island with the released slaves captured and set free by the British cruisers; (2) on Lake Nyasa, one of the great sources of the slave trade; (3) mission stations on the mainland, Usambara to the N.W., and in the Rovuma district to the S.W.

The following is a short sketch of the work during the past year in these fields of labour:

(1) **Zanzibar Island.**—In the city of Zanzibar on and around the site of the old slave market there is a beautiful Christian church, two mission houses, a large hospital, and cottages dwelt in by native Christians. At Kiungani, two miles out of the town, there is a native Theological College and school of 140 boys and young men, mostly in training to be teachers or Clergy to their own people. In 1890 the first native Priest of East Africa was ordained. At Mbweni, four miles out, there is a Girls' Home, where 100 released slave girls of all ages are being educated. Here is also a farm of 130 acres, where live adults who have come under the care of the Mission as they were set free from the Arab slave dhows. This settlement is self-supporting. Strong proclamations have been put out against slavery by the Sultan, and the assumption by Great Britain of the Protectorate of Zanzibar will, it is hoped, lead to these being of some real effect.

(2) **Lake Nyasa.**—This is one of the great hunting-grounds for slave-dealers. Here the Mission maintains a Church steamer, which carries the Missionaries from place to place along the eastern shores of the Lake. The head-quarters of this part of the work are on Likoma Island, where there are central schools. Another station has been established on the island of Chisumulu and two on the mainland—one at Unangu on the East side, and one at Kota Kota on the West side of the Lake. By the Anglo-Portuguese Convention, Likoma and Chisumulu remain under British protection, but several places on the East Coast, visited by the steamer, are under Portuguese control.

(3) **Other Mainland Stations.**—The places occupied in the Rovuma country between the East Coast and Lake Nyasa are Masasi, Newala, and Chitangali. At Newala is a settlement of Christian freed slaves, trained at Zanzibar, and restored to their own country. Here is also a Home for some fifty boys, and nearly 400 children come regularly to school. In the Usambara country, north of Zanzibar, there are schools and homes for boys, and the usual mission work at Mkuzi, Misozwe, Umba, and Kologwe. These places belong to the large central station of Magila, where there is a Sisterhood working, a fine stone church, and a Home for 115 boys. The station is a centre of growing civilisation, where moral and spiritual influences are producing distinctly favourable results. The settlement of the Anglo-German agreement leaves all the stations in the Usambara and Rovuma districts in the German sphere of influence.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, 14 Delahay Street, Westminster, S.W.

SPECIAL MISSIONS.

Following short summaries are given as the result of communications to the official representatives of Missionary Agencies purporting in name of working to be more or less independent of the Central Board :

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Mission Calcutta	<p>During the year the usual work of lecturing, preaching, and interviewing has been carried on. Also the work at the Bishop's College; the two schools for native Christian boys in connection with it, and St. James's School for Eurasians. A hostel for native students has been opened near the Mission-House. In addition to these, mission work in the Sunderbuns and Burrisal has been superintended by one of the Missionaries. The Mission has also the care of two native Christian congregations in Calcutta. The present staff of the Mission is made up of eight Priests, six English and two Bengali, and three Bengali laymen. <i>More men are urgently needed</i> if the present work is to be carried on, and the calls for help in other parts responded to.</p> <p>Address : The General Secretary, 92 Belgrave Road, S.W.</p>
Bridge Mission to Delhi (S.P.G.)	<p>This Mission to North India was originated in 1876, with the object of carrying on educational and evangelistic work. St. Stephen's College prepares students (now over 80) for the degree examinations of the Punjab University. New College buildings were opened in 1891, and there is an hostel for Christian students. St. Stephen's High School and the Branch Schools (with some 700 pupils) are also in charge of the Mission; and a Boarding House for Christian boys adjoins the S.P.G. Mission House in which the brotherhood now reside. The Mission is responsible for services in Urdu in St. Stephen's Church, and for the pastoral charge of the Native Christians. Classes are held for the instruction of catechists, schoolmasters, &c. Evangelistic work among Hindus and Mahommedans is carried on in Delhi, and in other parts of the South Punjab.</p> <p>Six Missionaries are stationed at Delhi, and two at Rohtak. Additional Missionaries are very urgently needed.</p> <p>A Hospital for Women, Girls' Schools, Zenana teaching, &c., are carried on by S.P.G. Mission Ladies.</p> <p>Address : G. M. Edwards, Esq., Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.</p>
Indian Church Aid Association	<p>The object of the Indian Church Aid Association, formed in 1880, is 'to aid in the building up and strengthening of the Church in India with primary reference to the needs of the Europeans and Eurasians.' This appeals in the first place to those who by work and residence in India personally know the more or less needy classes for whose benefit the Association exists. It has next a strong claim on those who are practically the employers of Europeans or Eurasians in the railways, tea plantations, &c., whence dividends are looked for towards the income enjoyed in England.</p> <p>This Association alone represents the English Church at home to the Eurasian and poor European, so often lonely and dangerously isolated, in India; the Committee represents English experience of their wants, and the Church's breadth in its ministries to them. The Association does not originate or control Christian agencies in India, but gathers funds with a sympathy grounded on knowledge, and freely hands them to the workers on the spot.</p>

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Indian Church Aid Association— cont.	<p>The principle of the Association—viz., to aid, without interfering with the work of the Church in India under the control of the working in council with the Clergy and laity—will commencing afresh to those who from experience have learnt to trust such men, or who on principle maintain that our home Societies whenever their efforts show this characteristic.</p> <p>All communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec. A. O. Hardy, Smarden Rectory, Kent.</p>
Archbishop's Mission to the Assyrian Christians	<p>The aim of the Mission has been clearly set forth in a letter addressed to the Patriarch of Antioch by the Archbishop of Canterbury before the departure of the Mission Clergy. 'Our object in sending these two Priests is not to bring over these Christians to the communion of the Church of England, nor to alter their customs and traditions, nor to change any doctrines held which are not contrary to that Faith which the Holy Spirit has revealed as necessary to be believed by all Christians, but to encourage, by bettering their religious condition, and to strengthen an ancient Church, through ignorance from within and persecution from without, cannot any longer stand alone, but without some assistance eventually succumb to the external organisations at work in the East, whilst guarding against the mistake of making Anglican members of an ancient Oriental Church, care will be taken upon the necessity for the adoption by the Assyrian Church of 'forms of sound words' which enshrine the Faith, if the Church is to be restored once more to communion with the Catholic and Apostolic Church.'</p> <p>The Mission has already established one Seminary, and two Schools, one Middle School, and over seventy Village Schools. Together 2000 and 3000 scholars are under instruction. A Catechism containing a clear exposition of the Catholic doctrine of the Incarnation has been published. The other publications of the Mission are the 'Takhwa' or 'Liturgy of the Apostles,' and two other liturgies, the Baptismal Office, the Lectionary, and a modern Syriac Grammar, an easy Ecclesiastical History Vocabulary.</p> <p>There are now six Clergy at work in the Mission, five of whom are graduates of Oxford or Cambridge, and the fourth a native, but in the Episcopal Church in America. One of the Missionaries has his residence in the Turkish mountains. There are also five Sisters of the Community of the Sisters of Bethany, who take the charge of the girls under their special charge for instruction.</p> <p>The cost of the Mission is over 3,500<i>l.</i> a year, and in order to develop the existing work an earnest appeal is made to the generosity of Churchmen.</p> <p>For further information, apply to the Rev. R. Milburn, Hon. Sec., 7 Dean's Yard, Westminster, London, S.W.</p>
Association for the Furtherance of Christianity in Egypt	<p>The purpose of this Association is to further the cause of Christianity in Egypt by assisting, in the first instance, the Coptic Church in the attainment of a higher spiritual life, especially through a better education for its members, more particularly those designated as 'Orders.'</p> <p>Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec. R. Milburn Blakiston, 7 Dean's Yard, Westminster.</p>
Association in aid of the Bishop of Capetown	<p>The Association in aid of the Bishop of Capetown was formed in the year 1869 to assist the late Bishop Gray in providing for the needs of his Diocese, and also to furnish an income for the Bishop of Maritzburg. A separate organisation has now been formed to assist the Bishop of Maritzburg. The Diocese of Capetown stands in need of assistance from the mother Church at home, as the Diocese grows ever on the increase, and new mission stations needed; and</p>

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<p>Association in aid of the Bishop of Capetown—cont.</p>	<p>has been obliged, in consequence of other pressing claims, to greatly diminish the grant to the Diocese of Capetown.</p> <p>Communications should be addressed to F. M. T. Jones, Esq., Lesketh, How, Ambleside, or to F. B. Jackson, Esq., 1 Queensboro' Terrace, London, W., Hon. Secretaries of the Capetown Association.</p>
<p>North China Mission</p>	<p>Bishopric endowed by an anonymous gift. S.P.G. block grant, reduced from 1,150<i>l.</i> to 950<i>l.</i> Supports four Clergy, one married. Bishop Scott's Special Fund supports three ladies at Peking, one a doctor of medicine, and five Clergy and one native sub-Deacon, and various Catechists, Schoolmasters, and Readers. S.P.G. have made a grant of 200<i>l.</i> per year, for support of a Clergyman at Tientsin, the port of Peking, where are a large number of resident foreigners. Mission stations at Peking, Chefoo, Lung Hua Tien, Yung-Ching, and the inland city of Tai-an-foo, with adjoining city Ping Yin and village between.</p> <p>Address: Canon Scott, St. John's Vicarage, Leeds.</p>
<p>Bombay Mission</p>	<p>There are at present 70 Clergymen in the Diocese, of whom 25 are Government Chaplains, 15 belong to the C.M.S., 15 to the S.P.G., 10 are members of, or in connection with, the Society of St. John the Evangelist, 4 are Railway Chaplains under the Additional Clergy Society, and one is Harbour Chaplain in Bombay. The number of consecrated churches is 38. The pressing need of the Diocese is for more help in the Mission field, and also in the work of ministering to the railway and harbour employés, who are not provided for by the Government Establishment.</p> <p>Address: Hon. and Rev. A. T. Lyttelton, The Vicarage, Eccles.</p>
<p>Melanesian Mission</p>	<p>The income of the Mission for 1895 from English sources was 2,509<i>l.</i> 4<i>s.</i> 5<i>d.</i></p> <p>Communications should be made to Rt. Rev. Bishop Selwyn, Selwyn College Lodge, Cambridge. Subscriptions, donations, &c., to the Treasurer, Rev. William Selwyn, Bromfield Vicarage, R.S.O., Shropshire.</p>
<p>Maritzburg Mission Association</p>	<p>This Association was formed in 1880 by a union of the Maritzburg (Natal) Church and Mission Aid Society and the Guild of the Most Blessed Saviour (Natal). In 1881 a Children's Association was formed to support by their contributions native children in various Homes in the Diocese. The field has now been extended to embrace Indian children and European orphans. There are now 82 branches of the M.M.A., and the receipts for 1894 amounted to 592<i>l.</i> 12<i>s.</i> 8<i>d.</i>, in addition to sums received by the Treasurer of the Sisterhood. During the same period the receipts from the Children's Association have amounted to 32<i>l.</i> 14<i>s.</i> 5<i>d.</i> A quarterly account of the work in the Diocese is published under the title of 'Church News from Natal.' Editor: Miss E. T. Moore, Oakfield, Eltham.</p> <p>Hon. Clerical Secretary: Rev. W. A. Macleod, The Curatage, Addington, Croydon.</p>
<p>Zululand Mission</p>	<p>The Diocese consists of Zululand, Swaziland, Maputaland, and a certain portion of the Transvaal, which was added in 1891 by the Provincial Synod. The population is considerable, but impossible to estimate. The greater mass of the people is at present untouched. In Maputaland there is not one single native Christian, in Swaziland very few. There are 16 Priests, one being a Zulu, 6 Deacons, 3 of whom are natives, besides several lay helpers. S.P.G. pays the stipends of 3 Clergy and allows 200<i>l.</i> a year besides. The lowest estimate of the working expenses in Africa alone is 1,800<i>l.</i> a year. With the exception of 47<i>l.</i> 5<i>s.</i> 8<i>d.</i>, which is produced by interest on investments, the Mission is entirely dependent upon voluntary contributions and subscriptions. These amounted in the year 1895 to 2,115<i>l.</i> 4<i>s.</i> 1<i>d.</i>, including a legacy of 200<i>l.</i></p>

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<p>Zululand Mission—cont.</p> <p>Jerusalem and the East Mission Fund</p>	<p>Address: Hon. Secretary, Miss M. G. Carter, 18 Orsett T Hyde Park, W.</p> <p>The work entirely or greatly dependent upon this Fund is increasing. It is, of course, outside the sphere of the Mission Societies, though auxiliary to their efforts. The Bishop is responsible, during the ensuing year, for a monthly expenditure of 330<i>l.</i> for three branches of work attached to this Fund. (1) Missionary work; consisting of (a) The Mission Home for Jew Jerusalem, to which is attached an orphanage for 12 girls, and a school, estimated annual cost, 400<i>l.</i> (b) Mission to Jews at Cairo, cost for current year, 800<i>l.</i>; must considerably increase. (c) Mission to Jews at Haifa, with a free Dispensary and small free Hospital, estimated cost for current year, 1,000<i>l.</i> S.P.C.K. has granted year for three years for the medical work at Haifa. (d) A mission to the Druses, estimated cost 200<i>l.</i> This will be a continuation of development of work begun by the Rev. J. H. and Mrs. Worsell and most generously conveyed their estate at Ainanoub to the Bishop and promised an endowment for the work. (2) English Chaplain (a) Beyrout and the Lebanon; stipend and rent for Church estimated at 250<i>l.</i> a year. (b) Cyprus; grants during years 1895-96, 50<i>l.</i> a year. There are needed two or three permanent Chaplains on island, who will mainly depend upon this Fund. (c) Suez, Egypt; Chaplain was appointed in August 1891; 150<i>l.</i> a year guaranteed by the furnished Church room maintained by residents; 50<i>l.</i> given by the Bishop's Fund. (d) Grants-in-aid to schools; grants for Churches, rents, and furnishing of Church rooms in out-stations of the Mission and Moslem Missions, are made. (3) Reunion Questions. 40 English and native workers are employed on the Mission staff of the Bishop, of whom six are in Priests' Orders, and one is a qualified doctor. 400 children attend the Bishop's schools. Land has been secured at Jerusalem for the erection of a College, which is being built by the Colonial Bishopric Fund has given a grant of 1000<i>l.</i>, and S.P.C.K. has promised a grant of 500<i>l.</i> The work needs immediately further extension. For the security of the work the Mission at Cairo ought to possess its own buildings; and a site has been purchased, half the price of the land allotted by the Government of the Khedive. The Mission has a good organisation, following the lines of the Universities Mission to Africa, with a Council, of which the Bishop of Salisbury is President, and which will hold all the property of the Mission in trust. 1000<i>l.</i> a year is required for the work in which the Bishop is engaged. An income of 10,000<i>l.</i> is needed for extension of the work. The local resources. The Fund year ends on June 30, and the annual report is published in October.</p>
<p>Fongas Mission</p>	<p>Address: Rev. W. Sadler, Dembleby Rectory, Folkingham.</p> <p>This Mission, which is essentially the Mission of the Church of the West Indies, has existed for thirty-seven years for the furtherance of the Gospel in Western Africa; it is now under the supervision of the Bishop of Sierra Leone. The following is a summary of its work since its commencement: The aiding in the extinction of the slave trade from one of its chief strongholds; the mitigation of the evils of slavery (the Christian chiefs generally promise not to sell their own slaves, and not to separate members of the same slave family); the opening of the coast, and opening of the rivers to trade; improvement of the dress, houses, cultivation of the soil, &c.; churches, schools, and houses built; observance of Sunday; New Testament and Common Prayer translated into Susu; daily services; frequent ministrations of the Holy Communion; conversions of many heathen Mohammedans. Many hundreds of heathen children baptised at full preparation; four good schools maintained; large number of converts on record of the converted who have departed this life in peace; earnest desire on the part of the native communities for</p>

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Pongas Mission—cont.	<p>tension of the mission field. Three new stations with churches have been recently opened, and a large boarding-school has been erected on the Isles de Los. Another station has been opened further inland, on the Great Scarcies River; and a Girls' Boarding School has been opened at Isles de Los. The Diocese of Jamaica has during the past year sent out two Missionaries.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Address: Rev. A. H. Barrow, Billingshurst, Sussex.</p>
St. Andrews University Mission, Tokyo St. Hilda's Mission, Tokyo	<p>These Missions were founded in 1887 by the Bishop of the Church of England in Japan, and are carried on under his direct supervision. The S.P.G. gave a sum of 600<i>l.</i> towards their foundation, but they are now supported by the St. Paul's Guild, a society with a membership of over 3000 persons, who in England and elsewhere are interested in Church work in Japan. The Guild collects annually about 2000<i>l.</i></p> <p>St. Andrews Mission has a staff of six graduate Clergy and an Associate, who undertake the charge of a Divinity School, night classes for students, educational work in two important Japanese Colleges, and superintend five mission districts which can be worked from St. Andrews House as the centre.</p> <p>St. Hilda's Mission has a staff of nine lady members, two of whom are trained nurses, and an Associate. It maintains a Boarding School for girls, two Dispensaries and a system of District Nursing, an Orphanage, a Home for Japanese Mission Women, and carries on evangelistic work in various parts of Tokyo.</p> <p>All further information with regard to these two Missions, and the St. Paul's Guild, may be obtained from the Secretary of the Guild, The Palace, Exeter.</p>
The Hausa Association	<p>The Society was founded in memory of the Rev. J. A. Robinson, late scholar of Christ's College, Cambridge, who died at his work in the employment of the C.M.S. at Lokoja, Niger Territories, on June 25, 1891. (1) The aim of the Association is to carry on his work by providing for a thoroughly scientific study of the Hausa language, with a view of promoting the higher interests of that people, and of translating the Scriptures into their tongue. (2) To secure the objects of the Association the Executive Committee have decided to endeavour to appoint two 'Robinson Students,' conversant with Arabic or Hebrew, whose preliminary labours would be carried on in the comparatively temperate climate of Tripoli, with a view to their proceeding at a later date to the Central Soudan. The primary work of the 'Robinson Students' will be to study the language and customs of the Hausas, and to gather materials for translations of the Scriptures. In August 1894 Rev. C. H. Robinson left Lokoja for the interior of the Soudan, he having been chosen as the 'First Student.' In July 1895 he returned to England after a stay of some months at Kano, bringing with him some native Hausa MSS., carefully tested materials for a new Hausa dictionary, and a first draft of a translation of the Gospels of St. Luke and St. John into Hausa. The Hausa MSS. have been published by the Cambridge University Press, and Mr. Robinson has been appointed University Lecturer in Hausa. About 86<i>l.</i> has already been received or promised. The income for 1895 was £278.</p> <p>Communications should be made to Rev. J. O. F. Murray, Emmanuel College, Cambridge.</p>

FOREIGN LITERATURE OF THE CHURCH.

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

AMONG the agencies subsidiary to the Foreign Missionary Work of the Church, there is none of greater importance than that by which is secured the production of a Christian vernacular literature. The efficiency of the Missionary depends in a large measure upon the ready supply of Catechisms, Prayer Books, Bibles, &c., in the language of the people with whom he has to deal, and everything that facilitates that supply is of paramount importance to his work. The Foreign Missions of the Church of England have hitherto received ready help in this respect from various agencies at home and abroad. The earliest agency in the field, and, if measured by the variety of its publications, the most important, is the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. As far back as the year 1709, when Robert Nelson and other original members of the Society were still alive, we find it occupied in the work of circulating a Welsh version of the Book of Common Prayer, and a few years later (1718) in the publication of a Welsh version of the Bible and an Irish version of the Prayer Book. A new edition of the Bible in Welsh was undertaken in 1743, and published in 1748; 30,000 of this edition were circulated by 1768, and another edition of 20,000 then issued. In 1799 a new edition, consisting of 10,000 copies, was published and sold in the Principality at half the cost price in sheets. In 1710 we find the Society sending out to the Mission at Tranquebar, then but lately established by its aid, a printing press and accessories, which were soon after fully employed, as is evidenced by the publications issued shortly afterwards in Telugu, and also in the Portuguese language, which seems to have been largely spoken in South-Western India at the time.

It is significant of the activity of the English Church at this period, which people are prone to believe to have been an unenterprising one, that in the year 1720, 10,000 versions of the New Testament in Arabic, 6000 Psalters, 5000 Catechisms, and an abridgment of Bible History in the same language, were produced and circulated by this Society. Since that time the same agency has been continuously active in supplying the vernacular needs of our various Foreign Missions. The Bible and Prayer Book have by its means been put into many languages, and these versions freely supplied wherever required. The versions of the Book of Common Prayer produced and circulated by the Society embrace nearly everything that has been done in this direction. It may give some idea of the extent of this work if we furnish here a rough list of the versions of the Prayer Book already provided by the S.P.C.K.

The Prayer Book has been published, in whole or in part, in the following languages:

Europe.—Welsh, Manx, Gaelic, Irish, French (2 versions), Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, Dutch, Danish, German, Maltese, Latin, Ancient Greek, Modern Greek, Turkish, and Russian.

Asia.—Arabic, Armenian, Persian, Gujarati, Bengali, Hindustani, Hindi, Sindhi, Marathi, Mundari, Panjabi, Karen, Sgau Karen, Larka Col, Santhali, Canarese, Singalese, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Assamese, Burnese, Chinese (Mandarin, Colloquial), Chinese (Hangchow), Chinese (Hoh-Kien), Sea Dyak (Borneo), Japanese, Pushto, and Ainu.

Africa.—Amlharic, Chi-Nyanga, Bondei, Igbira, Kafir, Kagura, Kisukuma, Hausa, Luganda, Malagnsy, Nupé, Swahili, Susu, Sesutho, Secoana, Taveta, Temne, Yao, Yoruba, and Zulu.

America (North).—Chipewyan, Cree, Dakota (or Sioux), Eskimo, Slavi or Tenni, Tukudh, Ojibwa, Zimshian, Munccey, M'cklakapanuk, Quagutl, Nishgá, Beaver Indian, and Haida.

America (South).—Acawoio, Arawak, Carib, Yahgan, and Warau.

Polynesia.—Hawaiian, Mota, Ysabel, Florida, and Maori.

In addition to these versions of our Liturgy, the S.P.C.K. has produced numerous translations, in whole or in part, of the Holy Scriptures. Besides publishing versions

the several European languages, which are much valued, this Society has produced and circulated the Scriptures, in whole or in part, in many of the languages of Asia, Africa, America, and the islands of the Pacific. A detailed list is hardly possible, many of the versions were produced abroad at the Society's expense, and do not bear upon the Society's catalogue. To the circulation thus *directly* given to the Holy Scriptures may be added the *indirect* distribution of God's Word through the various portions embraced in the versions of the Epistles and Gospels of the Book of Common Prayer.

Whilst making careful provision for the distribution of the Bible, the Society has learned from experience, especially in India, China, and New Zealand, the very great importance of combining with the Text where it is practicable a separate and simple commentary. Without the assistance of some instruction it is often found that the heathen then form very erroneous conceptions of the truths of Holy Scripture. The S.P.C.K. Church Society, is fully persuaded of this great need, and some years ago extended the sphere of operations of its Foreign Translation Committee, so as to enable this Committee to undertake any kind of work which may be deemed by our Bishops and Missionaries to be likely to spread Christian knowledge. Hence the recent issues by the Society of commentaries, catechisms, manuals, hymn books, evidential works, grammars, and dictionaries, in various foreign languages. There is not a locality in the entire Mission of the Church of England which does not look to the S.P.C.K. for means to meet its vernacular needs. These needs become greater as the work of our foreign Missions advances, and every year, therefore, sees an increased activity in this department of the Society's work. The opening up of Africa alone has occasioned the production of works in some dozen or more languages which had never previously taken a literary shape. Though the Society's aim is, in the first instance, to meet the vernacular requirements of the African Missions, its foreign publications in some cases become the means of extending commerce and advancing civilisation generally among peoples still in a state of savagery.

Lexicons, dictionaries, grammars, reading books, &c., in Swahili, Yao, Bondei, Luganda, Nyama, Gogo, and other East Coast and Central African languages, are used by missionaries and traders, and the task of spreading light in the Dark Continent is thereby actively aided. The agents of the Congo State, the representatives of Germany in East Africa, and our own large trading companies in East and South Africa, owe much to the Society's press, which provides them with the useful linguistic handbooks referred to. This is one of the ulterior issues of the Society's work, but it is not the only one. Philologists in the future will doubtless thank the venerable Society for having given permanent form to dialects which in comparatively few years may have to give place to the languages of the various civilised races now at work in Africa, and for thus providing means for larger generalisations in dealing with the origin and laws of human speech. During the year 1895-96 there have appeared from the Society's press the following, among other foreign vernacular works:—

The Prayer Book in *Kaguru*; a *Chi-Nyanja* Vocabulary; a *Luganda* Catechism, Parts I. and II.; a *Chi-Nyanja* Reading Book; a *Kafir* Gospel Picture Book; a *Tswana* Hymn Book; a new edition of the *Luganda* Prayer Book; a Life of Mahomet in *Swahili*; a new version of the Prayer Book in *Shalika*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Shalika*; Helps to the Study of the Bible in *Luganda*; a *Motu* Dictionary.

The following books are in course of preparation, and many of them will shortly be published:—

A *Kinengi* Reading Book; *Nishani* Primer (Part I.); the 'Peep o' Day' in *Ibo*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Ibo*; the Prayer Book in *Tswana*; an Old Testament Catechism in *Kafir*; a Manual of Holy Communion in *Kafir*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Kisukuma*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Modern Greek*.

The following works are being prepared, or have quite recently been produced abroad, at the Society's expense:—

Burton's 'Church History' in *Marathi*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Urdu* (new edition); Maclear and Procter's 'Introduction to the Prayer Book' in *Telugu*; Whateley's 'Evidences' in *Telugu*; 'Lessons from the Apocrypha' in *Chinese Mandarin*; 'Ta' Hini 'Mohammadi' in *Urdu* (second edition); the First Book of Maccabees in *Urdu*; a 'Church History' in *Japanese*; 'Turning-points of General Church History' in *Japanese*; an edition of the Bible in *Old Aramaean*; 'St. Leo on the Incarnation' in *Japanese*; Maclear's 'Introduction to the Creed' in *Urdu*; 'Morse on Confirmation' in *Japanese*; 'Peabson on the Creed' in *Bengali*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Sinhali*;

a Hymn-book in *Karen*; 'Lessons from the Apocrypha' in *Marathi*; 'Lessons on our Lord' in *Malayalam*; Sermons on our Lord's Prayer in *Urdu*; 'The Beautiful Face' in *Marathi*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Malayalam*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Foochow*; the Book of Common Prayer in *Corean*; Moberly's *Bampton Lectures* in *Japanese*.

The above lists give some idea of the great demands made upon the Society's resources by this part of its work. So heavy, indeed, has been the drain on the charitable funds that the Foreign Translation Committee were forced to make a special appeal for aid in carrying on their work. This appeal has been met in a liberal spirit, but the need of further funds is still urgent.

All communications bearing on the Foreign Translations of the S.P.C.K. should be addressed to the Rev. Edmund McClure, Secretary.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Circulation of the Holy Scriptures.—The issues for the year ending March 31, 1896, were 765,541 Bibles, 1,164,025 Testaments, and 2,040,873 portions or detached books of the Bible; total, 3,970,439 copies. The issues since 1804 have been 147,366,669 copies. Of these over 64½ millions have been printed in *English*. On an average about 13,000 fresh copies of Holy Scripture, in whole or in part, are sent forth on each working day of the year.

Translations.—After removing from time to time such versions as fall into disuse, there remain on the Society's list of languages and dialects in which it has promoted the translation, printing, or distribution of the Scriptures, no less than 333 (see *Ninety-second Annual Report, 1896, p. 154*). The languages which appeared in the last Report for the first time were—(1) *Toda*, (2) *Kien Ning*, (3) *Nyamwezi*, (4) *Idzo*, (5) *Upper Ibo*, (6) *Tunisian Yiddish*, and (7) *Carib*. *Toda* is the language of an aboriginal tribe on the Nilgiris, in S. India, said to number only 765 souls. For them Miss Ling, of the Church of England Zenana Missionary Society, has prepared a version of the Gospel of St. Mark and of the Book of Jonah in the Tamil character, to be used in two Mission Schools. *Kien Ning* (Roman character) is the version which the martyred missionary, the Rev. R. W. Stewart, of Ku Cheng, asked the Society to print, his letter arriving in England at the same time as the news of his death. The edition is being carried through the press by Miss B. Newcombe (C. E. Z. M. S.) of the same Mission, for the use of classes of native women. It has been approved by the China Committee on Vernacular Versions. *Nyamwezi* is the language of a country in Eastern Africa, nearly as large as England. The Rev. T. F. Shaw has been the chief translator of the first three Gospels, and they are being printed at the request of the London Missionary Society. Parts of two Gospels were first translated by Jacob Wainwright, once servant to Livingstone. *Idzo* or *Ijo*. A version of the four Gospels is being printed at the request of the C. M. S. for use at and around Brass in West Africa. The *Upper Ibo* is for the use of the C. M. S. Niger Mission at Onitsha and elsewhere. Most of the New Testament has now been printed in this language, the chief translator being the Rev. H. H. Dobinson. *Tunisian Yiddish*. The Gospel of St. Luke has been prepared in this version specially with a view to the Jews in Tunis, Tripoli, and Algeria, who number some tens of thousands. *Carib*. At the request of the Bishop of Honduras the Gospel of St. Mark has been printed in Carib for use at Stann Creek, British Honduras. The chief translator was the Rev. J. F. Laughton.

Special Fund for the Production of Copies of Holy Scripture.—The chief gift to this Fund came from a donation by a lady of 523*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* towards the printing of the Scriptures for Uganda. Mr. G. L. Pilkington, M. A., of the C. M. S., has returned to Africa, after revising the Ganda New Testament and completing the translation of the Old Testament. Marginal References have been added by the Rev. G. K. Baskerville, M. A. Other contributions have come also for this object. The Society has opened a Depôt at Mombasa, in Eastern Equatorial Africa, under Mr. Joseph Mackertich, as sub-agent, with the full approval of Bishop Tucker. A new Agency has also been established on the West Coast of Africa, to develop translations and the circulation of them along the coast-line between the rivers Gambia and Congo.

Special Fund for Maintaining Bible-Women in the East.—The number of Bible-women maintained wholly or in part by this Society's grants to thirty other societies and organisations rose for 1895 to 477. The number of native women to whom, on an average, the Scriptures were read weekly was 29,791. Out of those who were being taught by the Bible-women to read, no less than 1,455 reached the power to read the Scriptures in their own vernacular. The circulation effected in the year by the Bible-women was 18,648 Bibles, Testaments, and separate books of Scripture, in a great variety of languages. Of this total, 14,425 books were sold. The Bible-women were distributed geographically thus:—India, 342; Ceylon, 82; Syria and Palestine, 16; Egypt, 20; China, 10; Straits, 2; Mauritius and the Seychelles, 5. According to Societies, 30 belonged to S.P.G. and its Women's Mission Association; 62 to C.M.S.; 22 to C.E.Z.M.S.; 9 to the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission; 11 to the British Syrian Mission; 11 to the Society for Female Education in the East; and the rest to other British, American, German, and Danish Missions at work in the East.

The Fund received 2,053*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* in special contributions.

The Society's expenditure in grants was 2,555*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.*

Receipts and Expenditure.—For the year ended March 31, 1895, the *new income* received under ordinary funds was 126,372*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.* The receipts from sales of Scriptures—representing, of course, only a small part of the sum spent in producing the books—were 87,590*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.* Total, 213,962*l.* 14*s.* 0*d.*

The expenditure for the same year was 197,756*l.* 19*s.* 0*d.*

Communications respecting the British and Foreign Bible Society may be addressed to the Secretaries, 146, Queen Victoria Street, London, E. C.

BOARDS OF MISSIONS.

PROVINCES OF CANTERBURY AND YORK.

The Boards of Missions for the Provinces of Canterbury and York completed in 1893 the inquiries which they have been making for some years past as to the present condition of Anglican Missions throughout the world. The seven Sub-Committees presented their Reports at a special meeting of the Boards held at the Church House on December 7, 1893. The Reports were received and ordered to be printed as the Report of the Boards, with a general preface which the Bishop of Durham undertook, at the request of the Boards, to write. The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge kindly undertook to publish the Report, which was issued in the spring of 1894, just before the holding of the Missionary Conference, which the Board had initiated and promoted.

The subject of the disabilities of native Christians in India, brought before the Conference by the Rev. H. E. Perkins, was carefully discussed by the Boards, and a small committee appointed, under the chairmanship of Sir Charles Turner, to consider the whole matter. The Bye-laws affecting the retirement and election of Clerical and Lay members of the Canterbury Board came into effect in the Spring of 1894. Canon Jacob, Vicarage, Portsea, and (in the place of the late General R. Maclagan, R.E.) Dr. R. N. Cust, 63 Elm Park Gardens, S.W., were elected hon. secretaries. One-fourth of the members elected by the Lower House of Convocation, and one-fourth of the lay members, elected by the Board, now retire each spring, but are eligible for re-election.

Another important subject occupied the attention of the Board, 'the Selection and Training of Missionaries'; the opinion of persons competent to advise the Board, both at home and in the field, have been solicited, and the result tabulated, but the matter has not yet been deemed ready for final decision.

In 1894 a Conference was held in London of the Missions of the Anglican Community, and the discussions were of the greatest importance. A Report *in extenso* was published at the close of the same year. Many moot points were ventilated by competent speakers.

For the Province of York the Ven. Archdeacon Long, Bishopwearmouth Rectory, Sunderland, and the Ven. Archdeacon Barber, St. Bridget's Rectory, Chester, continue to be hon. secretaries.

ORGANISATIONS FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

I. DIOCESAN.

Diocese of Durham.—A Missionary Union was, in 1892, formed in this Diocese consisting of Clergy and Laity. Each member undertakes to study the history and circumstances of some one Mission or group of Missions. Lectures and addresses are principally given, and the Clergy are encouraged to hold monthly meetings in their parishes for the purpose of instructing the people in the general work of the Mission Field. A Missionary Library has also been formed. The annual meeting was held at Auckland on July 7, 1896. A service was held in the Bishop's Chapel, when an address was given by the Rev. W. T. Jupp. Several new members were enrolled.

Diocese of Winchester.—A Board of Missions has been formed in this Diocese with a view to create and deepen a sense of responsibility as to the obligations of the Church in the Foreign Mission field.

The Annual Festival was held at Guildford on July 3, 1894, when the Bishop presided. A service was held in St. Nicholas' Church, the sermon being preached by the Bishop of Norwich. At the Conference, addresses were given by Rev. W. F. Storr, Viscount Middleton, Rev. W. S. Sanders, and others.

For the present the work of the Board is somewhat in abeyance, awaiting the directions of the newly-appointed Bishop of the Diocese.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secs., Rev. Canon Dundas, Albury Rectory, Guildford, and J. C. Moberly, Esq., Southampton.

Diocese of Carlisle.—There was formed, in April 1881, a Church Missionary Union for the Diocese of Carlisle.

This was reconstituted on August 6, 1890, for the Archdeaconry of Carlisle; by which union interest in Foreign Missions has been stimulated, a paper containing requests for prayer and thanksgiving, specially connected with the district, has been circulated three times a year; and in July last a Conference upon the Three Years' Enterprise was held in Carlisle, and on November 3 the Union held its annual Meetings in the same city. The President is the Lord Bishop of the Diocese.

Further information may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Rev. F. A. Dixon, Ivergill Vicarage, Southwaite R.S.O., Carlisle.

Diocese of Exeter.—It is now generally known that the Bishop, with a view to make the Canons of the Cathedral practical helpers in the work of the Church, has appointed to each of them a distinct department, to which they are to give special direction. The encouragement of Foreign Missions has been specially entrusted to Canon Trevisis, who has recently reported that some success has already followed the efforts that have been made. Services of intercession, with addresses, have been held in a considerable number of parishes throughout the several Rural Deaneries. Decanal missionary devotional conferences are systematically held, and by this and other means there is no doubt the responsibility of furthering missionary work is being very thoroughly brought before the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese.

Besides that which is stated above, two main features of the work during the past year are specially noticeable. (1) The Junior S.P.G. Clergy of the Exeter Archdeaconry have commenced in real earnest to deliver parochial lectures for the purpose of educating the people in the principles of Missions rather than that of procuring funds. (2) The Laity have in larger numbers thrown open their gardens and drawing-rooms for public meetings; the impression made at such meetings being manifest at the season of Intercession.

The Candidates for Ordination had the usual papers on Foreign Missions given them to do.

The returns of the amount contributed in the Diocese and presented to the last Conference were 13,995*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.*, as against 12,431*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* the year before.

Communications should be addressed to Rt. Rev. Bishop-Designate of Crediton, The Close, Exeter.

Diocese of Lichfield.—There is a Diocesan Board of Missions, consisting of the Bishop, President, one elected Member from each Rural Deanery, and a few persons appointed by the Bishop. Information is obtained, through the R.D. representatives, of the work that is being done in the Diocese for Missions, and a Report is presented at the Annual Diocesan Conference. A list of persons willing to lecture on special portions of the Mission Field is published in the Diocesan Calendar. Three Libraries of Books on Missions have been established, one in each Archdeaconry. An Annual Diocesan Festival is held in some large town; the first, in 1895, was at Shrewsbury, in 1896 at Stoke, and this year 1897 will be at the Cathedral. A Form of Service for such Festivals has been issued with the approval of the Bishop. A 'Prayer for Missions' has also been issued.

Diocese of Lincoln.—A committee of the Diocesan Conference exists to organise and encourage efforts for the furtherance of Foreign Mission work. Among other movements, a prize-scheme for missionary knowledge has been instituted. An examination was held at the following centres during the week of intercession connected with St. Andrew's Day, 1896, viz.: Lincoln, Boston, Gainsborough, Horncastle, Grantham, Grimsby, and Stamford.

Communications should be addressed to Rev. Canon Crowfoot, The Hostel, Lincoln.

Diocese of Oxford.—The organisation of Foreign Mission work in this Diocese is under the direction of a committee of the Diocesan Conference, seeking to strengthen missionary work generally, to simplify deputation arrangements, and to provide for conferences and devotional meetings. It is intended to hold a missionary festival in the year 1897, and to form a branch of the Junior Clergy Association.

Communications should be addressed to Rev. P. H. Ditchfield, Barkham Rectory, Wokingham.

Diocese of Salisbury.—The Board of Missions has been established twenty years, and consists of the Bishop and Archdeacons *ex officio*, and an equal number of members from the counties of Wilts and Dorset. It presents an annual report to the Synod, which aims at giving a concise review of what is being done by all the Societies at work in the Diocese. It organises Mission Festivals for the furtherance of the cause generally, rather than on behalf of any society in particular. Through this agency articles bearing on some parts of the Mission Field are contributed to the *Diocesan Gazette*, thus insuring the wider circulation of information. The Board has been instrumental also in organising conferences in alternate years of Honorary Secretaries and others engaged in Foreign Mission work.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec., Rev. Precentor Carpenter, The Close, Salisbury.

Diocese of Truro.—A Diocesan Board exists with a view to induce every parish in the Diocese to make some definite effort for Foreign Missions combined with systematic intercession. The Board issues annually an analysis of the support given to Foreign Missions in the Diocese.

Information may be obtained from Rev. A. A. Vaudrey, St. Gluvious Vicarage, Penryn.

II. GENERAL.

Junior Clergy Associations.

Federation of Junior Clergy Missionary Associations (in connection with S. P. G.).—The Federation now numbers some forty separate Associations in it. The returns of the different Associations as to number of members and so forth are not all to hand at date of the publication of the YEAR-BOOK; but there can be little doubt that the Federation now numbers some 2000 Clergy in its ranks. Two Conferences of Delegates from the Associations of the Federation are held each year, one in London at the time of the Annual S. P. G. Festival, the other in some large provincial centre in the month of November.

These Conferences have already been productive of definite action, and the discussion of questions affecting the Foreign Mission work of the Church at such Conferences cannot fail to leave a mark upon the habits of thought of the Clergy who attend them.

One of the most remarkable features of this movement amongst Junior Clergy has been the Foreign Service Scheme. The idea of this Scheme is that Clergy ordained in England shall regard it as a natural element in their ministerial career to go to the Colonies for a term of service—three, five, or ten years, as the case may be. This subject had the very warm approval and support of the late Archbishop of Canterbury; and in consequence a Committee of the Bishops was appointed by him to consider this matter. Doubtless the Scheme will form one of the subjects for discussion at the Pan-Anglican Synod.

The example set by the London Association some years ago of a large popular Evening Meeting on behalf of S.P.G. has been copied throughout the country by many Associations with very great success. Where the Junior Clergy organised such meetings they have uniformly been enthusiastic and successful.

The Federation is at present engaged in concert with the Home Organisation Committee of S.P.G. in evolving a well-considered scheme for the development of children's work in connection with S.P.G.

Pamphlets giving further information on the work of the Federation can be obtained gratis from the Hon. Sec. of the Federation, the Rev. M. R. Neligan, St. Stephen's Vicarage, Westbourne Park, W.

Church Missionary Society.—A Union of the Younger Clergy for London and the neighbourhood was established in 1885 with a view to enlist sympathy and co-operation in the work of this Society for the study of missionary subjects, and for united intercessions. These ends are promoted chiefly by monthly meetings, lectures, or conferences. Nine such meetings were held during the past year. During the same period fifty-three new members were elected, making a total membership of 445. The Union also seeks to secure the active co-operation of its members in deputation work. In a Missionary Week held in November 1895, the members gave over 100 addresses and sermons. The Union has compiled a Missionary Litany, which has received the approval of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Forty of the members have gone out to the Foreign Mission Field under the C.M.S. since the Union was started, five of them during the past year.

The Unions have an aggregate membership of about 1,100 Clergy. Delegates of the Unions met in Conference at Birmingham in June 1896. Other gatherings promoted by the Federation were held in London in May, and at Shrewsbury during the Church Congress week.

There are several other similar Unions in the provinces, most of which are now connected with each other by a Federation formed in 1895; Hon. Sec. the Rev. W. J. L. Sheppard, Church Missionary House, Salisbury Square, E.C.

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The following is a list of the Associations already formed. Several other Associations have been formed during the past year, and there are others in contemplation of which the Editor has not been able to obtain detailed information.

Name of Association and Diocese	S.P.G. or C.M.S.	No. of Members.	Intervals of the Meetings and their general purpose during 1896	Name and Address of Secretary
Canterbury. Canterbury Archidiaconal	S.P.G.	56	Quarterly Meetings for Conference and Intercession	Rev. R. J. E. Boggis, St. Augustine's College, Canterbury
York. York and neighbourhood	C.M.S.	13	Quarterly Meetings	Rev. J. J. Davies, St. Saviour-gate, York
Sheffield Ruridecanal	C.M.S.	35	Monthly Conferences, when Papers are read	Rev. R. G. Pyne, 5 Wharnccliffe Road, Sheffield
York and neighbourhood	S.P.G.	55	Quarterly Meetings	Rev. F. L. Perkins, 48 Monkgate, York
Hull	C.M.S.	24	Nine Meetings and two Public ones	Rev. F. Senior, 23 Colonial Street, Hull
London. London	S.P.G.	400	Ten Meetings for Conference and Intercession	Rev. J. T. T. Robinson, 18 Gilston Road, South Kensington
Durham. South Shields and Jarrow	S.P.G.	32	Bi-monthly Meetings for Conference and Intercession	Rev. E. Foster, 1 Sydenham Terrace, S. Shields
Sunderland	S.P.G.	50	Monthly Intercession Service and Bi-monthly Conferences	Rev. Frank Hall, St. Mark's Vicarage, Sunderland
Bath and Wells. Bath	C.M.S.	22	Inaugural Meeting and three others	Rev. C. J. Hollis, 1 Hartley Villas, Belvedere, Bath.
Chester. Wirral and Birkenhead	S.P.G.	36	Meetings are quarterly	Rev. A. Neild, St. Aidan's College, Birkenhead
Ely. Cambridge	C.M.S.	30	Quarterly Discussions	Rev. H. W. Watson, 13 Brookside, Cambridge
Exeter. Plymouth, Devonport, and Stonehouse	C.M.S.	28	Six Meetings	Rev. D. P. Hatchard, 12 Saltram Place, Plymouth
Exeter and neighbourhood	S.P.G.	36	Quarterly Meetings, when Addresses are given	Rev. E. C. Nightingale, Escot Vic., Ottery St. Mary
Archdeaconry of Exeter	S.P.G.	68	Quarterly; and 3 intermediate meetings	Rev. H. Gibbon, Honiton, Devon
Gloucester & Bristol. Bristol and Staple-ton Deaneries ¹	S.P.G.	56	Monthly meetings for Conference and Intercession	Rev. H. R. Wilkins, 12 Elliston Road, Bristol
Bristol, Clifton, and neighbourhood	C.M.S.	42	Bi-monthly Meetings	Rev. G. E. Laws, St. Clement's Vicarage, Bristol
Cheltenham	C.M.S.	18	Meetings and Conferences	Rev. H. L. C. de Candole, Springfield Lawn, The Park, Cheltenham

¹ Meeting arranged by this Association for 3000 children last year.

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Name of Association and Diocese	S.P.G. or C.M.S.	No. of Members	Intervals of the Meetings and their general purpose during 1896	Name and Address of Secretary
Lichfield. Deaneries of Stoke, Hanley, and Newcastle	S.P.G.	32	Bi-monthly Discussion and Intercession	Rev. A. J. Tilson, 29 Clive Street, Shelton, Stoke-on-Trent
Liverpool. Liverpool and neighbourhood	C.M.S.	120	Five Meetings and Service of Intercession	Rev. G. H. Lander, 48 Eastbourne Road, Liverpool
Diocesan	S.P.G.	102	Quarterly Conferences; Monthly Service of Intercession	Rev. T. P. Rowe, St. Dunstan's Clergy House, Earle Road, Edge Hill, Liverpool
Manchester. Manchester Archidiaconal	S.P.G.	121	Eight ordinary Meetings and one Public Gathering	Rev. R. Catterall, Crumpsall St. Mary, Manchester
Diocesan	C.M.S.	70	Bi-monthly Meetings	Rev. G. Denyer, Parkfield Lodge, Didsbury, Manchester
Norwich. Norfolk, Norwich, and King's Lynn	S.P.G.	85	Quarterly Conferences	Rev. H. M. Wells, Bale Rectory, Dereham
Norfolk branch	C.M.S.	45	Three Meetings for Intercession and Discussion	Rev. W. H. Macnaghten Jones, 110 Unthanks Road, Norwich
Peterborough. Northampton and district	S.P.G.	49	Annual Service and two General Meetings	Rev. H. C. Holmes, 77 Sheep St. Northampton
Leicester	S.P.G.	37	Monthly Meetings for Intercession; Quarterly Conferences	Rev. W. M. Mitchell, 40 Saxe-Coburg Street, Leicester
Ripon. Leeds	S.P.G.	78	Monthly Meetings for Intercession followed by an Address	Rev. J. P. Maud, Chapel Allerton, Leeds
Bradford Ruridecanal	C.M.S.	31	Eight Meetings	Rev. H. J. Lockett, 101 Tennyson Place, Bradford
Leeds	C.M.S.	33	Inaugural Meeting and nine others	Rev. G. H. Chard, St. Michael's Parsonage, Hunslet Road, Leeds
St. Albans. Colchester Archidiaconal	C.M.S.	30	Three Meetings for Intercession, followed by a Paper.	Rev. H. G. Harrison, Witham, Essex
St. Asaph. St. David's Guild	S.P.G.	20	Quarterly Meetings for Conference and Intercession	Rev. J. Howell Thomas, Brymbo, Wrexham
Southwell. Nottingham	C.M.S.	—	Inaugural Meeting	Rev. A. B. Good, Bramcote Street, Radford, Notts.
Truro. Diocesan	S.P.G.	40	Study and Intercession	Rev. W. F. Harder, Church St. Launceston
Wakefield. Huddersfield Ruridecanal	C.M.S.	24	Seven Meetings, when Papers were read	Rev. T. H. Greenhalgh, 5 South St., Huddersfield
Worcester. Birmingham and neighbourhood	S.P.G.	45	During Ember Seasons for Intercession and Discussion	Rev. J. Jones, The Quinton Rectory, near Birmingham
Birmingham and neighbourhood	C.M.S.	60	Five Meetings	Rev. A. Bentley, Washwood Heath, Birmingham
Warwick and district	S.P.G.	62	Quarterly Meetings for Intercession and Discussion	Rev. R. S. Aldridge, West Hill, Knowle.

THE SOCIETY OF THE SACRED MISSION.

THE work of this Society was commenced in 1891 at the desire of the Bishop of Corea for training working men and others, who might be deterred by absence of means or education. Till 1893 it was known as the Corean Missionary Brotherhood. There is no entrance examination and no payments of any kind are required, the Society, except for one month's holiday in the year, providing for all expenses. On the other hand, the applicant must solemnly declare his desire and intention to serve his whole life in the Mission Field (1) unpaid, receiving only the necessaries of life; (2) unmarried; (3) without seeking ordination or any other work than is assigned to him, unless specially instructed to do so by those in authority. The training varies from one to six years according to ability. Men are prepared for ordination, medical work, trades, or as catechists, teachers, and assistants. The life is of the simplest: the cost of the whole house being from 45% to 50% per head per annum. The discipline is that of a 'religious' house. Up till lately the work was carried on in London, at 97 Vassall Road, Brixton, but it is now in process of migration to Mildenhall, Suffolk, where accommodation will be provided for forty students. Hitherto the average number of residents has been twelve. Boys are received from sixteen years of age.

The Society itself was founded in 1893 to maintain the Religious Life and Organisation for those at work at home and abroad. There are branch houses in Central Africa at Magila, and in Corea at Mapo, each having four men. The students are not required to join the Society unless at their own desire, those who do not join being bound only by the three obligations stated above. The Society now includes four Priests, two Deacons, and thirteen laymen. The Director and Chapter are the governing body. The Bishop of Rochester is Visitor.—Herbert Kelly, Director, S.S.M., 97 Vassall Road, Kennington, S.W.

ARMY MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

THIS Association has been in existence for twelve years with a view to encourage an interest in missionary work in the Army. Through the instrumentality of the Association the sum of 279*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* has been raised in 1895 at the several garrisons. At 28 military depôts special observance was made of the Day of Intercession, and in the Sunday schools attached to the garrisons endeavours are being made to instruct the children as to their duty, as members of the Church, to interest themselves in the extension of missionary work.

Communications should be addressed to the Honorary Secretary, Rev. T. F. Falkner.

OXFORD MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES.

THIS Society exists for the furtherance of an interest in Foreign Missions among the Graduate Members of the University. Meetings are held during the terms. There is also a Library of Missionary Literature for reference at the rooms of the Association, 138 High Street, Oxford.

Address—The Secretary, Rev. C. F. C. Johnston, Headington.

CANTERBURY TRAINING HOME FOR WOMEN MISSIONARIES AND CHURCH WORKERS.

THE period of training to extend over one or more years according to circumstances, and to include certain courses, as may be specially required. Course of Theological Instruction. Lectures given by the Rev. Dr. Maclear. Teaching on subjects directly connected with Missionary work by a Lady Missionary of experience, returned from India, W.M.A., S.P.G. Practical experience in Parish work, Elementary School teaching, domestic matters, &c. Also instruction in the Harmonium and Organ. Preparation for Examinations; either for Queen's Scholarship, the Senior Oxford local, or Higher Women's, together with practical work in a high-class school at Oxford. This is only suggested in the case of those required to take charge of schools abroad. There are three terms in the year, commencing the last week in September, January, and May, with about seven weeks vacation. The charge is 13*l.* per term, paid in advance. This does not include vacation, the fees for extra subjects, or for Examinations, books,

stationery, medical advice, or laundry expenses. A half-term's notice, *at least*, required. A plain black dress, cloak, and bonnet, provided by each Student, to be worn during residence in the Mission House. For further particulars address to the Sister Superior, Mission House, Canterbury.

GUILD OF THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH.

(In connection with S.P.G.)

Founded in 1890, in aid of the Women's Mission Association, S.P.G., and to educate children to take their part in the work of Foreign Missions. In 1896 a second section was opened in aid of the S.P.G. General Fund, and to maintain boy-scholars, and it became the authorised Children's Guild of the S.P.G. The Guild has now 48 Branches. Its organ is the *Children of the Church Magazine*, which since 1894 has been issued by the S.P.G. as their children's magazine.

SECTION II.—FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

MISSIONARY COLLEGES AND STUDENTSHIP ASSOCIATIONS.

As we have at other times described at length the character of the work carried on in the Missionary Colleges of the Church, we have confined ourselves for the present to the following shorter records, from which Churchmen will be enabled to gather some idea of the way in which these institutions are furthering missionary work abroad.

The list of Missionary Studentship Associations has been carefully revised.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE, CANTERBURY.

Founded by Royal Charter in 1848. Students must be members of the Church of England, and not less than twenty years of age at admission, and declare their intention on leaving to devote themselves to the work of the Church abroad. Accommodation for fifty-two students, terms 45*l.*, inclusive of education, board, and lodging. All details as to course of study and practical training may be obtained from the Warden, the Rev. Canon Maclear, D.D., The Warden's Lodge, Canterbury.

CHURCH MISSIONARY COLLEGE, ISLINGTON.

Founded in 1825 for education of candidates for the Society's Missions. Students are admitted after examination by a Clerical Committee as to their general fitness for missionary work. The course of study extends over three years, and besides a theological training embraces practical instruction in pastoral work. Accommodation for 30 or 40 students. All details of information may be obtained from the Principal, the Rev. T. W. Drury, M.A., The College, Islington, or from the Secretaries of the Church Missionary Society, Salisbury Square, E.C.

ST. PAUL'S MISSIONARY COLLEGE, BURGH.

Founded in 1878 for students for foreign mission work preparing for admission to St. Augustine's, Canterbury, or to proceed direct to the Mission Field. Since its commencement 190 students have been received, the majority of whom have proceeded to St. Augustine's, some few to mission work direct. The College has accommodation for 23 students. Men are also received for training as Lay Missionaries. Terms, 42*l.* per annum, inclusive of all charges for education, board, and lodging. Partial assistance is given under certain circumstances from a Bursary Fund, preference being given to candidates skilled in some trade. All details of information may be obtained from the Principal, the Rev. T. H. Dodson, M.A., St. Paul's Missionary College, Burgh R.S.O., Lincs.

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ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL MISSIONARY COLLEGE, DORCHESTER-ON-THAMES.

Founded in 1878 for the training of candidates for Foreign Mission work. Accommodation for 13 students. Three exhibitions; ordinary period of residence, three years. Terms, 60*l.* per annum inclusive. Fourteen students in residence last year. Forty-nine old students have left the College for work abroad, of whom thirty-eight have been ordained. All details of information may be obtained from the Rev. Darwell Stone, M.A., Principal.

ST. BONIFACE MISSIONARY COLLEGE, WARMINSTER.

Founded in 1860 for the education of students for missionary work abroad. Students may proceed to St. Augustine's Colleg., Canterbury, or complete their course at Warminster. Terms, 40*l.* per annum, and 2*l.* per annum for books. The educational training consists of Systematic Theology, Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Foreign Religious Systems and Medicine; provision is also made for acquiring a knowledge of carpentry, printing, &c. All details may be obtained from the Principal, the Rev. J. F. Welsh, M.A., Missionary College, Warminster.

DIOCESAN MISSIONARY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS.

Diocese and Association	Name of Secretary and Address	No. of Candidates assisted	
		From commencement	In training
Bath and Wells.			
Diocesan	Rev. Preb. Brymer, Charlton Mackrell Rec., Somerton	75	2
Deanery of Bath	Rev. B. N. Thompson, Christ Church, Bath	18	1
Deanery of Chew	Rev. Preb. Burbidge, Backwell Rec., Bristol	11	1
Deanery of Frome	Rev. G. B. Cook, Hinton Charterhouse, Bath	11	—
Deanery of Taunton	Rev. J. H. Southam, Trull Vic., Taunton	13	—
Canterbury.			
Diocesan	Rev. Canon Bliss, Betteshanger Rec., Sandwich	45	5
Deanery of Shoreham	Rev. W. A. Raikes, Ide Hill Vic., Sevenoaks	8	1
Deaneries of Sutton and North Malling	Rev. C. F. Cobb, Nettlestead Rec.	4	2
Carlisle.			
Diocesan	Rev. J. Hudson, Crosby House, Carlisle	12	—
Chester.			
Diocesan	Rev. A. Heygate, Ashton Hayes Vic., Chester	21	1
Chichester.			
Archdeaconry of Chichester	Rev. R. Espinasse, Birdham Rec., Sussex	19	2
Archdeaconry of Lewes	Rev. W. Walsh, Folkington Rect., Polegate	32	2
Ely.			
Diocesan	Rev. H. Smith, Harvey Road, Cambridge	43	4
Exeter.			
Archdeaconry of Exeter	Rev. F. J. Coleridge, Cadbury, Tiverton	25	2
Archdeaconry of Barnstaple	Rev. R. W. Sealy, Abbotsham, Bideford	3	1
Archdeaconry of Totnes	Rev. A. J. Everett, Berry Pomeroy Vic., Totnes	7	—
Gloucester and Bristol.			
Archdeaconry of Gloucester	Rev. R. Hall, Saul Rectory, Stonehouse	18	2
Archdeaconry of Bristol	A. J. Harrison, Esq., M.D., Guthrie Road, Clifton	11	2
Hereford.			
Archdeaconry of Hereford	Rev. L. Corbett, Hampton Bishop Rectory, Hereford	32	4
Archdeaconry of Ludlow	Rev. W. Selwyn, Vic., Bromfield, R.S.O.	39	2
Lichfield.			
Archdeaconry of Salop	Rev. W. S. Burns, Annesroft Vic., Shrewsbury	—	3

DIOCESAN MISSIONARY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS—continued.

Diocese and Association	Name of Secretary and Address.	No. of Candidates assisted	
		From commencement	In training
Lincoln. Diocesan.	Rev. S. Staffurth, Frelston Priory, Boston	17	5
Liverpool. Diocesan.	(Vacant)	2	2
Llandaff. Archdeaconry of Monmouth.	F. J. Mitchell, Esq., Llanfrechfa Orange, Caerleon, Newport, Mon.	13	—
London. Diocesan.	Rev. F. W. Isaacs, St. Thomas Vic., Finsbury Park, N.	26	7
Norwich. Archdeacons of Norfolk and Norwich	Rev. J. B. Kille, Bellingford Rec., East Dereham	20	2
Oxford. Diocesan.	Rev. E. Sturges, Rectory, Wokingham	106	16
Peterborough. Archdeacons of Northampton and Oakham	Rev. W. W. Dennett, Twywell Rec., Thrapston	9	1
Ripon and Wakefield. Diocesan.	Rev. Canon Bramald, Wortley Vic., Leeds	16	6
Rochester. Archdeaconry of Rochester .	Rev. Canon Jeff, The Precincts, Rochester	22	1
Archdeacons of Southwark and Kingston	Rev. R. J. Woodhouse, Merstham Rec., Redhill	9	—
St. Albans. Archdeaconry of St. Albans .	Rev. C. M. Parkinson, Radlett Vic., St. Albans	20	1
Salisbury. Archdeaconry of Wilts	Rev. G. Hadow, Calston Rec., Calne, Wilts	31	2
Archdeaconry of Dorset. . . .	Rev. S. Boulter, Fordington Vic., Dorchester	—	2
Southwell. Archdeaconry of Derby	{ Rev. H. R. Rolfe, St. Michael's Vic., Derby	11	3
Archdeaconry of Nottingham	{ Rev. H. Williams, Vic., Bleasby, Southwell		
Truro. Diocesan.	{ Rev. Chancellor Worledge, Truro Rev. H. C. Glanville, Shevock Rec., St. Germans, Cornwall	14	1
Winchester. Archdeacons of Winchester and Isle of Wight	Rev. C. E. Hutchinson, Wouston Rec., Micheldever	19	3
Deaneries of Ebury and Woking	Rev. W. B. Money, Weybridge	8	1
Worcester. Archdeaconry of Worcester .	Rev. F. S. Taylor, Littleton Vic., Evesham	42	3
Archdeaconry of Coventry . .	Rev. D. C. O. Adams, Anstey, Coventry	54	2
Deanery of Leamington. . . .	Rev. C. E. Long, Holyport, Leamington	13	2
York. Diocesan.	Rev. Canon Stanbridge, Braintree Rec., Hull	18	1

MISSIONARY CHRONICLE.

A CHRONICLE of the principal events in the Missionary Work of the Church, as recorded in the following periodicals between Advent 1895 and Advent 1896.

- 'The Mission Field.' Published by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.
- 'The Church Missionary Intelligencer'—by the Church Missionary Society.
- 'The Jewish Intelligencer'—by the London Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews.
- 'The South American Missionary Magazine'—by the South American Missionary Society.
- 'The Greater Britain Messenger'—by the Colonial and Continental Church Society.
- 'Central Africa'—by the Universities Mission to Central Africa.

1895.

- May 13.*—Opening of the first Ainu Church, at Piratori, in the Island of Yezo. 'C.M.I.' p. 219.
- September 13.*—The Bishop of Zanzibar ordains three natives to the Diaconate in the Cathedral at Zanzibar. 'C.A.' p. 196.
- October 4.*—The first party of lady-Missionaries arrives at Mengo (Uganda), and receives an enthusiastic welcome. 'C.M.I.' pp. 65 and 97.
- October 18.*—The Rev. William W. Cassels consecrated first Bishop of Western China in Westminster Abbey by the Archbishop of Canterbury. 'M.F.' p. 472.
- October 20.*—Death of the Rev. G. Townshend, of Amherst, Nova Scotia, aged 86; having been at work as a Missionary over 50 years. 'M.F.' p. 28.
- October 20.*—The Primate of Australia, accompanied by the Bishops of Newcastle and Queensland, visits Thursday Island with a view to the formation of a new bishopric. 'M.F.' p. 27.
- October 30.*—Bishop Tugwell visits the Emir of Bida, the capital of the kingdom of Nupé, with a view to re-opening the Mission Station and suppressing the gin traffic. 'C.M.I.' p. 186.
- November 1.*—Rev. J. F. Stretch consecrated coadjutor-Bishop of Brisbane, and the Venerable H. E. Cooper, Suffragan Bishop of Ballarat, by the Bishop of Melbourne, in St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne. 'G.B.M.' p. 3.
- November 3.*—Death of the Rev. Joseph Matthews, at Kaitara, N.Z., the oldest Missionary on the C.M.S. list, having gone out to New Zealand in 1831. 'C.M.I.' p. 128.
- November 25.*—Death of the Right Rev. W. W. Jackson, D.D., formerly Bishop of Antigua. (Consecrated 1860.) 'M.F.' p. 30.
- December 8.*—The Jubilee of the Yoruba Mission celebrated at Lagos. 'C.M.I.' p. 212.
- December 9.*—Bishop Tucker reports the confirmation of 549 men and 291 women in the course of two months, in different parts of Uganda. 'C.M.I.' p. 345.
- December 9.*—Establishment of a Medical Mission at Damascus by the London Jews' Society. 'J.I.' p. 189.

December 10.—Death of the Right Rev. G. Hills, consecrated Bishop of B Columbia, 1859; subsequently (on the division of the Diocese) Bishop of couver. 'M.F.' p. 68.

Miss Taylor obtains permission from the Indian Government to enter T hitherto closed to all Missionaries, having engaged to open a drug shop, so pro to Yatung. 'C.M.I.' p. 68.

December 22.—The Bishop of Lahore ordains Yakub Masih, the first native ordain the Jammu (Cashmir) Mission, in Lahore Cathedral. 'M.F.' p. 112.

December 31.—Conference at Liverpool of the Students' Volunteer Missionary U [Since its foundation, in April 1892, 1,038 men and women in the United Kin have joined the Union, professing their determination to go forth as Missio 'if God permit.'] 'C.M.I.' p. 135.

1896.

March 10.—In view of the approaching completion of the First Century of the Soc work, the Committee of the C.M.S. resolve to initiate a 'Three Years' Entery for the purpose of reviewing the state of their Missions, improving their met and increasing their Evangelistic forces. 'C.M.I.' p. 305.

April 5.—Baptism of two young men, natives of New Guinea, the first-fruits o Mission from the Church in Australia. 'M.F.' p. 353.

May 12.—Rev. J. P. Du Moulin consecrated Bishop of Niagara, in St. James' Ch Toronto. 'G.B.M.' p. 199.

May 18.—Liliaokalani, Queen of the Hawaiian Islands, baptised (hypothetically) confirmed by the Bishop of Honolulu, in St. Andrew's Cathedral. 'M.F.' p. 3

May 31.—Bishop Tucker ordains five native Deacons and three native Priests, t supported by the Church in Uganda. [He reports having confirmed 2,052 pe since last October.] 'C.M.I.' p. 745.

June 12.—The Bishop of Madagascar reports terrible destruction of churches schools by rebellious natives, with grave peril to Missionaries. 'M.F.' pp. 167, 272, 313.

June 18.—Death of Right Rev. W. J. Burn, Bishop of Qu'Appelle, after four illness. 'M.F.' p. 309.

June 29.—Rev. John Edward Hine, D.D. and M.D., consecrated Bishop of Lik and Rev. Philip K. Fyson, Bishop of Hokhaido, in St. Matthew's Church, Bet Green, by the Archbishop of Canterbury. 'M.F.' p. 310. 'C.A.' p. 125.

June 29.—The Bishop of Zululand organises a Mission under Rev. C. Johnson and native teachers for Tongaland (now called Maputaland by the Government). 'M p. 317.

August 30.—Rev. J. Grisdale consecrated Bishop of Qu'Appelle, in Holy Trinity Ch Winnipeg. 'G.B.M.' p. 198.

August 31.—Death of the Right Rev. C. J. Branch, Bishop of Antigua. 'M.F.' p.

September 29.—Public dismissal of 78 new Missionaries by the C.M.S., of whom are going out at their own charges, while the support of the remainder is guarant by friends, parishes, or associations. 'C.M.I.' p. 855.

October 20.—Opening of new Mission Schools in connection with the London J Society at Streatham. 'J.I.' p. 179.

CHAPTER V.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

OF THE

WORK OF THE CHURCH

IN THE

COLONIES, INDIA, AND MISSIONARY DIOCESES.

BISHOPS.

Name of Diocese	Name of Bishop	Date of Consecration	Address
Adelaide . . .	John Reginald Harner, D.D. . .	1895	Bishop's Court, Adelaide, South Austr. lia.
Algona . . .	George Thorneloe, D.C.L.(elect.)	1896	Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario.
Antigua . . .	[Vacant.]	—	St. John's Rectory, Antigua.
Atlantasia . . .	Richard Young, D.D.	1884	Atlantasia Landing, Edmonton, N.W.T.
Auckland . . .	William Garden Cowie, D.D. . .	1869	Bishop's Court, Auckland, New Zealand.
Ballarat . . .	Samuel Thornton, D.D.	1875	Bishop's Court, Ballarat, Victoria.
Coadjutor	H. E. Cooper	1895	—
Barbados and Windward Islands	Herbert Bree, D.D.	1882	Bishop's Court, Bridgetown, Barbados.
Bathurst . . .	Charles Edward Camidge, D.D. .	1887	Bishop's Court, Bathurst, N.S.W.
Bloemfontein . . .	John Wale Hicks, D.D.	1892	Bishop's Lodge, Bloemfontein.
Boulay . . .	Louis George Mylne, D.D. . . .	1876	Malabar Hill, Bombay.
Brisbane . . .	William Thomas Thornhill Webber, D.D.	1885	Bishop'sbourne, Milton, Brisbane.
Coadjutor	J. F. Stretch, LL.D.	1896	—
Calcutta . . .	Edward Ralph Johnson, D.D. . .	1876	The Palace, Calcutta.
Calgary . . .	William Cyprian Pinkham, F.D. .	1887	Bishop's Court, Calgary, Alberta.
Caledonia . . .	William Ridley, D.D.	1870	Metlakatla, Victoria, Brit. Columbia.
Cape Town . . .	William West Jones, D.D.	1874	Bishop's Court, Claremont, Cape Colony.
Coadjutor	Alan George Sumner Gibson, M.A. .	1894	Claremont Rec., Cape Colony.
Christchurch	Churchill Julius, D.D.	1890	Bishop's Court, Christchurch, New Zealand.
Colombo . . .	Reginald Stephen Copleston, D.D. .	1875	Darley House, Colombo, Ceylon.
Columbia . . .	William Wilcox Perrin, M.A. . . .	1893	Bishop's Close, Victoria, British Columbia.
Dunedin . . .	Samuel Tarratt Nevill, D.D. . . .	1871	Bishopsgrove, Dunedin, New Zealand.
Falklands . . .	Wate Hockin Stirling, D.D. . . .	1860	Keppel Island, West Falkland, S. America.
Fredericton . . .	Hollingsworth Tully Kingdon, D.D.	1881	Fredericton, New Brunswick.
Gibraltar . . .	Charles Waldegrave Sandford, D.D.	1874	Christ Church, Oxford, or Athenaeum Club, S.W.
Goulburn . . .	William Chadmers, M.A.	1892	Bishopsthorpe, Goulburn, N.S.W.
Grafton and Armidale	A. V. Green, M.A.	1894	St. Cuthbert's, Armidale.
Grahamstown . . .	Ailan Becker Webb, D.D.(tr.1883)	1870	Bishop'sbourne, Grahamstown, Cape Colony.
Guiana . . .	William Proctor Swaby, D.D. . . .	1893	Kingston House, Georgetown, Demerara, British Honduras.
Honduras . . .	George Albert Ormsby, M.A. . . .	1893	(rare)
Huron . . .	Maurice Scollard Baldwin, D.D. .	1883	Bishop's Court, London, Ontario.
Jamaica . . .	Enos Nuttall, D.D.	1880	Bishop's Lodge, Kingston, Jamaica.
" (Asst. Bishop)	Charles Frederick Doucet, D.D. . .	1888	Spanish Town, Jamaica.

List of Colonial Bishops.

Name of Diocese	Name of Bishop	Date of Consecration	Address
Lahore	Henry James Matthew, D.D.	1888	Lahore, Punjab, India.
Lucknow	Alfred Clifford, M.A.	1893	Allahabad, N.W. Provinces, India.
Mackenzie River	William Day Reeve, D.D.	1891	St. David's Mission, Fort Simpson, Mackenzie River, W. Canada.
Madras	Frederick Gell, D.D.	1861	Cathedral Road, Madras.
Mashonaland	William Thomas Gaul, D.D.	1895	Fort Salisbury, Mashonaland.
Mauritius	William Walsh, D.D.	1891	Bishopsthorpe, Mauritius.
Melbourne	Flowers Field Goe, D.D.	1867	Bishop's Court, Melbourne, Victoria.
Montreal	William Bennett Bond, D.D.	1878	Bishop's Court, Montreal, Canada.
Mooseonee	Jervois Arthur Newnham, M.A.	1893	Bishop's Ct., Moose, Ottawa, Canada.
Nassau	Edward Townson Clurton, D.D.	1880	Aldington House, Nassau, Bahamas.
Natal	Arthur Hamilton Baynes, D.D.	1893	Maritzburg, Natal.
Nelson	Charles Oliver Mules, M.A.	1892	Bishopscdale, Nelson, New Zealand.
Newcastle	George Henry Stanton, D.D. (trans. 1891)	1878	Bishopscourt, Morpetia, New South Wales.
Newfoundland	Llewellyn Jones, D.D.	1878	St. John's, Newfoundland.
New Westminster	John Dart, D.C.L.	1895	New Westminster, British Columbia.
Niagara	J. P. Du Moulin, D.D.	1896	Hamilton, Ontario. [land]
North Queensland	Christopher George Barlow, D.D.	1891	Bishopscote, Townsville, N. Queensland.
Nova Scotia	Frederick Courtney, D.D.	1883	Bishopsthorpe, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
Ontario	John Travers Lewis, D.D., D.C.L.	1892	Saulte Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada.
Ottawa	C. Hamilton, D.D., D.C.L. (trans. 1896)	1885	Ottawa, P. Ontario, Canada.
Perth	Charles Owen Leaver Riley, M.A.	1894	Perth, Western Australia.
Pretoria	Henry Brougham Bousfield, D.D.	1878	Bishopscote, Pretoria, Transvaal.
Qu'Appelle	J. Grisdale, D.D.	1896	Qu'Appelle, Assiniboia, Canada.
Quebec	Alfred Hunter Dunn, D.D.	1892	Quebec, Canada.
Rangoon	John Miller Strachan, M.D., D.D.	1882	Bishop's Court, Rangoon, Burma.
Riverina	Ernest Augustus Anderson, D.D.	1895	Bishop's Lodge, Hay, N.S.W.
Rockhampton	Nathaniel Dawes, D.D.	1889	Lis Escop, Rockhampton.
Rupert's Land	Robert Machray, D.D., J.L.D.	1865	Bishop's Court, Winnipeg, Canada.
Selkirk	William Carpenter Bompas, D.D. (trans. 1891)	1879	Baxton Mission, Upper Youca, N.W.C.
St. Helena	Thomas Earle Welby, D.D.	1862	Red Hill, St. Helena.
St. John's, Kaffraria	Bransby Lewis Key, D.D.	1883	Umtata, via King William Town, S. Africa.
Saskatchewan	William Cyprian Pinkham, D.D.	1887	Bishop's Court, Calgary, Alberta.
Sierra Leone	[Vacant.]	—	Bishop's Court, Freetown, Sierra Leone, W. Africa.
Singapore, Labuan, &c.	George Frederick Hose, D.D.	1881	Bishop's House, Sarawak, Borneo.
Sydney	William Saturnarez Smith, D.D.	1890	Sydney, New South Wales.
Tasmania	Henry Hutchinson Montgomery, D.D.	1889	Hobart, Tasmania.
Toronto	Arthur Sweetman, D.D.	1879	Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
Trinidad	James Thomas Hayes, D.D.	1888	Port of Spain, Trinidad.
Victoria, Hong Kong	[Vacant.]	—	Victoria, Hong Kong.
Waipapu	W. L. Williams, D.D.	1895	Napier.
Wellington	Frederick Wallis, D.D.	1895	Wellington.
Missionary Bishops.			
Chota-Nagpur	J. Cornelius Whitley, M.A.	1890	Ranchi, Chota-Nagpur, Bengal.
Corea	Charles John Corfe, D.D.	1889	Seoul, Corea.
Eastern Equat. Africa	Alfred Robert Tucker, D.D.	1890	Mombasa, East Africa.
Hokkaido	P. K. Fyson	1896	[Islands]
Honolulu	Alfred Willis, D.D.	1872	Bishop's Lodge, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.
South Tokyo	Edward Bickersteth, D.D.	1886	Tokyo, Japan.
Jerusalem	Geo. Francis Popham Blyth, D.D.	1887	Jerusalem.
Kiushiu (South Japan)	Henry Evington	1894	Osaka, Japan.
Lebombo	William Edmund Smyth, M.A., M.B.	1892	Box 120, Delagoa Bay, S.E. Africa.
Likoma (formerly Nyasaland)	J. E. Hine, M.D., D.D.	1896	—
Madagascar	[Vacant.]	—	Ambatobe, Tamtave.
Melanesia	Cecil Wilson, M.A.	1894	Norfolk Island, via Auckland, N.Z.
Mid China	George Evans Moutle, D.D.	1880	Shanghai, China.
North China	Charles Perry Scott, D.D.	1880	Chefoo, N. China.
West China	William Whurton Cassels, D.D.	1895	Hankow, China.
Osaka	W. Awdry, D.D. (trans. 1896)	1895	Kobe, Japan.
Tinnevely	S. Morley	1896	Palanacottah, S. India.
Travancore & Cochin	Edward Noel Hodges, D.D.	1890	Pattam Cottayam, South India.
Western Equat. Africa	Herbert Tugwell, D.D.	1894	Niger, West Africa.
„ (Asst. Bishops)	Isaac Oluwole, D.D.	1893	Lagos, West Africa.
„	Charles Phillips, D.D.	1893	Ole Oudo, via Lagos, West Africa.
Zanzibar & East Africa	William Moore Richardson, D.D.	1895	Zanzibar.
Zululand	William Adolphus Carter, D.D.	1891	Eshowe, Zululand, via Natal.

The following reports, furnished by the Bishops themselves, may be accepted as Official Summaries of the present position and work of the Church in the several Dioceses. In order that this review of the work of the Colonial Church may be completely representative, it is earnestly hoped at the co-operation of the Bishops in communicating their annual reports may be more general and systematic. Incorporated with this section will be found a brief but comprehensive history of the growth of the Episcopate in the Colonies and British Settlements,

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.

The Most Rev. JOHN TRAVERS LEWIS, D.D., D.C.L., BISHOP OF ONTARIO.

DIocese OF FREDERICTON.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1845, before which time it formed part of the Diocese of Nova Scotia. It comprises the whole of the Civil Province of New Brunswick, and is bounded on the north by the Province of Quebec, on the east by the Gulf of St. Lawrence, on the south by the Bay of Fundy, and on the west by the State of Maine (U.S.). A narrow isthmus, about 15 miles across at its narrowest part, joins it on the south-east to the Province of Nova Scotia. The area is 27,174 square miles, and the population, according to the census of 1891, was 321,263.

Church Work.—By the last census (1891) there were 43,095 members of the Church of England, and there are at present 7,284 communicants, the number baptised was 1,205, and confirmed 657. There are 73 on the roll of the clergy: of these, five have retired from the charge of parishes, and two hold official posts. There are about 158 consecrated churches or chapels of ease, and 134 mission stations. A Cathedral Chapter with provisional statutes has been formed, consisting of the Bishop, the Dean, two Archdeacons, six Canons, and four lay members, making the organisation of the Church more complete, and increasing, it is hoped, its influence and power. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew has now many Chapters formed in the Diocese. Its object is the spread of Christ's Kingdom among men. There is a multiplication of Associations and Guilds for enlisting the sympathy and calling out the energies of the Church, especially the young men and young women. A depository of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge is established in St. John, and is doing excellent work.

Finance.—It is impossible to give any financial statement with respect to self-supporting parishes, which number 23, as their accounts form no part of the Diocesan finances. The income of the Church for the salaries of the Clergy of the aided parishes is derived (1) from endowments; (2) from the grant of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts; (3) from the interest of invested funds; (4) from voluntary subscriptions and donations. The income from the above endowments amounts to \$472; from the grant of the S.P.G., \$4,607.23; from the interest of investments, \$4,359; from voluntary contributions, \$17,155.84. Total, \$26,294.07. In addition to the above there is a Widows' and Orphans' Fund, of which the capital is \$30,800; an Incapacitated and Aged Clergy Fund with a capital of \$24,355; a Fund for the Education of the Children of the Clergy, amounting to \$2,500; a Divinity Scholarship Fund of \$2,900; and a Bishop Medley Scholarship Fund, amounting to \$2,712.

Education.—The system of public education is non-sectarian and non-religious. There are, however, six schools carried on in the Diocese by the Governors and Trustees of the Madras Board, in which elementary education is given in conjunction with instruction in Holy Scripture and the Church Catechism. Two proprietary schools for boys are established on Church principles, where the scholars are for the most part boarders. The boys in these schools number about 100. The Sunday schools number 127, the teachers 640, and the scholars 5,531. The work of Sunday schools has of late years been much improved.

Need.—The great need is a Diocesan Missioner.

H. J. FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, New Brunswick : November 1895.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.



General Description.—The Diocese is a purely Missionary one, dependent for three-fourths of its maintenance on the voluntary offerings of the members of the Church in older Canada and England. The S.P.G., S.P.C.K., and C.C.C.S. respectively subsidise it with varying amounts and for varied purposes. Without this aid it could not have existed. The Clergy now number 27, of whom 6 are Deacons. Their ministrations extend over an area of nearly 50,000 sq. miles. Two broad general principles govern the Diocesan life. (1) The encouragement of self-support, to the utmost measure of the people's acuity ability. (2) The inculcation of distinctively Prayer-Book teaching as the only certain guarantee of the Church's perpetuation.

Pressing Needs.—(1) A Superannuation Fund, for the assistance of retired Missionaries, disabled for active service by age or infirmity. (2) 7,000*l.* to complete the Episcopal Endowment Fund. (3) Legacies, donations, and annual subscriptions for general purposes, such as stipends, church and parsonage building, &c.

E. ALGOMA.

Bishophurst, Saulte Ste. Marie, Ontario : July 5, 1895.

Territory.—Civil districts of Muskoka, Parry Sound, and East and West Algoma.

Commissaries.—Canon Duckworth, D.D., St. Mark's Vicarage, Hamilton Terrace, N.W. ; Rev. C. H. Wallace, Clifton, Bristol ; Rev. G. A. Schneider, Ridley Hall, Camb.

DIOCESE OF HURON.



General Description.—The Diocese territorially contains thirteen counties, covering an area of 12,000 square miles, having to the North the waters of Lake Huron ; to the South those of Lake Erie ; to the West the River and Lake of St. Clair, and to the East the Diocese of Niagara. The population is estimated at over 800,000. The cities and towns in the Diocese are numerous, though none of them are large ; London, in which is the Cathedral and the residence of the Bishop, has a population of 32,000, St. Thomas 10,000, Windsor 10,000, &c.

Church Work.—Clergy in active service, 140. Total number on the roll, 155. Number of church edifices, 246 ; value of same, \$821,465. Seating accommodation, 59,848. Number of Parsonages, 77. Church population, 57,525. Communicants, 14,809. Sunday schools in the Diocese, 228. Pupils, 17,998. Total number of those engaged in Sunday school work—officers, teachers, and pupils, 20,113.

Institutions.—The following educational institutions are under Church auspices, and are all situated in the city of London : Huron Theological College, incorporated 1863 ; the Western University, incorporated 1878 ; and Helmuth Ladies' College, a strong and vigorous academy.

Finance.—Total capital of the Diocese, including trust funds, April 30, 1894, \$725,360.05. Total amount of free-will offerings for the year, estimated at over \$21,500. Voluntary contributions for religious objects, including stipends, parochial, diocesan, and missionary work, \$186,000.

Needs.—Earnest, strong, and devoted Clergy. The people are able to supply every want of the Diocese.

MAURICE S. HURON.

Ontario: September 15, 1896.

Curry.—Rev. J. FOX, St. Paul's Vicarage, Ball's Pond, London, N.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

General Description.—This Diocese was divided from that of Quebec in 1850; it is bounded on the south and west by the United States and the Province of Ontario, and on the east by the eastern boundaries of the counties of Berthier, Richelieu, Bagot, Shefford, and Brome. The population in 1891 was 739,000.

Church Work.—The proportion of the Church of England to the entire population is less than 7 per cent., French and Roman Catholics largely predominating. The number of the Church members in 1895 was about 52,000, of communicants about 9,978. There are 95 parishes and missions, with 145 churches, and 53 other stations where services are held. The clergy number 110, the lay readers 47, and the students of the Theological College, of whom there were 22 last year, work in the vacant missions during the summer months. In 1895 there were 1585 baptisms, 100 ordinations, and 7 Priests and 8 Deacons were ordained.

n.—The Sunday schools number 153, with 8,861 scholars and 806 teachers.

—Voluntary contributions for the support of the Clergy of this Diocese amount to the sum of 1,900*l.* was contributed for foreign missions and for missions in North-western Canada.

Desautels Theological College, Montreal, upon which for some years the Bishop depends almost entirely for the supply of Clergymen to fill vacancies as they are not capable of meeting all requirements in this respect.

W. B. MONTREAL.

96.

—Montreal. Area, 44,000 square miles.

Curry.—Rev. Principal C. H. Waller, D.D., St. John's Hall, Highbury, and Very Rev. Dean Carmichael, D.D., D.C.L., Montreal.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

General Description.—The See was founded in 1875, and is the smallest of the Canadian Dioceses in point of area, although in the number of Clergy it exceeds several.

Education.—We have well-attended Sunday schools throughout the Diocese. The Sisters of the Church have opened a day school for girls in Hamilton, with an attendance of more than fifty. There is also a school for boys at St. Catharine's, Bishop Ridley College. It is attended by about eighty boys, chiefly boarders.

Church Work.—The six counties which form the Diocese contain a total population of 152,000. The members of the Church of England known to our Clergy, 31,000, of whom 7,665 are communicants. Their contributions towards the support of their parishes to all Church purposes, amounted last year to \$117,731. The baptisms in 1896 were 1,066. Four were ordained in the year, and 809 confirmed. There are 67 churches in the Diocese. The offerings at each Confirmation Service are being applied to the erection or purchase of a See House. Subscriptions are also being raised and it will take many years to obtain \$10,000, the estimated outlay.

Trained men for the ministry are much needed. Trinity College, Toronto, affords excellent education under a Provost and Professors of high standing at the

English Universities. Its aim is to educate, not only for the ministry, but for learned professions, and for their work in life generally, all who may be inclined to become members of it, and take up their abode within its walls.

CHARLES NI

Hamilton : Oct. 4, 1894.

Territory.—Part of the Province of Ontario.*Commissaries.*—Rev. T. A. Blyth, D.D., Stoke Park, Coventry ; Rev. C. Hamilton, M. A., St. John's Road, Eastbourne.**DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.**

General Description.—This is the earliest of the Colonies and was founded in 1787. It comprises two distinct parts, Nova Scotia (including the island of Cape Breton) and Prince Edward Island. The former has an area of 20,900 square miles and a population of 450,396 ; the latter is much smaller, being 2,100 in extent, and having a population of 109,078. There is a large immigration into either part of the Diocese, but we suffer from the emigration of our most energetic young people to the United States and now still more to the North-Western Territory.

Church Work.—There are 64,410 members of the Church of England in Nova Scotia, of whom 7000 are communicants. There are 71 parishes, and missions 8, and are served by 101 Clergy. In 1894 there were 1,276 baptisms. The Church people in Prince Edward Island are 6,646, of whom 1,030 are communicants ; there are 10 parishes, with 10 Clergy. Baptisms in 1894 were 105. The Bishop holds Confirmations frequently in each parish and mission ; he also occasionally holds a visitation of the parishes and missions.

Education.—The State provides common schools, which are made use of generally, and there is a training college for the teachers at Truro. In Nova Scotia there are 96 Sunday schools, with 5,973 scholars ; in Prince Edward Island 16 schools, with 747 scholars. The Church has a school for girls at Truro, a collegiate school for boys, both at Windsor, the former of which was commenced in January 1891, and the latter was rearranged and improved in 1892-3 ; both in a flourishing condition, and give promise of great good. There is also there the University of King's College, founded by George III. in 1802, which is well equipped with professors, but is sadly crippled by lack of means.

Finance.—It is not possible to arrive at an estimate of funds raised in the parishes, but the Church Society has an income of 1,050*l.* for general purposes, and widows, orphans, and superannuation funds. We have about 1,670*l.* a year invested for endowment of parishes, and the people are everywhere ready to contribute to the maintenance of their ministers. A few of the parishes are self-supporting.

F. NOVA ;

Bishopsthorpe, Halifax : July 18, 1895.

Territory.—Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, and Prince Edward Island.*Commissary.*—Rev. W. H. Binney, Vicarage, Northwich.**DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.**

General Description.—The first Bishop of this Diocese was consecrated on June 13, 1861, but through unforeseen delays was not installed till March 25, 1862. The Diocese consists of the fifteen counties of the Civil Province of Ontario with that part of the Territory of Nipissing which lies south of the Mattawan River, comprising 15 townships in an area of some 20,000 square miles, and a population of 490,221.

Church Work.—The number of Church people, as reported in the census of 1891, is 80,535, of whom only 52,115 appear to be members of the Clergy. These are gathered into 280 congregations, 230 worship in churches provided with 44,632 sittings, and fifty in school houses.

buildings. These congregations are grouped into 113 parishes and missions 116 Priests and seven Deacons, who report 16,627 communicants. Nine ts are on the retired list. Of the 113 parishes 84 are provided with parsonage l 25 with Sunday school buildings or parish halls. The estimated value of perty is \$1,267,725. For the year ending April 25, 1894, the statistical w six Priests and seven Deacons ordained, five new churches built and three , 1,889 baptised (including 73 adults) and 1,559 confirmed, 529 marriages rials.

Education.—The Diocese depends for its supply of Clergy on Trinity onto, Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and St. Augustine's College, Canterre are no Church schools, and children receive their religious education at Sunday schools, and from the direct teaching of the Clergy during the for confirmation. There are 189 Sunday schools, with 10,346 pupils and rs and teachers.

.—The total voluntary contributions for the financial year ending \$94, were \$180,733, or 37,137%, of which 32,142% went to parochial objects, Diocesan Funds, and 1,736% to objects outside of the Diocese. The stipends y from these sources came to 14,662%, and 10,250% went to local improveas church building, &c. The Clergy Reserve Commutation Fund yielded 2,603%, and parochial endowments managed by the Synod, 2,546%. The gives no financial aid from any extraneous source, except the grants made by C. for church building.

J. T. ONTARIO.

(Ontario): August 28, 1894.

y.—Part of the Civil Province of Ontario.

sary.—Rev. H. C. Evans, Shalbourne Vicarage, Hungerford.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1793, and has a population of 560,000, of whom 500,000 are French. Those living on the coast are fishermen; those in the district between the St. Lawrence and the United States border are engaged in agriculture. Timber is exported from Quebec; Sherbrooke is the capital of the agricultural district, and has also some beginnings of manufacture. There is little immigration—more leave the country than come to it.

Church Work.—The number of Church members is 26,760; of communicants, 7,327. There are 118 consecrated churches and 39 mission stations, and 67 Clergy, 6 of them pensioned. The number of persons confirmed in the year 1894 was 485; and there linations.

on.—There are 30 day and 81 Sunday schools, with 3,374 scholars.

.—The amount raised in the Diocese in 1894 was \$80,743.

College.—The University of Bishop's College, at Lennoxville, belongs this Diocese and to Montreal. The salary of professors in 1893 was 1,100%, utions given to students of this Diocese 400%.

ocese marked its centenary, which it celebrated on June 1, 1893, by volundering the annual grant of the S.P.G., amounting to 900%. ; in 1894, 200%. ; d 1898 as much, and to begin the year 1900 without outside aid from the Society, except for the Mission of Labrador.

A. H. QUEBEC.

June 15, 1895.

y.—District of Gaspé, Quebec, Three Rivers, and St. Francis.

sary.—Rev. J. H. Thompson, Vicarage, Datchet, Windsor.

British North America.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.



General Description.—The See was founded in 1839. By successive subdivisions the original area now comprises five Dioceses.

It is bounded on the north by the Georgian Bay and Muskoka Territory; on the south by Lake Ontario; on the east by the Diocese of Ontario; on the west by the Dioceses of Niagara and Huron. Its area is 2,269 square miles, with a population according to the census of 1891 of 549,644 (the city of Toronto having a population of 174,425).

The character of the population throughout the country—parts of the Diocese is mostly agricultural, with a considerable amount of lumbering. In the cities and towns, manufactures of all kinds are carried on; and in Toronto a large wholesale trade is done. There are no means of estimating the amount of yearly immigration, but it is not very large.

Church Work.—The number of Church members in 1891 was 129,893; there are 18,366 communicants and 188 Clergy. There are 226 permanent churches, and 51 mission stations, 12 rectories, 68 parishes, and 46 missions. There were 3,249 baptisms last year; 1,343 persons were confirmed, and 21 ordained—13 Deacons and 8 Priests.

Education.—The day schools are all under the Government and dissociated from the Church. Trinity College School for boys, and Bishop Strachan's School for girls. Toronto Church School for boys, and Bishop Bethune's School for girls at Oshawa, have together about 350 pupils. There are 192 Sunday schools, with 2,409 teachers and officers and 21,610 scholars. There are 2 training colleges: 1. The University of Trinity, with a Divinity Faculty and a Royal Charter. The original endowment was about 40,000*l.*; and a supplemental fund is now being raised, towards which about 12,000*l.* has been contributed in Canada, and 9,000*l.* in England. There are 2 divinity chairs and 2 of classics; 1 of mathematics, and 1 of moral science; lectureships in divinity, natural science, &c., and 3 fellowships. 2. Wycliffe College is supported by private subscriptions. St. Hilda's College, Toronto, for women, is in affiliation with Trinity University.

Finance.—The voluntary contributions were—for the maintenance of Clergy, mission stations, general Church expenses and Church work, 41,941*l.*; and for foreign missions, 2,646*l.*

A. TORONTO.

See House, Toronto: Aug. 22, 1895.

Territory.—Part of the Province of Ontario.

PROVINCE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

The Most Reverend ROBERT MACHRAY, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Archbishop of Rupert's Land, Primate of All Canada; Prelate of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.



General Description.—The Diocese extends from the United States about 350 miles north, and is nearly 600 miles in breadth. The population is about 210,000. Manitoba, a fine agricultural country, is included in it, and the southern half of that province is sparsely settled. The rest of the Diocese is uncultivated, and inhabited by small bands of Indians, among whom are a few small settlements of white people.

Church Work.—The Church members form nearly one-fourth of the population, except in certain districts which are almost exclusively occupied by Roman Catholic French, Mennonite Germans, Russians, and Lutheran Icelanders. There are 80 licensed Clergy. There are 90 churches, chiefly built of wood, and services are more or less regularly held in about 135 other places—in

schoolrooms, halls, or other buildings. There are about 72 licensed voluntary Lay Readers. 452 were confirmed between Easter 1895 and Easter 1896.

Education.—The present position is very unsatisfactory as regards religious education. In the Public Schools there is now only a short prayer and the reading of one of an appointed selection of Scriptural passages, and the teaching of the Ten Commandments. The Public Schools give free education from the commencement of elementary primary education up to collegiate departments in cities preparing for the University and professional examinations.

For Secondary Education we have St. John's College School, with about 60 boys, and St. John's College Ladies' School, with about 50 young ladies, but these only very partially supply secondary education to our young people, being patronised chiefly by those who can afford a larger outlay for their children. There are four Colleges in Arts in the University of Manitoba, belonging respectively to the Church of England, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, and Wesleyan bodies. The Church College, St. John's, had 64 students in arts and theology in the year ending June 1896.

Needs.—The Church should establish Missions with resident Clergymen in a number of districts, and for this needs larger funds. But its supreme want from outside beyond what it now receives is for St. John's College. An effort is to be made to raise an endowment for a Warden or Mathematical Lectureship, so as to set the Archbishop free from tuition he is still obliged to undertake. The College is also crippled by a debt on it of 9,500*l.* There is a debt of 2,000*l.* on the Ladies' College.

R. RUPERT'S LAND.

Bishop's Court, Winnipeg, Canada: Sept. 14, 1896.

Territory.—The Province of Manitoba, part of the Territory of Keewatin, and part of Ontario, say 200,000 sq. miles.

Commissionaries.—Ven. T. T. Perowne, Rector, Redenhall, Harleston; Ven. R. Long, Rector, Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland; and the Rev. C. A. Jones, Vicarage, Dedham, Essex.

DIocese OF ATHABASCA.



General Description.—This comprises the southern portion of the original Diocese of that name, which included what is now called the Diocese of Mackenzie River. The division was effected at the Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Rupert's Land in 1883.

The Missions at present occupied in this Diocese are St. Paul's Mission, Chipewyan, extending northward to Fort Smith, on Slave River, and southward to Fort McMurray, on the Athabasca River.

Vermilion, the most central point in the Diocese, is occupied by St. Luke's Mission. Its outposts are, to the west, Battle River; to the east, Little Red River. The work here is varied.

Crees, Beavers, and Slave Indians, from Hay River to the north,

trade at this port, or hunt in the immediate vicinity. The New Training School is connected with this mission.

The Christ Church Mission, near Smoky River, includes a farm and mission school. There is a decided increase of settlement in the neighbourhood of this Mission, not only of half-breeds, but also of Indians.

The Mission of St. Peter's, Lesser Slave Lake. A boarding-school for Indian children is connected with the Mission.

St. Andrew's Mission, White Fish Lake. A Mission, to be known as that of St. John's, was commenced last year in the very heart of the country between the Athabasca and Peace Rivers for work among the Crees.

The Mission at Athabasca Landing is the residence of the Bishop.

A boarding-school or Home for Indian children is attached to this Mission. Missions with resident Missionaries are sorely needed at St. John's, Peace River; Fort Smith, Slave River; and Fort McMurray, Athabasca River.

RICHARD ATHABASCA.

Athabasca Landing: March 1896.

Territory.—North-West Territory, Dominion of Canada. Area, 250,000 sq. miles.

Commissary.—Rev. C. A. Heurtley, Rectory, Ashington, Fulborough.

DIOCESE OF MACKENZIE RIVER.



General Description.—The Diocese of Mackenzie River was separated from the Diocese of Rupert's Land in 1875, and from Athabasca in 1884, and the Diocese of Selkirk was separated from it in 1891; but it still remains one of the largest of the Colonial Dioceses, and contains upwards of 500,000 square miles.

Church Work.—Eight mission stations have been established, with the same number of mission houses; but only three churches have been erected; one other is in course of construction. There are six ordained Missionaries, three lay workers, and eleven native catechists. A new station has been opened at Hay River, and the Indians there are attaching themselves to our mission. The work amongst the Esquimaux is also giving much encouragement.

A station has been established at Herschel Island, in the Arctic Ocean, west of the Mackenzie River, where hundreds of them assemble in the course of the year, and they are visited at other places. The diocesan school is steadily progressing.

Finance.—The chief burden of the support of the mission work has fallen hitherto on the C.M.S., but it is imperative that further provision be made for its maintenance and extension. The S.P.C.K. has helped liberally in various ways: the B. & F.B.S. in printing, &c., and the Church in Eastern Canada has sent up four men, and partly supports them.

Needs.—Funds to support a new Missionary next year; to build and carry on another diocesan school. (The scarcity of provisions prevents the boarding of a large number of scholars at any one place.) To rebuild the Bishop's house, which was burnt down, and to put some of the older buildings in repair; two of the houses are nearly tumbling down. To extend the work, and prevent the Indians going over to the Romanists, which they are beginning to do because there is no one else to minister to them. To complete the Tukudh Native Pastorate Endowment Fund. In fact, if there were the necessary means there would be no difficulty in obtaining the men, carrying on the work in the Diocese in a satisfactory manner, and putting the Mission on a satisfactory basis.

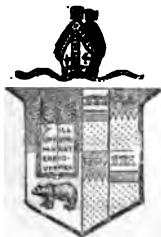
W. D. MACKENZIE RIVER.

Mackenzie River, N.W.T., Canada: September 1, 1896.

Territory.—North-West Territory, Dominion of Canada.

Commissary.—The Rev. W. Thomason, St. Michael's, Blackburn.

DIOCESE OF SELKIRK.



This Diocese was formed in 1892 out of that of Mackenzie River. It contains that part of the North-West Territory of Canada which lies west of the Rocky Mountains. It extends north to south from the Arctic Sea, lat. 70, to British Columbia, lat. 40, and east to west from the Rocky Mountains to the boundary of American Alaska, W. long. 141°. The Diocese thus contains about 200,000 square miles.

The population is very small, comprising a few hundred gold miners, and a few thousands of roving Indians; but the country is a rich one, and is opening to civilisation. More immigrants are entering it.

There are two routes of entrance to the country, viz., one across the coast range of mountains from Juneau, Alaska, and thence down the Yukon; the

steamer from St. Michael's, at the mouth of the Yukon River. Several American steamers now run on the Yukon River during the summer months, and connect with the steamers from San Francisco, California.

The trading companies now supply the country with goods and provisions, including the luxuries of the California market. Chief of these companies are the Alaska Company of San Francisco, California, and the North American Trading and Transportation Company of Chicago.

Gold mines are lucrative and extending. Gold in small quantities is found in the streams, and the richest deposits of this precious metal may be still undiscovered. A small body of Canadian police has been lately sent to the district to preserve the peace and collect Customs.

Missions have been established in the district for more than 80 years by the Wesleyan Missionary Society of England. The pioneer missionary on the Yukon has been the Rev. Archdeacon Robert MacDonald, D.D., who entered the district in 1862, and has laboriously translated the whole Bible into the chief native language of the district. Besides Prayer Book, Hymn Book, and smaller books. This work has been the chief of the mission.

The natives can now read the Scriptures intelligently in their own tongue. At the mission of Brixton Mission, Forty-mile, form a congregation of over 100, who attend services regularly, both weekly and daily.

At present only three Mission stations in the Diocese, viz., St. Luke's, at House, Porcupine River; St. John's, Buxton, Upper Yukon River; and St. Selkirk, Petty River. Each Mission has mission house and school chapel, but the school is exclusively used as a church at present exists in the Diocese.

Additional mission stations are needed for the complete working of the Diocese, and at least one church is urgently called for. The Indians in the south of the Diocese are still unevangelised, and immediate efforts should be made to Christianise them. No missionary is at hand for the work.

The Indians are at present under severe temptation from the use of liquor by the whites at the mining camp.

The winter temperature of the country is severe, ranging down to -70° Fahr., nearly as low as in the world. The summers are pleasant. The winter season is from October to the summer from June to September.

Urgent needs:—A church for the miners at Forty-mile that may serve as a pro-cathedral for the Diocese for ordinations and all ecclesiastical purposes. A mission house and school church at Hotaling River.

A school for the Indians to be established at Fort Reliance, with a married teacher, to be available for both boarding and day scholars. Also a similar Boys' School to be founded at Sixty-mile.

The Kirk Diocesan Fund, on which fall the salaries of the Mission agents and all other expenses of the Diocese beyond what is provided by the missionary societies of England and Canada.

W. C. BOMPAS, Bishop of Selkirk.

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DIOCESE OF MOOSONEE.

General Description.—Moosonee formed part of the original Diocese of Rupert's Land, out of which it was taken in 1872, when the first Bishop was consecrated. The Diocese is the whole of the basin of Hudson's Bay, and the population may be estimated at 10,000.

Church Work.—The Church members are about 5,000, communicants 700, and there are 10 Clergy. There is a pro-cathedral at Moose, and there are churches at eleven other places. The whole of the Cree Indians in the Diocese have been baptised, as well as at least three-fourths of the Ojibbeways. The Diocese is divided into large districts, over which a Clergyman is placed: his work is arduous, as he has to travel throughout his district at least once a year; this is done in summer by means of canoe, and in the winter either on snow-shoes or with dogs.



and sledges. The Bishop hopes shortly to open a boarding-school for Eskimos at Churchill, and to extend the Missionary work further north, and he desires to have a Missionary at Waswanape, Rupert River, and another in the Labrador quarter of his Diocese.

Education.—There is a school at every mission station, at which English is taught to the residents, and to such Indians as make a lengthened stay, while all Indians are diligently instructed in their own language. Sunday schools exist at all stations; and at some posts, where there is not a resident Missionary, the Hudson's Bay trader conducts both service and Sunday School. Parts of the Bible, the Prayer Book, Hymn Book, and 'Pilgrim's Progress,' and other books, have been translated into the Cree, Eskimo, and Ojibbeway languages, while we have books likewise in the Chipewyan tongue.

Needs.—1. A large increase of our Moosonee Mission Fund for the payment of our native Clergy, catechists, and schoolmasters. 2. The increase of our building fund, for the erection of churches and mission houses. 3. The increase of our fund for the education of our native Clergy's children. 4. The creation of a fund for Eskimo school and new work in the north.

Owing to the death of the late Bishop, and the fact that three Clergymen have been removed from their posts, the work received a slight check during 1893; but in 1894 the Bishop ordained a native Deacon, and received a Missionary from England, and in 1895 he took with him from Canada a Layman to assist in Eskimo work at Churchill and to train for ordination. Thus work has been greatly advanced at Moose Fort, Albany River, and Churchill. The Matawakumme Missionary (native) has added three posts to his district. During the summer 1895 the Bishop made the round of all the northern part of the Diocese on the West of Hudson's Bay, perhaps the most arduous journey in the Diocese.

At Churchill he baptised a few Eskimos, and confirmed seven half-breeds; at York he confirmed nine Indians and half-breeds, and ordained a native Deacon to the Priesthood; and at Severn he baptised and admitted to Holy Communion.

Fort Hope has been occupied by a native Deacon, who is building a church and house there. A church is also building at Marten's Falls, and another at Osnaburgh; new churches have been built at Biscotasing and Brunswick House. The work is progressing well, but there is a lack of ordained Missionaries, and of means to support them. So great has been the progress among the Indians that the C.M.S. has almost ceased to support it, preferring to give most of their support to Eskimo work. This throws the Indian work upon the generosity and sympathy of the Church of England, in England and in Canada, outside of C.M.S. contributions.

J. A. MOOSONEE.

Moose Fort: January 1896.

Territory.—Eastern division of Rupert's Land. Nominally, 600,000 square miles, but practically unlimited to the North.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1884, and contains an area of 89,000 square miles, with a population of about 40,000. It was formed out of the Dioceses of Rupert's Land and Saskatchewan, and is bounded on the east by Manitoba (the present Diocese of Rupert's Land), on the north and west by the Diocese of Saskatchewan, and on the south by the United States. It is entirely agricultural. Immigration into this district began about 1883.

Church Work.—The Diocese is divided into 11 districts, all of which contain a large number of out-stations. The great difficulty to be contended against is the absence of any large centre of population (Regina, the capital, has only about 1,500 inhabitants), and the way in which the people are thinly scattered over a wide area. There are now 22 Clergy; 25 churches have been built, 2 more are in course of erection. The number of Church people, according to the census of 1893, was about 8,000. There are about 1,174 communicants.

1. Funds to carry on and enlarge the general work among the scattered
 2. The extension of work among unevangelised Indian bands. 3. The
 4. of Indian schools. J. QU'APPELLE.

1896.

7.—District of Assiniboia, North-Western Territory. Area, 89,000 square

DIOCESE OF SASKATCHEWAN.

General Description.—The Diocese of Saskatchewan was formed out of Rupert's Land in 1872. It embraces the district of Saskatchewan, together with a large extent of territory lying to the north. Its area is about 200,000 square miles. It has a considerable Indian population, the great majority of whom are members of the Church. Settlements exist in several places, *e.g.* Prince Albert, Duck Lake, Saskatoon, Battleford, Carrot River, Birch Hills, Stoney Creek, &c., &c. Emmanuel College is situated at Prince Albert. It is doing an excellent work, especially in the training of natives to be catechists and teachers.

Needs.—1. Increased assistance for the stipends of Clergymen, the number of whom ought to be increased every year; and 2. The completion of the Clergy Fund. 3. The formation of a General Endowment Fund for carrying on the influence of Emmanuel College. 4. Funds for the support of Indian supply the place of the reducing grants of C.M.S.

CYPRIAN SASKATCHEWAN AND CALGARY.

Prince Albert, Calgary, N.W.T., Canada: June 1895.

1.—Saskatchewan: the provincial district of Saskatchewan, and a portion lying north-east thereof, in N.W. Canada.

2.—*Cyprian.*—Rev. C. Croslegh, D.D., Englefield Green, Surrey; the Very Rev. St. Asaph, The Deanery, St. Asaph.

DIOCESE OF CALGARY.

General Description.—This Diocese was established in 1888, having been taken from the Diocese of Saskatchewan. Its area is about 100,000 square miles. The Canadian Pacific Railway passes right across it, and the Calgary and Edmonton Railway runs 300 miles from Macleod to Edmonton. Its population is steadily increasing.

The Diocese was formed in order to facilitate organisation. It has its own Synod and its separate and full representation in the Synod of the Province of Rupert's Land, but its Bishop is also Bishop of Saskatchewan until adequate provision is made for the support of the Episcopate, when it will be the duty of the Bishop to resign one of the Sees.

The Bishop resides at Calgary.

—The Church is maintained by (1) grants from the great English Societies; (2) offerings; and (3) donations from England and Eastern Canada. There are 100 parishes, of which not only pays the stipend of its rector, but also the stipend of a curate.

Needs.—1. Increased assistance to enable the Bishop to increase the Clergy; and to help forward other much-needed work, such as church building of parsonages, &c. 2. The endowment of the See, towards the Colonial Bishops Fund and the S.P.G. and S.P.C.K. have

Dioceses of Caledonia and Columbia.

each promised 1,000*l.* The episcopal supervision of either of these immense Dioceses is alone sufficient to tax the energies of any man. 3. The completion of the Calgary See House Fund, towards which the Bishop obtained 400*l.* in 1888. 4. Funds for the establishment and maintenance of higher Church schools for boys and girls, to be located at Calgary and to be carried on under the Bishop's supervision. The activity of the Roman Catholics in establishing Sisters' schools for girls, to which many of our people send their daughters, makes a girls' school absolutely necessary. A girls' day school has been opened with every prospect of success. A permanent building for a boarding school is much needed. The Church owns an excellent site in the city of Calgary.

CYPRIAN SASKATCHEWAN AND CALGARY.

Bishop's Court, Calgary, N.W.T., Canada: June 1895.

Territory.—The district of Alberta, in the North-West Territories.

Commissaries.—The Very Rev. the Dean of St. Asaph, the Deanery, St. Asaph; Rev. C. Croslegh, D.D.

Independent Dioceses.

DIocese OF CALEDONIA.



General Description.—This Diocese in 1879 was separated from that which formerly included the whole Province. It is generally rugged and covered with forests, which shelter vast numbers of fur-bearing animals of various kinds. The trappers are mostly Indians. The lakes, rivers, and adjacent seas teem with valuable fish, which is likely to prove a larger and more reliable source of revenue than the gold mines. Besides the Chinese, who for many years have greatly assisted in developing the country, but are commonly abused, the Japanese have lately appeared, and seem likely to stay and thrive. Their success is likely to prove detrimental to the interests of European immigrants.

Church Work.—This is entirely missionary, and conducted among all the races met with, and much success is reported. There are 11 ordained Clergy, 11 permanent Churches, beside mission buildings.

Two Clergy are provided by the S.P.G., ten by the C.M.S., which also has three laymen and five ladies on its missionary staff, besides a medical Missionary and six Indian lay readers.

Needs.—More liberal support of the C.M.S., S.P.G., and the S.P.C.K., so that the work maintained by these Societies might be extended. W. CALEDONIA.

Mella Kalla: January 10, 1895.

Territory.—North mainland of British Columbia and Queen Charlotte Islands.

Commissaries.—Rev. A. Kennion, Gerrard's Cross Vicarage; Rev. Dr. Hicks, St. Stephen's Vicarage, Sheffield.

DIocese OF COLUMBIA.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1859; the Diocese of Caledonia was separated from it in 1879, and in the same year the Diocese of New Westminster also was formed out of it. It now comprises Vancouver Island and the adjacent islands, and has an area of 17,000 square miles, being about 350 miles in length, by from 50 to 120 in breadth. Agriculture, coal-mining, iron foundries, lumber mills, leather factories, shipbuilding, salmon and seal fisheries, employ most of the people. The population, including all races, is about 45,000.

Church Work.—Victoria, the capital of the Civil Province of British Columbia, is situated in this Diocese, and handsome public buildings are in course of erection. The other considerable towns are Nanaimo,

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Wellington, Union and Comox, the centres of the coal-mining industry. During the last four years the island has gone through a time of serious commercial depression, and the finances of the Diocese have been strained to their utmost. Unhappily the S. P. G. have been unable to respond to urgent appeals with the exception of one grant of \$90. In early years of the Colony large sums were collected by Bishop Hills in England, but the total sum received from this special fund during *these three years*, has only been \$25. So that this Diocese has only received an average of 208*l.* a year from the Mother Church. There are only endowments for the Bishopric, the Archdeaconry, and one Rectory (the original gift of the Baroness Burdett-Coutts), and there is a Clergy Endowment Fund which produces 350*l.* a year. In Victoria five out of the six churches are self-supporting. In Nanaimo the two churches are in the same condition, but all the other Missions in the island have to be helped, and alas! 'there remains much of the land to be possessed.'

The statistics for 1895 are:—Clergy, 22; churches, 30; communicants, 1,460; baptisms, 281; confirmations, 107. At Alert Bay there is an Indian Industrial School under the charge of Rev. A. J. Hall, M.A., in connection with the C.M.S., where excellent work is done by an efficient staff. One new church has been built in 1895-6, generous help having been given by the S. P. C. K.

No further steps have been taken towards erecting a Cathedral, although a sum of 1,200*l.* is in hand. The present building is of wood.

Support is urgently needed for mission work amongst the Chinese in Victoria.

W. W. COLUMBIA.

December 3, 1896.

Territory.—Vancouver Island and adjacent islands.

Commissaries.—Rev. Canon Dundas, Albury Rectory, Guildford; Rev. J. Allen Bell, The Vicarage, Pershore.

DIocese of NEWFOUNDLAND AND BERMUDA.

Newfoundland.



General Description.—The Colony is gradually recovering from the disasters of recent years, the fire of 1892, which destroyed the greater portion of the capital, and the general financial crash of 1894. The Church's losses in the fire were specially severe, but the buildings, with the exception of the Nave of the Cathedral, have been restored. Much generous help was received from the United States and Canada, as well as from the Mother Country. The population of the Newfoundland and Labrador portions of the Diocese, according to the census of 1891, was 292,949. The chief industries are the cod, seal, and lobster fisheries, in which one-half of the inhabitants are engaged. There are valuable mines of copper and lead, worked only to a limited extent. Agriculture, which has been in a backward condition, is improving. Manufactures, chiefly confined to St. John's, are assuming greater importance. Besides the refining of seal and cod oil, there are shoe, corlage, biscuit, butterine, and nail factories.

Church Work.—According to the census of 1891, 69,524 were registered as belonging to the Church of England. In 1895 there were about 11,000 communicants, and 2,110 were confirmed. There are fifty-four licensed Clergymen. Of these, three have retired from active work, and one is Superintendent of Education and Examining Chaplain to the Bishop. All the others are engaged in parochial or missionary work. There are 137 licensed lay readers, a cathedral, and 126 other consecrated churches, exclusive of school chapels. There are fifty-two parishes or missions.

Finance.—The Church receives no grants from the State, and with the exception of 250*l.* has no endowments for the payment of her Clergy. The S. P. G. is her main support in this particular. The grant of this Society in 1895 was 2,500*l.*

This amount will probably be reduced, and a Sustentation Fund is being established to take its place. The fluctuating nature of the fisheries makes some provision of the kind a necessity. The contributions of the people in 1895 for Church purposes generally amounted to 8,500*l.*, and Finance Committees are being organised throughout the Diocese to secure the offerings of Church people, who, though generally poor, are not unwilling to give.

Education.—Denominational. The colonial grant is divided among the religious denominations according to population, and expended by their respective Boards of Education, appointed by the Governor. There are 218 schools of the Church of England, with an enrolment of nearly 12,000 scholars. The Colonial and Continental Church Society supports fifteen of these schools. There are 181 Sunday schools, with an enrolment of 10,500 scholars and 914 teachers. The Theological College, now called Queen's College, for the training of candidates for the Ministry, has an endowment of 9,464*l.*

Needs.—(1) *Contributions towards the Sustentation Fund.* (2) *Additional Clergy* to fill some vacant Missions, and to share the work of the larger Missions. (3) *Candidates for the Ministry*, of good education, to complete their preparation in the Theological College. For suitable men, the cost of tuition, board, and lodging is about 20*l.* per annum.

Bermuda.

Church Work.—Bermuda was formerly an Archdeaconry in the Diocese of Nova Scotia. In 1839 the Diocese of Newfoundland was founded, and Bermuda was attached to it, the Bishop having, by Letters Patent, episcopal jurisdiction in Bermuda. The Church in Bermuda is established. In 1878, an Act of the Colonial Legislature was passed authorising the formation of a Synod, chiefly with a view to providing for the episcopal supervision of the Church in these islands. This had become necessary through the death of Bishop Feild. As the result of the action taken by the Synod immediately after its constitution, the Church in Bermuda still remains in connection with the Diocese of Newfoundland. The colony is divided into nine parishes. There are five livings, four of the Rectors having each two parishes, and the Rector of St. George's having under his charge an adjoining island, St. David's. There are nine parish churches, one chapel of ease on St. David's, and one chapel of ease and two rooms in which Divine service is held in the town of Hamilton. There are five Rectors and three Curates, and usually also a Minister of Trinity Church in the town of Hamilton. There is also a Chaplain to the Forces, and a Naval Chaplain at the Dockyard. At the census in 1891 the numbers of the Church of England members were 10,627. The communicants number 2,046. The Bishop spends every alternate winter in this part of his Diocese.

Education.—Public education is fairly provided for by an annual grant from the Colonial Legislature. There are also many private schools, but none actually in connection with the Church of England. There are 14 Church Sunday schools, having an aggregate of male pupils 342, and female 466; total 808, with 117 teachers.

Finance.—The Church in Bermuda receives no help from religious societies in England; it is entirely supported by resources within the colony. A portion of the stipends of the Rectors is provided out of a grant from the Colonial Treasury made on the principle of concurrent endowment; a second portion arises from glebes, there being a glebe, more or less valuable, in each living; these amounts are supplemented by a parochial stipend, each parish paying according to its ability, annually, a sum which is fixed after the Rector's induction. There is a Church Society, which has for some time been employed chiefly in accumulating an Endowment Fund, with a view to the future maintenance of the Church in this colony when the grant from the Colonial Treasury ceases. There is in connection with this a Sustentation Fund, and also a Widows Fund. The money and property in the hands of the Bermuda Church Society are valued at 12,000*l.* sterling.

Needs.—The nave of Trinity Church was opened Dec. 21, 1894. During the year 1894 an Act was passed by the Legislature constituting Trinity Church the Cathedral of Bermuda—of which the Bishop is Dean—and appointing a Canon Residentiary to serve

e church, and two Honorary Canons. Funds are still needed for the completion of is church.

LLEWELLYN NEWFOUNDLAND.

St. John's, Newfoundland: Nov. 20, 1896.

Territory.—Newfoundland, parts of Labrador, and Bermuda.

Commissaries.—Rev. Canon Jones, Sefton Park, Liverpool; Rev. J. J. Curling, ample, Southampton.

DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1879, and consists of a district lying between the 49th and 54th parallels of N. latitude, bounded on the east by the Rocky Mountains, and on the west by the Strait of Georgia. The population, including Indians and Chinese, is about 60,000.

Church Work.—A second church has been built in New Westminster, and the Parish church has been constituted the Cathedral of the Diocese. A Mission to Chinese has been started in New Westminster and Vancouver, and a native catechist has been appointed to work in both cities, between which there is hourly communication by means of electric cars. The most important development in the country districts has been in Kootenay, where

silver mining is assuming large proportions. A number of new towns have sprung into existence, chief among which are Nelson and Kaslo, where a Mission has been opened by aid of a grant of S.P.G., and Rossland, where we have a Missionary who is entirely dependent upon the voluntary offerings of the congregation he has formed. These communities are small and widely separated from one another, and a Priest's efforts, therefore, are lamentably scattered.

The Indian Mission prospers. There is a prospect of increasing the staff of Priests, not by increased means, for we have only the S.P.G. grant of 300*l.* to depend on, but by increased self-denial and devotion on the part of the Clergy. The school for Indian girls under the Sisters of All Hallows makes progress every year.

JOHN NEW WESTMINSTER.

New Westminster: July 1896.

Territory.—Southern mainland of British Columbia.

Commissaries.—The Rev. Canon Rhodes Bristow, St. Stephen's Vicarage, Lewisham; Rev. Jerome J. Mercier, Kemerton, Tewkesbury.

WEST INDIES AND SOUTH AMERICA.

PROVINCE OF THE WEST INDIES.

Metropolitan.—The Most Rev. ENOS NUTTALL, D.D., BISHOP OF JAMAICA.

DIOCESE OF GUIANA.

General Description.—Guiana was erected a separate See from Barbados in 1842. The Diocese is co-extensive with the colony of British Guiana, and extends from Venezuela on the W. to Surinam on the E., having a seaboard of nearly 300 miles. The country is traversed by immense rivers running N. and S., the chief of which are the Anacura, Wainii, Pomeroon, Demerara, Essequibo, Babice, Corentyne, and may be divided into three distinct belts: (1) The flat alluvial land running inland 40 or 50 miles, which is under the cultivation of sugar, rice, cocoa, &c. This portion is thickly populated by people of various nationalities. (2) Forest land running S. for 300 miles, sparsely inhabited by Indians and the workers on the gold

elds. (3) Savannah lands, inhabited almost entirely by Indians.



Population.—Perhaps Guiana comprises more nationalities than any other country. In 1891 the population was estimated (though the estimate is only approximate) at nearly 300,000, and consisting of: (1) Aboriginal Indians, including a dozen distinct tribes and languages, 8,000; (2) Portuguese, 12,000; (3) Hindoos, &c., 106,000; (4) Chinese, 4,000; (5) Negro, 120,000; (6) Europeans, 6,000; (7) mixed races.

Church Work.—With regard to this, there is very little variation from year to year in a Diocese such as this is. The parishes, chapelries, and mission stations number 113, ministered to by some 46 Clergy, including the Bishop, with about 77 catechists and schoolmasters. During last year there were—baptisms, 3,347; confirmed, 1,670; sittings, 25,000; communicants, 21,291. The day schools are about 88 in number, with 12,330 children on the books and a large average attendance, including the offspring of the European, coloured, Portuguese, African, East Indian, Chinese, and aboriginal Indian races. There are 6,764 children in the Sunday Schools. The Training College at Bel Air is still engaged in preparing young East Indians for catechists, work among their country people located on the sugar estates, villages, and towns of the colony. The Rev. Benjamin Masoh Das is principal of the College at Bel Air.

Finance.—On the death of the late Bishop the Imperial Government withdrew the stipend of the Bishop. The present holder of the See is paid partly by the Synod's assessment on parishes. An earnest effort is being made to establish an endowment fund of at least 20,000*l.*; of this nearly 15,000*l.* has been secured. The S.P.G. gave a grant of 770*l.*, the Christian Faith Society 200*l.*

Needs.—A larger staff of Clergy for an English-speaking people, as well as for the aboriginal and immigrant classes. As many of the owners of estates do not reside in the Diocese, there is the greater need of their monetary help. More lay help in Church work. The Cathedral Church, from plans by Sir A. Blomfield, has been completed outside and partly completed inside. The abandonment of so many extensive sugar estates during 1895 and 1896, by which thousands of labourers have been thrown out of employment, and the financial depression throughout the colony in every department, have placed it beyond the power of the poor to give to Church purposes, and in consequence every department of Church work has more or less suffered. The Episcopal Endowment Fund, from which the income of future Bishops will be drawn, greatly needs the assistance of all who are interested in the work of the Church in this colony.

W. P. GUIANA.

Georgetown: July 17, 1896.

Commissaries.—Rev. Prebendary Tucker, 19, Delahay Street, Westminster, S.W., and Rev. D. S. Boutflower, Newbottle Vicarage, Fenco Houses, Durham.

DIOCESE OF ANTIGUA.



General Description.—This Diocese was formed in 1842, when the Diocese of Barbados was, by letters patent from the Crown, divided into three—Barbados, British Guiana, and Antigua. Dr. William Walrod Jackson, the third Bishop, was consecrated in May 1860; and in January 1880, after forty-six years' service in the Church in the West Indies, he was compelled by failing health to retire from the active duties of the See. His coadjutor, Dr. Charles James Branch, was consecrated in July 1882, and to him the administration of the Diocese is now committed in the absence of the Bishop.

The Diocese embraces the English islands of Antigua, Dominica, Barbuda, Montserrat, St. Kitt's, Nevis, Anguilla, Tortola, Virgin Gorda, and Anegada, as well as churches in the foreign islands of St. Bartholomew (French), Saba (Dutch), St. Croix and St. Thomas (Danish), Porto Rico and Viéques (Spanish). English is the language of the common people in all these islands, except Dominica, which was formerly a French possession, and Porto Rico, which has always belonged to Spain.

Church Work.—There are 43 churches with separate parishes or districts, besides schoolrooms licensed for public worship, and there are 37 Clergy (of whom 20 were born in the West Indies), assisted by 40 licensed lay readers. In 1873 the Church in the English islands was disestablished and disendowed, the rights of existing incumbents being reserved. A Diocesan Synod met for the first time in Antigua in

in 1884, and framed canons for the government of the Diocese, to which all the clergy subscribed. It meets regularly every two years. In 1894 there were: baptisms, 2,325; persons confirmed, 1,649; registered communicants, 13,389.

The Bishop Coadjutor has confirmed during the twelve years of his Episcopate 4,614 persons. He has ordained during the eleven years 34 Priests and 27 Deacons.

Finance.—The present Bishop, under his patent, receives a stipend from the Consolidated Fund. This provision will cease with his tenure of office, but it has enabled him to provide for a coadjutor, and to add yearly to a fund for the future endowment of the See, which has now reached 20,000*l.* and is held in trust by the S.P.G. Of the Clergy in the English islands, all except one have now, from deaths and resignations on pension, been thrown on the voluntary contributions of their flocks, assisted by annual grants from the S.P.G., amounting together to 800*l.* In the foreign islands the Clergy have always been supported entirely by their congregations. In St. Thomas only, being a consular station, the Rector of All Saints' receives from the Foreign Office a small allowance as British Chaplain. The total sum collected for Church purposes in 1894 was 8,436*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.* The real property of the Church is vested in each island in trustees (of whom the Bishop is always one) in accordance with local legislation. The finances of each parish are in the hands of parochial vestries.

Education.—This is provided for the labouring classes in the denominational schools of the several religious bodies—Church of England, Roman Catholic, Moravian, and Wesleyan. These are all subsidised by grants from the Legislature, where they are approved by the Government Inspector. The Church had 6,411 children in her day schools (in the English islands), and 10,847 in Sunday schools, in 1894. A large majority of the labouring population can read (of the younger people nearly all), and many can write also. There is in Antigua one grammar school conducted by a Clergyman, and one in Montserrat.

C. J. BRANCH.

St. John's, Antigua: August 23, 1895.

Territory.—Antigua, Nevis, St. Christopher, Barbuda, Montserrat, Anguilla, three Virgin Islands and Dominica, and six foreign islands.

Commissary.—Rev. T. Owen, Christ Church Vicarage, Wellington, Salop.

DIOCESSES OF BARBADOS AND THE WINDWARD ISLANDS.

Diocese of Barbados.

General Description.—The Diocese of Barbados was founded in 1824. Originally the Dioceses of Guiana, Trinidad, Antigua, and the Windward Islands were included in it. It now consists of the island of Barbados only, but the Bishop has jurisdiction over the two Anglican congregations in the island of St. Lucia, the inhabitants of which are almost entirely Roman Catholic.

Church Work.—By the last census the population was 182,396, of whom 156,539 are entered as belonging to the Church of England. There are 11 parishes, 47 churches and chapels, and 54 Clergy. There is a Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of St. Michael, and a Diocesan Synod, consisting of the Bishop, all the Clergy of the island holding his licence, with certain *ex-officio* members and lay representatives. During 1894 there were 6,755 baptisms, and 3,121 were confirmed, of whom 2,144 became communicants. The number of communicants registered at the end of the same year was 22,436. One new church was built.

Education.—Codrington College was founded by General Codrington in 1710. The S.P.G. are trustees of the College Estates, and it was affiliated to the University of Durham in 1875. An annual grant for education, limited to 15,000*l.*, and under the management of an Education Board, is made by the Colonial Legislature. There are 3 first-grade schools (2 for boys and 1 for girls) and 6 second-grade schools. There are also 201 primary schools, of which 159 are Anglican, 20 Moravian, and 22 Wesleyan.



Finance.—The Church is established, the salaries of the Bishop and Clergy being paid by the Colonial Legislature. During 1894, 2,701*l.* was raised by offertories, 1,109*l.* by pew rents; vestry grants (for the churches 2,376*l.*, for the schools 816*l.*).

Needs.—An increased supply of Clergy to meet the spiritual wants of the rapidly increasing population. A Diocesan Fund was started with this object in 1883. It is earnestly hoped that proprietors of estates living in England will support this Fund.

Diocese of the Windward Islands.

Church Work.—The Diocese is divided into two Archdeaconries, St. Vincent and Grenada. The former includes the island of St. Vincent, and the Grenadines with the exception of the island of Carriacou, which is in the Archdeaconry of Grenada. The population is 136,100, of whom 57,527 are returned as belonging to the Church of England. There are 17 Clergy, including St. Lucia, 39 churches, and 9 mission rooms. During last year there were 1,893 baptisms and 719 candidates confirmed.

Finance.—The Church is disestablished and disendowed. Of the 17 Clergy, 2 in St. Lucia are paid by the Government, and 1 Clergyman in Grenada remains of those who originally received their salaries from the State. The rest are entirely dependent upon the voluntary contributions of the people, who are for the most part very poor. The grants from S.P.G. have been almost entirely withdrawn. The Christian Faith Society makes a grant of 300*l.* per annum. H. BARBADOS.

Bishop's Court, Barbados: August 1895.

Territory.—Island of Barbados, St. Vincent, Grenada, and St. Lucia.

Commissary.—Rt. Rev. Bishop Mitchinson, Rectory, Sibstone, Atherstone.

DIOCESE OF JAMAICA.



General Description.—In the year 1824, Jamaica, the Bahamas, and the settlements in the Bay of Honduras were created a Bishop's See, but the Bahamas and Honduras have since been made separate Dioceses, and the Diocese now consists of the island of Jamaica, which is 144 miles long by 49 broad, and contains 4,193 square miles. The census of 1891 gave a total population of 639,491.

Church Work.—On the diocesan lists for 1895 there were 41,812 registered members of the Church of England, of whom the greater part are communicants. These figures, however, give a very imperfect idea of the range of the Church's work and influence, as there is a large number of persons who attend the services of the Church with greater or less regularity, though they have not registered themselves as members under the Canon Law of the Disestablished Church. The number of consecrated churches is 103; in addition to which there are 174 school chapels, in which Divine service is regularly held by Clergymen and catechists. Of these, 94 are mission stations in connection with the Jamaica Church Home and Foreign Missionary Society. There are 107 Clergy on the active list, and 205 catechists and voluntary lay readers, of whom 101 are honorary lay readers and the remainder employed under the direction of the Diocesan Financial Board and the Missionary Society. The baptisms in 1895 were 10,197, the number confirmed 3,594, and the number ordained 8—2 Priests and 6 Deacons.

Education.—The Church has 320 primary schools under Government inspection, with about 32,068 scholars, with an average attendance of 21,320. The last complete return showed 2,119 Sunday school teachers (including those kept at out-stations) and 21,207 scholars in average attendance. The Church of England Grammar School at Kingston has a good staff of masters, and an attendance of about 87 boys.

Finance.—The total voluntary contributions in 1895 were 28,584*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* The Colonial and Continental Church Society aids in sustaining Clergy in five parishes, at a cost of 146*l.*, and the S.P.C.K. gives frequent and liberal aid towards church and school buildings. The Christian Faith Society gives about 400*l.*, and the Taylor Trust and the Jamaica Association assist school and other work to the extent of about 240*l.* a year.

The following are among the pressing needs of the Diocese at the present instance for the General Sustentation Fund, to aid in maintenance of the parishes. (2) Completion of Episcopal Endowment Fund. If this fund by 12,000*l.* the churches would be relieved from the annual charges to keep up the Bishop's and Assistant Bishop's stipend. (3) A regular annual or four men from England, fully qualified for the work of the ministry. For the support of the Jamaica Church Theological College, the Deaconess Orphanage, and the Kingston Church Extension Fund.

E. JAMAICA.

Jamaica: June 30, 1896.

Pres.—Canon Bailey, Canterbury; Rev. R. W. Bush, 67 Belsize Park, Robertson, The Vicarage, Bradford.

DIOCESE OF NASSAU.

General Description.—The See of Nassau was founded in 1861. The Diocese consists of the Bahama Islands, together with the Turks and Caicos group, and has a land area of about 4,420 square miles.

The population, according to the census of 1891, was 52,309.

Church Work.—The number of mission stations, including churches, is 92; of Clergy, 22; of professing Church people, about 16,000; and of communicants, 5,315. In the year 1894 there were 838 baptisms and 540 confirmations.

Education.—There are 33 Church day schools, with 1,718 scholars, besides the Government schools; also 80 Sunday schools, with 348 an estimated number of 4,541 children. Five middle-grade schools, 96

special Mission in Nassau Harbour since 1891.

The Clergy are maintained chiefly by means of annual contributions to a Sustentation Fund; in the sums invested there is a slight increase only during years.

The great need of this Mission is a proper staff of teachers. The Clergy are few in number, but we have scarcely a single trained schoolmaster, and no doubt this want can be met, the extension of our mission over so large an area is worse than useless. A hospital is also very much wanted.

EDWARD NASSAU.

—Bahamas, Turks and Caicos Islands.

Pres.—Rev. Canon Churton, King's College, Cambridge; Rev. A. T. Robertson, Coumd, Shrewsbury.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

The Diocese embraces the Colony of British Honduras and the Atlantic coast-line of Central America to and including the State of Panama. The area of the Colony is 7,560 square miles, and the coast-line of the Diocese is 1,500 miles. The population of the Colony is 40,000, and of the ports and towns on the coast of Central America over 100,000. The Diocese was formed from that of Jamaica in 1883. It was presided over for a short period by Bishop Tozer. Bishop Henry Redmayne Holm was consecrated to this See in 1891, and died after a brief episcopate of five months. In 1893 the present Bishop was appointed, and in 1894 the Synods of British Honduras and the Provincial Synod of Jamaica, with the concurrence of the Archbishop of Canterbury, London, and the Bishop of the Falklands, agreed to the extension of

as to be practically the bishopric of Central America.

The present staff of Church workers are the Bishop, Archdeacon, and fifteen Clergymen and twenty-five licensed lay readers. The Colony is divided into eight Mission parishes, and in the extra colonial sphere there are Missions at Bluefields, Grey Town, Colon, and Panama, and Rama, Port Limon, and San José, and on the railway between Colon and Panama.

September 13, 1896.

G. A. HONDURAS.

Commissaries.—Rev. C. H. Banning, Christ Church Vicarage, Highbury; Rev. F. A. Ormsby, 1 St. Martin's Terrace, Brighton.

DIOCESE OF TRINIDAD.



General Description.—The Diocese comprises the islands of Trinidad and Tobago, contains 1,868 square miles, and a population of 240,000, of whom 75,000 are Hindoos and Chinese. The Hindoos are nearly all heathen. The figures of the Church of England are—total 58,000: communicants, 11,000; children under religious instruction, 9,000; confirmed, Easter '94 to Easter '95, 1,320; baptised, 2,300. There are 25 Clergy and 29 lay readers.

Finance.—A sustentation fund raised about 1,300*l.*; S.P.G. gave 650*l.*; the Ladies' Society 20*l.*; the Christian Faith Society 200*l.*; and our share of the Government concurrent grant was a little over 3,800*l.*

Church Work.—This was fully set out in the YEAR-BOOKS of previous years. Our Hindi Mission is absorbing our more serious attention.

Education is much hampered by Roman aggression and the feebleness of the Home Government in appointing the Education Board, giving half the seats to Romanists, and making no provision for any other religious body to be represented.

Needs.—1. More funds for more Clergy in country districts, where numbers of our people are spiritually destitute and in danger of seduction from their Mother Church. 2. An experienced Hindi-speaking priest to organise our East Indian Missions. 3. Teaching sisters for elementary school work. 4. A reformatory school for girls.

J. T. TRINIDAD.

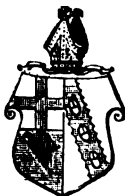
Trinidad: September 3, 1896.

Territory.—The islands of Trinidad and Tobago.

Commissaries.—Rev. A. M. Rendel, St. Margaret's Vicarage, Leicester; Rev. J. Miles, St. Peter's Vicarage, Battersea.

Independent Diocese.

DIOCESE OF FALKLAND ISLANDS.



THESE islands are administered as a Crown Colony, and have a population of less than two thousand. The Bishop's sphere of administration is not confined to this colony, but, with the exception of British Guiana, and the United States of Columbia, is co-extensive with the continent of South America.

The Clergy are but 27 in number, the English, except in the temperate regions and at large commercial centres, being widely scattered, and unable to provide for themselves the stated ministries of the English Church.

Lay agency is everywhere encouraged, and has proved of great importance. This holds good both with respect to the ministerial work amongst our own people, and to the work of Missions among the pagan tribes. In fact, the missionary work is at present almost entirely conducted by laymen, under the supervision merely of visiting Clergymen.

The sphere of this work is varied. Three points are of special interest: (a) Tierra del Fuego; (b) Southern Chile; and (c) Paraguay. In the first, the natives are declining in numbers, but the Mission has been in the past attended by most cheering results. In Chile, among the now peaceable Araucanians, there is a clear opening for extended Christian enterprise; and in Paraguay the missionary operations of our Church have proved most hopeful and full of encouragement. Placed, as our people are throughout the Continent, among Spanish- or Portuguese-speaking populations, their influence for good or for evil is immense. On the frontiers they touch, or come into collision with, the native pagan tribes, whose lands they seek to occupy; and it is, therefore, a matter of great importance that the guiding and softening presence of the English Church should be felt and recognised. In order that this may be the case, the Bishopric of the Falkland Islands has been founded, whose Bishop has jurisdiction, episcopal and ordinary, over all the Clergy and congregations of our Church in South America, British Guiana, and now the United States of Columbia excepted.

The annual amount raised for support of the Clergy and Divine Service, apart from contributions from home, is about 7,500*l.*

Funds raised for schools, hospitals, and charitable institutions, among the English-speaking communities, amount to not less than 15,000*l.* annually.

The average annual expenditure during the last five years for building, enlargements, repairs of churches and schools, has been about 3,500*l.*

W. H. STIRLING, *Bishop.*

Magellan Straits: October 31, 1895.

Territory.—The Falkland Islands.

Commissary.—Rev. T. M. Macdonald, Kersall Rectory, Manchester.

AUSTRALIA.

PROVINCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

Metropolitan.—The Most Rev. WILLIAM SAUMAREZ SMITH, D.D., LORD ARCHBISHOP OF SYDNEY.

DIOCESE OF SYDNEY.



General Description.—The Diocese of Sydney is situated on the eastern coast of New South Wales, and measures about 200 miles from north to south, and 100 miles from east to west. It comprises but a small portion of the original Bishopric of Australia, which was formed in 1836, and included New Zealand and Tasmania, having previously been an Archdeaconry of the Diocese of Calcutta. New Zealand was detached in 1841, and Tasmania in 1842. In 1847 the Diocese of Australia was again divided, the Sees of Sydney, Newcastle, Adelaide, and Melbourne being formed, and the Bishop of Australia was created, by letters patent, Bishop of Sydney, and Metropolitan of Australia and Tasmania. The See has since been greatly reduced by the foundation of the Diocese of Goulburn in 1863, and of Bathurst in 1869.

Church Work.—There are 95 parishes and 12 conventional and mission districts; 327 churches and other buildings licensed for Divine service; 158 Clergy, besides 4 catechists, and about 84 lay readers and 10 deaconesses. The members of the Church of England are estimated at about 258,000, and there is church accommodation for about 55,000. The average annual number of confirmations is about 1,700, and of baptisms about 6,000.

Education.—In consequence of the withdrawal of the aid hitherto received from the State, all the denominational schools, except 18, have been closed. All the parishes have Sunday schools; the total number of scholars is 28,000, the average attendance 19,000, and there are 2,100 teachers.

Colleges.—St. Paul's College, Sydney, is affiliated to the University of Sydney. There are two scholarships of 25*l.*, one of 30*l.*, and two of 50*l.* for resident students desirous of taking Holy Orders.

Moore College, formerly at Liverpool, but now removed to Sydney.—This college, which is theological, was founded in 1856, and has since that time been the means of educating about 180 candidates for the ministry of the Church of England, nearly all of whom are now working in the Australian colonies. There are two scholarships of 45*l.*

The King's School at Parramatta was founded in 1832 for the purpose of supplying a high-class classical and mathematical education to the young men of the colony, especially to those of the Church of England. It is conducted by a Clergyman of the Church of England, aided by competent masters. There are several valuable scholarships. The Church of England Grammar School, opened at North Sydney in 1889, at a cost of about 30,000*l.*, is now in good working order. There are about 124 boys in the school, of whom 40 are boarders.

Clergy Daughters' School.—This institution is found very helpful to the Clergy, particularly those ministering in country cures; it is endowed to the extent of 5,617*l.* There are two scholarships of the annual value of 25 guineas. A Grammar School for Girls was opened in 1895.

Finance.—The total income of the Diocese last year for Church work was 67,857*l.* The amount raised in the Diocese for the support of the Clergy, exclusive of State aid, which is fast dying out, and some trifling grants from Home Societies, was about 30,000*l.* The home mission work of the Church is carried on by the 'Church Society,' whose 'General Fund,' available for ordinary operations (exclusive of the amounts locally raised for clerical stipends paid through the Society), amounted last year to about 3,000*l.* There are also the Church Buildings Loan Fund, capital 10,475*l.*; the Clergy Widows and Orphans Fund, capital 24,777*l.*; the Clergy Superannuation Fund, capital 16,000*l.*; the Diocesan Endowment Fund, 7,133*l.*; and the Cathedral Canonries Endowment Fund, 1,400*l.* In the year 1888 was inaugurated for the province of New South Wales a 'Church Centennial Fund' for general Church extension, which now amounts to about 65,000*l.*, of which 41,931*l.* appertains to the Diocese of Sydney. The Bishopric is endowed with lands producing a net income of 2,700*l.*, and there is an episcopal residence with fifty-six acres of land attached. The Cathedral and Deanery have been completed at a cost of upwards of 80,000*l.*, but there is a debt of about 1,923*l.* on the Cathedral and Deanery, and 3,391*l.* on the Chapter House.

WM. SZ. SYDNEY.

Sydney : August 1, 1896.

Territory.—Part of the east coast of New South Wales.

Commissaries.—Rev. Preb. Wace, Rector of St. Michael's, Cornhill, London; Rev. H. C. G. Motle, Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

DIocese OF BATHURST.



THE Diocese of Bathurst, occupying one-third of the colony of N.S.W., is situated between the 29th and 34th parallel of south latitude, and is bounded on the east by the Dioceses of Sydney, Newcastle, Grafton and Armidale; on the north by part of the southern boundary of the Colony of Queensland, on the west by the Diocese of Riverina, and on the south by the Diocese of Goulburn. It contains within its area various climates, the dry heat of Bourke, Cobar, Brewarrina, Coonamble, and the bracing conditions of Bathurst, Blayney, Carcoar, and Orange, whilst Coonabarabran, Wellington, Parkes, Mudgee, Cowra, and Molong represent a more moderate degree of heat and cold.

The Diocese is well supplied with clergymen, no difficulty being experienced in filling any vacancies that may occur. A large proportion of these are Australians—28 out of 41. The Cathedral is a large and picturesque structure, erected at

cost of 17,000*l.*, and is surrounded by beautifully laid out grounds. It contains a good deal of bells and a fine organ, and is endowed with a fixed income of 600*l.* a year, arising from building leases.

During the past year the Diocese has given evidence of increased activity and progress. The permanent Churches are 115 as against 104 in the last report. Mission Rooms 163 compared with 138. Baptisms 1,715, an increase of 76. Sunday scholars numbered last year 5,000, this year 5,535. Still much work remains to be done, and many difficulties, unknown in England, have to be met. The Bishop travels on an average 10,000 miles a year in order to meet the requirements of the Diocese, and the clergy are constant in their movements in the big parishes, which in many cases are but thinly populated.

Bishop's Court : Aug. 29, 1896.

CHARLES E. BATHURST.

Territory.—Western portion of New South Wales.

Commissaries.—Rev. Canon Hudson, Gilling Rectory, York ; Rev. B. Irvin, Vicarage, Saltburn.

DIocese OF GOULBURN.

General Description.—This Diocese, formerly part of that of Sydney, was founded in 1863.

The original Diocese of Goulburn was in 1884 divided by the formation of the Diocese of Riverina, through the munificence of the Hon. J. Campbell, M.L.C. of Sydney.

The present Diocese of Goulburn comprises the south-eastern portion of the colony of New South Wales, and contains an area of 50,000 square miles, with a scattered population of about 128,000 British and other settlers, of whom upwards of 54,000 profess to be members of the Church of England.

The population of the Cathedral City is under 11,000, and the only other towns of importance in the Diocese are Albury (5000), Wagga-Wagga (4000), and Young (3000). The population outside the towns consists mainly of pastoralists and farmers, together with a considerable number of vigneron and a few miners.

Church Work, &c.—At the foundation of the See the Diocese contained 10 Clergymen and 11 churches. The number of the Clergy is at present 39 ; Stipendiary Leaders 4, Honorary Readers 25. The number of parishes is 37, and of churches and school churches 128. There is an excellent Cathedral, St. Saviour's, Goulburn, but burled with a debt of about 4,800*l.*

During the last three years (1893-5) some 2,400 persons have been confirmed, and 5 churches or school churches have been set apart for public worship. The episcopal supervision of the Diocese requires travel to the extent of about 4,500 miles annually.

Education.—There are Sunday Schools in all the parishes, and religious instruction is given weekly in a large number of Public Schools.

Pressing Needs.—Help to liquidate the debt upon the Cathedral, to establish a Superannuation Fund for aged Clergy, towards the endowment of the Diocese in order to supplement the scanty stipends of the Clergy in the poorer and more remote "bush" districts, where the work of the Church is being carried on under considerable difficulties. The bishopric endowment has of late years been considerably diminished, and the income derived from it lessened nearly fifty per cent., through the fall in the value of land and other causes.

WM. GOULBURN.

Bishopthorpe, Goulburn : July 20, 1896.

Territory.—South-east part of New South Wales.

Commissaries.—Rev. Canon Maclear, D.D., St. Augustine's College, Canterbury ; Rev. C. P. Greene, B.A., Rectory, Clapham, S.W.

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON AND ARMIDALE.



General Description.—The Diocese embraces the north-eastern portion of the colony of New South Wales, and covers an area of over 70,000 square miles. The population of the Diocese is 137,000, of whom 59,000 belong to the Church of England. The Diocese was originally a portion of the Diocese of Newcastle, and was separated from it in 1865. The Diocese contains no large towns, and the population is widely scattered, many of the parishes being over 100 miles in extent. The only considerable centres are: Grafton, near the mouth of the Clarence River, with a population of 5,000. Armidale, situated on the highlands of New England, with a cool and bracing climate, population 3,800. Tamworth, a prosperous pastoral and agricultural centre on the Peel River, with a population of 5,000. The residence of the Bishop is at Armidale, where a See house was erected in 1895.

Church Work.—There are 31 Clergy in the Diocese, and 8 stipendiary lay readers. There are 3 Archdeaconries; Grafton, Armidale, and Tamworth. Beyond the Bishopric Endowment Fund, the Diocese has no funds whatever, and the Clergy are entirely paid by voluntary contributions, the average income of the Clergy being under 300l. a year. The Church possesses no schools of her own, but at Armidale there is a proprietary school for boys, of which the Bishop is *ex officio* visitor, and the Head-master must be a Clergyman.

Needs.—The most urgent needs of the Diocese are a Sustentation Fund, to carry on and develop the Church's work; a system for providing efficient training for the candidates for Holy Orders; a Superannuation Fund for aged Clergy; and a supply of young, strong men, able to ride and drive, and willing to live a life of activity and simplicity.

A. V. GRAFTON AND ARMIDALE.

Bishopscourt, Armidale: July 15, 1896.

Territory.—North-east part of New South Wales.

DIOCESE OF NEWCASTLE.



General Description.—This is one of the oldest dioceses in Australia, having been founded in 1847, contemporary with Melbourne and Adelaide. A church was built in Newcastle so early as 1817, and stood until lately, when it had to give place to the rising Cathedral. Memorials of Bishop Broughton's energy are numerous in churches, rough but substantial, in several places remote from Newcastle. This part of the Colony was settled very early in the present century, its vast coal deposits and rich lands attracting population. The Hawkesbury, the Rhine of Australia, is famed for its peach orchards, while the valley of the Hunter is covered with vineyards. Newcastle is a large busy city of some 60,000 inhabitants with ten churches. Traces of an earlier period of church life are seen in a few State-aided Clergy and extensive Crown grant glebe lands. Transition from State-aid to Voluntaryism has severely strained diocesan self-reliance. The late Bishop Tyrrell sought to relieve it by a scheme of endowment from sheep-farming; but, unfortunately, his scheme has failed, and yields nothing of endowment.

Church Work.—The growing resources of the Church in Australia are seen in the fact that among 41 Clergy there are 14 Australians in this Diocese. There are 37 licensed lay readers, 32 parishes, 7 mission districts, 116 permanent churches, and 39 mission rooms. In 1895 there were 1,596 baptisms, males and females confirmed numbered 817. Communicants are estimated at 3,850, and Church members (of all ages) at 63,000. There are 98 day schools, and 3,885 scholars, and 4,852 children are in the Sunday schools. An occasional exchange of parishes with some incumbents in England would be mutually beneficial. There is usually room for a few educated young men from England as candidates. The usual features of home parishes are being repeated in Sunday School Teachers' Associations, Choral Unions, and similar combinations.

Bishop's Court, Morpeth, N.S.W.: July 13, 1896.

G. H. NEWCASTLE.

Territory.—Central part of the east coast of New South Wales.

Commissary.—Rev. H. N. Collier, M.A., East End Vicarage, Finchley, London.

DIOCESE OF RIVERINA.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1884. It contains about 70,000 square miles, and is bounded on the north by the Diocese of Brisbane, on the east by the Dioceses of Bathurst and Goulburn, on the west by South Australia, and on the south by the colony of Victoria. The country consists chiefly of vast plains, on which millions of sheep are pastured. The towns are few and far between, and the squatters' stations are separated by great distances. Gold, silver, and copper are worked in the northern parts, which are more hilly. The celebrated Broken Hill silver mines are in this Diocese. The climate is healthy and the atmosphere dry.

Church Work.—The Clergy are 17 in number; they are separated by great distances, several being as much as 120 miles apart. The members of the Church number 27,587. Missions to the aborigines are carried on at Warangesda and Maloga, the former under Church teaching, and frequently visited by one of our Clergy; a Chinese catechist works amongst the Chinese population. The Bishop travelled during the year 9,800 miles, holding Confirmations, visiting the Clergy and the homes of the squatters, and attending Synods in Sydney. The first session of the third Synod was held in April. The Diocesan Council has worked well.

Finance.—The Clergy are supported by voluntary contributions, collected locally, and in some cases supplemented by moneys given for diocesan purposes. The sum raised in the Diocese for stipends and Church purposes last year was 6,086*l*. The Church suffers financially at present, owing to the terrible depression which prevails. A fund for providing pensions for Clergy in old age has been established since 1887 by means of assurance, the money necessary being contributed by the parishes and the Diocese. This will be most useful in the future, but at present forms a heavy charge to a young Diocese.

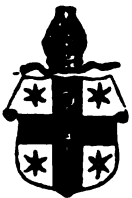
Needs.—The Church of England must have great power for good if only a sufficient supply of young, active, and earnest trained Clergymen are forthcoming. If the Church can preoccupy posts with good men, she will hold her own, and her services will be preferred to all others. The townspeople mainly belong to the Church, though many of the squatters are Presbyterians. In Broken Hill, a large mining centre, the population is mainly Methodist. Here are day schools, high and elementary, carried on by the Clergyman and assistants, on Church principles, with an attendance of over 200. The population has reached 20,000, but owing to lower price of silver, and the closing of some mines, many miners and their families have left. A band of Sisters, at present three in number, are of great advantage.

Bishop's Lodge, Hay: July 18, 1893.

Territory.—The western portion of New South Wales. Area, 70,000 sq. miles.

Commissaries.—Rev. F. J. Chavasse, Oxford; Canon Garnier, Rectory, Cranworth, Thetford; Rev. Canon Smith, Vicarage, Swansea.

DIOCESE OF ADELAIDE.



General Description.—This See was founded in 1847, and by the letters patent of the first Bishop (Dr. Short) the Diocese was made continuous with the colony of South Australia. When the 'Northern Territory' was added to the colony, it appears to have been regarded as included in this Diocese, but as this is by no means certain, the Primate has requested the Bishop to exercise episcopal supervision over this portion of the colony, until proper steps can be taken for its incorporation with the Diocese. The whole colony may be regarded as comprising three divisions—South Australia Proper, Central Australia, and the Northern Territory. It thus stretches across the

whole continent from the Southern Ocean to the Indian Ocean. The total area comprises 914,730 square miles. It is thus, with the single exception of Perth, the largest diocese

in Christendom. The population, according to the latest estimates, is 352,653, of which about 4,752 are residents in the Northern Territory. Recent discoveries of gold in Western Australia and the opening up of the country in the Northern Territory point to a great increase in numbers in the immediate future. The number of Clergy is now 79. Sunday scholars have slightly increased, being now 12,105. The most satisfactory advance is in the number of communicants and in their recorded acts of communion, the former being now 8,405, the latter 61,308. The ratio of communicants to the total population is shown to be improving: for in 1883 the ratio was 1 in every 99 of the population; in 1887 it was 1 in every 57, and in the year 1895 it was 1 in every 42.

The statistical returns are, as nearly as possible, the same as last year, manifesting however, a slight increase in the number of Church day schools and scholars. The census returns for the year 1891, giving the number of persons belonging to each religious denomination in the colony, show that the members of the Church of England in 1891 were 27·09 of the population, and in 1891 27·86; that the percentage of increase of the population has been 14·50, and of the members of the Church of England 17·75. The next largest denomination in the colony is the Wesleyan, the members of which number 14·72 per cent. of the population. The percentage of their increase has been 16·76. Roman Catholics come next, being 14·72 of the population: the ratio of their increase has been 10·68 per cent. in the ten years.

The progress of St. Peter's Collegiate School has been continued; the number of pupils having increased from 217 in 1894 to 260 in 1895. A further extension of premises is an urgent necessity. The system of free education in the State schools of the colony requires exceptionally difficult the excellent work of establishing and assisting to maintain Church day schools carried on by the Diocesan Board of Education. This Board was formed in 1887, and the number of children being educated in the schools under its supervision is 1,710. By a recent appeal to the referendum, the colony has decided against the introduction of the Bible in State schools, and against any pecuniary assistance being granted to voluntary schools. This decision, while it makes the work of Church day schools more imperative, adds materially to its difficulty.

J. R. ADELAID

Bishop's Court, N. Adelaide, S. Australia: August 1896.

Territory.—South Australia.

Commissaries.—Rev. A. G. Rawstorne, M.A., Oulton Vicarage, Leeds; and the Rev. A. M. Knight, M.A., Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge.

DIocese OF BALLARAT.



General Description.—The Diocese was separated from the Diocese of Melbourne in 1875: it forms the western, as the latter forms the eastern, portion of the colony of Victoria. It is the size of England and Wales, and contains some 31 millions of souls, of whom some 80,000 may be adherents of the Church of England; the majority are Presbyterians and Methodists, and one-sixth Roman Catholics. Only 400 are aboriginal blacks, 5,000 or 6,000 are Chinese heathen. The population averages six persons to the square mile. It has only one large city, Ballarat, containing some 42,000 people; and no high-class port. A range of high hills traverses it, but it is chiefly fertile on the south and east are large tracts of forest. The climate is delightful. The people are mainly (a) 'squatters' or selectors, that is, large landholders, in leasehold or freehold, wool-growers; these are Presbyterians; they have greatly decreased in number, and are largely absent; (b) gold-miners; (c) selectors, or small farmers. The last is by far the most numerous class.

General Church Work.—There are 53 parishes and 246 districts, 58 Clergy, 154 readers (or catechists), and 72 honorary lay helpers, who hold the Bishop's license; 154 Anglican churches, besides 172 places used for Anglican service; and 63 missions. The average Church attendants are 14,000; communicants about 6,000; about 2,000 were baptised and 1,600 confirmed during the year 1894. It was

borne in mind that, owing to the financial disasters of the colony, 13,731 persons—mostly men—left it during that year. The erection of a stone Cathedral of beautiful design, to cost 35,000*l.*, without spire (containing Synod Hall and Diocesan Registry), was begun on St. Andrew's Day, 1888. The present Cathedral Church, though enlarged in a temporary way, is altogether too small for the congregations desiring to use it. The Church Assembly numbers 126—61 Clergy and 65 laymen.

Education.—The State School education of the colony is absolutely secular, compulsory, tax-supported, and free. There are, practically, no Church of England day schools in the Diocese, but 153 Church Sunday schools, with over 11,000 scholars on the rolls and 1,050 teachers. Trinity College, Melbourne, the University and Theological College for the two Victorian Dioceses, and its Hostel for women students are full, and doing splendid work. The level of education in secular matters is fairly good; large numbers of the rising generation matriculate at the Melbourne University. The amount of religious ignorance among the young is great. The Clergy and their helpers are allowed to give religious instruction in the State schools after school hours, but this work is rarely possible outside the larger centres of population, and, under existing conditions, of very little value indeed. The re-Christianisation of the State schools is being strenuously promoted, against bitter opposition, but not without growing hopes of success.

Statistics.—Two churches have been built, besides great improvements in, or enlargements of, two others. Since its birth in 1875, the working capital of the Diocese has been trebled, its income nearly trebled, and its staff and plant nearly doubled. It receives no aid from the State. The Colonial and Continental Church Society grants 100*l.* per annum.

The building of the Cathedral cannot be resumed until times brighten. The Synod Hall and offices, forming the massive basement of the choir-end, had been partially built, on very substantial foundations, before the work ceased, costing about 7,000*l.*

Special Needs.—The special need of the Diocese is money for building, on loan, in the 'selector' districts, Churches, Parsonages, and Sunday schools (the use of the Church for these being very undesirable), and for training, horsing, and helping to maintain Clergy for bush missionary districts. Also, Church 'ornaments' of every kind are greatly needed for poor bush Churches. An Endowment Fund of 50,000*l.* at least is needed to furnish an adequate backbone of income for diocesan operations in this department; about 35,000*l.* has now been accumulated; but several investments of diocesan capital have ceased to yield income, owing to the fall of values. A considerable accession of income is needed for the Chinese and Aboriginal Missions.

The year 1895-6 was one of grave continued depression in the colony.

SAMUEL BALLARAT.

December 1896.

Territory.—Western Victoria.

Commissaries.—Archdeacon Thornton, D.D., St. John's Vicarage, Notting Hill, W.; Rev. G. R. Thornton, St. Barnabas' Vicarage, Kensington.

DIocese OF BRISBANE.



General Description.—The See of Brisbane was virtually founded in the year 1859, when the new colony of Queensland was separated from that of New South Wales. The Diocese, since the formation of the central district into the Diocese of Rockhampton in 1892, includes Southern Queensland only. The area thus comprised contains some 209,278 square miles, with a population of about 304,000, of which some 36 per cent. are members of the Church of England.

The distribution of population, according to the census of 1891, shows a preponderance of urban over rural, the numbers being 162,157 as against 106,627. Brisbane, the capital of the colony, contains over 93,000, whilst there are several towns on or near the coast with populations exceeding 10,000, viz. Ipswich, Maryborough, Toowoomba, Gympie, and Bundaberg.

Church Work.—There are now 51 parishes with 50 Clergy, 2 catechists, and 38 honorary lay readers holding the Bishop's licence: 98 churches, and 66 temporary buildings in which services are held. The communicants number 5,518, whilst 1,293 persons were confirmed during last year. In addition to the ministrations to the Christian population of the colony, there are Missions to the South Sea Islanders and Chinese. A special Missionary is labouring amongst the Kanakas on the sugar plantations in the Bundaberg district. Work is also being carried on in other centres, and numbers are annually confirmed. In Brisbane a Chinese catechist is labouring among his countrymen with a fair measure of success.

Education.—The State school education of the colony is free, compulsory, and secular. There are two Church of England day schools in the Diocese, and one Girls' High School under the care of a sisterhood, but classes are held for religious instruction in some parishes, either before or after school hours, and there are 64 Sunday schools with about 10,057 scholars and 1,130 teachers.

Finance.—The Clergy are supported by voluntary contributions, collected locally, and in certain cases supplemented by grants made from Diocesan Funds. The recent depression and financial crisis has seriously crippled the parochial resources in this respect, and additional support is urgently needed. The endowment capital of the See has suffered more particularly owing to these causes, and a capital sum of 10,000*l.* is required to place it in a satisfactory condition.

Special Needs.—The chief needs of the Diocese are: 1. Graduate Clergy free from encumbrance, who will be prepared to come out for a period of five years and undertake pioneer work in the 'bush' districts. They would live together at different centres, each taking his own district, but meeting together from time to time for mutual counsel and support. 2. The formation of a Central Sustentation Fund to augment clerical stipends where the districts are too sparsely settled to provide adequate support. 3. The building of a Cathedral and organisation of a Cathedral staff.

W. T. T. BRISBANE.

Bishopscourne, Brisbane: July 1896.

Territory.—Queensland (the Southern Division).

Commissaries.—Canon Scott-Holland, Amen Court, E.C.; Canon Mason, Cambridge, and The Precincts, Canterbury; Canon Worledge, Truro.

DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE.

General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1847, and now consists of the eastern half of the colony of Victoria, the western half having been formed into the Diocese of Ballarat in 1875. The area of the Diocese is 43,225 square miles, that of the colony being 87,884 square miles, or a little less than that of Great Britain. At the census taken on April 5, 1891, there were 213,574 British born, 85,337 Irish, 713,585 Victorians, 79,719 other Australians, 21,620 Germans and other Continental nationalities, and 8,467 Chinese. The result of the census showed a total population of 1,140,405, of whom about 760,000 are estimated to be resident within the Diocese of Melbourne. The native population are sanguine, energetic, and persevering; generally well-behaved and temperate; patriotic, speaking usually of the United Kingdom as 'home.' The people are sheep and cattle owners, farmers, miners, merchants, tradesmen, artisans, &c. Many of all classes are wealthy, and the population may generally be described as prosperous.

Church Work.—The number of Church members is about 300,000; of communicants, 21,849. There are 210 parishes, or parochial and mission districts. The licensed Clergy are 179, and there are 46 readers, who are mostly probationers for Holy Orders, besides 296 honorary readers—gentlemen who conduct Divine service with the Bishop's sanction. The baptisms in 1895 were about 7,584, the confirmations 2,631, and the ordinations 15 (10 Deacons and 5 Priests).

St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, of which the foundation-stone was laid in April 1880, was consecrated on January 22, 1891. The cost of the building has been about 150,000*l.*



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Education.—There are no primary day schools connected with the Church; the State system of 'free, secular, and compulsory' education defies competition. There are, however, some four or five grammar schools, in which the sons of the wealthier colonists receive a liberal education, leading up to that of the Melbourne University. There are 409 Sunday schools, with 36,511 scholars.

Training Colleges.—Trinity College is affiliated to the University of Melbourne, where certain of the students pass through a theological course. There are nine theological scholarships, of the aggregate annual value of 500*l.*, in addition to which 700*l.* is voted annually from the public funds of the Church towards the maintenance of the College and expenses of divinity students, exclusive of endowments to the value of 1,050*l.* The Perry Divinity Hall, Bendigo, is also a means of training students for Holy Orders.

Finance.—The amount raised in the Diocese in 1895 for every branch of Church work was about 89,000*l.*—namely, for support of Clergy and lay helpers, 47,500*l.*; for building churches, mission rooms, and parsonages, 5,500*l.*; for charitable work in general, 11,000*l.*; and for expenses of service, interest on loans, &c., 25,000*l.*

F. F. MELBOURNE.

Bishopscourt, Melbourne: June 11, 1896.

Territory.—Eastern half of the colony of Victoria. Area, 43,225 square miles.

Commissaries.—Canon Girdlestone, 4 Foley Avenue, Hampstead; Rev. J. Robertson, The Vicarage, Bradford.

DIOCESE OF NORTH QUEENSLAND.



General Description.—The Diocese of North Queensland occupies the northern portion of Queensland, extending to Thursday Island and the Gulf of Carpentaria, and covers about 250,000 square miles. The population is composed almost entirely of English, Scotch, and Irish settlers who have emigrated to Australia in recent years, together with those who have come from the southern colonies. The aborigines are few, and restrictive legislation is reducing the number of Chinese. In the interior there are extensive mining districts, which yield gold, silver, tin, and copper. Charters Towers is the principal centre of gold-mining and has a population of 22,000; silver and tin are found at Herberton. The western downs are occupied by squatters and selectors, whose sheep and cattle farms are very extensive. Railway communication connects the coast with the interior for 300 miles westward. The climate is warm but healthy. High table-land is reached only a few miles from the coast, where the atmosphere is dry and clear, and nights always cool and usually cold.

Church Work.—The Diocese is completely organised, having its Synod and Diocesan Council, and being related to the General Synod of Australia and Tasmania. A Session of Synod or a Conference occurs annually. All the towns are provided with churches and parsonages. Land has been widely purchased for church sites or glebes. There is an endowed Mission Chaplaincy for the bush districts. A Cathedral Chapter has been formed and three Canons appointed. A fine Cathedral has been partly built. There are 50,000 estimated Church members, 25 Clergy, 10 lay readers, 25 Parishes. During last year there were 817 baptisms, and 234 candidates confirmed.

Finance.—The finances of the parishes are regulated by a Parishes Regulation Canon of the Synod, and are administered by local churchwardens. The incomes of the Clergy vary from 200*l.* to 400*l.*, usually with a house.

Needs.—Energetic young Clergymen, especially University men, are wanted. They might serve for a short period as suggested in the Lambeth Conference Report of 1888. They would be well paid and would be welcomed by the people. The Bishop is ready to receive a limited number of students as sub-deacons. These would

usually reside with the Clergy and would receive a small stipend. Printed statements describing the terms on which such probationers are received into the Diocese can be obtained on application to the Bishop's Commissary.

Townsville, Queensland : Sept. 21, 1895.

C. G. NORTH QUEENSLAND.

Territory.—Queensland north of 21° south latitude.

Commissary.—Rev. H. N. Collier, Vicarage, East Finchley, London.

DIocese OF PERTH.



General Description.—This See was formed from the Diocese of Adelaide in 1857; it is conterminous with the colony of Western Australia, which embraces that portion of the continent lying west of the 129th meridian of east longitude, and is 1,280 miles from north to south, by about 865 from east to west, having an estimated area of 1,060,000 square miles. The population, until lately, has been chiefly confined to the western and north-western coasts, with few settlements more than 200 miles inland, and some scattered settlements also along the southern coast as far as Eucla, at the head of the great Australian Bight; but the recent discovery of rich gold fields is now leading to the formation of large mining centres at various points further inland. The European population on June 30, 1895, was a little over 90,000, and has since been increasing. There are about 15,000 aborigines within the settled districts, and some 2,000 Malays and Chinese, employed chiefly in the pearl-shell fisheries.

Church Work.—The members of the Church of England are about 35,000. There are 28 Clergy and 35 churches, besides about 40 schools or other buildings used for Divine service. Several paid readers or catechists are employed, and a good deal of lay help is given voluntarily. Synodical action was inaugurated in 1872. All Church property is vested in a Trust Corporation under an Act of the Legislature. The Bishop is assisted in the conduct of the business of the Diocese by a **Diocesan Council** appointed by the Synod. The patronage of parishes is vested in a **Board of Nominators**, subject to the Bishop's confirmation.

The work of the Church continues to make steady, though quiet, progress. Successful efforts continue to be made to extend the ministrations of religion to the gold fields and other outlying centres of fresh settlement.

Education.—The day schools, with the exception of two orphanages—one for boys and one for girls—two industrial schools for native and half-caste children, are all under Government. The Education Act grants permission (similar to that granted in New South Wales and Tasmania) for the ministers of the various denominations to give religious instruction to the children of their own denomination during school hours.

There are Sunday schools in every parish in connection with the principal church, and, in most instances, in the school-rooms or other places where Divine service is held.

Finance.—The amount of income available in 1894 for Church purposes was: Colonial Treasury, 2,004*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*; Sustentation and Endowment Fund, 266*l.*; subscriptions to Diocesan Church Fund about 400*l.*; it is estimated local contributions to Clergy stipends amount to about 2,500*l.*, but hitherto no diocesan record has been kept (this also applies to offertory and pew rents); grant of S.P.G. 550*l.*; C. & C.S. 200*l.*; other special contributions from England, 295*l.*

Needs.—(1) The division of this enormous Diocese into two or more Sees. This may best, perhaps, be effected by providing an income, in the first instance, for an assistant Bishop charged especially with the supervision of the northern portion of

the Diocese until the endowment necessary to its constitution into a separate See can be obtained, a plan which has come to a successful issue in the Diocese of Brisbane, and led to the formation of the new Diocese of Central Queensland. (2) Additional Clergy prepared to work in a 'mission spirit.' There is scarcely one of the large country parishes in which an assistant Priest or Deacon is not needed, whilst the work of the truest missionary nature among Malays, Chinese, and Aborigines is awaiting suitable men. There are remote newly settled districts, moreover, as yet without any of the ministrations of the Church for lack of the needful funds. (3) At the time of writing the Colonial Treasury grant of 2,004*l.* is in process of commutation, and will entail an annual loss of 1,000*l.* per annum to the Diocese, just at the time when help is most needed if the Church is to keep pace with the rapid growth of population. Men ready to come for the work's sake is the greatest need, money to develop present work the next.

C. O. L. PERTH.

September 6, 1895.

Territory.—Western Australia.

Commissaries.—Rev. G. P. Pownall, St. John's Vicarage, Hoxton; Rev. W. W. Firth, Patricroft, Manchester.

DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON.



General Description.—The Diocese was founded November 30, 1892. It contains about 223,000 square miles, and is bounded on the north by the Diocese of North Queensland, on the south by the Diocese of Brisbane, on the east by the South Pacific Ocean, and on the west by the northern territory of South Australia. The Diocese is practically coterminous with what is known as Central Queensland. The country consists chiefly of vast sheep and cattle 'runs.' The population (about 50,000) is widely scattered, and the towns few and far between. The climate is healthy and the atmosphere dry.

Church Work.—The Clergy are 12 in number. In the last census (that of 1891), 18,736 returned themselves as members of the Church of England, or 39·98 per cent. of the entire population. The first Synod of the Diocese was held, and the Constitution and Canons agreed to, in June 1893. A suitable Bishop's residence has been purchased at a cost of 2,121*l.*

Finance.—The Clergy are supported by voluntary contributions collected locally, and supplemented, when possible, by grants from Diocesan Funds. For this purpose a 'Home Mission Fund' has been started, also a Diocesan 'Church Society' for the promotion of Diocesan unity and efficiency by means of fellowship in prayer, almsgiving, and work.

Needs.—Probably no part of the Mission field of the Church of England is at present in greater need of help, both as regards additional Clergy and means for their support. The founding of the new Diocese has been accompanied by an entire cessation of help from the funds of the mother Diocese of Brisbane, and by means of which the Church in Central Queensland had previously maintained a struggling existence. Unless timely aid forthcoming, the infant Diocese is threatened with starvation, and this in face of importunate demands for Church ministrations in various parts of the Diocese.

NATHANIEL, *Bishop of Rockhampton.*

Lis Escop, Rockhampton: September 11, 1896.

Territory.—Central Queensland.

Commissaries.—Canon Bodington, The Close, Lichfield; Rev. J. W. Horsley, St. Peter's Rectory, Walworth, S.E.; Rev. R. T. Gardner, Pilling Vicarage, near Garstang, Lancashire.

DIOCESE OF TASMANIA.



General Description.—The See was founded in 1842, second to Sydney in seniority. The Church began its work in the Colony in 1804, when the Colony was founded. The Diocese comprises Tasmania and its dependencies (the islands in the Straits and others). The area is 16,778,000 acres, being a size of Ceylon; the population is calculated to be 160,833, of whom some 110,000 are native born. There are great masses of unimproved areas covered with dense bush and hardly trodden by the human foot. This is especially true of the western side, although the mining population is steadily growing at Zeehan and Mourmou. Several hundred half-castes are located in the Bass Strait, and these all belong to the Church, the Bishop annually visiting them, and the lighthouses also frequently. The last census gave the whole population as 53½ per cent. of the whole.

Church Work.—There are 68 ordained Clergy. The consecrated Churches are 118, and 144 other buildings are regularly used for worship. The following are the statistics for 1895: 80 lay readers (unpaid), 44 parishes, 5 Mission districts, 2,107 baptisms, 594 confirmations, 4,422 communicants, Sunday School children 832, teachers 832.

Finance.—The Diocese possesses 65,000*l.*, given by the Government when it ceased. This, with other endowments, including the Episcopal estate, etc., produced in 1895 about 6,300*l.* in interest, and 12,040*l.* was the total spent for all Church work for the year. All parishes, except those in the two cities and one or two endowed parishes, receive grants from the Diocesan Funds, varying from 125*l.* to 40*l.* These grants are regulated annually by Synod. The attempt is made to keep parishes up to a minimum of 250*l.* as the income of the Rector, failing which the parish should lose its parsonage. Every three years each parish settles whether the patronage shall vest in the Rector, or in the Patronage Council. There has been steady advance in the Diocese, in spite of great financial depression in the colony. Comparing the statistics of 1895, the following figures give the increase in six years: Celebrations of Holy Communion, 1127; Sunday Services, 4,210; Churches and places for regular worship, 11; Sunday School children, 3,055. Confirmations had more than doubled, compared with 1894. This is due to the untiring zeal of the Clergy, supported by many energetic lay workers.

Education.—There are two Church Grammar Schools, one in Hobart and one in Launceston. Christ's College (founded by Arnold, Stanley, Coleridge, and others) has had a chequered career as a boys' school, is closed in order to accumulate funds to open a college in connection with the Tasmanian University, as the property of the Church of England. This is the original scheme, and provision is made for a Theological side to the college. There are three other Church Day Schools, two of them under the Kilburn Sisters. Under the State the Clergy are permitted to teach in the State Schools during School hours at certain times. There are two Refuges for the fallen. The 'House of Mercy,' started in 1860, was the first in the colony, previous efforts having failed. 'Hope Cottage,' started in 1870, years afterwards, is for 'first cases.' The blessing which has attended these efforts has been phenomenal.

H. H. TASM.

Bishopscourt, Hobart: September 3, 1896.

Territory.—Tasmania.**Commissaries.**—Rev. J. H. Browne, Rochester; Rev. F. D. Cremer, Keswick, Yorkshire.

PROVINCE OF NEW ZEALAND.

The Most Rev. WILLIAM GARDEN COWIE, D.D., BISHOP OF AUCKLAND.

DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND.

General Description.—This Diocese, formerly known as that of New Zealand, is that part of the colony which the late Bishop Selwyn retained for himself, after resigning the charge of those provinces which now form the Dioceses of Christchurch, Wellington, Nelson, Waipatu, and Dunedin.

The first Bishop of the Diocese, Dr. George Augustus Selwyn, afterwards Bishop of Lichfield, was consecrated in 1841, and his successor, the present Bishop, in 1869. Bishop Cowie became acting Primate of New Zealand in 1893, and was elected Primate in 1895.

The Diocese of Auckland comprises the northern part of the end of the colony of New Zealand, extending from south lat. $34^{\circ} 20'$ to $39^{\circ} 20'$, east long. $172^{\circ} 35'$ to 176° , and contains an area of about 15,659 square miles. A scattered European population of about 140,000.

A portion of the population is engaged in commerce, Auckland possessing the harbour of the colony; a considerable part is occupied in agricultural and employments, and some thousands work in the gold fields of the Coromandel and in digging the gum of the Kauri pine.

Work, &c.—The number of Clergy is at present 77, including 16 Maoris, member of congregations about 220. Of the European population about 57,000, Maori population about 18,000 are members of the Church.

Schools.—There is a college, situated about six miles from Auckland, for the candidates for Holy Orders, and other young men. It has a gross income of £4,000. There is also a Church Grammar School in Auckland, with a small endowment.

Endowments.—There are scarcely any parish endowments, the Clergy being maintained solely by the weekly offerings of the people. About 14,000*l.* was contributed by congregations in 1895 for Church work in the Diocese.

Religious Needs.—The chief wants of the Diocese are young men of zeal, possessing length and intellectual training, for the pastoral charge of the multiplying congregations, and funds to support them.

W. G. AUCKLAND.

Diocese of Auckland: July 10, 1896.

Diocese of Auckland.—North part of New Zealand.

Parishes.—Rev. A. R. Tomlinson, Penkevil Rectory, Proboscis; Rev. Canon Mackenzie, Melton Mowbray.

DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH.

General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1856, and consists of the middle portion of the South Island of New Zealand, comprising an area of 20,000 square miles. The population according to the last census is 149,528, exclusive of 900 Maoris and Morioria. Of these 59,761 are Church members.

The Cathedral, consecrated in 1881, consists of nave, aisles, tower and spire; a fine western porch has recently been built.

Church Work.—The number of communicants is about 6500 (estimated). During the year ending Easter 1895 there were 1,426 baptisms, and 628 persons were confirmed. There were five ordinands, 3 Priests and 2 Deacons. The Clergy of the Diocese number 61, and

there are two licensed lay assistants and 104 licensed (honorary) lay readers regularly officiating, besides others holding licences and acting occasionally. There are 99 churches and 49 school-rooms in which services are held. The Cathedral staff consists of a Dean, 3 Canons, 3 Hon. Canons, 1 Minor Canon, 6 lay clerks, 24 chorister boys, besides voluntary members of the choir. Besides the Dean and Canons and Honorary Canons there are 7 lay members of the Chapter, including the Chancellor. A Priest has lately been appointed to the charge of the Maori Mission and of the Chatham Islands. A Deaconess Institution has lately been formed, and a Deaconess House built.

Education.—Christ's College consists of (1) an upper department or Training College for matriculated students of the New Zealand University. Exhibitions are granted to candidates for Holy Orders; (2) a Grammar School. The annual value of the endowments is 3,600*l.*

There are about 8,000 Sunday scholars in the Diocese, and an average attendance of 6,000.

An Inspector of Sunday schools has been appointed. A yearly examination of Sunday-school teachers is held; 98 have passed in Grade I. and 36 in Grade II. since their inauguration.

Finance.—The total sum raised in the Diocese, or provided from endowments, during the year, for support of Clergy, maintenance of buildings, Home and Foreign Missions, and Sunday schools, about 26,000*l.*

C. CHRISTCHURCH.

Bishopscourt: Sept. 23, 1895.

Territory.—Canterbury and part of Westland.

Commissaries in England.—Rev. Arthur Robinson, M.A., The Clergy House, 7 Trinity Square, E.C.; Rev. Henry Latimer Jackson, M.A., St. Mary's Vicarage, Huntingdon.

DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN.



General Description.—This See was founded in 1868 by an Act of the General Synod, by which it was cut off from that of Christchurch; but, in accordance with a clause in the statute, the Bishop of Christchurch continued to exercise episcopal authority in the Diocese until the present Bishop was appointed in 1871. The Diocese comprises the southern portion of the Middle Island of New Zealand, together with Stewart's Island (sometimes called the South Island), and is conterminous with the provincial district of Otago. It is surrounded by water on all sides except the north, and its area is little less than that of Ireland. The population is about 150,000, of whom 38,251, or over 33 per cent., have recorded themselves as members of the Church of England. There are 800 Maoris, and perhaps as many Chinese. The country people are small settlers, on the deferred payment system, and very poor; very few local industries have yet been established, except one or two cloth factories. Immigration is now very small, Government aid having been withdrawn.

Church Work.—The Clergy (including the Bishop) number 25, and there are 48 churches, including 2 for the native race, besides some 30 unconsecrated buildings. During the past year 845 infants and 26 adults were baptised, 190 were confirmed, 5 new mission stations were opened, and 2 churches built. In the Sunday schools there are 3,300 children and 298 teachers. The Church work is that of an ordinary colonial Diocese, rendered more difficult by the absence of endowments and by the poverty of the colony during the last ten years. Five students are being trained in the Theological College, and the College Library has just received an addition of 7000 volumes from England, the gift of Mrs. Arderne Shoults. A small orphanage has also been erected and maintained in connection with the Church.

Needs.—There is as yet neither See House nor Cathedral. The Bishop has raised about 2000*l.* towards the support of missionary Clergy, and the same amount towards

foundation of a theological tutorship, which is greatly needed. No endowment, or in money or land, was given at the foundation of the See, even church sites being to be purchased in open market. The Bishop would gratefully acknowledge towards the General Clergy Maintenance Fund, or the Theological Tutorshipowment Fund.

S. T. DUNEDIN.

July 15, 1894.

Territory.—Otago and Southland, New Zealand.

Commissaries.—Rev. W. A. Purey-Cust, Bolton Rectory, Grantham; Rev. W. H. H. Bois, St. Matthew's, Westminster, S. W.

DIOCESE OF MELANESIA.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1861, the first Bishop being John Coleridge Patteson. It comprises the Western Islands of the South Pacific, from the middle of the New Hebrides to the Solomon Islands inclusive. The characteristics of the people are such as are common to races in a low state of civilisation, and destitute of metals or ignorant of the art of working them. In some of the islands cannibalism is practised, while in others it is abhorred as much as it is by ourselves. The trade is at present very limited, pearl shell, bêche-de-mer, and copra being the principal products. It has been well said that the main article of export is *men*, who are taken in large numbers to

enland and Fiji, to work on the plantations. Both Governments have very strict regulations about this trade, and the men, as a rule, are well treated, but the incessant demand harasses the people and carries away the able-bodied young men. It, together with a heavy rate of mortality whilst in colder climates, causes serious depopulation. Returning 'labourers' are generally tainted or impregnated with white man's vices and cause much trouble to the native Clergy and teachers.

Church Work.—On the whole the reports are encouraging and hopeful. Work is being carried on vigorously in twenty-seven islands under the Bishop, seven Clergy, and a layman. From all the islands boys and girls are carried away to the school at Norfolk Island for a training lasting over seven or eight years. They are then sent back to teach their own people, or others, if they volunteer for missionary work. There are now 220 being trained, and 381 already teaching in 122 schools and churches, with more than 12,000 scholars. It is needless to say that under such circumstances the darkness of the Pacific Islands is giving way to the light of the Gospel. The heathens are now almost universally Christian, and the difficulty of work lies no longer in the fierce unapproachableness of the people, but in the deadness which hinders the zeal of a primitive stage of faith, when religion has become respectable and is no longer liable to persecution. The clashing of the new faith with the remnants of the old also causes trouble at times in a native Church which is left for many months every year without the guidance of white teachers. In the Northern New Hebrides the work gains ground slowly, but surely. In the Torres Islands two of the four islands have accepted Christianity, and the other two have given sites for schools and are waiting for teachers. Ita Cruz, owing to the passionateness and fetta customs of the people, has always proved a hard battleground for the Church. After twenty years of work there are now as many schools as there have been martyrs—*i.e.* five—amongst the population of 40,000. The Solomon Islands have a bad name, but some of the brightest results of the Church's work are to be found there. Florida, in the centre of the group, has over 3000 baptised, and 66 teachers for 28 schools. Isabel shows a roll of 1,200 baptised and 30 teachers. Malcanas has this year been given five teachers to commence the conquest of the island. In San Cristoval the Church continues to hold what she has won, but not much real progress can be made until a white Clergyman can be spared to take charge. Mr. Comins has prepared the ground; ten years of work would probably have effected the complete conversion of the people. The Christians of Malanta, the fiercest

island probably in the Pacific, have held steadily on for twenty years through constant persecution, and have now the joy of seeing the faith spreading. Early in 1895 a message from a distant tribe reached the chief of Port Adam, one of the Mission stations, asking how much it would cost them to buy this new teaching which gave peace. There are now 240 under instruction in three schools, 78 of whom are baptised. Ulawa, under the Rev. Clement Maran and Mr. Comins, is one of the brightest spots of the Diocese. More than half the people are under instruction and 110 are baptised.

The Native Church of Melanesia now consists of 8,929 baptised. Nine have been ordained.

The work has been extended during 1894-95 by the planting of a second training-school for teachers at Siota, in Florida, and by rendering some assistance to the work of evangelising Melanesians whilst in Queensland. It is difficult to keep up a sufficient supply of teachers, St. Barnabas only sending out at the rate of 25 each year. It is hoped that the college in Florida and the Church's work in Queensland may help to supply the demand. All other difficulties are enhanced by the ever-present crux of languages. In no part of the world does a dialect cover less ground than it does in Melanesia. Hence an insatiable demand for new translations and new editions as fast as new ground is occupied.

C. MELANESIA.

Norfolk Island : August 20, 1895.

Territory.—The Western Islands of the South Pacific.

Commissary.—The Right Rev. Bishop Selwyn, Selwyn College, Cambridge.

DIOCESE OF NELSON.

General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1857, and consists of the northern portion of the South Island of New Zealand. The population of the Diocese is 55,000.



Church Work.—Of the population of the Diocese, 23,000 are members of the Church of England; according to the census, 42 per cent. The number of communicants it is difficult to ascertain—they are not more than one in seventeen, but are increasing. There are five constituted parishes, with twenty-five parochial and missionary districts, forty churches, and thirty-eight other places used for Divine service. The licensed Clergy number twenty-one. About 300 are confirmed biennially. Education is provided by the State, and is secular;

efforts are made in some districts to have religious teaching outside school hours. A new Cathedral was erected in 1887. The cost is defrayed up to within 1000*l.* An orphanage for Protestant children has been established and incorporated (1887) as St. Andrew's Orphanage.

Education.—The Bishop founded at Bishopdale, the episcopal residence, in 1868, a Theological College, in which there are students. Many who have passed through it are now in different parts of New Zealand (five of them having been to England subsequently and received Ordination), and are now working in New Zealand.

Finance.—There is a fund of 11,000*l.*, the interest of which is charged with the Bishop's stipend of 500*l.*, and the balance is given in grants to the Clergy, to supplement local contributions. There are also a Stipend Fund, supported by voluntary contributions, a General Church Fund, and fund for Pensions and for education for the ministry. The reduction of all interest by one-half of what it used to be ten years ago has seriously diminished the income of the Church.

Needs.—The Diocese needs assistance in new and outlying districts taken up by settlers constantly arriving, and also endowments for the promotion of clerical education. It never had reserves such as the neighbouring Dioceses have enjoyed, but

several valuable bequests, including one of 15,000*l.*, in 1883, of which the Bishop was appointed by the donor one of the trustees, have been recently made to particular parishes and districts.

CHARLES O. NELSON.

Bishopdale, Nelson : September 1896.

Territory.—Portion of Middle Island of New Zealand, with islands lying north of 42° 45' south latitude.

Commissary.—Rev. James W. Pratt, 21 Finsbury Square, E.C.

DIOCESE OF WAIAPU.



General Description.—This Diocese, which was founded in 1859, occupies the eastern portion of the North Island of New Zealand, being bounded on the north and east by the sea; on the west by the 176th meridian of longitude as far south as the 39th parallel of latitude, and then by the Ruahine range as far as the gorge on the river Manawatu; on the south by a line running eastward from thence to the south side of Cape Turnagain. The seat of the Bishopric is Napier, the chief town of the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay. The estimated population consists of 47,678 Europeans and 13,514 Maories. The European population is mainly pastoral and agricultural; and during the summer and autumn tourists in large numbers are to be found in the hot lakes district, especially at Rotorua, where there is a large Sanatorium under the charge of a resident surgeon.

Church Work.—There are 20 Clergymen labouring among the Europeans; but in several districts settlement has been extending so rapidly the last few years that two or three more Clergy would find abundant employment in ministering to the spiritual necessities of the widely scattered population. Six of the English Clergy are working among the Maories, under the Church Missionary Society, besides one who is master of the Native Boys' School at Waerengaahika. Fifteen Native Clergy have settled congregations of their own people; but there is much work of a strictly missionary character still to be done among the people who fell away from Christianity during the war of thirty years ago. The Cathedral Chapter consists of the Bishop, the Dean, 4 Canons, and 2 lay members.

Finance.—The Clergy ministering to Europeans are supported mainly by the voluntary contributions of the people in each parish or district. In the poorer and more sparsely populated districts these are supplemented by small grants from an endowment, which is under the control of the Diocesan authorities, and from the Diocesan Fund, which is raised annually by voluntary contributions throughout the Diocese. Some help is derived also from two other endowments, viz., the Nairn Trust and the Foster Trust, the operation of which is restricted to certain small portions of the Diocese. The Maori Clergy receive small stipends from endowment funds which have been raised by their own people, supplemented by grants from a fund which is at the disposal of the N.Z. Mission Trust Board. There is no endowment for the Dean and Canons, and the Fund for the Endowment of the Bishopric is still incomplete.

W. L. WAIAPU.

Napier, N.Z. : Oct. 9, 1896.

Territory.—Eastern district of North Island, N.Z., as above described. Area, about 15,000 square miles.

DIOCESE OF WELLINGTON.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1881. It is bounded on the east by the Diocese of Waiapu, from lat. 39° to 40° 30'; from thence by the ocean to the south and west, and north-west to the Tipoka (commonly called the Waitotara) stream, near Mount Egmont; and thence by the Diocese of Auckland, *by a line hereafter to be defined*, to where the 39° of lat., at long. 175° 18', intersects the river Whanganui; and on the north by the same line of lat. to long. 176° 30'.

Area and Population.—The area of this Diocese is about half as large again as that of Wales. Its population is increasing more rapidly than that of any other diocese in New Zealand: one-third consists of residents in the city of Wellington, which is the capital of the Colony: the other two-thirds are chiefly small settlers, occupied in sheep-keeping or dairy-farming. The census returns of this year show that the Maoris have slightly decreased: they number at present 5,240, and are under the charge of five Clergy (three of them of their own race), whose stipends are paid partly from funds raised within the Diocese, partly by the Church Missionary Society.

Cathedral.—During the last fifteen months £3000 has been raised, and £1200 more promised, for the erection of a Cathedral in Wellington. A site has been secured for this purpose in the heart of the city. The need of a Cathedral is sorely felt in the Diocese, which suffers from the lack of a building large enough for Diocesan gatherings, and a central home of spiritual activity. The need of a large free and open Church is more sorely felt in the city itself: for when its Churches are crowded to overflowing, as constantly happens, they can contain only one-seventh part of the inhabitants, and most of their sittings are appropriated.

Religious Education—Except in some Roman Catholic schools, one small Church primary school, and a Church grammar school at Wanganui, where 185 boys are at present educated, there is no provision for religious teaching on week-days, though in one or two cases the Clergy have asked for, and obtained, permission to teach the few children who are able and willing to remain after school hours in the State school-rooms. The Education Act of the Colony has determined that the education given in the State schools shall be free, compulsory, and secular. A vigorous effort has been made during the past year to introduce into the Act a clause prescribing that simple religious teaching (subject to a conscience-clause for both teachers and scholars) shall form part of the school course, but hitherto without success.

Needs.—The chief needs of the Diocese, other than those referred to in the two preceding paragraphs, are—(a) Itinerant preachers for the Bush districts, which are too scattered and too poor for a settled ministry. (b) Women to work amongst women in the towns. (c) Contributions for the purchase of Church sites in newly-settled districts.

FREDERICK WELLINGTON.

Wellington: September 1896.

Territory.—Provincial district of Wellington and part of the provincial district of Taranaki, New Zealand. Area, 10,000 square miles.

DIOCESE OF HONOLULU.



General Description.—This Diocese embraces the Hawaiian or Sandwich Islands, situated in the Pacific Ocean, and extending from 19° to 22° 20' N. lat., and from 155° to 160° 15' W. long. The group consists of eight islands, of which the principal are Hawaii, Maui, Oahu, Kauai, and Molokai. They contain an area of over 6000 square miles. The population, according to a census just taken, is 109,000, of whom 40,000 are Orientals.

A Chinese Deacon was added to our clerical staff at Christmas, 1895. Queen Liliuokalani, who before and during her occupancy of the throne attended the Congregationalist form of worship, made a study of the Book of Common Prayer during her imprisonment in 1895, and was this year, after her release, hypothetically baptised and confirmed in the Cathedral. The

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Queen, who bears herself with remarkable calmness and patience, is now a regular communicant.

With December 31, 1895, all Government aid to schools in which religious teaching is given ceased by virtue of an Article in the Constitution of our (so-called) Republic, which came into force on January 1, 1896. This means the withdrawal of an annual grant of 120*l.* in scholarships for boys of Hawaiian birth, made to our principal Boys' School, Iolani School, which it has enjoyed for over thirty years, from the days of Kamehameha V. This is a very serious loss.

ALFRED HONOLULU.

Honolulu : November 19, 1896.

Territory.—Hawaiian or Sandwich Islands.

Commissaries.—Rev. G. B. Simeon, Dunster Rectory, Somerset ; Mr. R. L. Lowe, 2 Temple Gardens.

PROVINCE OF CALCUTTA (INDIA AND CEYLON).

Metropolitan.—The Most Rev. EDWARD RALPH JOHNSON, D.D., BISHOP OF CALCUTTA.

DIocese OF CALCUTTA.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1814, and now consists of the Provinces of Bengal and Assam, the Central Provinces, Central India, and part of Rajputana. The North-West Provinces and Chota Nagpore also legally belong to the Diocese, but are administered by the Bishops of Lucknow and Chota Nagpore by commission, and are therefore excluded from the statements and statistics supplied. The languages spoken are Bengali, Hindi, Urdu, and Assamese, besides dialects of aboriginal tribes. Population, 110,430,125 (census of 1891), including Native States.

Church Work.—The character of the Church work in this vast Diocese varies greatly. In the city of Calcutta, with its eight recognised districts or parishes, the work is very much like parish work in England, and is worked on parochial lines, with parish schools, boarding schools, &c., Fort William being a purely military charge. Here are also established the head-quarters of the mission work, with Bishop's College and the Oxford brotherhood, and the C.M.S. Divinity School. In the rest of the Bengal Province, there being but few large towns, the Christian community is chiefly scattered in small groups. In the Province of Assam, with the exception of the Government head-quarters at Shillong, there are no large stations, the province being mainly given up to the cultivation of tea. The work, therefore, involves constant itineration amongst the scattered tea gardens. The increasing number of Christians employed on the gardens adds another interesting and important feature to the work in this province. The Central Provinces are mainly worked from two centres—Nagpore and Jubbulpore. Rajputana and Central India being composed of native States, the Church's work is confined to the principal stations where British residents and their official staff are located. These distant and very different provinces are linked together by the ever-extending system of railways, some belonging to the State, some to companies. There are already in the Diocese nine district railway systems, and one very anxious part of the Church work is the providing ministrations for the European and Eurasian employes. The whole work of the Church is at present carried on very imperfectly, but as far as our means will allow, by 124 Clergy, of whom about 12 are usually absent from India on furlough. Of these 124, 33 are Government Chaplains, 22 are either on the staff of our Additional Clergy Society, or otherwise engaged, and the Missionaries, including native Clergy, number 69.

Progress.—Progress has been made in mission work and in educational work, but none can be reported in regard to increasing the supply of Clergy. In the Barisal

(Backergunge) District in East Bengal we have resumed work which was abandoned 16 years ago. When the S.P.G. grant to this Mission was withdrawn in 1880, the practical result was that the members of the Church were handed over to the spiritual ministrations of the Baptists. After receiving repeated applications we have now gone back to our own people, and a widespread movement towards the Church has begun on the part of many who are dissatisfied at the refusal of the Baptists to baptise their infant children. We have thus taken up a responsibility of no small magnitude. The Mission is assisted financially by the S.P.G., and has been placed under the care of the Oxford Mission. Bishop's College, Calcutta, has been enlarged by the erection of a block of buildings containing rooms for 30 students, thus doubling the accommodation of the College. St. Paul's School, Darjeeling, has also been further enlarged, and now has accommodation for 200 boarders.

Finance.—The invested funds of the Diocesan Board of Finance amount to Rs. 553,600, the interest of which is available for the various Diocesan Societies and special trusts. The rest of the money raised and expended for Church purposes is chiefly provided and spent locally, certain contributions, amounting to some Rs. 35,000 annually, being expended through the medium of the Diocesan Societies.

Needs.—We can but repeat our words written last year under this head, hoping that persons interested in Indian enterprise will be moved to recognise their responsibilities. We need increased means for bringing the ministrations of the Church to the Europeans scattered in outlying districts, in the tea gardens, &c., and a multiplication of all missionary appliances. The great extension of railways, specially the Bengal-Nagpur and Indian Midland lines, makes the provision of additional Clergy to minister to the new communities of Europeans and Eurasians that are springing up a pressing need. The Additional Clergy Society cannot, without a large increase in its funds, support at present any more Clergy, the last financial year having closed with a deficit. The *Indian Church Aid Association* (Secretary, Rev. A. O. Hardy, Smardon Rectory, Staplehurst, Kent) receives subscriptions for this as well as other purposes. The need of more living workers in every branch of the Church's work is as pressing as ever.

S.P.G.—Schools: Boarding, 3; day, 46. Pupils: Christian, 503; non-Christian, 1,114.

C.M.S.—Christian Schools: Boarding, 10; day, 42. Pupils: Christian, 1,445; non-Christian, 698.—Missionary Schools: Day, 90. Pupils: Christian, 249; non-Christian, 3,049.

EDWARD R. CALCUTTA.

Calcutta: September 16, 1896.

Territory.—Assam, Bengal, Central Provinces, Central India, part of Rajputana. Area, 520,084 square miles, including Native States.

Commissary.—Rev. B. T. Atlay, The Vicarage, Willesden.

DIocese OF BOMBAY.



General Description.—This Diocese was separated from that of Calcutta in 1833. It comprises the whole Presidency of Bombay, except the Province of Sindh, which was attached to the new Diocese of Lahore in 1878; but the Bishop also visits several military stations in Rajputana and Central India, not included in the Presidency, as well as Aden, in Arabia. Of a total population, in 1891, of about 27,000,000 (including feudatory States, Aden, &c.), about 22,000,000 are Hindus, about 4,500,000 Mussulmans, about 77,000 Parsees, and about 131,500 Jews. The total of Christians is about 167,000, of whom about 12,500 are Roman Catholics, a large proportion of these last being immigrants from Portuguese territory, and many others tracing their Christianity back to the labours of St. Francis Xavier and his companions.

Church Work.—The total population belonging to the Church of England is returned in the census of 1891 as 23,227, but it is not possible to treat this return as more than approximately complete, a considerable number of persons having returned

es as 'Protestants,' and there being nothing to show to what denomination ng. Of this total about 3,700 are British troops and their families. The of native Christians was returned as only 2,601, but a large allowance has to for the inaccuracy mentioned above. No large increase is to be looked for e mission staff of the Diocese can be greatly strengthened. At present it to only 73 all told, and when deductions have been made for Missionaries on , and for others who have not been in the country long enough to acquire a knowledge of any vernacular, the total of actual workers in Holy Orders, at 1 time, amounts to only about 60 ; of these 8 are natives of India. Of the mber of ordained Missionaries on the staff of the Diocese, including absentees, 7 to the S.P.G., and 15 to the C.M.S. The others are working in some con- with the Society of St. John the Evangelist, commonly known as 'The Cowley

There are 26 Chaplains on the Government establishment, chiefly em- ministering to the British troops, 4 Railway Chaplains, and 1 Harbour . Government contributes towards the stipends of eight Clergymen who do g to the Establishment, in consideration of services rendered to European and Christians. Of these eight, several are employed primarily in missionary work.

Education.—The educational agencies of the Diocese are of three kinds, corre- to three different classes—(a) Middle-class Europeans and Eurasians (all possibly afford it send their children to Europe for education). (b) Poor s and Eurasians. (c) Native Christians. The schools for middle-class children h to the S.P.C.K., whose grants—added to the contributions of Govern- abled the Bombay Diocesan Board of Education to call them into existence.

mainly self-supporting. Indeed, practically, when once they are started ngs of their own, they pay their own way in the larger stations, with tance of the Government grants-in-aid by results. It would be difficult timate the help accorded to the Church schools in Bombay and Poona sterhoods mentioned below, whose members render—for a bare maintenance s which no salaries could buy. For the maintenance and education of dren two organisations exist, besides the admirable Lawrence Military at Mount Abu, viz. the Bombay Education Society, which maintains) children in its schools at Byculla, chiefly of pure European blood, and -British Institution, which maintains about 100, almost all of mixed

Mission schools are maintained by the S.P.G., the C.M.S., the Society hn the Evangelist, and the Wantage Sisterhood. The total number of nder Church instruction in the Diocese is about 4,190, besides those who struction from the Clergy in the undenominational schools of every regiment ry in the Presidency.

Actual Establishments.—The Society of St. John the Evangelist has houses y and Poona. In Bombay, a poor European district is the centre of the work, but mission work is carried on in connection with the organisation. at Poona is of a purely missionary character. The Sisterhood of St. Mary u, Wantage, opened a branch at Poona in 1877. Besides maintaining St. one, for native work of various kinds, hospital, education, &c., the Society ge of, and supplies mistresses to, St. Mary's High School for European girls ts. The Sassoon General Hospital, Poona, is supplied with nurses by the y. The Sisterhood of All Saints opened a house in Bombay in 1878. s nurse in the European, and the largest native hospital, and are in charge of, 7 mistresses to, the Cathedral and St. Peter's High Schools for Girls and Infants.

—Besides a large increase in the mission staff, the Diocese requires more overtake the needs of the rapidly increasing railway population. The rs of the Great Indian Peninsular Railway Company have made munificent ns from their dividends, amounting, at different times, to Rs. 134,000, dowment of chaplaincies for the Company's servants. One Clergyman has subsidised out of the earlier grant of Rs. 34,000, and three more have been e the endowment was raised to its present point.

L. G. BOMBAY.

: August 1896.

ry.—Presidency of Bombay, exclusive of Sindh. Area, 200,000 square miles, sary.—Hon. and Rev. A. T. Lyttelton, The Rectory, Eccles, Manchester.

DIOCESE OF CHOTA-NAGPUR.



THE Diocese of Chota-Nagpur comprises the whole of the political division known by that name. The population of 5,500,000 is made up of Hindus, Mussulmans, and aboriginal tribes; there are only about 500 Europeans.

The native Christians are said to exceed 80,000, but many of these, counted as Roman Catholics, are but loosely connected with Christianity. The members of the Church of England number 14,000.

Church Work.—The Clergy number 26, of whom 11 are Europeans. Missionaries of S.P.G. are located at Ranchi, Chaibasa, and Mundhu, and members of the Dublin University Mission at Hazaribagh. The Missionary at Chaibasa ministers to the English-speaking residents of Chakradharpur, a large station on the Bengal-Nagpur Railway, where he had succeeded in erecting a permanent church. The Railway Company will give no assistance in any church work. The S.P.C.K. have granted money to support a Medical Missionary in this Diocese, but no suitable man has been found at present.

Education.—There are boarding schools at Ranchi and Chaibasa for Christian boys and girls, and a large number of elementary schools scattered over the Diocese. The Dublin University Mission has opened a high school for boys at Hazaribagh.

Finance.—The S.P.G. gave a grant of 2,580*l.* to the Diocese last year, which is administered by a Board of Finance; besides this they give large assistance to the Dublin University Mission. Owing to the very small number of Europeans in the Diocese, there is great difficulty in getting funds for Church purposes.

The native Clergy are supported by local funds.

J. C. CHOTA-NAGPUR.

Ranchi, Bengal: September 12, 1896.

DIOCESE OF COLOMBO.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1845, and comprises the island of Ceylon, with a population of 3,007,789. This population is thus divided: Sinhalese, 2,041,158; Tamils, 723,853; Moormen, 197,166. The Moormen are, as their name implies, almost without exception Mohammedans; the Sinhalese, if not Christians, are Buddhists; and the Tamils, if not Christians, are Hindus. The number of Christians is 302,127; of whom about 250,000 are Roman Catholics, and about 25,000 Anglicans.

Church Work.—No census of the Church has been taken since 1890, when the adult members of the Church (*i. e.* those over 15) were returned as 12,500; but probably this is a little under the number. The communicants were just 8,000. There are 81 Clergy in the Diocese; 59 licensed catechists and lay readers (besides a great many unlicensed); 58 consecrated churches, between 60 and 70 other churches and chapels, and rather more than 200 church and missionary schools. Of these no census has recently been taken. Sisters of the Community of St. Margaret's, East Grinstead, carry on educational, orphanage, nursing and parish work, chiefly, at present, in Colombo.

Finance.—Rs. 2,587.57 were raised locally in the year 1892-93 for the Bishopric Endowment, Rs. 1,783.98 for the Central Clergy Endowment Fund, and Rs. 9,595.45 for the General Purposes Fund. It is impossible to state the amount raised for other Church purposes, since it is raised and spent chiefly in the individual parishes, the large majority of the Clergy being supported in whole or part by their congregations.

Constitution.—The Synod of the Diocese, authorised by ordinance of the Colonial Legislature, met for the first time in July 1886. It consisted of three orders: the Bishop, the licensed Priests in the Diocese, and lay representatives of the various congregations. Each congregation, or group of congregations, containing 50 adult members, sends one representative; 150 members send two; 300, three; and 600 and upwards, four representatives. The Synod passed unanimously a constitution for the Church in

flon, including canons for the election of a Bishop. It has since met annually, the t being fixed for September 12, 1893.

Needs.—One of the most pressing questions at present for this Diocese is the maintenance of its English Clergy. The congregations are almost all small, and most are poor; d with their utmost efforts they can generally provide for their Clergy only a maintenance, barely sufficient for a single man, and providing no security for sick leave or nsion. The salaries of many of the parish Clergy are Rs. 1,500 (100l. sterling) a year less, while only four reach Rs. 3,000, and none reach Rs. 5,000 a year.

R. S. COLOMBO.

August 8, 1894.

Territory.—Ceylon. Area, 24,900 square miles.

Commissary.—The Rev. E. F. Miller (late Archdeacon of Colombo), The Knoll, Aspley ise, Woburn Sands.

DIOCESE OF LAHORE.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1877 as a memorial to Bishop Milman, who died when on visitation in the Punjab. It consists of the Punjab (and its dependencies, including Kashmir), taken from the Diocese of Calcutta, and Sindh taken from Bombay. The population is not less than 28 millions, of whom rather more than half are Mohammedans. The first Bishop was Dr. Valpy French, who resigned on December 21, 1887, after an episcopate of exactly ten years. The Cathedral Church of the Resurrection was consecrated on January 25, 1887.

Church Work.—The number of Clergy is 100, of whom 30 are Government Chaplains, and 8 are engaged in pastoral or educational work among Europeans. There are 52 Clergy (of whom 17 are

ives) in connection with the C.M.S., and 11 (of whom one is a native) in connection h the S.P.G. Besides the sums raised in the Diocese for the missionary societies, re are societies for maintaining additional Clergy, and for church building. The ters of the Community of St. Denys, from Warminster, work in Lahore and Murree.

Education.—The asylums for soldiers' children, founded by Sir Henry Lawrence at awar and Murree, receive about 700 children. There are orphanages at Simla for s, and at Lahore for children of both sexes. Bishop Cotton's School, a middle-class ool for boys, at Simla, has 140 pupils; there is a corresponding school for girls, with average of 60 pupils. The Sisters of St. Denys have schools for girls at Murree and ore. In the mission schools of the S.P.G. there are nearly 2,000 pupils, in those of C.M.S. more than 6,000. There is a divinity school at Lahore, maintained by the I.S., for training candidates for Holy Orders.

HENRY J. LAHORE.

Lahore: August 5, 1893.

Territory.—Punjab and Sindh, with their dependencies.

Commissaries.—Rev. W. C. Furneaux, Vicarage, Mortlake; Rev. R. G. Matthew, winley Road, Wigan.

DIOCESE OF LUCKNOW.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1893. It consists of the Province of Oudh and the Jhansi Division. To this, by commission from the Bishop of Calcutta, the North-West Provinces have been added. The population is over 46,000,000, about 40,000,000 being Hindus, 6,000,000 Mohammedans, and 50,000 Christians. The Cathedral Church of he Diocese is at Alla- habad. It was consecrated in 1887.

Church Work.—The number of Clergy is 78, of whom 24 are Government chaplains. There are 37 Clergy of the C.M.S. and 8 of the S.P.G. The number of native born Clergy is 10. The

ese has a Council in connection with which are Boards of Finance, of Church ension, of Education and of Missions.

Education (European).—There are higher class Diocesan Schools for boys and for

girls at Mussoorie and Naini Tal, Boarding Schools for boys and girls under Church of England direction at Agra and Allahabad, Orphanages for boys and girls at Allahabad. The Summer Home at Mussoorie receives about 80 soldiers' children. Besides this there are pariah day schools in several of the larger stations (native). The C.M.S. maintains a Divinity School at Allahabad. It has an important college at Agra. The S.P.G. has a college at Cawnpore. The C.M.S. has Orphanages at Benares, Agra, Gorakhpur, and the S.P.G. at Roorkee and Cawnpore. In the Day Schools of these two societies there are 5,500 pupils.

Allahabad: August 1896.

A. LUCKNOW.

Commissary.—Rev. J. Stephenson, Boston, Lincolnshire.

DIOCESE OF MADRAS.



General Description.—Founded 1832. Is conterminous with the Presidency. Population 35,630,440. Under the Bishop are also the Clergy in the native States of Mysore with Coorg (population 4,364,633), and in Hyderabad with Berar (12,670,982). Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Tulu, Canarese, Hindustani, Mahratta, and some aboriginal dialects are spoken.

Church Work.—There are about 188,000 Church of England Christians, of whom about 28,000 are Europeans and Eurasians; 16,522 are catechumens; native communicants, 33,429. There are 263 Clergy, viz. 95 European and Eurasian, and 167 native.

Education.—There are about 23,872 scholars in the mission schools. Of these, 7,000 boys and 4,238 girls are Christians.

Zenana Work.—Connected with S.P.G. are 4 ladies, 2 assistants, and 22 Bible women. 347 zenanas with 485 pupils are visited. Connected with C.E.Z.M. are 29 ladies, 18 assistants, and 87 native Bible women. 1,818 zenanas with 2,432 pupils are visited, and 50 schools with 2,540 pupils.

Training of Clergy, &c.—There are 2 theological colleges at Madras; 4 institutions for training catechists and schoolmasters; 3 for training female teachers; 6 colleges for general education. F. MADRAS.

September 25, 1895.

Commissaries.—Ven. J. F. Browne, 11 Russell Street, Bath; Rev. Chancellor Leeke, Lincoln; Canon Scott Robertson, Old Vicarage, Dane-John, Canterbury.

DIOCESE OF RANGOON.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1877, being one of the two new Indian Dioceses founded after the death of Bishop Mi-man. It owes its existence, to a great extent, to the liberality of the Diocese of Winchester. In 1887, after the annexation, Upper Burmah was added by letters patent to the Diocese. The estimated area is now over 200,000 square miles, with a population of about 7,000,000, consisting of Europeans, Eurasians, Burmese, Chinese, natives of India, Karens, and other hill tribes. The Andamans, Nicobars, and Cocos Islands form part of the Diocese.

Church Work.—The total population of the Diocese may be reckoned at 8,000,000. Of these 6,888,280 are Buddhists, 168,450 native worshippers, 172,432 Hindus, 253,640 Mussulmans, and 121,000 Christians. The Christians are proximately: Baptists, 81,000; Roman Catholics, 24,500; Church of England, 13,000, with others. The Roman Catholics commenced mission work nearly three centuries ago, the Baptists in 1807, and the Church of England in 1859. During the year under review a good deal of anxiety has been caused by the difficulty experienced in filling up A.C.S. chaplaincies. Mission work has been one of consolidation rather than of expansion. Buddhism offers the passive opposition of indifference. Plans have also been drawn for two new churches to be built, chiefly by Government, and plans have also been drawn, and a good amount of the cost subscribed, for two other new churches. It is expected work on all four churches will be proceeded with during 1896-97.

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Needs.—Two trained schoolmasters to be in charge of Anglo-vernacular schools; men and means for opening up mission work on the Chin Hills and in the Shan States.
J. M. RANGOON.

Rangoon : October 22, 1896.

Territory.—Burmah, and Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Area, 200,000 sq. miles.

Commissaries.—Canon Bailey, D.D., Canterbury, and Rev. C. G. Cecil White, M.A.; Nursing Rectory, Southampton.

DIocese OF TRAVANCORE AND COCHIN.



General Description.—This Diocese, founded in 1879, is continuous with the two native States from which it takes its name. The population of Travancore, the larger State of the two, is 2,557,736, and that of Cochin 722,906, the combined area being 8,092 square miles.

There are but few Europeans and Eurasians in the Diocese belonging to the Anglican Church. The native Christians number 30,345, excluding 500 not under the C.M.S. at Trevandram and Quilon; the Clergy—European 12, and native 27.

Church Work.—The Government of India has added to the Bishop's responsibilities two stations hitherto under the Bishop of Madras, viz. Trevandram, the capital of Travancore, and Quilon, a cantonment, at the same time removing, not only the Chaplain, but the bulk of his salary and all the contingent advantages, to a great extent both disestablishing and disendowing the Chaplaincy of Trevandram-cum-Quilon. The Bishop has appointed Rev. F. F. Breay, M.A., Oxford, Chaplain of Trevandram and Quilon. During the year the Bishop ordained 2 Priests and 3 Deacons. The number of persons confirmed since last publication is 607, and of adults baptised, 847. The Bishop has commenced a Diocesan Education Fund, supported by church collections in the Diocese, for maintaining poor students at the Cottayam College. Fifteen boys were helped by this Fund last year. An Industrial School for the benefit of poor Christian boys was started in 1893. A small Mission, among the Jews in the Diocese, is now at work, for which collections are made on Good Friday, annually.
E. N. TRAVANCORE AND COCHIN.

Bishop's House, Cottayam, Travancore, South India : September 1896.

Jurisdiction.—The Church of England in the States of Travancore and Cochin.

Commissaries.—Rev. F. J. Chavasse, Wycliffe Lodge, Oxford; Ven. Archdeacon Phillips, Barrow-in-Furness; Chancellor Dibdin, 15 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn, W.C.

Independent Diocese.

DIocese OF SINGAPORE, LABUAN, AND SARAWAK.



General Description.—The Diocese of Labuan and Sarawak was founded in 1855. In 1869 the British colony of the Straits Settlements, i.e. Singapore, Penang, and Malacca, with their dependencies, which up to that time had been included in the Diocese of Calcutta, were placed under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Labuan and Sarawak. In 1881 the title of the See was changed to Singapore, Labuan, and Sarawak. The Bishop, under a commission from the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of London, has episcopal authority over the Clergy and congregations in Java and elsewhere throughout the Malay Archipelago. Among the races at present brought under the work of the Mission the following languages are spoken: Malay Dyak (two dialects), Chinese (five dialects), Tamil, Telugu, and Javanese.

Church Work.—The number of Christians in communion with the Church of England computed at 3,500, of whom probably 1,000 are Europeans and Eurasians. There are

14 Clergymen—viz. 10 Europeans, 1 Eurasian, and 3 Asiatics. There are 12 consecrated churches and 11 mission chapels. In the last report from the Bishop three persons had been ordained Deacons, and these have since been admitted to the Priesthood. In the same year 384 persons were confirmed.

Education.—Of Church schools, there are in the Straits Settlements 3 day schools and 4 Sunday schools. In Sarawak there is a school attached to each of the 6 central mission stations.

Training Institutions.—Native students are boarded and prepared for the office of catechist in the Bishop's house at Sarawak, and in the house of the Rev. W. H. Gomes, B.D., at Singapore. G. F. SINGAPORE AND SARAWAK.

Territory.—The islands of Singapore, Labuan, and Sarawak in Borneo.

Commissary.—Rev. Preb. E. L. Shelford, Vicarage, Stoke Newington, N.

DIocese of VICTORIA, HONG KONG.



THE Church work, missionary work, and educational work carried on in this Diocese have been described in previous reports. These works go on from year to year without much change. The statistics give a fair idea of the work done both among English and Chinese in the Diocese. There are two Medical Missions in the southern portion; one in the Province of Kwangtang; one at Pakhoi, at the western extremity of the Province. The former has been at work for five years, but, in consequence of having no hospital as a centre, no definite result has been achieved. An effort, however, is soon to be made to establish the Mission in a central position at a large town peculiarly hostile to

foreigners, by which it is hoped the hostility may be broken down.

At Pakhoi, where a hospital was built some years ago by voluntary subscription—much good work has been done. Recently a special effort for lepers was begun in connection with the hospital, which promises to be successful. The hospital has been enlarged, and a building erected with accommodation for 60 lepers. A school, dining-rooms, and chapel have also been added. Sixteen out of 19 males confirmed at Pakhoi were lepers. There are also 2 Medical Missions at Fukien, which play a large part in breaking down the prejudice and hatred against foreigners so common in the region.

In 1894 there were: Church members, 6,383; Clergy, 28; lay helpers, 263; communicants, 2,911; catechumens, 5,195. Confirmed, 123; baptised, 705. There are 184 churches or chapels; 191 Church day schools, and 75 Sunday-school teachers. There is also a Theological College with 25 students.

J. S. BURDON, *Bishop of Victoria, Hong Kong*
(*Missionary Bishop for South China*).

Hong Kong: July 17, 1895.

Territory.—Hong Kong, with congregations and Missions in South China.

DIocese of MID-CHINA.

THE Report in the Year-Book for 1896, dated October 1895, holds good except in the following particulars.

(1) By an oversight, Shanghai was said to be the only place in Mid-China where the Church of England was at work among Europeans. It is true that no other place maintains a Chaplain; but at Ningpo for nearly thirty years there has been a decent English Church, built by the Community, in which, with rare intermission, Missionaries of the C.M.S. hold Divine Service and administer the Sacraments.

(2) The Missionary to Seamen has continued his most useful labours, assisted in them now by the possession of an excellent steam-launch, the *Sunbeam*. We are still indebted to the American Mission for Church accommodation, and for Clerical services. An admirable site, however, has been secured by the exertions of the



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Cathedral Chaplain, who is raising funds to build a Church and Mission Rooms. It will then be more desirable than ever to procure the services of an ordained Missioner.

(3) During the Bishop's absence on furlough (parts of 1894-95) considerable progress was made in all parts of the field. On his return to China in December last, he commenced a series of visitations lasting to Trinity, during which 363 persons were confirmed, of whom all but fifteen were Chinese; including six *lepers*, who were baptised, confirmed, and received the Eucharist in their own chapel. The Confirmations were held in the cities of Hangchow, Ningpo, T'ai-chow, Shanghai, and Chuki; and in upwards of twenty towns and villages in the Pastorates round Ningpo, in Chuki, T'ai-chow, and near Hangchow. They involved about 1,100 miles of travelling in coats of various kinds or sedan chairs. Wheels and steam were nowhere available. At one recently-opened Chapel in the T'ai-chow country 72 were confirmed, and the congregation was so dense that the Bishop had to ask them to stand instead of kneeling. In the same district a native Evangelist was ordained Deacon, with a view to his assisting the Native Priest, and taking pastoral charge of half the huge district as soon as he has full orders.

(4) Hospital work, especially at Hangchow, has largely developed, and the Mandarins of that city have shown their appreciation by granting a valuable site for a convalescent Home on the shores of the famous West Lake.

(5) Last year the Bishop was relieved of the almost impossible task of giving episcopal oversight to Churchmen in Western China by the Consecration, on St. Luke's Day, of the Rev. W. W. Cassels as Bishop of the Church of England in Szechuan and Szechuan. Those two provinces, north of Lat. 28°, are thus subtracted from the Diocese of Mid-China.

G. E. MOULE, *Bishop*.

Shanghai: August 22, 1896.

Territory.—China, between 28° N. lat. and the Southern and Eastern Frontiers of Kansuh, Shensi, Honan, and Kiangsu.

Commissary.—Rev. H. C. G. Moule, Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

DIocese OF NORTH CHINA.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1880, and consists of the six northern provinces of China—namely, Pechili, Shantung, Shansi, Honan, Shensi, and Kansu, a district containing 398,433 square miles, or about seven times the area of England. The population is something between sixty and eighty millions, or possibly more—none can say. The character of the country is chiefly agricultural, and straw-plait is also prepared for foreign markets.

Church Work.—In the year 1893 the Bishop reports there were: Chinese Church members, 383; Chinese communicants, 158. There are 12 buildings used for worship, and 5 Mission stations; 8 Clergy and 6 lay helpers; (a) Chinese catechumens admitted, 256; (b) baptised, 97; (c) confirmed, 58. There are 6 schools for native Christian boys, and a school for girls, 1 day school for boys.

Needs.—Doctors are needed for work in the interior. A hospital and dispensary have been opened in Peking for four or five years past under an English lady doctor. A qualified doctor to open a Hospital at Peking for men.

C. P. SCOTT, *Bishop*.

Peking: July 15, 1896.

Territory.—The six Northern Provinces of China.

Commissary.—Rev. Canon Scott, St. John's Vicarage, Leeds.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN CHINA.



Pioneering Church work was begun in this extreme western part of China some eight years ago; but owing to its being from 1,300 to 1,800 miles from the station and work of the Bishop of Mid-China, it was evidently impossible for him to give it any adequate episcopal supervision. This led to the formation last year of a new diocese with the title of Western China.

The new diocese, being the western extremity of the diocese of Mid-China, comprises those parts of the provinces of Sz-chuen and Kuei-cheu which lie north of the 28th parallel of latitude. Its population has been very variously estimated, but may perhaps be computed as some 40 millions of souls.

Actual work is being undertaken in 11 Mission stations, which extend over an area 500 miles in length and 250 in breadth. At the beginning of the present year there were on the field 5 clergy, 11 laymen, and a still larger number of lady workers, as well as 2 licensed native readers.

But as the newly-appointed Bishop only reached the diocese in February of this year, the statistics for last year cannot be accurately presented at this time.

W. W. CASSELS, *Bishop*:

October 1896.

Commissary.—Rev. A. E. Barnes-Lawrence, 6 Church Terrace, Blackheat London, E.C.

COREA AND SHING KING (MANCHURIA).



General Description.—This Diocese embraces the kingdom of Corea tributary of China, and the adjoining province of Shing King Chinese Manchuria. The area of Corea is about 93,000 square miles, and the population, variously estimated, is said by some to be 8,500,000. Foreigners, provided with passports, are permitted to travel free throughout the kingdom, but not to reside or to trade.

The Coreans possess no religion. Owing to the universal study of the Chinese classics the educated are, to a man, Confucians.

The province of Shing King, in the kingdom of China, has an area of 87,000 square miles, and an estimated population of a little over 2,000,000 Chinese.

Church Work.—In the year 1889, on All Saints' Day, the first Bishop was consecrated. In 1896 the staff of the Mission was constituted as follows: 1 Bishop, 3 Priests, 5 lay helpers (English), 3 doctors (one being a lady doctor), and 6 nurses. These are distributed in Soil, Chemulpo, and Niu Chwang.

In Soil there are two Mission stations: one near the British Consulate-General for Europeans; the other in the heart of the city in preparation for the future native work. To both of these stations hospitals are added, which are served, the one by a doctor, the other by a lady doctor.

In the island of Kang Hoa there is one Mission station.

In Chemulpo (distant from Soil 25 miles) the Mission church and parsonage of St. Michael's and All Angels, and, close to it, the hospital of St. Luke for native work, in charge of a doctor, were built in 1891.

In Niu Chwang the work (amongst Europeans only) was begun in the early summer of 1892. Statistics of Church membership must, therefore, necessarily be incomplete.

The Missionaries being still engaged in learning the languages with a view to translating the Prayer Book, no evangelistic or systematic educational work amongst Coreans has been attempted.

The Bishopric is unendowed, and the members of the Mission staff are, with one exception, unsalaried.

The cost of building and maintaining the Mission houses and churches, of clothing, lodging, and feeding the Missionaries, is borne by a grant from the S.P.G. of 1,500 £ a year for three years, assisted by a special fund, administered by the Society.

The Medical work of the Mission has been supported by grants from the S.P.C.K., a fund provided by friends of the Bishop belonging to the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, and by the freewill offerings of the Medical Missionaries themselves.

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A printing press, presented by the Bishop, set up in Seoul in March 1891, and in the hands of a competent member of the Mission, has already executed more than one important work.

C. J. CORFE, *Bishop*.

Seoul, Corea: Aug. 6, 1896.

JAPAN.

General Description.—The population of the empire is estimated at over 41,000,000. The capital, Tokio, has a population of considerably over a million. Shintoism, Buddhism, and Confucianism are the three ancient religions of the country, but the influx of Western ideas, and the wide diffusion of knowledge, have so far destroyed their influence that the mass of the educated Japanese at the present day profess Christianity, and stand in a neutral attitude towards Christianity.

In 1894 the islands of Kiu-shiu and Yezo were formed into separate missionary dioceses, under the care of the Church of England. At a Synod held in Tokio in May 1894, the main island was itself divided into four missionary dioceses, called respectively the dioceses of North and South Tokyo, of Kyoto, and of Osaka. The dioceses of North Tokyo and Kyoto are under the care of the American Church, and the dioceses of South Tokyo and Osaka under the care of the Church of England.

DIOCESE OF SOUTH TOKYO.



In this Diocese, from which that of Osaka has been separated during the year 1896, there are Missions of the Church of England and of the Canadian Church. The Missions of the Church of England are in the southern part of the capital and the adjoining districts. Those of the Canadian Church are in the more distant provinces of Shinshiu, Owari, and Mino.

The number of English and Canadian clergy (including two chaplains in charge of English residents and of sailors in Yokohama) is 17, of English lady missionaries, 15, of Japanese clergy, 10, of Japanese catechists, 23.

Besides the Missions of the English (S.P.G. and C.M.S.) and Canadian (Board of Home and Foreign Missions and Canadian C.M.S.) Societies, the Community Missions of St. Andrew and St. Hilda are at work in Tokio (see YEAR BOOK, Special Missions, p. 241).

Special Needs.—Additional English clergy and ladies to strengthen present stations and occupy vacant districts of the capital and vacant provincial towns.

EDWARD BICKERSTETH, *Bishop in South Tokyo*.

Shopstow, Osaka, Tokyo: June 1896.

Commissaries.—Rev. S. Bickersteth, The Vicarage, Lewisham, Surrey; Rev. R. L. Pusey House, Oxford; Rev. Canon Stanton, Ely.

DIOCESE OF OSAKA.



This newly-formed Diocese embraces a population from nine to ten millions. There are 16 ordained Clergy, and 90 lay readers; 12 permanent churches; 25 mission districts. Last year there were 45 infants and 87 adults baptised, 87 candidates were confirmed. There are 721 communicants. Last year five new Mission-stations were opened, and one church built. There are 519 children in Sunday-schools, under the care of 41 teachers.

W. AWDRY, *Bishop for Osaka*.

August 17, 1896.

DIOCESE OF SOUTH JAPAN, KIU-SHIU.



THE Diocese of South Japan includes the islands of Kiu-shiu, with such islands of Japanese empire as fall between the 24th and 35th parallels N. lat. Kiu-shiu is the most southerly of the four chief islands of Japan. It was formed into a separate diocese in 1893. The population is about 6,200,000, and the area 28,552 square miles. It is now divided into seven prefectures, to which another will shortly be added. Nagasaki, the only treaty port, is visited by nearly all the chief steamer lines. Regular steamship communication is maintained also with Loo Choo and Formosa. Railways are being pushed forward to connect the principal cities. It is a matter for consideration whether the newly-added province of Formosa, about as far south of Loo Choo as Loo Choo is of Kiu-shiu, and of the same area as Kiu-shiu, should be formed into a new Missionary Diocese or be added to one of those now existing. The settlement of large numbers of Japanese makes early supervision necessary.

Church Work.—The C.M.S. is the only Church Society engaged in missionary work in this Diocese, the first missionary of that society, the Rev. G. Ensor, having landed in Nagasaki in 1893. Nagasaki is the only city with a foreign community. It has an English Church, to which the resident missionary acts as chaplain. In Kagoshima, Kumamoto, Fukuoka, and Oita, there are also resident foreign missionaries, and three of these have extensive itinerating districts. In spite of the fact that 62 were baptised during the year the number of Christians is actually smaller this year than last, being 675 instead of 700; at the same time, the attendance at Sunday services and the number of communicants show a decided improvement.

It is matter for great regret that there has been no increase of the staff of foreign clergy, causing real and frequent difficulties. We have now 5 English Clergy, 9 single Ladies, 2 Japanese Deacons, 19 Japanese catechists, and 6 Bible-women.

Needs.—Three Missionary Clergy, one to take charge of Kagoshima (60,000 population) and district, including Loo Choo; one for the Saga district; and one for the East Coast, where there is an offer of the English teaching in an important private school, which has already yielded some converts; also four Missionary ladies to occupy two of these centres.

HENRY EVINGTON, *Bishop*.

Bishop's Lodge, Nagasaki: July 1896.

Commissaries.—Rev. T. J. Chavasso, M.A., Wickliff Lodge, Oxford; Rev. E. A. Barnes-Lawrence, M.A., 6 Church Terrace, Lee, S.E.

JERUSALEM AND THE EAST.



General Description.—The Bishop's charge extends over the congregations and interests of the Anglican Church in Egypt and the regions about the Red Sea, in Palestine and Syria, in Asia Minor (except portions attaching to Gibraltar), and in the island of Cyprus.

Church Work.—The Clergy are 54 in number, all holding the Bishop's licence. Of these 36 are in Palestine and Syria; 18 in Egypt; 2 in Cyprus; 1 in Asia Minor. There are also 2 Lay Readers. There are 6 Missionary Clergy of the London Jews Society, and 24 of the C.M.S., and 5 are Chaplains to the Forces. There are 4 churches all consecrated, and 3 licensed chapels in Egypt; 5 churches only in Palestine, of which Christ Church alone, of the L.J.S., is consecrated. There are 4 C.M.S. churches neither consecrated nor licensed. The Bishop's three chapels at Jerusalem, Haifa, and Beyrout, and the two chapels of the London Jews Society in Palestine, are licensed.

Education.—The numerous English and American schools in the East have roused vast interest in education. Roughly speaking, there are about 1,700 boys and 300 girls under education. In many places Government has opened schools, the attendance of Mohammedan children is required in them. It is to be regretted that the Eastern Churches do not more generally educate their own children, a good deal has been done by them lately in this direction, and perhaps assistance would enable them to undertake this, at first a difficult matter. In the island of Cyprus the Greek Church is generally in charge of education, under English inspection, with considerable success and promise both in towns and villages. They want a training school for teachers. In Egypt the Bishop's Mission Jews at Cairo has about 200 children under instruction in 2 schools. The C.M.S. Mission to Mohammedans has about 200 children under education.

Openings.—The prospects attaching to Jewish work are most remarkable and encouraging. A large increase in the number of Jews resident in Palestine (they are more than three times as many as returned after the Captivity), and an unprecedented attention to the teaching of Christianity, would justify any activity that the Church might now display in place of her past neglect. There are also great numbers of Jews at Cairo and Alexandria in Egypt. The friendly attitude of the Eastern Churches towards the Anglican Church offers features of special interest and promise; and openings for sisterly aid and counsel present themselves; they suggest subjects for encouragement and prayer; and not only for that, but also for outlay and effort. We spend almost nothing in this behalf, but we could be very helpful in aiding any such action were we more inclined to action, and less to sentiment, on this important subject.

Needs.—This heading opens into large fields. Every station of the London Jews Society's work needs strengthening; and new stations ought to be immediately and vigorously entered on. In most stations of the C.M.S. aid is wanted for the necessities of Divine worship, for school improvement, or for buildings; primarily for churches. Apart from the requirements of missionary enterprise attaching to these Societies, the Bishop estimates that at least 5000*l.* a year is wanted for missionary work pressing upon his personal care. Four new chaplaincies (in addition to five already in action) are now required for European congregations in Egypt and Cyprus. The primary importance of Medical Missions is very generally evident.

The Bishop has opened a fund, called the *Jerusalem and the East Mission Fund*, for these objects. At Jerusalem, now very widely extended outside the walls, additional church accommodation is already necessary, with every prospect of the pressure greatly increasing. It appears that it is not likely that this can be arranged in connection with existing buildings. The Bishop's private Chapel meets this need temporarily, and strenuous efforts are being made to complete the College buildings, towards which the Colonial Bishops' Fund has given 1000*l.*, and S.P.C.K. has promised 500*l.* All other Churches are recognising and meeting a similar pressure, but any arrangement (including additional Clergymen) must be one of liberal expenditure.

A summary of work, *Special Missions*.

G. F. POPHAM BLYTH, *Bishop in Jerusalem and the East.*

November 1896.

Commissaries.—Rev. Canon Searth, Bursted Vicarage, Maidstone; Rev. W. Miller, Dembleby Rectory, Folkingham.

PROVINCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Metropolitan.—The Most Rev. WILLIAM WEST JONES, D.D., BISHOP OF CAPE TOWN.

DIOCESE OF CAPE TOWN.

General Description.—This Diocese embraces the western portion of the colony of the Cape of Good Hope, and covers an area of about the same magnitude as Great Britain. It is the Metropolitan See of the Province of South Africa, and was founded in 1847, being then the only Diocese in South Africa, and embracing the whole of the present Province. The population was, by last census (1891), 403,453, of whom 51,118 are Church people. The work may be classed under two heads—that among European residents or sojourners, and that among the natives of the country, Hottentots, Kaffirs, Damara, Basutos, Mantatees, and above all mixed races, who are scattered over every part of the Diocese. There are still over 31,000 heathen in this Diocese, as well as about 12,000 Mohammedans, mostly Malays, descendants of slaves brought from Batavia more than a century ago, who form a most important and influential element in the population. The white population is in the main essentially Dutch, and the land is almost entirely owned by members of the Dutch Reformed Church.

Church Work.—There are 53 churches and 65 school chapels; and 107 Church schools and 38 parsonages. The Clergy number 75, and there is a large staff of catechists. The average number confirmed of late years up to 1894 has been about 1000, but in 1895, 2,082 were confirmed. The communicants of the Diocese amount to 10,522. The average attendance at Sunday school is 5,382. Churches have been consecrated at Constantia and Prince Albert.

Education.—The Diocesan College at Rondebosch was founded by Bishop Gray, in 1849, for the purpose of providing higher education on Church principles. The Rev. R. Brooke is Principal. The average number of students for the last few years has been 100. To this is attached a Diocesan College School at Claremont, which prepares younger boys for the College. Of these there are nearly 100. A Kaffir College was also founded by Bishop Gray, in 1851, at Zonnebloem, for the general education and industrial training of the natives, of whom there are at present 40 in the College. This College also serves the purpose of a middle-class school for boys, and a training school for teachers of the Mission Schools. In Capetown there is a Cathedral Choir School for boys, a High School and Middle Class School for girls, besides a School of Industry and the Parochial Mission Schools. New buildings, at a cost of 6000*l.*, have been erected for St. Cyprian's School, and about 4000*l.* is being spent on the enlargement of the Diocesan College and the College School. Well-built and well-arranged Mission Schools have also been erected for St. Barnabas, Capetown, and for Prince Albert. There are also All Saints' Home for Sisters, and St. Michael's Home for about 140 destitute children, under the charge of the Sisters of All Saints', and the St. George's Orphanage under the direction of Miss Battye. There are other schools also of various kinds in connection with the Church. The House of Mercy on a site near Capetown, on the slope of Table Mountain, is in working order, and is full. This building, together with the site, cost nearly 8000*l.*

Finance.—The amount raised within the Diocese for all Church purposes in the year 1894-5 was 22,472*l.* Funds, however, are urgently needed, as the S.P.G. has been obliged to reduce its annual grant by no less than 11,000*l.* during the last eleven years, and there are calls on all sides for grants to carry on new work. A movement was set on foot in 1890 to obtain systematic help from members of the Church to aid the Clergy in the poorer and more remote parishes. In connection with this a meeting, at which his Excellency the Governor presided, was held in May 1890, which issued in the formation of the Women's Diocesan Association. The members of this Association continue to do excellent work. A further special effort is now (1896) being made to obtain further assistance from the laity of the Diocese in the form of endowment, and of annual subscriptions towards this object.

unds—1. To pay the balance of the debt unavoidably incurred in the 1 Saints' Home. 2. To support one or more travelling Priests to visit and the scattered population along the railway line. 3. To support st for dock and sailors' work. 4. To extinguish the debt (2,500*l.*) on the

W. W. CAPETOWN.

—Western Division of Cape Colony. Area, 100,000 square miles.

ies.—Rev. J. P. F. Davidson, St. Matthias' Vicarage, Earl's Court, S. W.; erly, Christ Church, Oxford.

DIOCESE OF BLOEMFONTEIN.

General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1863, and consists of the Orange Free State, Basutoland, Griqualand West, and British Bechuanaland. Population: Orange Free State, 207,000; Basutoland, 220,000; Griqualand West, 70,000; British Bechuanaland, about 60,000.

Church Work.—The Diocese is divided into 2 Archdeaconries and 6 Rural Deaneries, containing 15 parishes, 12 chapelries, and 18 mission stations. There are 43 Clergy (40 Priests and 3 Deacons), and 5,527 communicants. During the past year 1188 infants and 419 adults have been baptised, and 824 persons confirmed; 656 catechumens are being prepared for baptism.

ing are the Diocesan Institutions:

Sisterhood of St. Augustine, Modderpoort (Superior, Rev. H. C. Sander-Mission and parochial work among natives, half-castes, and Europeans.

of St. Michael and All Angels, Bloemfontein (Warden, Ven. Archdeacon orks: High Schools for Girls at Bloemfontein and Harrismith, Industrial oemfontein, nursing in the Bloemfontein Cottage Hospital, parochial loemfontein under the Cathedral Clergy, Nurse's Home at Kimberley, Refuge for the Fallen.

er's College Bloemfontein (Diocesan High School for Boys) (Principal, rford).—There is also at Kimberley a Church High School for Girls, ic St. Michael's Sisterhood (Lady Principal, Miss Woods), and also one ipal, C. Kewley, M.A. Camb.).

Diocesan College for training native schoolmasters and mission agents s, Thlotse Heights, Basutoland.

—There are 30 day schools in different parts of the Diocese, and 21 ls.

The amount raised locally was about 6000*l.*

JOH. BLOEMFONTEIN.

n, Oct. 17, 1896.

—Orange Free State, Basutoland, Griqualand West, British Bechuanaland.

y.—Rev. V. S. S. Coles, Pusey House, Oxford.

DIOCESE OF GRAHAMSTOWN.

General Description.—In the year 1853, when nearly the whole of the present Province of South Africa, with its eight Dioceses, formed the original Diocese of Capetown, Bishop Gray promoted the formation of this Diocese, and Dr. Armstrong was consecrated first Bishop. The present Bishop, Dr. Webb (the fourth in succession), was consecrated Bishop of Bloemfontein in 1870, and translated to Grahamstown in 1883.

The Diocese consists of the Eastern Province of Cape Colony, and contains an area of 75,000 square miles, with a population of over half a million. There are about 90 Clergy.

The work of the Diocese is of a twofold character. In the Native Reserves the clergy devote themselves almost exclusively to the the heathen and the building up of a Native church. These Missionaries

are chiefly maintained by a liberal grant from S.P.G., aided by the Diocesan Native Ministry Fund, to which both Native and English congregations contribute. In the European centres, the parish priests have the care of English congregations as their primary duty while in almost all parishes there are Mission Chapels for the Natives of the location. In the Colonial districts, the Church has not only to minister to her members in the large towns and villages, where the congregations for the most part maintain by their own efforts their Clergy and the Church work, but she has also to supply the means of grace to the poorer and smaller communities, and to the isolated farmers and their families, scattered throughout the country. To keep up work in such districts, and to prevent our own fellow-countrymen lapsing into practical paganism, it is absolutely necessary to provide an adequate Sustainment Fund, that help may be given where the parishioners are too poor to provide for the entire support of their clergyman. Several parishes are unable to give their assessed contributions through heavy losses arising from bad seasons, locusts, and drought.

At the present time we have only a capital sum of 10,000*l.*, yielding an income of about 500*l.* yearly; this is all that the Diocesan Board of Finance has at its disposal for Colonial work, as S.P.G. is unable to give any grants except for purely Native work. We are now making an effort to raise an additional 5000*l.* to invest as capital. The S.P.C.K. has promised a grant of 500*l.* when we can meet it with 4,500*l.*

Educational work, both for Europeans and Natives, is becoming more and more a prominent feature of the Diocese; the opportunities for extending it are almost limitless, if we had the means for taking advantage of them. Just now a crisis has been reached, which has rendered it imperative to establish on a firm basis the Industrial Training Institutions for (1) Native boys; (2) Native girls. Our chief Missionary effort must, therefore, be concentrated on making the Normal Schools at St. Matthew's, Keiskama Hock, strong centres for training Christian pupil teachers for the numerous Native Mission Schools throughout the Diocese. The Cape Government will give grants in aid of such Mission Schools, if properly qualified teachers are provided. The charge of the girls' department at Keiskama Hock has been undertaken by the Sisterhood at Grahamstown.

ALLAN B. GRAHAMSTOWN.

October 1896.

Territory.—Eastern division of Cape Colony.

Commissaries.—Rev. J. Wilson, D.D., Warden of Keble Coll., Oxford; Rev. Canon Morris, Vicar of St. Gabriel's, Warwick Square, London.

DIocese OF NATAL.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1854, and comprises the colony of Natal; it is bounded on the north by Zululand and the Transvaal, on the south by Pondoland and East Griqualand, on the east by the Indian Ocean, and on the west by Basutoland and the Orange Free State. It has an area of 20,851 square miles, with a population, according to the last blue-books, of 45,707 Europeans, 50,000 Indians, and 503,208 natives.

Church Work.—The members of the Church number about 14,650, of whom 3,734 are communicants. The parishes are 19, but there are altogether 50 centres (including 13 mission stations) where service is held. The number of Clergy is 43.

In addition to the above, there is a Sisterhood with an Orphanage, Mercy House, and Boarding School. There is a Diocesan College for Girls with 50 scholars (St. Anne's), St. Margaret's Home for Kaffir Girls (15 boarders), and St. Agnes' Home for Native Servant Girls.

A. H. NATAL.

Pietermaritzburg: Oct. 1, 1896.

Territory.—Colony of Natal.

Commissaries.—The Rev. Luke Paget, Vicar of St. Pancras; the Rev. J. H. J. Ellison, Vicar of Windsor.

DIOCESE OF PRETORIA.

General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1877. It consists of so much of the Transvaal as lies west of the Drakensberg Mountains, the area of which is 106,357 square miles, and the population, of European nationality or descent, about 150,000, while the natives can scarcely be less than 1,000,000. The chequered history of the land has affected the course of the Church. The climate is splendid, the land fertile, the mineral wealth varied and enormous. Railways are extending. The steady output of gold is a guarantee of solid prosperity. The ruling race is the Dutch Boer, and the injustice shown by it to the English and other immigrants hindrance to national prosperity. The natives, largely outnumbering all very hopeful people.

Work.—Amidst all these changes the Church has steadily gone on her work lying chiefly among the many English-speaking people, in whose trade, mining, and commerce of the land almost entirely. The number members may be estimated at 18,000; the communicants at about 4,000. Now 29 Clergy—25 Priests and 4 Deacons. The churches are 19, and school chapels, besides 9 mission chapels and 23 other places in which held. The baptisms for 1895 were 5,000; the confirmations 495. There are 18 day schools and 28 Sunday schools, and the scholars is estimated at 1,750. The whole character of the Diocese has enough the growth and extent of the mining operations. One continuous line extends for fifty miles. Isolated mines abound in other parts. The population of these districts is reckoned by thousands, the native by tens of thousands. These districts make a vast mission field which men and money are amply.

Needs.—1. An endowment for the Bishopric. The capital fund is now which yields an income of 312*l.* per annum. 2. Aid for Church work among the mining districts of the Diocese. Support is liberal from the mining where good work is being done. But there is an element of uncertainty in the operations. Aid is therefore much needed to tide over periods of change, the work going at the first. 3. In many parishes good work is being done among the natives of the land. The time is come for systematic and extensive Mission to the natives at the mines, but its entire support is too heavy a burden for the Church. Aid from home is therefore much needed. 4. Young unmarried men of three years' standing and experience, would find in the Diocese noble work. Men having any tendency to lung disorder may here labour with and regain lost strength.

H. B. PRETOR.

Pretoria: October 1896.

—The Transvaal State west of the Drakensberg. Area, 106,357 square

DIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S, KAFFRARIA.

General Description.—Founded in 1873. Missions had been begun from the Dioceses of Grahamstown and Maritzburg. It comprises the territories of the Transkei, Tembuland, Griqualand East, and Pondoland. The last-named has been now annexed (in 1894).

Population: Natives (Bantu), about 600,000; Europeans, about 15,000; Hottentots, and Griquas, about 5,000. There is but little immigration from home.

The natives are all farmers—agricultural and stock breeding—are acute reasoners, law-abiding, and thrifty. The Christian natives are distinctly more progressive than the heathen, on the side of law and order, and desirous of education.

Church Work.—Church members, 12,517 (10,067 native); baptisms, 2,399 (native, 2,692); baptised in 1894, 875 infants and 270 adults;

confirmed in 1894, 357. Money raised in 1895 for Church purposes, 2,804*l.* Number of chief-stations 17, out-stations 141. New mission work is being begun in Pondoland, Eastern and Western. Clergy: English 19; Native 14. Catechists, &c., 200 (all natives).

Education.—Mission schools for natives: Number of scholars 4,164. The college at Umtata has 61 boarders (native boys). The Theological College (a department of it) has 6 students, supported by the S.P.C.K. There are European girls' schools (Church) at Umtata and Cala. Government grants for education for 1893, 2,402*l.* 1*s.* The Diocese is supported by the S.P.G. and the Scottish Episcopal Church. The S.P.G. have lately increased the annual grant by 700*l.*

An endowment of the See of 10,000*l.* has lately been completed by the Scottish Church.

Needs.—A sisterhood for educational work throughout the Diocese for girls, European and native.

BRANBY ST. JOHN'S.

Umtata: August 30, 1896.

Commissary.—Rev. C. Gamlen, Peasedown, St. John's, near Bath.

DIOCESE OF MASHONALAND.



General Description.—This Mission was founded definitely in 1891, work having been commenced from the Diocese of Bloemfontein three years previously. It comprises the country between the Zambesi, eastward of the Victoria Falls, and a line which may be drawn on the south, taking in Khama's Town, Palapswe, and extending along the Limpopo River till its junction with the Nuanetze, thence running to the nearest point on the Sabi river, and thence along this river to the sea. Mission work has been begun in what is known as Mashonaland (though the terms Mashona, and Makalaka, or Makaranga, are only names of contempt given to the people by the Matabele; and there is no name that denotes the whole population or country). Each tribe has its

own name and often its own diversity of dialect. Their origin is unknown. For some time they were under the Barotse people, who are interesting as apparent instances, in common with the Mashona, of retrogression, and who tell how their ancestors built the Zimbaye (Zimbabye) ruins near Fort Victoria, and there is apparently no reason to doubt the fact. These were cut into two parts by the Matabele, who have used Mashonaland as a raiding ground till the coming of the British South Africa Company: one part went north of the Zambesi, the other still live among the Mashona. In the higher plateau of Mashonaland the Barotse chiefs nominate the successor to each 'Mashona' chief. The Barotse language is much the same as that of the Basuto, while the Mashona language has a much closer resemblance to the Yao language on the north of the Zambesi. There are a very few words of the Mashona in common with the Matabele or Zulu language. The Mashona have been much demoralised by the constant raiding of the Matabele, but it has not destroyed their skill either as workers in metal or as agriculturists. Probably from the state of uncertainty as to life and property in which they have lived, they never produce more than present necessities; but where the cattle have not been raided by the neighbours on the east or west they have some large herds. They have a distinct belief in a Supreme Being, but it does not influence their lives to any extent. They are small and almost emaciated in appearance, though this is probably accounted for by their having been half-starved, for those caught in childhood by the Matabele and allowed to come back afterwards seem to have become almost twice as large as their relations. They live in isolated villages on rocks for defensive purposes, but seem to be now beginning to live on the plains. They grow maize and many other kinds of cereals, besides vegetables and tobacco. Brutal and demoralising customs exist. It would be almost impossible to compute the population of the country. The European population may now number about 4,000.

Church Work (European).—The responsibilities of the Diocese have been greatly eased by the rapid development of Matabeleland since the termination of the war. At the beginning of 1895 the clerical staff consisted of but one Priest and one Deacon; now, exclusive of the Bishop, there are six Priests and one Deacon at work in the country.

Fort Salisbury is now the head-quarters of the Mission, and here there is a church parsonage, and shortly a house will be built for the Bishop.

During the year a brick church has been built at Umtali to replace a temporary one which had fallen down, and at Buluwayo part of a church has been erected, which will, however, soon have to be extended, in order to meet the growing demands for accommodation. At both places there is a Priest in charge. A Priest has also begun work at Gwelo, the centre of a large mining district in Matabeleland. At Victoria the population has very greatly decreased, but work is still carried on there by a layman. A few small day schools are maintained—one at Salisbury, and one at Umtali. It is expected that another will be opened shortly at Buluwayo. There is a hospital at Umtali, from which nurses are provided for a small hospital at Massi Kessi.

Church Work (Native).—There are five districts in which native work is being carried on. This could be extended indefinitely, but for the difficulty of procuring able workers and funds to maintain them.

Staff.—There are eighteen now attached to the Diocese—viz. the Bishop, six Priests (including one native Priest), one Deacon, one Lay Reader, one School-master, Nurses, and three native Readers.

Needs.—Our most pressing needs are: two resident Priests—one for Victoria, the other for Beira; two itinerant Priests for the S.E. and S.W. portions of the Diocese respectively; and at least ten native Teachers. The very high price of all necessaries makes the cost of these to be: for resident Priests, 150*l.* a year; for itinerant Priests, 200*l.* a year; for native Teachers, from 30*l.* to 60*l.* a year. There is also a great need for women's work both for nursing and education.

WILL. MASHONALAND.

Salisbury: October 1895.

Commissary.—Rev. Raymond P. Polly, The Rectory, Malvern.

DIOCESE OF LEBOMBO.



General Description.—This Diocese was taken out of the Diocese of Zululand and the tribes towards the Zambesi River. It embraces the country lying between the Lebombo Mountains and the Indian Ocean, extending from the Sabi River on the north to the border of Amatongaland on the south. The population consists mainly of various Bantu tribes. There are also a certain number of Portuguese, Banyans and other Indians, Arabs, and half-castes at various places near the coast. At Lourenço Marquez, the terminus of the railway from Pretoria to Delagoa Bay, there is a very mixed population, almost all European nations being represented.

The native population is very large in some districts, others being very sparsely inhabited. It is especially dense in the region between Inhambane and the Limpopo. The number of houses can be roughly estimated by the returns of the hut-tax. Estimated in this way, the houses in the district of Inhambane in 1894 were 130,000, which give a population of 520,000 for that district.

The first Bishop was consecrated on November 5, 1893, at which time there were no missionaries in the district except the Portuguese Priest at Lourenço Marquez, Inhambane, and Chiluané. The American Board (Congregationalist) had had some Mission stations at Inhambane, but they were abandoned. The Free Methodists (American) had one Mission station in the district, and one Minister represented the Episcopal Methodists. The Wesleyan Evangelical Church was doing work in the southern part of the Diocese, working at four centres. The Portuguese (Roman Catholic) Church had just opened one

Mission among the Batonga, otherwise the Clergy of that Church confined their attention to the Portuguese residents and half-castes.

Our Work.—As yet (July 1895) we have only occupied three places. A Priest is working among the English at Lourenço Marquez. He has at present only a hired house, one room of which has been fitted up as a chapel. A Priest and lay worker are settled among the Batonga and are learning the language. Three lay workers have been repairing an old Mission-station in the mountains of the Transvaal, which will be used as a health resort for Missionaries working near the coast. They have also been ministering to the people in the neighbourhood. It is hoped shortly to open a Mission amongst the Chopi, and to begin work among the Indians near Inhambane.

Finance.—There is an endowment for the Bishopric (about 430*l.* per annum), otherwise the Diocese is entirely dependent on a grant of 1000*l.* per annum for five years from S.P.G., and such sums as may be raised locally or from friends elsewhere. In time the health resort ought to be nearly self-supporting, as there is land, and we ought to grow our own food, and the congregation at Lourenço Marquez ought to support their Clergy, otherwise there is no prospect of raising money in the Diocese for many years to come.

Needs.—The Diocese, being quite in its infancy, needs almost everything. We have no churches and no schools. One or two Priests with a talent for languages would be especially useful, as several of the dialects in use have never been reduced to writing. Prayer-books, Catechisms, &c., are also needed in those languages which have been written. The Bishop can, as a rule, only offer food and a sufficient sum of money for clothes and other personal expenses to any worker.

W. S. LEBOMBO.

Delagoa Bay : July 26, 1895.

Territory.—The country bounded by the Indian Ocean on the east, the border of Amatongaland on the south, the Lebombo Mountains on the west, and the Sabi River on the north.

Commissaries.—Rev. E. Sturges, Wokingham ; Rev. B. Dully, St. Peter's, London Docks ; Rev. E. G. Wood, St. Clement's, Cambridge.

DIocese OF ST. HELENA.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded by letters patent (St. Helena being a Crown colony) in 1859, and comprises the islands of St. Helena (distant from Africa 1,200 miles, and from Brazil 1,800 miles), Ascension, and Tristan d'Aenna, with a population of about 5,300. The natives of St. Helena, with the exception of a few English families, have sprung from the intermixture of natives of India, Chinese, Malays, and Africans, in the days of slavery, with English settlers, soldiers, sailors, and other Europeans. The people of Tristan d'Aenna are of mixed English and African blood. Ascension has no native population, but is inhabited by officers and men of the Royal Navy and Marines, with their families, and by Kroomen, who serve on board our ships of war for a limited time, and then return to their own country on the African coast.

Church Work.—There are 3,820 Church members. There are 6 consecrated churches, with 2 mission stations. But at present there are only 4 Clergy in the Diocese. In 1894 there were 113 baptisms, 38 persons confirmed, and 330 communicants. In St. Helena there are 3 Government schools, 2 founded by the St. Helena Benevolent Society, and 3 supported by the Hussey Charity Fund for the education of Africans ; in these last five religious instruction is given according to the doctrine of the Church of England. There

are 5 Sunday schools in St. Helena, 1 at Ascension, and in Tristan d'Acunha there are day and Sunday schools. There are 400 children under the teaching of the Church in day schools, and 352 in Sunday schools. The voluntary contributions in 1894 amounted to 336*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*, which was devoted entirely to the support of Clergy, Church expenses, and repairs.

Needs.—Our greatest need is a Diocesan Fund to meet local contributions in the case of each Clergyman who is insufficiently supported. We are quite unable to raise such a fund, all that we can collect being immediately expended in meeting pressing demands.

T. E. ST. HELENA.

'Red Hill,' St. Helena: October 7, 1895.

Territory.—Islands of St. Helena, Ascension, and Tristan d'Acunha. Area, 84 square miles.

Commissary.—Rev. W. H. E. Welby, St. George's Lodge, Ry.le, Isle of Wight.

DIOCESE OF ZULULAND.



General Description.—This is a missionary Bishopric, and was founded in 1870 as a memorial to the late Bishop Mackenzie, of Central Africa. It embraces Zululand, Tongaland, Swaziland, Vryheid, Utrecht, Piet Retief, and so much of the districts of Wakkerstroom and Ermelo as lie to the east of the watershed of the Drakensberg range. The population of the first three countries consists almost entirely of natives. The other parts of the Diocese are in the Transvaal, and are inhabited mainly by Dutch Boers, with one or two small townships. It is almost impossible to estimate accurately the population, on account of the habits of the natives—who live in small kraals scattered over the country, often containing only six to ten huts—but it may be put roundly

at 180,000. The area of the Diocese is about 300 miles by 100.

The work hitherto has been confined very largely to Zululand, in which country there are ten mission centres. In connection with most of these there are several out-stations. There is only one small township in Zululand, Eshowe, the seat of Government, where there is now a resident Priest, who ministers to the inhabitants and to the English soldiers quartered there. With this exception, the country is reserved for the natives.

In Tongaland no missionary work as yet has been done, and in Swaziland there is only one mission centre. In the latter country there is one small township, Bremersdorp, the seat of Government. The Priest at the mission station at the Usatu has commenced to hold services there regularly. There are, besides, a considerable number of Europeans, mainly Englishmen, employed in the gold mines, whose spiritual wants are as yet very inadequately provided for. In the Transvaal portion of the Diocese, there is one mission station, and an English Priest in the small township at Vryheid.

In all there are twenty-three Clergy, four of whom are native Deacons, and about thirty other workers.

A small Clergy School has been established at Isandhlwana, and there are now eight boys and young men being trained, in the hope that eventually some of them may have a vocation for Holy Orders.

Finance.—The Diocese is almost entirely dependent upon external aid, although it is hoped that by degrees more support may be obtained in the Diocese itself, but there cannot be very much expected in this way for some years to come. The S.P.G. pays the stipend of three of the Clergy, and gives an annual grant of 500*l.* Private effort raises about 1,700*l.* a year, chiefly through the Bishop's Council in England, of whom the Bishop of Shrewsbury is chairman; and the 'Net' and its editor.

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Needs.—(1) Men and women of all kinds. There is special need at the present time of some mechanics who will come and teach trades, &c. ; and of some Sisters, who will undertake work in the Diocese. There are openings for work on all sides, but the Bishop cannot offer more than 'food and raiment' to any worker. (2) *Funds*: The income of the Mission, which is about 1,700*l.* a year, is not sufficient to support the present staff of workers.

WILLIAM, *Missionary Bishop of Zululand.*

Isandhlwana, *eid Rorke's Drift*, Zululand : November 27, 1896.

Territory.—Zululand, Tongaland, Swaziland, Vryheid, Utrecht, Piet Retief, and so much of the districts of Wakkerstroom and Ermelo as lie to the east of the watershed of the Drakensburg range.

Commissaries.—Rev. the Hon. C. G. Lawley, St. Andrew's Vicarage, Bethnal Green, E.; Rev. S. A. Donaldson, Eton Mission, Hackney.

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DIOCESE OF ZANZIBAR AND EAST AFRICA.



THIS Mission to East Central Africa was proposed by David Livingstone in 1857, and undertaken in 1859. Charles Frederick Mackenzie, Archdeacon of Natal, was appointed head of the Mission, and with two Clergy and three laymen sailed for Capetown, where he was consecrated *first* Bishop of the Mission on January 1, 1861.

General Description.—Bishop Mackenzie settled at Magomero, near the River Shiré in Nyasaland. In 1862 he died. He was succeeded by Bishop Tozer, who removed the head-quarters of the Mission to Zanzibar, the capital of East Central Africa. In 1873 Bishop Tozer resigned, and was succeeded in 1874 by Bishop Steere, under whose guidance the Mission rapidly re-established itself on the mainland. Bishop Steere died in 1882, and Bishop Smythies was consecrated his successor in 1883. The Diocese at that time included: Zanzibar with three stations, the Usambara country with five stations, the Rovuma country with three stations, the Nyasaland district with eight stations. In 1892 Bishop Smythies appealed for a division of the Diocese, and in the same year Bishop Hornby was consecrated Bishop of Nyasaland. Bishop Smythies died on May 7, 1894, and was buried at sea. He was succeeded by Bishop Richardson, who was consecrated on St. Peter's Day, 1895.

Church Work.—Bishop Smythies assumed the title of Bishop of Zanzibar and Missionary Bishop of East Africa. In his Diocese he retained Zanzibar, the Usambara country, and the Rovuma country. It is impossible to correctly estimate the population. In Zanzibar alone are 150,000 people. In the Diocese are 16 stations and sub-stations, eight stone churches, six wood. One hospital on the mainland, one in Zanzibar, with beds for 35 natives and 9 Europeans, built at a cost of 2000*l.*, with a staff of four nurses. Thirty schools with a total of 1,500 scholars, 10 European, 73 native teachers. St. Andrew's Theological College at Kiungani, for the training of boys, both released slaves and from up-country schools, in the hope that some may eventually be found to have a vocation for Holy Orders. Clergy: 17 European, 8 native; 18 laymen; 25 ladies. Income of Mission, 1895, 24,621*l.* Expenditure, 22,754*l.*

Needs.—Extension of the work in the town of Zanzibar. A new house for the Bishop and Missionaries, to replace one recently condemned and demolished.

Territory.—Zanzibar and countries in lat. 5°–11°, long. 38°–40°.

Commissary.—Rev. D. Travers, 14 Delahay Street, S.W., till April, 1897; after that date, 9 Dartmouth Street, Westminster.

DIOCESE OF LIKOMA.



estimated at 850,000.

On St. Peter's Day, 1895, the Ven. Chauncy Maples, who had been Archdeacon of Nyasa, was consecrated Bishop of Likoma, but was drowned in the Lake on September 12, 1895, while on his way to resume his work at Likoma. He has been succeeded by the Rev. J. E. Hine, M.D., who has been a member of the Mission for nine years, and was consecrated on St. Peter's Day, 1896. The Diocese embraces that portion of Central Africa surrounding and contiguous to Lake Nyasa, both in British, German, and Portuguese Territory, known as Nyasaland. The population of the British territory alone is estimated at 850,000.

Church Work.—The central station is on the island of Likoma, in the centre of the Lake. There are 17 stations, 5 churches, 24 schools, 598 scholars, 28 native teachers, 8 European and 1 African Clergy, 4 ladies, 6 laymen, 1 medical man.

Needs.—The extension of the work in various directions where openings have been made by Mr. Johnson in the Mission steamer, as well as among the Magwangwara tribe to the north of the lake. The building of a stone church on Likoma Island. Increase of the medical work.

Funds.—The establishment of the Nyasaland Bishopric is an extension of the work of the Universities Mission, and the division of episcopal jurisdiction does not imply in any sense a division of the Mission. It is but the natural expansion of its one work. The income for this portion of the work is from the funds of the Mission, and allotted by arrangement made between its two Bishops.

DIOCESE OF EASTERN EQUATORIAL AFRICA.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1884. It consists of the two C.M.S. districts, formerly known as the East African and the Victoria Nyanza Missions, though its extent may be spoken of as almost boundless. The East African Mission was commenced by Dr. Krappf, under the auspices of the C.M.S., in 1844; and in 1875 took a new phase through the foundation of a freed slave colony by the Rev. W. S. Price, at Frere Town, on the mainland, near the island of Mombasa. The Nyanza or Central African Mission was commenced by the Rev. C. T. Wilson, Lieut. Shergold Smith, R.N., and others, in Usagara, Ugogo, Unyamwezi, and Buganda, the last being the country of the well-known late King Mtesa, where wonderful progress in the education and conversion

of the people has been made. The characteristics of the people, while they have many points in common, yet vary very greatly, and some of the races seem much more receptive of Divine truth and education than others do. No such thing as idolatry is known amongst them, but witchcraft in its most diabolical forms is greatly practised. Amongst most of the tribes there is a belief in a superior Being and a life beyond the grave. The general apathy of all to religion constitutes one of the chief difficulties of the work.

Church Work.—The stations number 15, including Mombasa, Frere Town, Jilore, Chagga, Mamboia, Mpwapwa, Kisokwe, Nassa, and several in Buganda. The Clergy number 34, of whom 8 are natives; the lay agents (European), 21; single ladies, 22; native lay agents (male and female), 332. There are 6,174 native Christian adherents, of whom 1,046 are communicants.

A. ROBERT TUCKER, *Bishop.*

Territory.—Victoria Nyanza and East African C.M.S. Mission stations and districts.

Commissary.—The Rev. H. E. Fox, Church Mission House, Salisbury Square, E.C.

DIOCESE OF MADAGASCAR.



Church Work.—The staff of this Diocese consists at this time of the Bishop, 8 English Priests, 13 native Deacons, and 136 lay readers set apart by the Bishop. A screen of ironwork, wrought by native workmen, has been erected in the Cathedral in memory of the Precentor, Rev. A. M. Hewlett, whose loss is severely felt. The congregation of St. James, Tamatave, have also erected a chancel screen to his memory. The church of All Saints, built from the designs of Mr. Sedding, which was destroyed by a tornado, has been rebuilt. This is, like all Missions, beset with difficulties. The Church, as is commonly the case, was the last in the field, and we are working at great disadvantage in the presence of Jesuits, Lutherans, Congregationalists, and 'Friends,'

all of whom are thoroughly equipped for their work, which is unhappily not the case with the Anglican Mission. A promising Mission has been opened from the east coast among a forest tribe (the Vorimo); and of the opening of which we hope to take advantage among a tribe of heathen Sakulara (the Betsiriry) in the west. For this latter work 2000*l.*, to be spread over five years, has been granted by the S.P.G., with a further grant of 200*l.* for starting the work.

The Vorimo tribe have been thoroughly traversed, and I have to report five new churches among them, but I regard even this increase as only the beginning of the work. In such a Mission as ours it is hardly possible to give such statistics as are required by the YEAR-BOOK; ours is in no sense colonial work. It is purely mission work, carried on over a large extent of country. The districts are remote from one another and from the centre. The means of communication are very bad. This intensifies the difficulty of tabulating statistics. I can only hope that as we get into better form there may be an improvement in this respect; but the difficulties are very great.

ROBERT KESTELL, *Madagascar.*

Winchester: August 22, 1895.

Territory.—Madagascar.

Commissary.—Rev. J. J. H. du Boulay, Southgate Hill, Winchester.

DIOCESE OF MAURITIUS.



General Description.—This See was founded in 1854, and is co-extensive with the colony and its dependencies, which comprise 149 small islands, widely scattered over the Southern Indian Ocean, at distances varying from 300 to 1,200 miles from the colony. The most important group, the Seychelles, is nearly 1000 miles to the north, and some four degrees south of the Equator. The actual area of land is, however, only about 1,400 square miles, of which Mauritius itself occupies 714. The population amounts to some 400,000, of whom 378,000 are in the island of Mauritius. These are made up of English, French, Creoles¹, Malagaches, Africans, Arabs, Chinese, and British Indians; these last are by far the most numerous, number-

ing 260,000. The population of the Seychelles Archipelago is over 19,000, and of the other scattered islets about 3,500. The population of Mauritius has doubled during the last thirty years, and it is more closely distributed than that of Belgium.

Church Work.—The estimated number of Church members (entered very imperfectly in the last census) is from 9000 to 10,000, of whom more than 3000 are Indians and 3,300 belong to the dependencies. The communicants are estimated at upwards of 2000. There are over 70 congregations, and 23 churches and chapels, besides 20 school-chapels. For the regular Sunday services (upwards of 100 in number, and conducted in 7 different languages) the Church has, besides the Bishop, 24 Clergy in Mauritius and the Seychelles. Nine are on the Government Establishment. There are some 50 lay readers.

Education.—This work was begun by the Church in 1836, but since then many schools have been transferred to the Government Department, which gives full oppor-

¹ In Mauritius a 'Creole' is a person born on the island, of whatever extraction or colour.

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all Christian denominations to instruct their own youth in religion during ours. Besides these, the Church has 45 day and 14 Sunday schools, containing 90 scholars; among the former are many heathen. A Training College of a character was erected and opened in February 1886, with a view to the preparation of school-masters, catechists, and native pastors; there are seven students.

Income.—The Government contributes to the stipend of the Bishop, pays four wholly, and others partly. The Diocese is under great obligations to Home; the S.P.G. assists seven Clergy, the C.M.S. eight, C.C.C.S. two. The character and composition of the population, the larger number both of Europeans and natives being members of the Roman Communion, present peculiar difficulties in the way of forward missionary and other work, and should furnish strong pleas for the aid and increase of help from the mother Church.


W. MAURITIUS.

Year of publication: September 1896.

Diocese.—Mauritius, the Seychelles, and all the dependencies of the colony.

Clergy.—Ven. Archdeacon Long, Bishop Wearmouth; Rev. C. V. Child, Bishop of Cheltenham; Rev. Prebendary J. F. Kitto, St. Martin's-in-the-Fields.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN EQUATORIAL AFRICA.



General Description.—The Niger Mission was undertaken in 1857 by the C.M.S., who in 1864 placed it under the supervision of a native Bishop. The extent of the Diocese is quite undefined, as it comprises the Niger Delta, from Benin River to Bonny in the Bight of Biafra, and the country on both sides of the river as far inland as it is accessible, as well as the Yoruba country to the west, with the exception of the colony of Lagos, which is included in the Sierra Leone Diocese.

Church Work.—Between the mouths of the river in the Bight and Kipo Hill, 350 miles from the coast, 14 stations have been occupied, but some of these are vacant at present through deaths and want of suitable agents. In addition to these several kings and populous towns and cities in the interior, containing from 10,000 to 60,000 inhabitants, have applied for missions among their people.


Clergy.—The Diocese consists of Bishop Tugwell, two native Assistant Bishops, eight European and ten native Clergymen. There are about 5,000 native adherents, and 1,200

H. TUGWELL, *Bishop.*

Diocese.—Niger River and British sphere of influence (territory of the Niger Company and the Royal Niger Company), and the Yoruba country (except that part of Lagos which was a British possession when the See of Sierra Leone was established).

Clergy.—Rev. Prebendary Eardley-Wilmot, St. Jude's Vicarage, South Kensington; Rev. Robert Lang, Old Warden Vicarage, Biggleswade.

DIOCESE OF SIERRA LEONE.



THIS Diocese covers about 1,500 miles of the West Coast of Africa, including four Crown colonies—Gambia, Sierra Leone, Gold Coast, and Lagos—also West India Church Mission at Rio Pongo, and Colonial Chaplaincies on Gold Coast, also superintendence of Church of England congregations in Madeira, Canaries, Azores, and part of Morocco. The C.M.S. Missions date from the beginning of the century, the Bishopric from 1852. The Clergy and Church members in the 15 parishes of Sierra Leone were for the most part landed here as rescued slaves in the early part of this century, and the outward visible progress has been satisfactory. The first baptisms in Sierra Leone were in 1816. The Lagos Church was an expansion from Sierra Leone

70 years ago. Both these native Churches are self-supporting. In both colonies

are excellent C.M.S. grammar schools and high schools for girls, besides many elementary schools. In Sierra Leone there is a college affiliated to Durham. If we except C.M.S. work in the Yoruba country behind Lagos, we have made but feeble attempts to get into the interior. This is mainly owing to the fact that the replacing of European Missionaries by native Clergy in the colonies necessitated a considerable period of mutual adjustment before there could be a satisfactory forward movement. It will be some time before the native Clergy are quite as aggressive as the Missionary was, but that is partly owing to the fact that they are saddled with the responsibility of self-support, and they have many difficulties to contend against. There is a movement in the direction of a higher morality both as to drink and as to purity amongst us. Drunkenness is not a conspicuous vice among Africans; the truth is that we are being flooded with the drink against our will. There is a movement towards making all education partially industrial, and manual trades will now be generally taught. This year, 1894, witnesses an important development in our Medical Mission. A lady has anonymously given 300*l.* for extension. This will enable our English Sisters to be housed more privately and comfortably, and a ward for one or two private persons; many Europeans will be thankful for this.

I have also been able to develop my technical scheme by providing a principal or director for a Diocesan Technical School, now about to be erected. For this the noble S.P.C.K. have granted half the principal's salary, and 300*l.* towards the building. This important move will, it is hoped, lead to much more all-round development of African youth, thus putting them in the way of handling their country for God. I have been greatly aided in this endeavour by many kind contributions at sermons and meetings in England this year. The Secretary of State has granted 4,000*l.* for a church at Accra, the capital of the Gold Coast, and the Governor laid the foundation-stone in August. The present circumstances of the Diocese are such that statistics are not easy to give. The C.M.S. annual report contains the best that are at present available.

G. E. SIERRA LEONE.

Bromley : Nov. 8, 1894.

Territory.—Colonies of Gambia, Sierra Leone, and the Gold Coast and Lagos.

Commissaries.—Rev. Prebendary Mason, Christ Church, Birmingham; Ven. Archdeacon Hamilton, Deerbrook Road, Herne Hill, S.E.

DIOCESE OF GIBRALTAR.



General Description.—This Diocese was founded in 1842. It is of an exceptional nature, including British congregations on the coast of Morocco, in Spain, Portugal, and Greece, on the seaboard and islands of the Mediterranean (excepting Egypt, Cyprus, and Syria), in the Adriatic and Greek Archipelago, at Constantinople, in Roumania, on the seaboard of Asia Minor, and on the shores of the Black Sea. The ministrations of the Clergy are confined to members of the Church of England, except in the case of the few Clergy appointed by the Church Missionary Society, and by the London Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews. The soldiers at Gibraltar and Malta are under the charge of

Chaplains, who are not under the jurisdiction of the Bishop, but of the Chaplain-General.

Church Work.—There are 90 Clergy and 45 churches, but at 30 only of the chaplaincies [are services held during the whole year. Some of the chaplaincies, e.g. in Northern Italy, are for the summer only; others for the winter and spring, e.g. along the Riviera, in France and Italy. The Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews has mission stations at Bucharest, Smyrna, Constantinople, and Tunis. Between Easter 1893 and Easter 1894 confirmations were held at Algiers, Malta, Palermo, Naples, Marseilles, Hyères, Cannes, Mentone, San Remo, Bordighera, Genoa, and Rome. No ordinations were held; Clergy are not qualified for the work of a Chaplain abroad till they have learned experience of ministerial duty at home, so that the Bishop of Gibraltar rarely ordains.

on.—There are few poor in this Diocese; the English residents belong almost the upper and middle classes, and send their children to England for education, however, schools for the middle and lower classes at Gibraltar, Malta, Smyrna, and Constantinople; and at Malta and Gibraltar there are schools for many of the English soldiers. Religious instruction is given by most of the Chaplain and younger members of their congregations. There are also Jewish schools at Constantinople, and Bucharest, under the direction of Chaplains holding the Bishop's Diocesan Church Reading Union has been established in connection with the Society in England for Higher Religious Education. Ten lay helpers are employed for work among British seamen. Their ministrations are conducted under the direction of the Chaplains.

—There is most pressing needs of extended ministerial agency—more Chaplains' Homes, and Institutes—among the British sailors of the merchant service frequent the seaports in vast numbers. Funds are urgently wanted for the churches at Marseilles, St. Raphael, Odessa, Milan, and Tangier.

C. W. GIBRALTAR.

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g.—British congregations in the South of Europe, North of Africa, and the East.

series.—The Dean of Durham, The Deanery, Durham; the Rev. J. Vereker, Christ Church, Oxford.

STATISTICAL RETURNS FOR 1895-6, OF CHURCH WORK IN THE COLONIES, INDIA, AND MISSIONARY DIOCESES.

In preparation of the tables following, an effort has again been made in a systematic form the results of Church work as far as it is possible to represent this in statistical returns. It is obvious there must be many reasons why it would be impossible at once to make such a complete return. It was but natural to discover that the Bishops could not directly obtain the required statistics in precisely the same form as we had ventured to ask for them; but whilst many could do so, we have most readily co-operated with us in this inquiry, others, for various and themselves differently circumstanced, have most kindly consented their intention to fall in with our methods in future. We therefore, are able in this way from time to time to represent the position and progress of the Church in Colonial and Foreign

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Statistics of Church Work for the year January to December 1895, or from Easter 1895 to Easter 1896, showing the number of												Statistics of Educational Work for the year January to December 1895, or from Easter 1895 to Easter 1896, showing the number of											
Deacons	Baptisms		Catechumens	Candidates (Confirmed)		Communicants (estimated)	New Parishes formed	New Mission Stations opened	Permanent Churches built	Mission Buildings built	Day Schools in which there is Church Teaching	Sunday Schools, buildings used for	Children receiving Communion on Sunday or Schools	Sunday School Teachers		Theoretical Schools or Colleges	Students in Theological Schools	Schools for Higher Education conducted upon Church Principles	Number of Students in such Schools (estimated)				
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1	1,715			124	2,546					97	108	4,230	5,535	117	338								
1	1,188	419	54	359	485	5,227				35	21	1,864	1,350					350					
3	645	49	392	374	338	2,587				2	2	2,807	2,216					1,381					
1	2,642			518	785	5,518				2	3	163	10,057	476	654			6					
1	1,579	218	34	214	555	9,500				1	1							1,000					
				62	41					11	4												
2	80	24		26	37	1,000				103		9,923	7,672	100	358			12					
3	3,646	617		862	1,229	6,500				4	98	160	7,021	142	306			1	22				
2	1,415	11		283	462	8,000				4													
4	780	235	1,000	355	315	1,400				7				1,150									
	279			71	119	2,000				8	137	45	3,300	74	224								
1	845	26				7,200				8	127	100	5,531	640				2	100				
	1,205			657						50	84		4,620	81	315								
1	1,500			290	630	3,250				88	26	12,322	6,784	60				6					
5				665	1,005	21,291				20													
2	3,106	341		470	823	14,809				320													
10	1,983	149		235	3,594	41,812				92				17,998	2,115			1	17				
1	10,197			547	927	8,000				31		21,320	27,297	2,119				2	100				
2	269	128	547	225	297	3,000				31		7,243	1,310					1	13				
8	100			200	294	191				4		5,500						1	8				
4	41			6	150					4		206	134	12	2			1	16				
4	3,848	1,419	16,892	427	441	38,429				350		28,572						5	207				
	3			2	50					45		19	40	4	4			1	40				
5	7,284	64		78	2,000	21,849				409		3,200		830	2,250			2	50				
8	1,511	74		438	513	9,978				8	150		8,800	806	1			2	22				
1					700					33	6		390	20	10								
8	770	98		391	579	5,315				33	6	1,718	4,541	385				5	90				
8	858	383	302	163	308	3,724				24	22	1,862	2,053	167				1	50				
4	484	7		50	125	1,537				10		3,120						3	3				
4	1,506			817	4,000					98		3,685	4,882	197	379			1	2				
6	2,498			876	1,239	11,241				181		11,909	10,504	350	564			5	12				
1				770	7,555					20		828		69				2	28				
3	1,178			324	3,000	5				10	25	250	6,961	746				3	225				
7	1,816	73		839	1,086	7,989				5		120	5,649	635				1	8				
	780			676	883	16,027				189		10,346		354	782			2	128				
4	4,503	500		77	130	1,563				5	48		2,191	227									
2	294			35	43	4,000				18	28	750	1,000	90	100			13	750				
6	709	69		485	7,227					17	16	3,000	3,374					1	8				
2	494	152	1,283	93	116	3,892				55		2,885	1,333	79	20			1	39				
3	361	11		30	116	1,145				29	31	1,815	1,904	33	314			1	13				
1	413	12		34	66	797				3		1,456	30	68					1				
5	1,161			199	253	6,400				5		4,800						1	16				
2	110	3		40	48	330				5		370	350	7	15			3	180				
2	875	270	478	27	367	3,299				130		4,273						1	14				
1	250	10		27	19	1,050				19								1	30				
1	40					5,000				3		50	25	2	2			2	35				
5	6,157			648	1,052	13,203				1	1	298	2,010	28,010	701	1,401		1	9				
2	2,107			194	400	4,422				109		4,440	8,014	832				4	255				
13	3,053	214		540	803	18,306				45		2,610		2,409				2	180				
2	2,351	69		1,220	11,329					62	39	7,596	4,637					2	40				
1	705		5,108	123	2,911					191		2,940		40	35			1	25				
1	834	4		69	141	2,718				56		519	2,710	61	168			1	12				
1	1,144	15		201	412	3,530				1		65	100	4,500	85	289			1				
1	88	120	168	64	49	1,143				3	37		630					1	10				
	184		150	154		413				1	10							1	8				
2	483	180	666	190		6,545				50		2,116						1	8				
	10			2	4	30				1		30						1	1				
1	116	15		18	34	570				5	5	330	370										
1	36	30		13	21	329				2								1	10				
1	45	87	159	42	44	721				5	1	3	26		519	30	21	1	15				
1	69	94		41	51	774				5	2	1	3		108	699	31	25	1				
	201			90		1,000				5	2	1	3					1	1				
						302				94		598						1	15				
	760	477		187	223	2,550				118		6,382	2,897					1	150				
	200	500	5,000	306	300	1,100				122	122			281	100	2	220						
8	1,526	847	4,408	328	279	8,147				255	138	9,450	4,347	165	30			1	14				
				87	95	323				30		1,500						2	1				
				54	115	1,580				25		950						1	24				

Statistical Returns of Church Work.

Diocese.		IV. Voluntary Funds contributed in the Diocese in the year Jan. to Dec. 1896 or from Easter 1895 to Easter 1896, for the following objects:							
		For Building new Churches, Mission Rooms, Parsonage Houses	For Maintenance of Clergy, Mission Stations, general Church Expenses, and Church Work		For Building and Maintenance of Church Schools		For Missions, S. P. G., C. M. S., and other Societies		For Hospitals and other Charitable Institutions
			From Voluntary Offerings	Endowments	Day	Sunday	Spent in the Diocese	Raised and Expended for extra Diocesan work	
1	Adelaide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2	Algona	4503	£1,469	—	—	—	—	456	
3	Antigua	—	—	48,436	—	—	—	—	
4	Atlabasca	855	£150	—	—	—	—	—	
5	Auckland	—	£12,500	£230	—	—	£1,250	£300	
6	Balleret	£4,209	£23,000	£2,300	—	—	£103	£315	
7	Barbadoes and Windward Is.	—	£6,186	—	—	£816	—	—	
8	Bathurst	—	£8,076	£1,150	—	—	—	£280	
9	Bloemfontein	—	£6,000	£181	—	—	—	£278	
10	Bombay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
11	Brisbane	£1,840	£17,875	£2,563	—	—	£248	£28	
12	Calcutta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
13	Caledonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
14	Calgary	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
15	Capetown	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
16	Christchurch	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
17	Colombo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
18	Columbia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
19	Dunedin	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
20	Falklands	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
21	Fredericton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
22	Gibraltar	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
23	Goulburn	£1,099	£10,000	£1,000	—	£175	—	£60	
24	Grafton and Armidale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
25	Granhamstown	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
26	Guiana	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
27	Honduras	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
28	Huron	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
29	Jamaica	£190,765	£28,580	£2,113	—	—	£194	£3,167	
30	Lahore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
31	Lucknow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
32	Mackenzie River	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
33	Madras	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
34	Mashonaland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
35	Mauritius	Rs. 3,000	Rs. 3,000	Rs. 3,000	Rs. 1,100	—	Rs. 1,800	Rs. 4	
36	Melbourne	£5,500	£72,500	—	—	—	—	£11	
37	Montreal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
38	Mosooce	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
39	Nassau	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
40	Natal	£2,500	—	—	—	—	—	—	
41	Nelson	£173	£3,620	£1,000	—	—	—	—	
42	Newcastle	£7,440	£8,270	£169	—	—	—	—	
43	Newfoundland	£1,930	£36,503	£1,000	£4,400	—	—	—	
44	New Westminster	£5,030	£9,800	£1,700	—	—	—	—	
45	Niagara	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
46	North Queensland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
47	Nova Scotia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
48	Ontario	£10,350	£21,892	£5,148	—	—	—	—	
49	Ottawa	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
50	Perth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
51	Pretoria	£1,345	£12,090	£232	£3,077	£190	£470	£1	
52	Qu'Appelle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
53	Quebec	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
54	Rangoon	Rs. 1,000	Rs. 26,769	Rs. 5,500	Rs. 1,352	—	Rs. 2,628	Rs. 178	
55	Riverina	£423	£455	£531	—	—	—	—	
56	Rockhampton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
57	Rupert's Land	£6,100	£7,660	£3,400	—	—	—	—	
58	St. Helena	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
59	St. John's, Kaffraria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
60	Saskatchewan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
61	Selkirk	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
62	Sierra Leone	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
63	Singapore, Labuan & Sarawak	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
64	Sydney	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
65	Tasmania	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
66	Toronto	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
67	Trinidad	£1,600	£4,000	£3,917	£4,000	—	—	—	
68	Victoria, Hong Kong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
69	Waipaa	£2,929	£2,865	£1,587	—	—	—	—	
70	Wellington	£1,941	£12,370	£1,164	£57	£406	£127	£554	
71	Africa (Eastern Equat.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
72	Africa (Western Equat.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
73	China-Mid	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
74	China-North	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
75	China-West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
76	Chota-Nagpur	Rs. 529	Rs. 3,000	Rs. 900	—	—	—	Rs. 120	
77	Corea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
78	Honolulu	£62	£1,119	£32	£36	—	—	—	
79	Japan (Hokkaido)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
80	Japan (Kushin)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
81	Japan (Osaka)	£116	£454	—	£2	—	—	—	
82	Japan (South Tokyo)	£186	£725	—	£19	—	—	—	
83	Jerusalem	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
84	Lebombo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
85	Likoma	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
86	Madagascar	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
87	Melanesia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
88	Tinnevely	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
89	Travancore and Cochin	Rs. 2,841	Rs. 8,548	Rs. 2,112	—	—	Rs. 480	Rs. 535	
90	Zanzibar	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
91	Zulu	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

THE COLONIAL EPISCOPATE.

A PUBLIC meeting of very peculiar interest was held in St. James's Hall, London, on June 19, 1891, to commemorate the jubilee of the Colonial Bishopricks Fund. In the unavoidable absence of the Archbishop of Canterbury the Bishop of London presided, supported by the Archbishop-designate of York, Dr. Maclagan, and the Bishops of Durham, Winchester, Carlisle, Chichester, St. Albans, St. Asaph, Southwell, Wakefield, Guildford, Derry, Glasgow, Algoma, Antigua, Calcutta, and Gibraltar, and many influential laymen. Prebendary Tucker, the Hon. Sec. of the Fund, read prayers. The Bishop of London having introduced the subject for which the meeting was summoned, then called upon the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone to move the following resolution :

That the remarkable success with which Almighty God has been pleased to bless the efforts begun fifty years ago, and continued to the present time for the extension of the Episcopate in the colonies of the Empire, and the Missions of the Anglican Church throughout the world, is a call and encouragement to all members of that Church to secure its further expansion upon the primitive principles of Apostolic order and discipline.

In a very remarkable and eloquent speech Mr. Gladstone commended the resolution to the approval of the meeting, and justified its acceptance upon the basis of historical facts, pointing to the extraordinary results which have followed from the rapid growth of the Colonial Episcopate. The *Times*, commenting upon this meeting, said : 'It is seldom that a voluntary organisation can show such a record as was made yesterday before the meeting at St. James's Hall to celebrate the jubilee of the Colonial Bishopricks Fund. When the Fund was started, in 1841, North America had three Bishops, it has now seventeen ; New Zealand had none, it has now seven ; Australia had one, it has now thirteen ; South Africa had none, it has now eight. The three Indian Bishops of 1841 have now become eight.' The following review, given in brief detail, will doubtless be read with general interest :

Commencing with the Colonial Episcopate, the first Colonial See was not established until 1787, at which time the Colonial Empire of Great Britain consisted of Barbados, Jamaica, the Bahamas, and certain other islands in the West Indies, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, Canada and Prince Edward's Island, Gibraltar and the recently acquired Sierra Leone, with the almost unknown regions of New South Wales ; Rupert's Land was in the possession of the Hudson's Bay Company, whilst large settlements in the East Indies as well as the island of St. Helena were the property of the East India Company.

In all these colonies, though the Church was in a way represented by Clergy and Churches, there was nothing like systematic organisation or Episcopal supervision.

British North America.—It was in 1787 that Charles Inglis, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, New York, was consecrated first Bishop of Nova Scotia at Lambeth Palace, with jurisdiction over the whole of North America, but which was practically limited to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. A further step was taken in the year 1793 by the formation of the Diocese of Quebec. Then a long interval occurred till the year 1839, when the Diocese of Toronto was founded. In the year 1857 the Diocesan Synod constituted the Diocese of Huron ; and again, in 1862, the Diocese of Ontario was formed. In 1873 the Provincial Synod, which had meanwhile been constituted, created the Missionary Diocese of Algoma.

In the year 1850 the See of Montreal was founded, thus relieving the Diocese of Quebec of its western portion, and in 1875 the Diocese of Niagara was formed out of the western countries adjacent to the Diocese of Huron, and the diocese of Ottawa out of the diocese of Ontario in 1896. Turning to the eastern Dioceses of North America, it was in the year 1839 that the Rev. A. G. Spencer was consecrated first Bishop of Newfoundland, his See being formed from Nova Scotia; whilst a further subdivision was marked by the consecration of Dr. Medley in 1845 to the See of Fredericton.

In 1849 the Diocese of Rupert's Land was founded. The conditions of this great country were so prejudicial to any rapid growth of Church extension that it was not until the year 1872 that any subdivision could be effected; but in this year the Diocese of Moosonee was separated, and two years later the Dioceses of Saskatchewan and Athabasca were constituted. Two more Dioceses were founded in 1884. On the western side of the Rocky Mountains the establishment of the colony of British Columbia was followed in the next year by the endowment of a Bishopric, which was subdivided in 1879, the mainland being placed in the charge of the Bishops of New Westminster and Caledonia, while the Bishop of Columbia retains the charge of Vancouver's Island. A single Diocese in North America has become 22, and there are now 1,156 Priests and Deacons of our Communion in British North America.

In 1893 the whole of the Dioceses in Canada, excepting Caledonia, were amalgamated in one Anglican Church of Canada; the Bishops of Rupert's Land and Ontario were made Archbishops, and the former Primate of All Canada.

India.—Turning to India, it was in the year 1814 that an Act of Parliament was passed creating the Diocese of Calcutta, the Bishop having jurisdiction over the whole of the East India Company's possessions in the East; Ceylon, Mauritius, and Australia being added at subsequent periods to the See.

The Dioceses of Madras and Bombay were severally constituted in 1835 and 1837, whilst in 1845 the Diocese of Colombo was formed. In the year 1877 the Dioceses of Lahore and Rangoon were founded, in 1879 a Missionary Bishop was consecrated for Travancore and Cochin, in 1890 the Diocese of Chota-Nagpur, in 1893 the Diocese of Lucknow, and in 1896 that of Tinnevely were formed.

There are now in India ten Dioceses and Bishops, including the Colonial See of Colombo, and there are eight Missionary Dioceses in the Eastern Seas.

Jerusalem.—Bishop Alexander was consecrated Bishop of the Church of England in Jerusalem in 1841.

China and Japan.—Two anonymous donors having endowed the See of Victoria (Hong Kong), the first English Bishop was sent to China in 1849. In 1872 a Bishop was consecrated to take charge of the northern portion of China, the Diocese receiving a further subdivision in 1880 by the consecration of Bishops Scott and Moule to North and Mid-China, and in 1895 the Diocese of Western China was formed.

In the year 1883 the first Missionary Bishop was sent to Japan, where there are now four Bishoprics, viz.: South Tokyo (founded 1883), Kiushiu (founded 1894), Osaka (founded 1896), and Hokkaido (founded 1896). Dr. McDougall was consecrated in 1855 to take charge of the Diocese of Labuan and Sarawak. In 1889 the Rev. C. J. Corfe was consecrated Bishop of Corea.

The West Indies and South America.—In the year 1824 the Crown was induced to grant letters patent for the Dioceses of Jamaica and Barbados, the latter being subdivided in 1842 by the addition of the Sees of Antigua and Guiana. In 1861 the Diocese of Nassau was created, and in 1872 Dr. Rawle was consecrated first Bishop of Trinidad.

Australia.—The representations of Archdeacon Broughton in the year 1836 led to the establishment of the See of Australia (Sydney); in 1842 the island of Van Diemen's Land formed the See of Tasmania; five years later the Sees of Adelaide, Melbourne, and Newcastle were founded. In 1857 Dr. Hale was consecrated Bishop of Perth, to relieve the Bishop of Adelaide of Western Australia. In 1859 the southern half of the Province of Queensland became the Diocese of Brisbane; then followed in quick succession the formation of the Dioceses of Goulburn, Grafton and Armidale, Bathurst, Ballarat, and North Queensland, and recently the Dioceses of Riverina (in 1884) and Rockhampton (1892). Thus from the single See of Australia, founded in 1836, thirteen new Dioceses have been developed and largely maintained by the contributions of colonial Churchmen, in which Dioceses there are over 828 Priests and Deacons at present ministering.

New Zealand and the Pacific.—The constitution of the Colonial Bishops Fund, quickly led to the creation of the See of New Zealand. In 1856 the Diocese of Christchurch was established, and two years later the Sees of Wellington, Waiapu, and Otago. Bishop Patteson was consecrated Missionary Bishop of Melanesia in 1861; and in 1866 a portion of the Diocese of Christchurch became the Diocese of Dunedin.

Africa.—In 1852 the continent of Africa received a second Bishop in the first Bishop of Sierra Leone, and in 1853 the Diocese of Capetown, founded in 1847, was relieved of the Eastern Province and the colony of Natal by the consecration of Bishops for the Cape of Good Hope, Port Elizabeth, and Natal. In 1854 the first Bishop was consecrated for the island of Mauritius, and in 1859 for St. Helena; in 1874 a Bishop was consecrated for Madagascar, in 1861 the first Missionary Bishop went to Central Africa.

Gibraltar.—A Bishop was consecrated for the Diocese of Gibraltar in the year 1842.

Missionary Bishops.—In the year 1861 a new and important departure in the history of the Church of England was marked by planting the Episcopate outside the dominions of the British Crown, bishops being sent to Honolulu, the Zambesi, and the Congo, and subsequently to the Orange Free State and the Niger. In 1869 the Bishop of the Falkland Islands, and in 1870 the Bishopric of Zululand, were created; in 1873 the Bishop of Kaffraria or St. John's. Dr. Kestell-Cornish was consecrated Bishop of Madagascar in 1874; in 1878 the See of Pretoria was founded; in 1884 Bishop of Natal was sent to take charge of Eastern Equatorial Africa; in 1893 Bishop of Nyasaland and Bishop Smyth for Lebombo; in 1889 Bishop of Korea was consecrated for Corea; in 1894 the Dioceses of Kiushiu, in Japan, and of Peking, in northern China, were established; and in 1896 the Sees of Osaka and Hokkaido in Japan.

GROWTH OF THE COLONIAL EPISCOPATE.

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1787.

Bishops:

- C. Inglis, 1787; R. Stanser, 1816;
- J. Inglis, 1825; H. Binney, 1851.
- F. Courtney, 1888.

QUEBEC, 1793.

ops:

- Mountain, 1793.
- J. Stewart, 1828.
- J. Mountain, 1836.
- W. Williams, 1863
- H. Dunn, 1892.

NEWFOUNDLAND, 1839.

Bishops:

- A. G. Spencer, 1839.
- E. Feild, 1844.
- J. B. Kelly, Coadjutor, 1867;
- Bishop, 1876.
- L. Jones, 1878.

FREDERICTON, 1845.

Bishops:

- J. Medley, 1845.
- H. T. Kingdon (Coad. Bp.),
- 1881. (Bp. 1892.)

TORONTO, 1839.

ops:

- Strachan, 1839.
- N. Bethune, 1867.
- Sweatman, 1879.

MONTREAL, 1850.

Bishops:

- F. Fulford, 1850.
- A. Oxenden, 1869.
- W. B. Bond, 1879.

HURON, 1857.

ops:

- Crouyn, 1857.
- Hellmuth, 1871.
- S. Baldwin, 1883.

ONTARIO, 1862.

Bishop:

- J. T. Lewis, 1862.
- (Archbishop, 1893.)

ALGOMA, 1873.

Bishops:

- F. D. Fauquier, 1873.
- E. Sullivan, 1882.
- [Vacant.]

NIAGARA, 1875.

ops:

- B. Fuller, 1875.
- Hamilton, 1885.
- P. Du Moulin, 1896.

OTTAWA, 1896.

Bishop:

- C. Hamilton, tr. 1896.

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA—continued.

RUPERT'S LAND, 1849.

Bishops : D. Anderson, 1849 ; R. Machray, 1865, Archbishop and Primate of All Canada, 1893.

MOOSEHOLE, 1872.
Bishops :
J. Horden, 1872.
J. A. Newnham, 1893.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1874.
Bishops :
J. M'Lean, 1874.
W. C. Pinkham, 1887.

MACKENZIE RIVER, 1874.
(FORMERLY ATHABASCA.)
Bishops :
W. C. Bompas, 1874.
W. D. Reeve, 1891.

SELKIRK, 1890.
Bishop :
W. C. Bompas, cons. 1874,
tr. 1891.

QU'APPELLE, 1884.
Bishops : A. Anson, 1884.
W. J. Burn, 1893.
J. Grisdale, 1896.

ATHABASCA (NEW), 1884.
Bishop :
R. Young, 1884.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1859.

Bishops : G. Hills, 1859.
W. W. Perrin, 1893.

NEW WESTMINSTER, 1879.
Bishops :
A. W. Sillitoe, 1879.
J. Dart, 1895.

CALEDONIA, 1879.
Bishop :
W. Ridley, 1879.

ASIA.

CALCUTTA, 1814.

Bishops :
T. F. Middleton, 1814 ; R. Heber, 1823 ;
J. T. James, 1827 ; J. M. Turner, 1829 ;
D. Wilson, 1832 ; G. E. L. Cotton, 1858 ;
R. Milman, 1867 ; E. R. Johnson, 1876.

MADRAS, 1835. <i>Bishops</i> : D. Corrie, 1835. G. T. Spencer, 1837. T. Dealtry, 1849. F. Gell, 1861.	BOMBAY, 1837. <i>Bishops</i> : T. Carr, 1837. J. Harding, 1851. H. A. Douglas, 1869. L. G. Mylne, 1876.	COLOMBO, 1845. <i>Bishops</i> : J. Chapman, 1845. P. C. Claughton, 1862. H. W. Jermyn, 1871. R. S. Copleston, 1875.	LAHORE, 1877. <i>Bishops</i> : T. V. French, 1877. H. J. Matthew, 1888.	CHOTA-NAGPUR, 1890. <i>Bishop</i> : J. C. Whitley, 1890.
TINNEVELLY, 1896. <i>Bishop</i> : S. Morley, 1896.	TRAVANCORE & COCHIN, 1879. <i>Bishops</i> : J. M. Speechly, 1879. E. N. Hodges, 1889.	RANGOON, 1877. <i>Bishops</i> : J. M. Titcomb, 1877. J. M. Strachan, 1882.	LUCKNOW, 1893. <i>Bishop</i> : A. Clifford, 1893.	

ASIA—continued.

JERUSALEM, 1841.

Bishops :

M. S. Alexander, 1841.
S. Gobat, 1846.
J. Barclay, 1879.
G. P. Blyth, 1887.

VICTORIA, 1849.
(Hong Kong.)*Bishops :*

G. Smith, 1849.
O. R. Alford, 1867.
J. S. Burdon, 1874 (Resigned).
[Vacant.]

MID-CHINA, 1872.

Bishops :

W. A. Russell, 1872.
G. E. Moule, 1880.

WESTERN CHINA, 1895.

Bishop :

W. W. Cassels, 1895.

LABUAN AND SARAWAK, 1855.

Bishops :

F. T. McDougall, 1855.
W. Chambers, 1869.
G. F. Hose, 1881.

NORTH CHINA, 1880.

Bishop :

C. P. Scott, 1880.

SOUTH TOKYO, 1883.

Bishops :

A. W. Poole, 1883.
E. Bickersteth, 1886.

KIUSHIU (SOUTH JAPAN), 1894.

Bishop :

H. Evington, 1894.

OSAKA.

Bishop :

W. Awdry, 1896.

HOKKAIDO, 1896.

Bishop :

P. K. Fyson, 1896.

COREA, 1889.

Bishop :

C. J. Corfe, 1889.

THE WEST INDIES AND SOUTH AMERICA.

JAMAICA, 1824.

Bishops :

C. Lipscombe, 1824.
A. G. Spencer, 1843.
R. Courtenay, 1856.
W. G. Tozer, 1879.
E. Nuttall, 1880.
C. F. Douet (Assist.) 1888.

BARBADOS, 1824.

Bishops :

W. H. Coleridge, 1824.
T. Parry, 1842.
J. Mitchinson, 1873.
H. Bree, 1882.

NASSAU, 1861.

Bishops :

C. Caulfield, 1861.
A. R. P. Venables,
1863.
F. A. R. Cramer-
Roberts, 1878.
E. T. Churton, 1886.

ANTIGUA, 1842.

Bishops :

D. G. Davis, 1842.
S. J. Rigaud, 1858.
W. W. Jackson, 1860.
C. J. Branch (Coad.),
1882 (Bishop), 1895,
[Vacant.]

GULANA, 1842.

Bishops :

W. P. Austin, 1842.
W. P. Swaby, 1893.

TRINIDAD, 1872.

Bishops :

R. Rawle, 1872.
J. T. Hayes, 1889.

FALKLAND ISLANDS, 1869.

Bishop :

W. H. Stirling, 1869.

HONDURAS, 1883.

Bishops :

H. R. Holme, 1891.
G. A. Ormsby, 1893.

CHAPTER VI.

*SHORT OFFICIAL STATEMENTS OF CHURCHES IN COMMUNION
WITH THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.*

SECTION I.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT
OF THE
CONSTITUTION AND WORK
OF
THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.



PREPARED by the Very Rev. MERVYN ARCHDALL, D.D., Dean of Cork, Canon of the National Cathedral of St. Patrick (since elected Bishop of Killaloe), one of the Hon. Secretaries of the General Synod.

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The General Synod elects and controls the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland, may alter and abrogate laws or canons, may vary, repeal, or supersede acts of diocesan synods, and generally acts as the governing body of the Church.

In connection with the General Synod there is the Representative Church Body of the Church of Ireland, the Court of the General Synod, and the following Boards and Committees: Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Religious Education, Board of the Widows and Orphans Fund, Divinity School Committee, and Committees on Petitions, Finance, Legislation, Records, Standing Orders, Committee to inquire into the State of the Church, and the Standing Committee.

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(Incorporated [1870] under the name of the Representative Church Body)

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CENSUS OF IRELAND, 1891.

SUMMARY, SHOWING BY PROVINCES, THE RELIGIOUS PROFESSIONS (SO FAR
 AS ASCERTAINED) OF THE PEOPLE.

Provinces 1 Census Years	Religious Professions							
	Roman Catholics	Protestant Episco- pals	Presby- terians	Method- ists	Jews	All other Persuasions	Inform- ation Refused	
Ulster	1861 .	1,252,553	180,587	12,355	6,290	338	5,512	—
	1871 .	1,145,104	164,586	12,556	6,580	218	10,457	—
	1881 .	1,094,825	157,522	12,059	7,006	355	7,059	160
	1891 .	1,018,487	149,368	12,858	7,705	1,171	5,769	363
Leinster	1861 .	1,420,076	80,860	4,013	4,436	2	4,171	—
	1871 .	1,304,684	74,213	4,091	4,758	9	5,730	—
	1881 .	1,249,384	70,128	3,987	4,769	34	2,770	48
	1891 .	1,095,210	62,375	3,448	5,072	342	1,883	164
Munster	1861 .	966,613	391,315	503,835	32,030	52	20,391	—
	1871 .	897,230	393,268	477,729	29,908	58	35,040	—
	1881 .	833,566	379,402	451,629	34,825	83	43,249	321
	1891 .	744,353	361,897	427,810	40,525	276	41,885	1,131
Connaught	1861 .	866,023	40,595	3,088	2,643	1	785	—
	1871 .	803,849	35,931	3,272	2,250	—	911	—
	1881 .	783,116	32,522	3,059	2,239	—	718	3
	1891 .	691,995	26,690	2,571	1,933	9	628	47
Dublin and the City	1861 .	4,505,265	693,357	523,291	45,399	393	30,859	—
	1871 .	4,150,867	667,998	497,648	43,441	285	52,138	—
	1881 .	3,960,891	639,574	470,734	48,839	472	53,796	530
	1891 .	3,549,745	600,830	446,687	55,235	1,798	50,165	1,702
Increase or Decrease between 1861 and 1891	Number	Decrease 411,146	Decrease 38,744	Decrease 24,047	Increase 6,396	Increase 1,326	Decrease 3,631	Increase 1,172
	Rate per cent.	Decrease 10·4	Decrease 6	Decrease 5·1	Increase 13·1	Increase 280·9	Decrease 6·7	Increase 221·1

Population according to Dioceses or united Dioceses of members of the Church of Ireland according to the Census 1891 is as follows: Armagh, 62,593; Meath, 55,424; Derry, 55,424; Down, 186,958; Kilmore, 36,297; Tuam, 11,563; Clogher, 11,563; Total of Province, 408,137. Dublin, 99,372; Ossory, 25,167; Cashel, 10,268; Waterford, 35,889; Killaloe, 10,619; Limerick, 11,271. Total of Province, 192,566.

Of the total population in 1891, 75·4 per cent. were returned as Roman Catholics; 12·8 per cent. as Protestant Episcopalians; 9·5 per cent. as Presbyterians; and 1·2 per cent. as Methodists. The designation 'Protestant Episcopalian' includes, besides members of the Church of Ireland, or 'Irish Church,' members of the Church of England, the Episcopal Church of Scotland, and any other Episcopal Church.

There was an increase between 1881 and 1891 in the populations of two counties, viz. Dublin, which increased 2·4 per cent., and Antrim, 1·4 per cent. There was a decrease in the populations of all the other counties, ranging from 16·2 per cent. in Monaghan, 14·5 in Tipperary, S.R., and 13·9 per cent. in Longford, to 8·1 per cent. in Londonderry, 7·7 per cent. in Kildare, and 1·9 per cent. in Down. Tyrone decreased during the ten years 26,441; Armagh, 20,121; Limerick, 22,069; Cork, R.R., 39,681; Cork, W.R., 19,935; Galway, 27,749; Mayo, 26,816; Kerry, 22,120; Donegal, 22,524; Londonderry, 13,325.

CHURCH ACTION, 1895.

THE second Ordinary Session of the Ninth General Synod was held on April 14 by virtue of a mandate issued by his Grace the Lord Primate of All Ireland. A special service was held in St. Patrick's at 8 P.M. the evening before, when the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Killaloe preached. The Synod having attended the celebration of the Holy Communion in Christ Church Cathedral at eleven o'clock, assembled in the Synod Hall at twelve, when his Grace the Lord Primate took the chair, and prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Derry. The list of members was laid on the table. The President nominated the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Holmes as Assessor. The Rev. Canon J. B. Crozier, D.D., was elected a Clerical Honorary Secretary in the room of the Rev. Canon M. W. Jellett, LL.D., deceased.

His Grace the Lord Primate delivered the following address:—

He who now addresses you for the first time as your President, would be justly censured if he offered no tribute to the memory of his predecessor. Our late beloved Primate was strong and solid—no dreamer, no maker of phrases. He knew that the Church is not the diaphanous creature which she is represented as being by extreme voluntarists—that a budget is in the long run a condition of vigorous life. His was the earnestness which is so by aiming, not at earnestness, but at its object; his was the sweetness and pathos of a death as soft as a child's, and as strong as a martyr's. Two other names should be mentioned—first, that of Canon Morgan Jellett, for many years our secretary, whom we saw working in his place last year, with the pallor of death upon his thoughtful face. I cannot but mention also the name of John Mulholland, Lord Dunleath. The younger members of this Synod had seen little or nothing of him; but, in the years long past, he had had relations all round the money market, and the wisdom of his advice has only been confirmed by time.

My inexperience as a chairman of such an assembly as this will be supplied at first by the strength and wisdom of Mr. Justice Holmes, who has kindly consented to act as my assessor; afterwards, I hope, by my dear friend, the Recorder.

In the present address I shall advert to four large and general questions. The first I will call ceremonialism. It perhaps seems strange that I should occupy a position in which I may have to enforce obedience to stringent rubrics. The principle upon which I have acted is this—every particular Church must have the right of making its own ceremonial laws. Thus, a very wide scope is given to possible enactments. There are some things, indeed, of a ceremonial character which a Church cannot do. It cannot abolish the use of water in one Sacrament, or withhold the bread or the cup in the other; it cannot abolish the laying on of hands in the Confirmation or Ordination; but almost anything else it might conceivably forbid. For it is absurd to say that the Church has the power of multiplying ceremonies, but none of reducing them, when they become too numerous, too theatrical, or unsuited to particular local conditions. Suppose, at a given time, there are indications of a multiplication of lawless rites—of a spirit among men, and especially among women, of compounding for duties which are God-imposed by ceremonies which are self-imposed. This state of things awakens a strong opposition. It did so even in the Middle Ages. St. Bernard, for instance, forbade rich carpets, painted walls, and ornamental windows. If decided anti-Ritualism under particular circumstances unchurches, then St. Bernard, and a greater than St. Bernard—St. Augustine—were unchurched. So we must not lift ceremonialism into a creed. Whether I personally like or dislike a rubric, I submit to it when it is imposed by authority upon higher than rubrical grounds. A local Church may be severe, narrow, bitter; but it does not unchurch her. One's mother may be unnecessarily sour; she may insist that her son shall not masquerade in a coat of many

colours, under pretence of being her beautiful boy; but she does not cease to be his mother in the sight of God and man. The same principle applies to anti-ceremonialism; but I shall return to that subject for a few moments a little later on.

The second question to which I would refer is the corporate reunion of separate Christian Churches. And here two principles must be laid down—first, on one side, reunion with the most numerous of all Christian bodies upon condition of absorption cannot be thought of. But absorption is evidently aimed at. We are told that three learned divines are hard at work upon the question of the validity of our orders. Infallibility is fertile in anathemas; but it cannot anathematise inconvenient historical facts into convenient non-existence. Therefore, we are not so much afraid. But there is a great deal more than an ecclesiastical fact to be considered. Teutonic Christianity has eternal elements. Its spirituality, its freedom, its critical method, which fears nothing but incompleteness in the process, and nothing but a lie in the conclusion; its passion for the Book which contains the inexpressible words of Christ, cannot be cramped into a Latin prison, or forced to stagger upon Latin stilts. On the other side, among Protestants corporate reunion is rather an instinctive yearning of the Christian heart than a fixed object of deliberate will. The important Commission on Christian Unity, which is a part of the report of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America (1895), is somewhat melancholy, if very interesting, reading. In the correspondence, indeed, there is a remarkable moderation, and even tenderness, of language, on both sides; but no practical proposal has found favour—neither the ‘Lambeth Quadrilateral,’ so-called, nor even the interchange of pulpits. The Evangelical Lutherans go so far as to say, ‘We deem restoration of organic unity neither desirable nor practicable.’ Thus we cannot at present get much beyond two negative principles. First, we cannot ask Rome to judge and condemn us once again; secondly, we cannot compliment away the essential elements of the strength and attraction of our own system. We believe that we have received a deposit from God for the benefit of man to the end of time, and we cannot afford to play fast and loose with it; but we must pray for uniting principles and reconciled hearts, that we may love one another, and in God’s good time be joined in external things.

The third question to which I would refer is the anti-Anglican feeling which is supposed to exist in the Church of Ireland. Let me not be misunderstood. Evidently I must less than ever be inclined to bow down in abject submission to the Chair of Canterbury. The awful appointment of this free Church has placed me, however unworthy, in a more ancient chair. But let us be reasonable. Unionism in politics is strong; unionism in religion is strong also. Let us beware of a stunted and sectarian Christianity. There is a valley state of Hunza, in the high Himalayas, a people apparently as secluded as those who are mentioned in *Rasselas*, who know not whether, except in their own ravine and one or two others which are mere wrinkles upon the face of the mountain system, there is any other inhabited place. Do not let us be a Hunza Church; do not let the cant of bilious surates on tour—or vicious articles which call our churches scarcely Christian because they are nearly as plain as the churches of primitive Christianity—make us unjust to the kindly feeling which exists in so many quarters. Let me mention an instance which came to my knowledge a few days ago. There is a medical retreat known as St. Luke’s Hospital; it is to give medical and surgical aid and a move to London when necessary. Patients are carefully nursed and tended without having to pay one farthing. A few weeks ago the title ‘For clergymen of Established Church of England and their families,’ was altered expressly in order to include Ireland as well as other parts of the Anglican Church.

I would call upon you to remember how rapidly colonisation is going on, and the effect which it must have upon the population of the world in redressing the numerical balance which in the past has been so much in favour of Rome. It is evident that in years to come the vastest body of worship rising to the throne of God will be in English, not in Latin—not to the Virgin and Son, but to the Virgin-born. Think, too, what a communion the English-speaking historical Church is. It is Catholic to the core in its ancient organisation, in the long line of its succession, in the Divine beauty of its Liturgy. Yes, my lords and gentlemen, and it is Protestant to the core—Protestant not in the sense in which men shout it over their cups, but in which they breathe it in deeper moments—Protestant in the return to Scripture, which was the central religious motive of the Reformation—Protestant in its mild spirit of toleration—Protestant in the spirit of reverence and liberty which respects venerable forms, which respects authorised ministries, which partakes with devotion sacraments of grace, but which will not have any form, or sacrament, or priest, to come between the soul and God—Protestant, above all, in that undivided gaze which it teaches all its children to turn upward where all the light of heaven gathers into one deep and burning spot over one dark hour and one Dying Form. Let us keep our place in that great communion. Now, those who condemn all Churches of the English Communion which have not the same rubrics as our own, are not consistent with the teaching of the 34th Article. And, indeed, is there not even an infinite pettiness

in such things in the way of over-negation, as well as over-observance? When a soul like Romane only gropes his way to the Cross with a cry of agony and with a sweat of blood, when thought is finding out that there is one thing more fearful than falling into the hands of the living God—namely, falling out of them into a godless universe—how small these questions look! I heartily pray that one side among ourselves will not provoke, nor the other promote, prosecution. I venture to say, as an Apostle said, 'Receive ye one another, as Christ received you, to the glory of God.'

Lastly, I desire to say something of the connection of the education of clergy with the Divinity School of Trinity College. Let it be remembered that in the ten years ended July 1894, roughly speaking, only one man in five, out of 365 divinity testimonialists, went to England, and that, as a rule, the best men stayed at home. The numbers in the school have considerably increased of late years, about 150 men being in attendance on the divinity lectures, while fifteen or twenty years ago 100 would have been a large total. This increase is due in a very large measure to the great and growing fame of the Provost—which has given the school a splendid prestige—and not less to the administrative power and large heart of Dr. Gwynn, and the excellence of the other teachers. Oxford and Cambridge may have a larger number of leaders of theological thought; but by universal confession in the English Universities themselves a much more complete training of ordinary candidates for holy orders is given in Trinity College. The tone of Trinity College is so essentially critical that its men are, as a rule, moderate thinkers. Now, of course, it is possible to found colleges upon much more rigidly party lines; but I would ask thoughtful party men whether such seminaries are very successful in working out the object for which they were founded. St. Sulpice produced M. Renan; Pusey Hall and Keble College sent forth Charles Gore and Aubrey Moore; M. Scherer advanced from the narrowest Calvinistic training of Geneva, and two years in an evangelical parsonage at Monmouth, to the most pronounced infidelity of the *Revue des Deux Mondes*; Bishop French, of Lahore, had extremely strained relations with the Church Missionary Society. The truth is that young minds want something to draw out a genuine enthusiasm. A reserve of money is a useful thing for a Church; but a reserve of young enthusiasm is better still. And who can best fulfil the Christian ministry in our days? Surely they are young men who pursue a course which is not needlessly restrained; whom language, history, philosophy, criticism guide on the difficult ascent to truth; who thus are prepared to bow down before the sympathetic entrance of the Eternal God into our life; who are able to preach not merely a dogmatical traditional Christ, but an image of Him which the Spirit renews by a new presentation to living thought. You may insist on exact syllabic identity of confession; but will you make a man truer or stronger? You may strap down the eaglet; but, if he is an eaglet, one day he will break the cords, and rise with the rush of the storm-winds under his wings. We want in our ranks some, at least, of the men who can combine the reason which believes with the belief which reasons; who can endow philosophy with a faith, and faith with a philosophy. These are the men whom a well-equipped University can sometimes send out from her Divinity School.

Let me close with what seem to me some omens of good. Do not accuse me of presumption or vanity if I venture to refer to your reception of me to-day. Some part of it may be due to personal friendship; some to the chivalry which an old man meets with when he undertakes a heavy task; but far more is due to that loyalty to the Church which respects a choice of which it does not, perhaps, approve. Believe me when I say that I have no wish to be the Archbishop of one out of three or four parties in the Church, but of a Church free enough, and wise enough, and wide enough to be comprehensive. But a much higher sense of confidence is inspired by what you have done and are doing. Think of four millions and a half given to the Church in the last twenty-five years, exclusive of contributions to missions and church-building. Think not only of clergymen, but of great judicial magistrates, learned professional men, noblemen, and country gentlemen devoting hours of toil year after year to the wearisome details of Church business on the Representative Body and in our Councils. Think of what we see twenty-seven years after the revolution of Disestablishment. Still the old organisation in existence; still the old succession of Bishops uninterrupted; still the old services, with voices deepening, as the night of time wears on; to which each worshipper can apply the words:—

A bird with glorious wings,
Whose sweet voice says a thousand things,
And seems to say them all to me.

And still the old story of the Eternal Love which brought down the Incarnate Son sounds from our pulpits; and still the old graces—man's devotion and woman's purity—grow up at that creative touch; and still the young are trained from Baptism on to Confirmation and on to Holy Communion, and on from that through life and to death. But all comes from the fulness of the Pentecostal life, which no Act of Parliament gave, and which no Act of Parliament can ever take away.

It was proposed by His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, seconded by the Earl of Courtown, and unanimously resolved :—

That, before entering upon any further business, we desire to record our deep sense of the loss which we have sustained by the death of our late beloved Primate. While thankfully recognising the signal services rendered by that honoured Prelate to the Church at large, we cannot, as members of this Synod, forget the unvarying dignity, courtesy, and impartiality with which he discharged his duties as President of this assembly; the complete mastery of the subjects under discussion which enabled him so wisely to guide our deliberations; and the counsels of moderation whereby he ever sought to strengthen amongst us the bonds of unity and brotherly love. We desire also, while deploring our own loss, to express our sympathy with the bereaved members of the late Primate's family, and we earnestly pray that the God of all comfort may support them in their present hour of trial.

It was proposed by the Lord Bishop of Cork, seconded by the Earl of Belmore, and unanimously resolved :—

That this Synod desires to express its great regret at the death of its late Honorary Secretary, the Rev. Canon Morgan Woodward Jellett, LL.D. For more than twenty years he held that important and responsible position, and during that long period he discharged its duties with earnest devotion, with unflinching zeal, and with great ability, to the entire satisfaction of all the members of the Synod. He also acted as Editor of the *Journal of the Synod*, and its pages are a record of the accuracy and completeness with which he fulfilled the obligations of any office which he undertook.

Reports were presented to the Synod from :

1. The STANDING COMMITTEE, which showed that nine meetings had been held, and gave an account of the expenditure, which amounted for the year ending December 31, 1895, to 559*l.* 0*s.* 1*d.*

2. The BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION reported having held two, and the Executive Committee three, meetings. The Executive Committee also held three joint meetings with the Catechetical Committee of the Association for Promoting Christian Knowledge, for arranging and carrying out examinations in religious knowledge of : (1) the Church students of Government training colleges; and (2) the teachers of elementary schools throughout Ireland; and also (3) of the pupils of higher and intermediate schools; and the following are the results of the examinations held : (1) and (2) Government training colleges and teachers of elementary schools: Teachers examined, 138. Certificates obtained, 128. (3) Pupils of intermediate schools: Number of candidates, 1,738. Certificates and prizes awarded to 1,222. This is the largest number that have yet presented themselves for these examinations.

The total number of children examined in religious knowledge in the different Dioceses of the Church was 48,892. Passed, 24,417. Certificates, 8,488. Prizes, 13,061.

3. WIDOWS AND ORPHANS FUND BOARD.—The contributors to this Fund now number 566, viz.—

Compulsory, 475 at 6 <i>l.</i> per annum, amounting to	2,850 <i>l.</i>
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69 at over 6 <i>l.</i> per annum, amounting to	642 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>
566	contributing 3,624 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>

The annuities chargeable on the accumulated funds of 51,507*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.* now amounts to 316*l.*

4. The BOARD OF MISSIONS reported that 24,913*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.* has been contributed for Foreign Missions in the year 1895-6.

In addition to these Reports, which are printed in the *Journal of the General Synod*, Reports were also presented from the various Diocesan Synods, all of which had met under the presidency of their respective Bishops, and took action in all Diocesan questions, Church of Ireland Victoria Jubilee Fund, Church of Ireland Training College, Record Committee, Petitions Committee, Irish Society, and the Church of Ireland Temperance Society.

And there are besides in the Revenue Account—

1. Payments to Widows and Orphans Fund	£3,565 6 4
2. Churches Fire Insurance	803 0 8
3. Income Tax, surplus during year	2,168 13 7
4. Sundries	1,416 15 4
	£7,953 15 11

III. Total Income accrued during 1895.—It will thus be seen that the total amount in the Revenue Account is—

1. Voluntary Contributions	£176,300 17 2
2. Investments	303,056 3 6
3. Glebes Rents, &c.	25,512 10 11
4. Sundries	7,953 15 11
TOTAL INCOME	£512,823 7 6

IV. Total Expenditure during 1895.—It has now to be shown how the Income was expended.

The following is the EXPENDITURE—

1. Commutation Moneys—Annuities, &c.	£59,378 9 2
2. Diocesan Financial Schemes—Stipends, &c.	264,891 11 8
3. Private Endowment Fund	10,202 6 6
4. Parochial Endowments	29,874 4 8
5. Miscellaneous Trusts and Endowments	14,365 9 5
6. General Sustentation Fund	195 7 9
7. Minor Incumbents and Curates	1,821 9 5
Total paid out to Bishops, Clergy, &c.	£330,728 18 7

And there were in addition—

8. Expended on Glebes	£24,045 18 11
9. Churches Fire Insurance	744 12 3
10. Income Tax	2,745 2 8
11. General Synod Expenses, 1895	497 8 10
12. General Charges—Law Costs, Salaries, Office Expenses, &c.	6,734 19 3
13. Specific Donation, excess of nominal over realised value	22 0 0
14. Freehold House, &c., written off cost	500 0 0
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£416,019 0 6

leaving a balance of 96,804*l.* 7*s.* 0*d.* to be added to Capital.

This addition to the Capital is distributed as follows—

Increase in Commutation Funds	£2,501 12 1
Do. Parochial Sustentation Funds	20,080 6 9
Do. Episcopal Sustentation Funds	2,006 2 3
Do. Glebes Purchase Funds	816 6 29
Do. Miscellaneous Funds	78,407 17 1
	£84,812 9 6
Less decrease in Balances due Parishes	2,387 2 6
	£82,425 7 0

It will thus be seen that the balance is impressed with special trusts, and is for disposal of the Representative Body.

V. Total Assets, December 31, 1895.—The total Assets of the Representative Body on the 31st December, 1894, amounted to 7,776,208*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.*,—and on the 31st December, 1895, they had increased to 7,873,012*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*

This large sum has been derived from the following sources—

1. Balance of Contributions, &c.	£2,501 12 1
2. Composition Balances, Net	20,080 6 9
3. Profit on Sale of Glebes	2,006 2 3
4. Compensation for Private Endowments	816 6 29
5. Balance of Commutation Capital	78,407 17 1
TOTAL ASSETS	£82,425 7 0

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VI. Investments of Capital.—The investments in securities amount to 7,066,173*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.*, and consist of the following—

	Cost.	ESTIMATED INCOME.
1. 3,304,085 <i>l.</i> Railway Debenture, Preference, and other Guaranteed Stocks	£3,396,100 0 4	£146,597 1 4
2. Mortgages on Land at 4½ per cent.	1,960,021 14 7	89,100 19 6
3. Mortgages on Land at 4½ per cent.	1,101,833 0 4	46,827 18 0
4. Mortgages on Land at 3½ per cent.	43,000 0 0	1,800 0 0
5. 202,802 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> Colonial Government Stocks	203,952 12 8	7,627 11 5
6. 154,880 <i>l.</i> Municipal and Harbour Corporation Bonds and Debenture Stocks	159,012 2 10	5,478 12 10
7. 29,930 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i> Government Consolidated Stocks	27,901 0 1	826 12 5
8. 76,360 <i>l.</i> Indian Railway Guaranteed Stocks	119,764 2 4	4,306 8 0
9. Sundry Securities for various Trusts	29,588 12 8	999 10 5
	£7,066,173 5 10	£302,566 13 11

(2) Of these investments, the sum of 141,093*l.* 13*s.* 0*d.*, yielding 4,360*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*, is specifically allocated to various trusts.

The remaining investments, being those available for general purposes, amount to 6,925,079*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.*, and the actual receipts therefrom during the year 1895 were 295,718*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*, yielding a rate of 4*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.* per cent.,—the rate yielded during the preceding year, 1894, having been 4*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.* per cent.

The item of 'Sundry Securities for various Trusts' represents Securities selected by the Donors and transferred to the Representative Body, who have merely accepted the transfers. During the past year, 1895, capital sums amounting to 26,546*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.*, which had been producing 4½ per cent., were paid off on account of Mortgages.

Sums amounting to 129,326*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* have been invested in the purchase of Municipal Corporation Stocks, and of Debenture, Guaranteed, Preference, and Railway Rent-charge Stocks. The average rate receivable upon these investments is 3*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.* per cent. per annum.

(3) The following statement gives (1) the amounts received from general investments for the last five years, and (2) the rate per cent. yielded on the amount invested—

	Amount Received.	Rate per Cent.
1891	£292,740 0 7	£4 7 5
1892	282,824 11 1	4 3 10
1893	291,261 4 4	4 5 9
1894	299,290 13 7	4 7 9
1895	295,718 9 8	4 5 5

VII. Amount received from Investments, 1895.—The receipts from General Investments during the year 1895 (295,718*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*) are less than the receipts for 1894 by the sum of 3,572*l.* 3*s.* 11*d.* The 'Interest overdue' on Mortgages has increased from 112,857*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*, at which figure it stood at the close of the year 1894, to 116,855*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.*, the amount at the close of 1895. Capital invested in Mortgages to the amount of 26,546*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.*, bearing interest at 4½ per cent., was paid off during the year 1895, and was reinvested in other securities at rates of interest averaging about 3*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.* The continued reduction from year to year in the interest to be obtained on good security in the reinvestments of Capital must produce a serious reduction in the Income derived from Investments.

VIII. Appropriation of Capital.—The Funds in the hands of the Representative Body are appropriated to the following purposes—

1. Commutation	£1,849,916 6 4
2. Parochial Sustentation	4,105,361 13 2
3. Episcopal Sustentation	449,163 17 7
4. Glebes Purchase	329,291 8 3
5. Miscellaneous Purposes	1,090,942 6 11
And there are besides—	
6. Balances due to Parishes, &c.	48,436 15 5

TOTAL LIABILITIES £7,873,012 7 8

IX. Commutation Capital Account.—(1) The total amount paid over by the late Commissioners of Church Temporalities to the Representative Body on this account was 7,581,075*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.*

This Capital sum has been reduced to its present amount (1,849,916*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*) by the following transactions—

1. Advances under Tables II. and III., and Government Annuities purchased	£2,486,947 14 6
2. Composition Balances	1,645,570 8 8
3. Glebes, Parochial Trust, &c.	3,024 10 6
4. Drawn from Capital to make up insufficiency of Interest to pay Annuities	1,595,616 8 9
	5,731,159 2 5
Leaving Balance in hand, as above	1,849,916 6 4
	£7,581,075 8 9

(2) The total amount of Annuities originally chargeable on the Commutation Fund was 596,843*l.* 1*s.* 5*d.*, payable to 2,043 Annuitants.

Of these Annuities there have been extinguished—

1. By Compositions and Advances under Table III.	£319,445 7 9
2. By Purchase of Government Annuities, &c.	9,665 2 1
3. By Forfeiture under the Irish Church Act	120 7 1
4. By Deaths	211,862 11 6
	£541,093 8 5

Leaving Annuities—still chargeable on the 1st of January, 1896—amounting to	1,55,749 13 0
	£596,843 1 5

In the last Report of the Representative Body it was stated that in 1894 the interest received on the remaining Commutation Capital had for the first time exceeded the Annuities paid, by a sum of 1,056*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.*; while the excess of interest over Annuities for the year 1895 has been 5,717*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.*

It is now possible, therefore, to commence the distribution of the profits of Commutation, and thus gradually effect the closing of the Commutation Account.

It may be mentioned that several Dioceses have already anticipated their profits of Commutation by increasing their stipend expenditure, in accordance with the recommendation contained in the 22nd Report of the Representative Body, p. 39.

(3) The amount paid to Ecclesiastical Persons for Annuities, in 1895, was 58,915*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*—being 4,831*l.* 4*s.* 5*d.* less than the amount paid in 1894.

X. Parochial Sustentation.—(1) The total Capital sum in the hands of the Representative Body devoted to Parochial Sustentation was, on the 31st of December, 1894, 4,085,231*l.* 4*s.* 5*d.*—and on the 31st of December, 1895, it had increased to 4,105,261*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.*, distributed as follows—

1. Allocated Private Endowment Fund	£277,140 8 0
2. Composition Balances	1,531,537 15 11
3. Diocesan Stipend Funds	1,241,482 8 5
4. Parochial Endowments	823,364 0 10
5. Poor Parish Grants	231,737 0 0
	£4,105,261 13 2

The interest of this at 4 per cent. amounts to 164,210*l.*, the corresponding figures last year having been 163,409*l.* It may be expected that so long as any Parishes are held by Annuitant Clergy, the Funds devoted to Parochial Sustentation will continue to increase, and a considerable addition will be made to these Funds from the Profits of Commutation when they are fully realised.

(2) The total annual Assessments payable by parishes under the various Diocesan Schemes increased during the year from 132,807*l.* 12*s.* 7*d.* to 133,318*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* Of this sum there was paid in cash 104,576*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.*, and there was transferred to the Diocesan Scheme accounts, from other funds, 29,354*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.*, in great part for assessment. The arrears, as returned by the Diocesan Councils, had increased from 43,837*l.* 8*s.* 0*d.* on the 31st of December, 1894, to 45,125*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.* on the 31st of December, 1895.

(3) The amount paid for Stipends under Diocesan Schemes in 1895 was 233,640*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.*—being an increase of 6,399*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.* on the amount paid in 1894.

¹ Payable to 290 Annuitants.

XI. Episcopal Sustentation.—(1) This Fund amounted on the 31st of December, 1894, to 446,667*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*, and on December 1895, to 449,163*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.*, derived from the following sources:—

1. Contributions and Interest	£243,366 17 6
2. Composition Balances	84,297 0 1
3. Private Endowment Fund	55,000 0 0
4. General Sustentation Fund	57,000 0 0
5. Income and Expenditure Account	9,500 0 0
	£449,163 17 7

(2) There has also been appropriated to this account 105,701*l.* 15*s.* 1*d.*, Commutation Capital of deceased Bishops, subject to the lien of the Commuting Annuity, making a total of 551,374*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.*, but there still is required a sum of about 15,200*l.* to complete the endowment of the Episcopate.

XII. Glebes Purchase Fund.—(1) This Fund amounted on the 31st of December, 1894, to 328,774*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*, and on the 31st of December, 1895, to 329,291*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* made up as follows:—

1. Contributions	£291,669 11 11
2. Profit on Sales	37,621 16 4
	£329,291 8 3

(2) On account of the purchase of Glebes, the Representative Body paid, up to the 31st of December, 1895, 553,479*l.* 17*s.* 9*d.*, made up as follows:—

1. Contributed by Parishes and Private Donors	£291,659 11 11
2. Repaid by the Sale of Glebes	116,872 13 4
3. Transferred from the Ossory, Ferns, and Leighlin Episcopal Fund, in respect of a portion of the See lands sold for the benefit of that Fund	1,584 14 9
4. Chargeable with interest on account of the purchase of Glebes	143,352 17 9
	£553,479 17 9

(3) Under 'The Glebe Lands Representative Church Body (Ireland) Act, 1875' (38 and 39 Vic., ch. 42), the Representative Body obtained power to hold, on behalf of Parishes, lands for the erection thereon of Churches, Glebe Houses, School Houses, or other buildings connected therewith, or for other Church purposes, the lands so held not to exceed 30 acres for each Glebe.

One hundred and eighty-nine Parishes availed themselves of this Act during the period from 1876 to 1895.

(4) The Glebes Income and Expenditure Account shows a balance, at the close of 1895, of 4,860*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.*, which, compared with the balance of 4,888*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.* at the close of 1894, shows a decrease of 28*l.* 0*s.* 5*d.* Owing to the satisfactory condition of the General Income and Expenditure Account, it has been possible to credit the Glebes Account with the full sum of 10,000*l.*, which exceeded the amount required for the payment of the 10*l.* Grants by 1,355*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*

XIII. Miscellaneous Funds.—(1) The Miscellaneous Funds amounted on the 31st of December, 1894, to 1,017,484*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*, and on the 31st of December, 1895, they had increased to 1,090,942*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.*, distributed as follows:—

1. Reserve Fund, No. I.	£65,250 2 10
2. Do. No. II.	162,166 9 7
3. General Sustentation Fund (Balance)	40,593 19 0
4. Diocesan General Funds	184,527 4 6
5. Cathedrals	131,875 1 5
6. Clergy Superannuation Fund	138,809 4 6
7. Good Service Funds	70,232 18 4
8. Widows and Orphans Funds	88,884 17 6
9. Connolly Endowment Funds	20,168 18 9
10. Crofton and Donagh Fund	19,884 4 5
11. Reversionary and other Benefactions	18,267 1 1
12. Divinity School Exhibitions	10,816 11 4
13. Divinity School Fund	3,675 6 7
14. Various Trusts	129,996 2 8
15. Balance, Income and Expenditure Account	5,785 4 5

£1,090,942 6 11

(2) The interest of the 'Reserve Fund, No. I.' is at present applied to increasing the incomes of the Minor Incumbents and Curates.

(3) The 'Reserve Fund, No. II.' is intended as a provision for bad and doubtful debts.

(4) The balance of the General Sustentation Fund is chargeable with the stipends of certain deductible curates (amounting at present to 140*l.*) under the resolution of the General Synod of the 11th May, 1876,—and in the present Report it is proposed that the unappropriated balance of interest shall be applied by the Representative Body in aid of Poor Parishes by way of contributions, either (a) to assessments or (b) to the augmentation of stipends.

(5) The balance of the Income and Expenditure Account is carried forward, so as to provide in some degree for any possible deficit in the present year's accounts.

(6) The remaining funds are either the property of the several Dioceses or are appropriated to special purposes.

XIV.—General Sustentation Fund and Poor Parishes.—The Representative Body have again to regret the continued decrease of subscriptions to the General Sustentation Fund,—the decrease amounting, in 1895, to 65*l.* 11*s.*, as compared with the subscriptions for 1894. The donations for 1895 amount to 7*l.* 5*s.*, while for 1894 they were 8*l.* 10*s.* The bequests for 1895 amount to 7,255*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*, as compared with 741*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* for the preceding year.

The amount of unappropriated balance of interest of the General Sustentation Fund, which the Representative Body recommend the General Synod to apply, with the subscriptions, in aid of Poor Parishes, amounts to 1,279*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.*, the total being 1,673*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*—a sum greater than the amount allocated in 1895 by 86*l.* 10*s.* 1*d.*

XV.—Commutation Accounts.—As stated in last year's Report, the interest received in 1894, on the Commutation Moneys Capital Account, exceeded the annuities paid by the sum of 1,056*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.*; and in 1895 the excess of interest over annuities has amounted to 5,717*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* This condition of the Fund has enabled the Representative Body to make certain changes in their books, which greatly simplify the accounts, without disturbing existing rights, or altering the manner in which the produce of the several Funds is distributed.

The Agreement made between the Representative Body and each commuting clergyman will be fully maintained under this new arrangement of the accounts, as will be seen by reference to the statement made in the Annual Report under the head of the Commutation Accounts.

The state of the Commutation Fund enables the Representative Body to deal also with the General Sustentation Account, and to allocate the capital of that Fund representing permanent Grants, amounting, on the 31st December, 1895, to 210,000*l.*, to the credit of the several Funds to which the interest of the same was allocated by resolutions of the General Synod.

The Representative Body have also decided to transfer to the several Diocesan and other Funds, entitled to the same, the amount now standing to the credit of the Composition Balances Capital Account, thus altogether removing this, as a separate account, from the books of the Representative Body.

Other important arrangements have also been made affecting the Episcopal Commutation Accounts, and for the gradual closing of the Commutation Accounts of the various Dioceses, which will be found in the Report, under the head of Commutation Moneys Capital Account.

XVI.—London Sustentation Committee.—On behalf of the London Sustentation Committee, the Misses Nugent have sent to the Representative Body, for the year 1895, the sum of 800*l.*, which is being distributed among Poor Parishes in the South and West of Ireland, in order that the small stipends of their clergy may be fully paid. This has been the object of the Committee of this Fund from the first, and the thanks of the Church are due to those faithful friends in England who have long shown their sympathy with the poor and isolated people and clergy scattered over the most remote parts of the South and West of Ireland.

XVII.—Conclusion.—In presenting this, the Twenty-sixth Annual Report of their proceedings, and in recalling the dangers and fears which have often hitherto beset the affairs of the Church, and which have been, by God's good providence, averted and dispelled, the Representative Body desire to record their thanks to Him Who, in guiding and directing their labours for the welfare of His people, has blessed their work. The weight of the trust held by the Representative Body is very great, but they have been encouraged by the expressed approbation of the General Synod, representing the people and the clergy of the Church; and, having now, with that approbation, carried out the

responsible transactions arising from Commutation and Composition, they purpose, God helping them, to continue their labours, with increased confidence in the future of the Church of Ireland.

Church of Ireland Sustentation Fund.—1870-1885.

Contributions received during—

1870	£229,753 14 2	1863	£178,444 16 2
1871	214,709 8 4	1864	190,611 16 8
1872	248,445 1 8	1865	187,117 1 6
1873	230,179 11 0	1866	167,011 5 5
1874	257,021 2 1	1867	136,963 3 6
1875	218,499 3 8	1868	148,360 19 2
1876	212,095 7 7	1869	170,734 5 10
1877	197,739 6 7	1870	166,172 10 2
1878	174,403 15 10	1871	170,177 0 10
1879	165,007 11 0	1872	150,902 7 4
1880	147,768 0 0	1873	156,597 11 6
1881	153,618 0 2	1874	144,365 15 11
1882	154,436 10 1	1875	176,300 17 2
		Total	£4,097,306 3 4

Notes on the Session 1885.

The ordinary Session commenced on April 14, and terminated April 17, having lasted four days.

The House of Bishops did not sit separately, but the following members attended the meeting of the full Synod: His Grace the Lord Primate and His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Dublin; the Lords Bishops of Meath; Derry and Raphoe; Kilmore, Elphin, and Ardagh; Cork, Cloyne, and Ross; Killaloe, Kilfenora, Clonfert, and Kilmacduagh; Limerick, Ardfer, and Aghadoe; Down, Connor, and Dromore; Clogher; Tuam, Killala, and Achonry; Cashel and Emly, Waterford, and Lismore.

The greatest number of Representatives known to be present on any day was 366. The average attendance was 341, of whom 169 were clerical and 172 lay representatives.

Three Bills were introduced—two to amend Chap. VI. of the Constitution, dealing with the election of Bishops and appointment of the Primate, and one to amend Chap. IV. The former were referred to a Select Committee for report, and the latter was discharged; and the Standing Committee was requested to bring in a new Bill in the next Session of the Synod.

Resolutions were passed recording sympathy with the Armenian Christians; regarding the re-marriage of divorced persons; approving of the provisional use of a book of Family Prayer prepared by the Bishops; concerning National Education; the Intoxicating Liquors Bill, and other matters.

VISIT OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

The visit of the late Archbishop of Canterbury to Ireland in connection with the re-opening of the ancient Cathedral of Kildare after restoration, and his ministrations in the national Cathedral of St. Patrick, and the Cathedral of Christ Church, Dublin, and in the Cathedrals of St. Patrick, Armagh, and St. Columb, Derry, with his address given in the Ulster Hall, Belfast, was the principal ecclesiastical event during the year; and the great sorrow excited by his sudden death immediately after his visit was unprecedented. Resolutions expressing this sorrow were passed by all the Diocesan Synods which met since the sad event; namely, Armagh, Derry and Raphoe, and Down, Connor, and Dromore, in the Northern Province, and Dublin, Glendalough, and Kildare, and Cork, Cloyne and Ross in the Southern; also by the Standing Committee of the General Synod, and by the Representative Body of the Church. At a representative meeting of Churchmen convened by the Lord Archbishop of Dublin, it was resolved to erect memorials of the late Archbishop in connection with the Cathedrals of the Dioceses visited by him.

EDUCATIONAL ORGANISATION AND WORK.

By the REV. H. KINGSFULL MOORE, M.A., *Principal of the Church of Ireland Training College, Hon. Sec. Education Committee of the Standing Committee of the General Synod.*

Since disestablishment an entirely new educational machinery has sprung into existence. An organisation, having its centre in the General Synod, has spread, through the instrumentality of the Diocesan Synods, into every Diocese in Ireland. By this means a system of

ious instruction at once comprehensive and thorough has been everywhere established; many Dioceses it embraces all classes, and extends into all schools. These happy results chiefly due to the loyalty with which the Clergy in the different Dioceses accept theses laid down for them by the Diocesan authorities; indeed, so great is the unanimity in respect, that eight important Dioceses have adopted the same sets of calendars and notes, it seems not improbable that before long, just as there is one Prayer Book and one Ann Book, so there will be but one programme of religious knowledge for the whole Church. Proceeding to give a succinct account of the chief educational organisations, those chiefly connected with the General Synod naturally occupy the first place. They are—the rd of Religious Education, the Incorporated Society, and the Church of Ireland Training College.

The Board of Religious Education of the General Synod.—Catechist and Secretary: J. H. MacMahon, M.A., LL.D. The Board was founded with very large powers, with a view to at once directing and assisting the work of the Diocesan Boards. Its present consists in the compilation of certain educational statistics, and in undertaking part of the catechetical instruction of the Church of Ireland candidates at the Government Denominational Training College, Marlborough Street. It also takes part in arranging for the examination in religious knowledge of teachers in training, and teachers in charge of schools.

The Church of Ireland Training College.—Manager: His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin. Principal: Rev. H. Kingsmill Moore, M.A., Ball. Coll., Oxon. The College was opened in the old premises of the Kildare Place Society¹ in 1884, the year after the English system of Denominational Training Colleges was extended to Ireland. Since that time it has been three times enlarged by the addition of handsome new buildings. Altogether, without including Government grants and students' fees, a sum of upwards of 18,000*l.* has been raised for improvements and maintenance. There are at present in residence 117 students, 45 male, and 72 female, and since 1884 the College has trained 733 teachers.

Special features in the organisation of the College are: (a) the arrangement whereby the students acquire the art of teaching by assisting in the Practising Schools not merely during a period of six or more weeks, as is usual elsewhere, but through the whole of their two years' course; (b) a system of annual registration whereby the teachers send periodical reports of their work to the College, and so keep up a permanent connection.

The Incorporated Society, by the action of the Education Endowment Commission, has been brought into close connection with the General Synod, and its large revenues have been made available for helping the educational work of the Church.

In connection with the Society there are six Provincial Intermediate Schools, five for boys and one for girls. There is also a Collegiate School, to which pupils of the Intermediate Schools are elected by competitive examination, and which has been remarkably successful in winning sizarships at Trinity College, Dublin.

The Society further maintains at Celbridge, Co. Kildare, a Boarding School for Girls, which acts as a preparatory training college, and shapes its curriculum so as to best fit the girls for entering the Church of Ireland Training College.

The Association for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.—Secretaries: Very Rev. Charles Dickenson, Dean of the Chapel Royal; Rev. Hewitt Poole, D.D., S.F.T.C.D. Assistant Secretary: Rev. R. G. M. Webster, M.A. The Association is the chief of the dependent bodies which interest themselves in the Church's work of education. It is mentioned here on account of its close connection with the Board of the General Synod.

In addition to giving help generally towards the purchase of books, &c., it shares with the Board of Religious Education the work of catechising in Marlborough Street; and it bears the whole cost of the examinations in religious knowledge of the students in training in the Church of Ireland Training College in Marlborough Street; and of such teachers in charge of schools as desire to compete.

The Association further provides a similar examination for the pupils of Intermediate Schools.

Diocesan Boards of Education.—In connection with the various Diocesan Synods, twenty-two Boards of Education have been formed. The work aimed at by these Boards, a work which many of them discharge most successfully, consists as a rule—

1. In employing inspectors to examine schools in religious, and when necessary in secular, knowledge.
2. In holding at fixed centres large annual examinations in Holy Scripture and the Church Formularies.
3. In helping to support schools in poor districts by means of central funds.

¹ Founded 1811.

THE IRISH SYSTEM OF PRIMARY EDUCATION.¹

The struggle on behalf of the Voluntary Schools has aroused much interest in Irish primary education. It is therefore proposed to give an outline of its history, and the main features of its general constitution.

HISTORICAL OUTLINE: 1811-1831.—The first attempt by the State to educate the poor was made in Ireland. The Kildare Place Society—an undenominational body—received grants which rose as high as 30,000*l.* a year. They founded the large Model Schools, which at the present date form the practising schools of the Church of Ireland Training College, and which were described about 1825 by the head of the French Educational Department as the best in Europe. They trained teachers, built schools all over Ireland, introduced what they termed 'the Improved System of Education,' organised a careful system of inspection, published works on education, and in all respects discharged the duties of an efficient and extensive Government department.

1831.—In 1831 the Society were superseded by the present National Board. The fundamental principle of the Society, which compelled all pupils to read the Bible, roused violent hostility among the Roman Catholics. The principle which rigidly forbade all Catechisms, and all doctrinal teaching, was distasteful to all parties.

The National Board commenced by dealing with secular instruction only, and was at first even more undenominational than the Kildare Place Society. All this has however been changed. None of the great religious parties in Ireland would accept a system which did not provide for denominational teaching, and the result of their efforts has been that the National Board of to-day is a Denominational System with a Conscience Clause.

MAIN FEATURES OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL BOARD.—*Manager.*—Any private individual, or public committee, who can provide a school-house, and show a sufficient attendance of pupils, may apply to have their school taken into connection with the National Board. But, in order to do this formally, a correspondent must be appointed. The individual may appoint himself. The committee must select one of their number. The Board refuses to treat directly with committees, it will recognise only an individual; and this individual, so soon as the school is taken into connection, becomes the Manager. The Manager appoints and dismisses the teachers; regulates the school fees; fixes the date of the vacations; controls the use of the school after school hours, and decides what the religious instruction is to be, and how it is to be given.—*Teachers' Emoluments.*—The system of State payment prevails. The payments fall under three heads: (1) Salaries which vary according to the class of the teacher. (2) Results fees paid upon the result of the Inspector's examination. (3) Capitation payments, made on the number in average attendance. In addition, the localities commonly make some contribution to the support of the school. The sums given under this head may be taken as amounting to about one-seventh of the whole.—*Religious Instruction.*—Absolute freedom in the matter of dogmatic teaching is the characteristic which governs religious instruction under the National Board. Stringent rules forbid teachers of one denomination giving religious instruction to pupils of another. The utmost facility is afforded in all classes of schools for providing teachers of the same creed as the children. The fullest provision is made for the attendance of the Clergy, and their catechetical instruction. The Conscience Clause is compulsory. During the time set apart for religious instruction, the teachers *must* exclude all children of a different denomination from themselves.

¹ For fuller information the articles of the writer in the following publications may be consulted:—*The Church Quarterly*, April 1896; *The Church Times*, Nov. 29, 1896; *The Guardian*, Dec. 2, 1896; *The School Guardian* (four articles), Oct. and Nov., 1896.

SECTION II.
OFFICIAL STATEMENT
OF
THE WORK
OF THE
EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SCOTLAND.

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I. THE DIOCESE OF MORAY, ROSS, AND CAITHNESS.

Comprising the Counties of Caithness, Sutherland, Ross (less Lews), Cromarty, Nairn, Moray, and parts of Inverness, Banff, and Aberdeen.

Bishop—The Right Rev. James Butler Knill Kelly, D.D., consecrated Coadjutor Bishop of Newfoundland, 1867; elected Coadjutor Bishop of Moray, Ross, and Caithness, 1885, and Bishop of the same, 1886. O.E. Residence—Eden Court, Inverness.

Dean—Very Rev. John Ferguson, M.A., Elgin. Ordained 1850; appointed Dean 1885.

Synod Clerk—Rev. Canon J. Archibald, M.A., Keith. Elected 1888.

Cathedral—St. Andrew's, Inverness.

Provost—The Very Rev. Herbert Mather, M.A.

Canon and Precentor—Rev. P. Llewellyn, M.A.

Canons—Rev. W. L. Mackintosh, M.A.; Rev. A. Brook.

Chaplain—Rev. J. Shirren, M.A.

In this Diocese there are 31 places where services are held: 1 Cathedral, 14 Incumbencies, and 16 Missions. There are 22 Clergy: 1 Bishop, 5 Cathedral Clergy, 14 Rectors, and 2 licensed Clergy. There is Church accommodation for 4,890, and a membership of 3,571. Further particulars will be found in the tables of statistics. There is little or nothing to report in this Diocese this year. The principal event was the annual meeting of the Representative Church Council, which was held in Inverness in October. It was well attended, and there were some interesting debates. The statistics show that the Church does not gain ground in the country charges. The Walker Trustees voted a 25*l.* grant to Christ Church, Huntly, and 50*l.* grant to St. Paul's, Strathnairn; and to the Bishop for distribution in the Diocese 25*l.*

Educational.—There are six schools in the Diocese with accommodation for 1,157 children. There are 849 on the books, with an average attendance of 716. There is again a falling off in the number of children in the day schools.

Diocesan Synod.—We have been unable to gain any information in connection with the customary annual meeting of this Synod.

II. THE DIOCESE OF ABERDEEN AND ORKNEY.

Comprising the County of Aberdeen (less Huntly), part of Banff, Kincardine (north of Dee), and the Orkney and Shetland Islands.

Bishop—Right Rev. and Hon. Arthur Gascoigne Douglas, D.D., LL.D. Ordained 1850; consecrated 1883. **Official Residence**—Bishop's Court, Albyn Place, Aberdeen.

Dean—Very Rev. W. Walker, LL.D., Monymusk. Ordained 1844; appointed Dean 1896.

Synod Clerk—Rev. J. Wiseman, M.A., Bucksburn. Elected 1896.

(There is no Cathedral or Cathedral staff.)

In this Diocese there are 53 places where services are held; 34 Incumbencies and 19 Missions and Chaplaincies. There are 48 Clergy: 1 Bishop, 1 Chaplain, 34 Rectors, and 12 licensed Clergy. There is Church accommodation for 12,752, and a membership of 13,321. There has been a considerable increase in numbers under nearly all the heads in the Diocesan statistics; the communicants showing an increase of about 400 over last year. The contributions from the Diocese to the four principal central funds of the Church—Sustentation Fund, Home Mission Fund, Education Fund, and Foreign Mission Fund—all show an increase over last year's contributions, the total increase on the four being 62*l*. New ground has been broken in the Orkney Diocese by the opening of the Mission at Westness, in Ronsay, by the Rector of Kirkwall. Mission work has also been commenced by the Rector of Cruden at Northhaven, in Aberdeenshire. At Deer a very handsome addition has been made to the chancel as a memorial to the late Dean Ranken, who had been incumbent of this charge for the long period of 52 years. St. Paul's Church, Aberdeen, has been re-decorated at a cost of about 150*l*., and the Church at Forgue has had a very handsome carved oak reredos presented to it during the year. The subject of the carving is our Lord in the midst of the four evangelists. At Braemar a new stone church is being erected to replace the wooden one. The following grants were received from the Walker Fund during the year:—St. Luke's, Cuminestown, 100*l*.; St. George's, Folla-Rule, 100*l*.; St. Matthew's, Meldrum, 75*l*.; St. Thomas', Tillymorgan, 30*l*.; and the Bishop for use in the Diocese, 25*l*.

Educational.—There are 17 schools in the Diocese, with accommodation for 3,002 scholars. There are 2,942 children on the books, with an average attendance of 2,467. At the Diocesan Inspector's visits there were 2,300 pupils present at his examination in Religious instruction, and as a result of his examination he reports that the instruction given by the teachers is given with much faithfulness and efficiency.

Diocesan Synod.—The annual meeting of the Diocesan Synod was held in St. Andrew's Church, Aberdeen, on the 20th August. The Bishop was present, but did not deliver a charge. He spoke of the principal changes that had occurred during the year, and of his episcopal acts. The Diocesan statistics were laid on the table, and the Diocesan Inspector gave in his report on the examination of the schools in Religious knowledge. An informal discussion took place on the Deceased Wife's Sister's Bill.

III. THE DIOCESE OF BRECHIN.

Comprising the County of Kincardine (south of Dee), greater part of the County of Forfar, and the Carse of Gowrie in Perth.

Bishop—Most Rev. Hugh Willoughby Jermyn, D.D. Ordained 1843; consecrated 1871; elected to Bishopric of Brechin 1875; elected *Primas* 1886. **O.E. Residence**—Forbes Court, Broughty Ferry.

Dean—Very Rev. W. Hatt, Muchalls. Ordained 1865; appointed Dean 1891.

Synod Clerk—Rev. G. Mackness, D.D., Broughty Ferry.

(There is no Cathedral or Cathedral staff.)

In this Diocese there are 34 places where services are held: 18 Incumbencies and 16 Missions. There are 32 Clergy: 1 Bishop, 18 Rectors, and 13 licensed Clergy. There is Church accommodation for 8,248, and a membership of 15,967. Dundee is the great centre of Church life in this Diocese, and so it is here we naturally look for activity and increase. Both St. Paul's and St. Mary Magdalene's have opened new missions during the year. Both these churches have two missions each now. A new church is much needed for St. Mary Magdalene's congregation, as the present one would not accommodate one-half of the communicants who make their communion at the various

services on Easter Day, or Christmas Day. Three churches in Dundee, with their missions, have exactly half the communicants of the whole Diocese, viz 3,120. St. Mary Magdalene's congregation are raising funds for a new church, and St. Margaret's, Lochee, for the extension of theirs. A new school for infants has been built and opened during the year at Laurecekirk. The Walker Trustees voted 50*l.* grants in aid of curates for Holy Trinity, Dundee, and St. Margaret's, Lochee. St. Margaret's also received 100*l.* from the Trustees for their Building Fund.

Education.—There are nine schools in the Diocese, with accommodation for 2,127 scholars. There are 2,174 children on the books, with an average attendance of 1,784. Thus the number on the books has slightly decreased, while the average attendance has increased during the year. The total number on the books at Sunday School is 3,653, and the average attendance 2,832. The Diocesan Examiner is able to report improved work in Religious instruction, and that everywhere there is steady advance in accuracy and general intelligence. Every grant-earning school has received the mark *ex.*, thereby showing it has got 90 per cent. in the examination.

Diocesan Synod.—The annual meeting of the Diocesan Synod was held in St. Paul's, Dundee, on the 16th September. The Primus gave an account of his Episcopal acts for the year, but did not deliver a charge. After some discussion, it was decided to form a 'Junior Clergy Foreign Mission Association,' to waken up zeal on behalf of, and to further the cause of, Foreign Mission Work. The Synod Clerk laid the Congregational Returns on the table, but they did not call for any special remark. A motion by one of the Clergy to hand over the district of Torry—which is in the extreme North-east corner of the Diocese, and only separated from Aberdeen by the river Dee—to the Diocese of Aberdeen, that it might be worked in connection with one of the charges in that city, raised a good deal of feeling, and was ultimately thrown out. A very favourable report was submitted on behalf of the Sunday School Union. Much excellent work was being done by this organisation. The Diocesan Librarian submitted his annual report, and the only other business before the Synod was the *interim* report of the Committee on the Revision of the Canons. As the work was not yet completed, the committee were continued.

IV. THE DIOCESE OF ST. ANDREWS, DUNKELD, AND DUNBLANE.

Comprising the Counties of Fife, Kinross, Clackmannan (less Alloa), Perth (less the Carse of Gowrie), and part of Forfar and Stirling.

Bishop—Right Rev. George Howard Wilkinson, D.D. Ordained 1857; consecrated 1883; elected to St. Andrews 1893. Residence—Erigmore, Birnam.

Dean—Very Rev. V. L. Rorison, Perth. Ordained 1874; appointed Dean 1890.

Archdeacon—Ven. A. S. Aglen, M.A., Alyth. Ordained 1862; appointed Archdeacon 1890.

Synod Clerk—Rev. J. W. Hunter, Birnam. Elected Synod Clerk, 1893.

Cathedral—St. Ninian's, Perth.

Provost—Very Rev. V. L. Rorison, M.A., Dean of the Diocese.

Canon and Precentor—Rev. G. T. S. Farquhar, M.A.

Canons—Rev. J. J. Douglas, B.D., Kirriemuir; Rev. W. Bruce, B.D., Culross; Rev. L. Tuttiett, St. Andrews; Ven. A. S. Aglen, Alyth.

Chaplain—Rev. John Philip, M.A.

In this Diocese there are 58 places where services are held: 1 Cathedral, 25 Incumbencies, and 32 Missions and Chaplaincies. There are 49 Clergy: 1 Bishop, 1 Dean, 5 Chaplains, 25 Rectors, and 17 licensed Clergy. There is church accommodation for 9,923, and a membership of 8,733. Much activity is displayed in this Diocese, and the Bishop's efforts are being well supported by the generosity of the laity. The Bishop's Mission Fund, which was formed soon after he came into the Diocese, has done a great deal of good. It has been most prosperous, and ended its second year with a balance in hand of over 3000*l.* Several mission curates are almost entirely supported out of this fund. New missions have been opened at Guardbridge, in the neighbourhood of St. Andrews, at Cowdenheath, near Dunfermline, at North Queensferry, and Lunanhead, near Forfar. Other missions are expected to be opened shortly at several other places, where it has been found there are a few Church families, and a desire for Church privileges. At St. Andrews a new Parsonage is being built, and the Church at

Tummel Bridge, having been restored by the Marquis of Breadalbane, was reopened by the Bishop of St. Andrews in August last. The Diocesan Altar and Church-furnishing Guild is doing a good work in furnishing the many necessary things required for new and poor missions. The Diocesan Temperance Society, which was started last year, has now been established on the dual basis, and promises to be a successful organisation. Another new organisation is being started this year—viz., a Diocesan Choral Association. The Walker Trustees voted the following grants to this Diocese—*to* Aberfoyle 50*l.*; Burtisland 100*l.*; Newport 50*l.*; and to the Bishop for the Diocese 2*l.*

Educational.—There are 9 schools in the Diocese, with accommodation for 1,600. There are 1,372 children on the books, with an average attendance of 1130. There is thus a decrease both in the number on the books and in the average attendance. There are 30 Sunday Schools, with 1661 on the books, and an average attendance of 1314; each of these showing an increase of about 200.

V. THE DIOCESE OF EDINBURGH.

Comprising the Counties of Edinburgh, Linlithgow, Haddington, Berwick, Roxburgh, Peebles, Selkirk and part of Stirling, and Alloa.

Bishop—The Right Rev. John Dowden, D.D. Ordained 1864; consecrated 1886. Residence—Lynn House, Gillsland Road, Edinburgh.

Dean—The Very Rev. James F. Montgomery, D.D., Edinburgh. Ordained 1856; appointed Dean 1873.

Synod Clerk—Canon J. S. Wilson, B.A., Edinburgh. Elected 1890.

Cathedral—St. Mary's, Edinburgh.

Dean—The Very Rev. J. F. Montgomery, D.D.

Sub-Dean—Canon J. S. Wilson, B.A.

Chancellor—Canon J. F. S. Keating, M.A., Pantonian Professor.

Canons—The Rev. G. Jackson, M.A., Leith; the Rev. A. D. Murdoch, All Saints', Edinburgh; the Rev. T. N. Wannop, M.A., Haddington.

Chaplains—The Revs. H. J. Lawlor, M.A., B.D.; A. Griffiths, M.A.; W. P. Oakeley, B.A.; D. C. W. Darnell, M.A., Cargilfield, Trinity.

In this Diocese there are 71 places where services are held: 1 Cathedral, 36 Incumbencies, 34 Missions and Chaplaincies. There are 81 Clergy; 1 Bishop, 1 Dean, 36 Rectors, and 43 licensed Clergy. There is church accommodation for 19,665, and a membership of 28,362. These figures compare very favourably with those in an old report (the 10th) of the old Church Society which happens to lie before me. In that Report for the year ending 1st Dec., 1848, there are only 16 places in the Diocese (8 in Edinburgh and 8 in the rest of the Diocese) where services are held, as compared with the 71,26 in Edinburgh and 45 in the rest of the Diocese) of to day. Only one new mission has been opened during the past year—St. Saviour's in the Canongate, Edinburgh; but a site has been secured at St. Peter's Place for a new church in connection with St. John's Mission work. New iron churches have been erected for the missions of Abbeyhill to be known as St. Matthew's, and the Morningside mission, to be known as St. Fillan's. St. Martin's Church has had a new chancel added to it, thereby much increasing the accommodation of the church. The House of Mercy, Joppa, has had a new and more commodious chapel built for their requirements. Old St. Paul's congregation, Edinburgh, have just decided to increase the size of their church by the addition of an aisle and new vestries, at a cost of about 4000*l.* This will give additional accommodation for about 500. The congregation of St. James', Leith, are raising funds to build a church for their Mission congregation. They have 1,700*l.* in hand. St. Columba's Church has been much improved during the past year by being cleaned, re-decorated, and an alteration in the arrangement of the stained glass windows. It has also had the electric light substituted for the gas. This is the first church in Edinburgh where the electric light has been introduced. A ten-days' mission was conducted at St. Columba's in February last by Father Black. There is some talk of enlarging this interesting church, which was the first in Scotland to feel the effects of the Oxford Revival. The St. Salvador's Home for Nurses in Edinburgh has at last found a suitable abode, a house in Grosvenor Crescent having been purchased for that purpose. It was opened and dedicated by the Primus at the end of October. The following grants were voted to this Diocese by the Walker Trustees:—Armadale 50*l.*; Duns 50*l.*; Edinburgh, Abbeyhill 200*l.*; St.

Andrews, 50*l.*; St. John's Mission 50*l.*; St. Margaret's Mission 50*l.*; Old St. Paul's 300*l.*; St. Vincent's 25*l.*; St. Columba's 50*l.*; Penicuik 200*l.*; Galashiels 25*l.*; Portobello 50*l.*, and South Aunsensferry 23*l.*

Education.—There are 22 schools in the Diocese, with accommodation for 5,074 scholars. There are 4,405 children on the books, and 3,779 in average attendance. There is an average attendance of 10,656 in the Sunday Schools. The Diocesan Inspector reports most favourably on the Religious instruction being given in the schools.

Diocesan Synod.—The annual meeting of the Edinburgh Diocesan Synod was held on Nov. 19. There was choral celebration in the Cathedral at 10 A.M., after which the Synod was constituted in the Chapter House by the Bishop. There were 72 Clerical members present, as compared with 64 last year. The Bishop in his address referred to the principal changes in the Diocese, to the statistics, Church Extension, etc., after which he dwelt on the Papal pronouncement on Anglican Orders at some length, and then went on to say a few words in favour of the claims of the S.P.C.K. on Scottish Churchmen. The difficulty about the Abbeyhill School, and its connection with the Church, was taken up by the Synod, but was left over for the present on account of the want of fuller information. The Synod Clerk read the Report of the Diocesan Auditor, which gave a full and satisfactory statement of the monies which had been raised during the year in response to appeals sanctioned by the Bishop. The Synod Clerk also submitted the second *interim* Report of the Committee on the Code of Canons. The Committee was continued. He next read the Report of the Committee of the Diocesan Church Reading Union. It stated that the membership of the Union had increased by 50 per cent. in the past year, and that the lectures given had been fairly attended. The reports of the Walker Bursary Committee and of the Diocesan Inspector of Schools were then submitted. The other subjects dealt with by the Synod were—an alteration in the Cathedral Statutes, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and Sunday School Teachers' Union. The following motion was moved by the Dean, and unanimously agreed to:—‘With the consent of the Dean and Chapter, special services be held in the Cathedral on June 9, 1897, to commemorate the 1300th anniversary of the death of St. Columba; and that the Dean and Chapter be requested to consider what form the services should take.’ Thereafter a long and animated debate took place on a motion by Canon Wilson with regard to the Athanasian Creed. The motion was lost in favour of the following amendment, which passed as a substantive motion:—‘Whilst deprecating any mutilation or omission in the public service of the Church of the Creed commonly called the Athanasian Creed, the Synod appoint a Committee to consider whether any, and, if so, what, relief can be given to those Church-people who are perplexed by its use.’

VI. THE DIOCESE OF GLASGOW AND GALLOWAY.

Comprising the Counties of Ayr, Dumbarton, Dumfries, Kirkcudbright, Lanark, Renfrew, and Wigtown, and the Western part of Stirlingshire.

Bishop—The Right Rev. William Thomas Harrison, D.D. Ordained 1861; consecrated 1888. Residence—25 Burnbark Gardens, Glasgow.

Dean—Very Rev. James Watson Reid, Christ Church, Glasgow. Ordained 1849; appointed Dean 1890.

Synod Clerk—Rev. Canon Low, M.A., Largs. Elected 1889.

Examining Chaplains—Rev. M. B. Hutchison, M.A., Glasgow; Rev. W. J. Wilson, B.A., Dalry.

Inspector of Schools—Rev. W. Rollo, M.A., St. James's, Glasgow.

Supernumerary—Rev. J. H. Forrest Bell, Glasgow.

(There is no Cathedral or Cathedral staff.)

In this Diocese there are 85 places where services are held: 29 Incumbencies, and 56 Missions and Private Chapels. There are 72 Clergy: 1 Bishop, 29 Rectors, and 42 licensed Clergy. There is church accommodation for 19,713, and a membership of 32,338.

Considerable progress is being made in this Diocese, but the work is sadly hampered by want of funds. There is no end of mission work ready to hand, if men and means could be found to take it up. There are 22 Churches and Missions in Glasgow, but these might be doubled to take up the work properly, and yet, in looking back, we find how much the Church has grown. In 1818 there were only 4 Churches in Glasgow and 5

Clergy! The only new Mission opened in the Diocese this year is that of St. Matthew's, in connection with the ever-fruitful St. Mary's, Glasgow. It is proposed to build a new stone church for Airdrie, on a site which has been given. At Wishaw money is being raised for the building of a chancel and a Church Hall. 400*l.* was raised by Paisley Church-people for the extension of their school and the renovation of the church. St. Saviour's Church, Glasgow, which was only built three years ago, has been freed from debt, and was consecrated in October, and a new addition to St. Mark's was dedicated and opened in November. Holy Trinity Church, Motherwell, was also consecrated in November. At Baillieston a new heating apparatus has been added to the Church, and St. Gabriel's, Govan, has secured a much required Mission Room, for Church meetings of various kinds. St. Cyprian's Church, Lenzie, although built as far back as 1873, has only been consecrated this year. The Bishop's Diocesan Home Mission Fund has improved considerably this year, but it is not sufficient to do more than a mere skirmish at the mission work lying ready to harvest. The Walker Trustees were very liberal in their grants to this Diocese, as the following list will show:—Ardrossan, 100*l.*; Clydebank, 50*l.*; Glasgow, Christ Church, 25*l.*; St. George's, 100*l.*; St. James', 100*l.*; St. John's, 100*l.*; St. Mark's, 50*l.*; St. Saviour's, 100*l.*; Gourrock, 100*l.*; Kilmarnock, 100*l.*; Motherwell, 100*l.*; and for Mission Curates—to St. Anne's, 50*l.*; St. James', 50*l.*; and St. John's, 25*l.*

Education.—There are six schools in the Diocese, with accommodation for 1784 scholars. There are 1889 children on the books with an average attendance of 1630. There is an average attendance at the Sunday Schools of 4981.

Diocesan Synod.—The annual meeting of the Diocesan Synod was held in St. Mary's Church, Glasgow, on November 10. The Bishop presided, and there were 63 Clergy present, as compared with 58 last year. After the Bishop had delivered his charge, the statistical returns were laid on the table. These showed a very satisfactory increase in every particular. Two Mission Stations were raised to the status of Mission Charges. The Committee on the Revision of the Canons gave in a report, and the Synod re-appointed the Committee to continue its work for another year. The Report of the Committee on the Boundaries of Charges was submitted by the Synod Clerk. The Committee was continued, in order that they might consult with the Canons' Revision Committee, that the boundaries of charges might be dealt with in the canons of the Church. Reports from the Diocesan Choral Society, Diocesan Sunday School Teachers' Association, and Sunday Scholars' Missionary Association were submitted. Rev. R. Howel Brown, after submitting the Report of the Local Committee of the S.P.C.K., introduced Rev. Mr. Robinson, the deputy of the Society, who spoke very warmly on behalf of the old Society, and pleaded for warmer interest and better support. A long and animated discussion then took place on the resolution given notice of by Rev. George Grub:—'That, in the opinion of this Synod, the time has arrived when it is most desirable that the Diocese should possess some local centre of common interest and action.' This was ultimately passed by a very large majority. He then submitted the next resolution:—'That having in view the great improbability of any new Cathedral building being erected for some considerable time, it would be well to adapt a Cathedral Organisation to one of the large churches in Glasgow, which would be constituted for the time the pro-Cathedral Church of the Diocese.' This being carried also by a large majority, Mr. Grub then submitted his third resolution:—'That in the present circumstances St. Mary's Church seems the most fit to fulfil this purpose.' By a majority of 33 to 4 this was also carried, and a committee was appointed under the terms of the resolutions.

VII. THE DIOCESE OF ARGYLL AND THE ISLES.

Comprising the Counties of Argyll and Bute, and part of Inverness and Ross.

Bishop—Right Rev. J. R. A. Chinnery-Haldane, D.D. Ordained 1866; consecrated 1883. Residence—North Ballachulish.

Chaplains—Rev. D. Cameron, Ballachulish; Rev. Canon Mackenzie, Duror.

Dean—Very Rev. A. J. Maclean, M.A., Portree. Ordained 1882; appointed 1892.

Synod Clerk—Rev. Hugh MacColl, Fort William. Elected 1886.

Cathedral and Collegiate Church of the Holy Spirit. (Cathedral of The Isles, and Pro-Cathedral of Argyll, Isle of Cumbrae.)

Troost—The Very Rev. T. I. Ball, LL.D.

ms—Very Rev. A. J. Maclean, M.A., 1892; Rev. J. A. Ewing, M.A., 1854; Brown, M.A., 1872; Rev. J. R. Dakers, 1883; Rev. W. L. Low, M.A., 1893; Mackenzie, 1892.

Secr. Clerk—Mr. James Gordon, North College, Cumbræ.

In this Diocese there are 41 places where services are held: 1 Cathedral, 17 Incies, and 23 Missions and Chaplaincies. There are 25 Clergy: 1 Bishop, 15 and 9 licensed Clergy. There is church accommodation for 4,613, and a membership of 3,126. There are very few particulars to record with regard to this Diocese. A year's alteration in Church fabric during the year has been the enlargement of Holy Church, Dunoon, at a cost of 750*l.* At Rothesay, a Parsonage has been bought and added to the Church. A wonderful increase is shown in Confirmation statistics. During the year the confirmations of naval lads at Campbeltown, from H. M. Training-ship *Ampton*. During the year the Bishop has confirmed 180 lads, while the ship was at Campbeltown, and as many more were confirmed out of her during the year while she was at Campbeltown. Oban has been made a centre for Missionary work for the district, and a staff of three Priests—Callipool, Ardchattan, and Mull being now working there. Returns—for the first time for 200 years—were made for the Synod Clerk. In 1846 the Blessed Sacrament was celebrated in the little Chapel of Campbeltown, attached to the Bishop's House, Iona. The only grants voted by the Trustees to this Diocese were 50*l.* to Rothesay, and 25*l.* to the Bishop for the

Education.—There are 7 schools in the Diocese—that at Callipool having been given church accommodation for 666 scholars. There are 430 on the books, with an attendance of 321. The average attendance at the Sunday Schools is 495.

Annual Synod.—The annual meeting of Synod was held in St. John's, Oban, on the 16th. The Bishop delivered his charge from the chancel-steps, after which the Synod was duly constituted, and then retired to the School, where the meeting was held. The only thing of any importance which came before the Synod was the Cumbræ Statutes, which were brought up for approval.

GENERAL.

Progress can be reported in nearly all departments of the Church, whether we look at the returns made to the Synod Clerks, or to the state of the finances. As might be expected, of course the greatest progress is found in the great centres of population. In the Diocese of Glasgow, e.g. ten years ago it was, territorially, much larger than now, as Roxburgh and Selkirkshires have been given up to Edinburgh. In 1886 there were 25,000 members; in 1896, with the Diocese smaller, there are 32,000 members. The Diocese of Edinburgh had in 1886, 18,000 members, now it has 28,000. If we take the numbers for the whole Church, we see the progress made in the 10 years. In 1886 there were 81,000 members, in 1896 there are 105,000. Other statistics are encouraging. The Communicants in 1886 were 31,559; in 1896, 41,931. In 1886 there is an increase of 70 in the number of Churches, Missions, etc., and in 1896 an increase of 70 also in the number of Clergy employed in the Church. But the increase of the Church in the nation is not to be compared to its numbers. There is a conviction that small as we are in numbers we are in the van in Church life in Scotland, and that our influence is felt far and wide. One of the most noteworthy movements in the Church just now is the establishing of a Fund for the Support of Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Church. The Old Friendly Society, which is 100 years old, never commanded the sympathy of the whole Church. It has been a successful Society as far as it went, but out of the 330 Clergy in the Church, there are only about 60 members of the Friendly Society. When the new scheme is adopted by the Church Council, the Friendly Society will be merged in it. Another noteworthy movement is that in the Diocese of Glasgow for the establishment of a cathedral or a pro-Cathedral. The idea has met with great sympathy, so we hope it will be brought to successful conclusion. One other movement is rather disquieting, however, that is, the opening up by the Synod of Edinburgh the question of the Nicene Creed. A Committee has been appointed by the Synod to go into the matter. In 1884 the centenary of the consecration of Bishop Seabury—the first American Bishop—by the Scotch Bishops in Aberdeen was held. This year the Senatus

of the Aberdeen University have graciously allowed the Churchmen of Connecticut-Seabury's Diocese—to place a memorial to Bishop Seabury in the University. The teachers of the Episcopal Schools in Scotland have formed themselves into an Association under the Presidency of the Rev. J. R. Leslie, Principal of the Training College. This association has been formed none too soon, and it is expected that good work will result from it. The Working Men's Society, the Young Men's Friendly Society, and St. Andrew's Brotherhood move along quietly, without making any great strides. They have never taken root in Scotland as in some other countries. A deputation of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood from America visited this country this year, and addressed meetings at various places. The Committees appointed by the various Diocesan Synods to go over the Canons of the Church in anticipation of another revision, are still proceeding with their work, so when the next Provincial Synod meets the subject of revision will have been well thought out. The Representative Church Council met last October in Inverness. The attendance there is always very small, as October is not a month to encourage one to take a long journey into the Highlands. However, those who did attend were well rewarded, as it was one of the most harmonious and able meetings the Council has had. In addition to this, it was worth all the trouble to listen to the able and eloquent address delivered by the Bishop of St. Andrews on the Clergy Sustentation Fund. The subjects of place and time of the Annual Meetings of Council has been opened up, and will not likely be dropped without some change in each being made. It was gratifying to hear at the Council that the Equal Dividend had at last taken a turn upwards. But it is still a long way off the coveted 100.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

No.	Diocese	Churches, Temporal Churches, Church Schools, and Mission Rooms		Clergy.		Charges		Ordinations					
		Cathedral	Temporals	Rectors and Bishops	Licensed	Incumbents including Cathedral	Missions and Pr. Chaplains	Church Day Schools	Parsonages	Deacons		Priests	
1	Moray, &c.		30	15	7	15	16	6	13				
2	Aberdeen, &c.		63	35	18	34	19	17	34				
3	Brechin		34	19	13	18	16	9	18			3	
4	St. Andrews, &c.		56	26	23	26	31	9	22				
5	Edinburgh		71	37	44	37	44	22	25			2	
6	Glasgow, &c.		85	30	42	30	55	6	20			3	
7	Argyll		42	16	9	18	23	7	15			2	
Totals for 1896.			871	178	151	178	195	76	147			6	8
Totals for 1895.			854	182	145	181	177	76	153			8	9

No.	Diocese	Church Accommodation	Souls Permitted	Baptisms	Marriages	Burials	Persons Ordained	Persons Communicants	Catechisms	Persons Celebrations	Schools	Children on Books	Average attendance	
													Week	Sunday
1	Moray, &c.	4,890	8,571	118	17	57	1,246	53	1,542	1,600	1,157	829	789	716
2	Aberdeen, &c.	12,752	18,321	770	96	277	4,340	483	6,527	4,122	3,002	2,942	2,467	2,344
3	Brechin	8,248	15,967	986	135	372	5,539	504	6,274	2,461	2,127	2,174	1,784	2,332
4	St. Andrews, &c.	10,380	8,733	345	50	128	2,889	262	4,044	3,029	1,609	1,372	1,130	1,314
5	Edinburgh.	19,665	28,362	2,380	800	572	8,470	1,248	12,479	6,595	5,074	4,405	3,779	10,656
6	Glasgow, &c.	19,743	32,338	3,788	322	757	7,326	907	9,741	4,403	1,784	1,889	1,839	4,981
7	Argyll, &c.	4,613	3,126	164	13	54	866	266	1,324	2,108	656	430	321	495
Totals for 1896.		80,291	105,418	8,501	937	2,217	30,676	3,723	41,931	24,318	15,409	14,041	12,059	23,288
Totals for 1895.		78,405	103,194	8,281	811	2,346	28,681	3,531	40,775	22,930	15,227	14,992	11,954	17,267

FINANCIAL SUMMARY, 1895-96.
 Showing Diocesan and other Contributions to Central Funds of the Representative Church Council and Grants from the Walker Trust Fund
 for Year ending June 30, 1896.

	Diocese, &c.	Clergy Sustentiation Fund	Education Fund	Home Mission and Associa- tion Fund	Foreign Mission Fund	Armed and Infirmary Clergy Fund	Theological Hall Mainte- nance, &c.	Theological Hall Building Fund	Grants from Walker Trust Fund	Church Society Income
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Moray, Ross, and Caithness	600 18 10	59 14 5	204 5 6	103 8 9	—	—	—	75 0 0	—
2	Aberdeen and Orkney	1,307 10 10	114 8 4	300 1 8	159 12 1	—	—	—	565 0 0	—
3	Brechin	1,325 8 6	77 8 3	218 6 4	183 11 3	—	—	—	100 0 0	—
4	St. Andrews, &c.	1,907 2 0	136 9 1	427 10 8	313 12 10	—	—	—	300 0 0	—
5	Edinburgh	3,650 9 6	310 0 8	921 3 10	837 14 8	—	—	—	1,048 12 3	—
6	Glasgow and Galloway	2,257 19 9	125 12 0	652 6 9	359 12 7	—	—	—	925 0 0	—
7	Argyll and The Isles	621 0 0	54 8 4	140 8 4	63 1 2	—	—	—	50 0 0	—
8	Treasurer direct	713 1 3	122 5 6	323 12 10	311 9 2	620 19 2	443 12 2	32 18 4	—	—
9	Mission to Fisher Folk	—	—	121 0 10	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Rescue and Penitentiary Work	—	—	172 14 6	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Additional Curates Aid Fund	—	—	108 8 0	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Churchwomen's Association for Foreign Missions	—	—	—	681 5 10	—	—	—	—	—
13	Endowment of St. John's, Kaffraria	(Third Instalment)	—	—	348 0 5	—	—	—	—	—
14	Walker Trust Grants	—	—	300 0 0	—	500 0 0	—	262 10 0	762 10 0	—
15	Special	360 1 0	—	65 10 0	—	—	440 8 0	—	725 0 0	—
16	Legacies, &c.	738 6 9	90 0 0	371 12 11	745 16 0	3,192 4 6	—	—	—	44 12 4
17	Interest	339 10 8	—	90 0 6	386 0 7	107 8 0	—	—	—	870 3 10
						4,160 11 8	600 0 8	305 4 4	4,160 11 8	4,160 11 8

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TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND INCOME OF THE R.C.C. FOR THE YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1895, 1896.

Name of Funds	1895			1896		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Clergy Fund (Subscriptions, &c., and Interest on Capital)	12,810	7	7	13,033	1	4
Clergy Fund (Additions to Capital)	902	8	5	750	19	9
Home Mission Fund and Association	3,065	16	4	3,103	4	5
Home Mission Fund (Capital)	840	14	9	595	10	0
Rescue and Penitentiary Work	174	9	6	172	14	6
Missions to Fishermen	87	6	11	121	0	10
Additional Curates Aid				108	8	0
Education	1,160	11	0	1,036	12	2
Foreign Mission Fund (including Endowment of St. John's Bishopric, Kaffraria, and Church W. Association Funds and Interest)	4,154	3	8	4,433	6	2
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund (Income)	1,127	18	2	1,188	7	2
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund (Additions to Capital)		74	13	3,442	4	6
Theological College Hall (Maintenance)	942	16	0	990	0	8
Theological College Hall (Capital Account)	1,202	11	11	795	8	4
Church Society Fund (Income)	896	7	11	1,006	17	9
Stewart Fund (Interest on Capital)	79	6	6	79	6	6
Wood and Anderson Fund (Interest on Capital)	110	18	6	110	18	6
Lumsden Fund (Interest on Capital)	18	2	6	18	2	6
Mrs. Farquharson's Estate Income	170	16	2	173	12	11
Stuart Bequests (Interest on Capital)	48	18	9	48	18	9
Logacies	3,709	14	5	1,507	12	1
Total	31,578	1	0	32,716	6	10

REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH COUNCIL.

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Vice-Convener.

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Canon XLV., Sec. 1.—'The Representative Church Council, the constitution of which was duly accepted by the College of Bishops by a resolution passed October 9, 1876, is recognised as the organ of the Church in matters of finance, but shall not deal with questions of doctrine or worship, nor with matters of discipline, save to give effect to canonical sentences of the Church.'

The Council consists of the Bishops, all instituted and licensed Presbyters, Diocesan Officials and a Lay Representative from each congregation and mission in the Church. It meets annually in one of the following towns: Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dundee, Inverness, and Aberdeen. The meeting in 1897 will be held in Glasgow, on Tuesday, October 12, and following days.

The following are the Funds raised by the Council and method of raising them: 1. Clergy Fund, raised by subscriptions throughout the whole Church. From this fund special grants are given to poorer charges, and the rest is divided equally among all the Rectors on the Equal Dividend List, each Bishop receiving three shares. 2. Home Mission Fund, raised by an annual offertory in every Church. Mission Charges, Mission Stations, and the Mission Work of the Church are supported by this Fund. 3. Education Fund, raised by an annual offertory in every Church, and used for the support of Church Day Schools. 4. Foreign Mission Fund, raised by annual offertory in every congregation, and is for the support of the Special Foreign Mission Work of the Scottish Episcopal Church. 5. Endowment Fund. Moneys raised and bequeathed for general purposes of Endowment are invested and form the 'Clergy Fund Capital,' and the income thereof is added annually to the Clergy Fund. 6. Building Fund. Moneys raised or bequeathed for aiding in the building of Churches and Parsonages are accumulated till they amount to 500*l.*, when a division is made by grants to congregations entitled to participate. 7. Theological Hall Fund, collected by subscriptions for the support of the Theological College, Coates Hall, Edinburgh. 8. Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, raised by assessment on the free income of congregations, and by donations and legacies. At present retiring allowances are granted of 80*l.* to Clergy incapacitated by age or permanent ill-health. Besides these eight Funds there are other charitable Funds administered by the Council.

EDUCATIONAL.

I. THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

FOUNDED 1810.

Transferred to Glenalmond, 1848. Returned to Edinburgh, 1876.

THEOLOGICAL HALL—COATES HALL, EDINBURGH.

Trustees—The BISHOPS of the SCOTTISH CHURCH.

Visitor—The Most Rev. THE PRIMUS.

Principal—REV. J. F. KEATING, M.A. Camb., Canon of the Cathedral, Edinburgh, and Pantonian Professor of Theology.

Vice-Principal—REV. E. W. OSBORN, M.A.

Lecturers—The Principal. Vice-Principal. Bell Lecturer: The Right Rev. the BISHOP of EDINBURGH. Hebrew: REV. W. ROLLO, M.A. *Church Music*—T. H. COLLINGS, Mus. Bac. Oxon.

The Session consists of Three Terms: Michaelmas Term, extending over eight weeks before the Advent Ordination; Lent Term, eleven weeks before Easter Monday; Easter Term, six weeks before the Trinity Ordination. The College is connected with Durham University. Students are prepared for English as well as Scottish Orders, also for the Oxford and Cambridge Preliminary Examinations, and the College Testamur is given only to those who have passed this Examination.

The fees are 12*l.* per annum; for Walker Bursars, 6*l.* 6*s.* Board and lodging in the Hall, 1*l.* 5*s.* per week. Students are expected to have cap and gown, cassock and surplice. There are a large number of bursaries and funds available for assisting the education of candidates for Holy Orders. A complete list of these may be found in the *Year-Book* of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

II. TRINITY COLLEGE, GLENALMOND.

Warden—The Rev. JOHN H. STERY SKIRNE, M.A.

The College was originated in 1841 to introduce into Scotland 'a combination of general education, with domestic discipline, and systematic religious superintendence.' The plan embraced a Public School, with Senior and Junior Divisions, and a Theological Department, and for many years, under a succession of Wardens, the union was maintained. Since the

rence of the Theological Department to Edinburgh, only the Public School now s at Glenalmond.

School is divided into Senior and Junior Schools. The latter is separately organised preparatory school for very young boys (from 9 to 13). The Senior School has a classical modern side, and Army Classes. The classical side does not vary—except in giving asticity as to subjects chosen—from that of most public schools. The modern side ded to give the training specially needed by those who pass from school directly into ife. In the Army Classes boys are prepared for direct entry into the Army, and other services, including the Navy.

III. TRAINING COLLEGE.

DALRY HOUSE, EDINBURGH.

Principal—Rev. J. R. LESLIE, M.A.

nded in 1850 for training masters; in 1866 it was resolved to introduce the training cresses for Church schools. Owing to the great decrease of male candidates, the College s itself to the training of female teachers. There is accommodation for 60 students, : Practising Schools accommodate 300 children.

College provides tuition, board and lodging, medical attendance, and washing. Each charged an entrance fee of 15*l.*, and 4*l.* as the cost of books and stationery. The of training extends over two years, of three sessions each.

IV. ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, 9 ALBURY ROAD, ABERDEEN.

Visitor—The Right Rev. the Lord BISHOP of ABERDEEN.

Examiner—Rev. DR. DANSON.

nded to promote the higher education of the daughters of the Clergy of the Scottish al Church, and others. The school is under the care of the Sisters of the Scottish nity of St. Mary and St. John. There are two Competitive Scholarships, one tenable daughters of the Scottish Clergy, and one for day pupils. ns very moderate.

GENERAL ORGANISATIONS OF THE CHURCH.

Churchwomen's Association in Aid of Foreign Missions.—Office, 122 George Edinburgh. This Association was founded to enlist the co-operation of Church- on behalf of Foreign Missions. It has branches in six of the Dioceses of the Church land, with Congregational and Diocesan correspondents. The membership at present t 3,400. There is a quarterly paper circulated called the *Mission Chronicle*.

Home Mission Association was formed on the lines of the Churchwomen's Associa- r Foreign Missions, but includes men and women in its membership, and is for the s of furthering the cause of Home Missions. There are branches of the Association y all the congregations in the Church. The Association is under the direction of the Mission Board of the Representative Church Council.

British Church Association for Intercessory Prayer.—*President*, The Most Rev. the ; *Secretary*, R. T. N. Speir, of Culders, Mulhill. The object of the Association is to e the welfare of the Church and of the individual members of the Association by of intercessory prayer. A monthly paper of intercessions is circulated among rs.

Scottish Society of the Holy Spirit.—*Secretary*, Rev. C. A. Erlington, Penicuik. ject of this Society is to help the Clergy to realise their high calling and to fulfil its ions.

Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament.—*Superior*, Rev. J. Cooper, Aberdeen ; y, Rev. H. H. Flower, Edinburgh. The objects of the Society are the honour due rson of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament and mutual and special sson at the time of and in union with the Eucharistic Sacrifice. There are 300 rs.

Scottish Church Union.—*President*, The Right Hon. Lord Forbes; *Secretary*, James 129 Union Street, Aberdeen. The object of the Union is to maintain and defend in tegrity the rites and ceremonies of the Church, as presently authorised by the Book of n Prayer and as sanctioned by the Canons of the Church.

Episcopal Church in Scotland.

The Scottish Free and Open Church Association.—*President*, The Most Rev. The Primus; *Secretary*, Rev. C. Pres-l-y-Smith, Oban. Objects: The abolition of the rental and appropriation of sittings, the full recognition of the practice of weekly offerings as a part of Christian worship, and the opening of churches throughout the day for private prayer and meditation.

The Scottish Clergy Society.—*President*, The Right Rev. the Bishop of Edinburgh; *Secretary*, Rev. Canon Low, Largs. The objects of the Society are—(1) To promote and foster within due limits the national element in the life of the Scottish Church by the encouragement of a native ministry and of a healthy national sentiment among Churchmen; (2) To bind its members together in spiritual and social fellowship.

Episcopal Church of Scotland Working Men's Society.—*President*, Mr. William Inglis; *Secretary*, Mr. James Hall, 314 Duke Street, Glasgow. Objects: The spreading of the principles of the Episcopal Church among the working classes and the removal of mistaken ideas about the Church.

Young Men's Friendly Society.—*President*, The Most Rev. The Primus; *Secretary*, Arthur Giles, 107 Princes Street, Edinburgh. The Society seeks to work through the personal influence of the associates over the members.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew.—*President*, C. H. Dunderdale; *Secretary*, Arthur Giles, 107 Princes Street, Edinburgh. The Brotherhood consists of young business men banded together in parochial chapters to promote the spread of Christ's Kingdom among young men.

Scotch Episcopal Friendly Society.—Founded in 1793 with the small balance of 91*l*. left after payment of the expenses connected with the Act for the Repeal of the Penal Laws which affected the Episcopal Church in Scotland. The Convention, or Synod, held at Laurencekirk in 1792 set apart this sum as the nucleus of 'a fund for the support of the widows and children of Episcopal Clergymen in Scotland,' and now the Society is able to offer to the widows of members an annuity of 40*l*. for life; and to their children, when both parents are dead, the annuity is continued for ten years after the Member's death. The subscription is 5*l*. per annum, with certain contingent entrance payments. The Committee hold meetings every year, in May; and there is also, at the same time, a General Meeting. Every fifth year there is a stated General Meeting, at which the Committee of Management and Officers are elected, and a valuation of the affairs of the Society presented.

Treasurer, Rev. George Sutherland, Portsoy.

Secretary, Rev. George Low, Folla Rule, Rothie-Norman.

St. Mary's Orphanage, Culross, Fife.—Founded about 20 years ago by Miss Fraser-Tyler. It receives friendless girls at an early age and prepares them for service.

Sisterhood of St. Margaret of Scotland, Bay View, Spital, Aberdeen.—The primary object of this Sisterhood, which was founded in 1864 as an affiliated house of St. Margaret's, East Grinstead, is mission work. They have charge of the day school belonging to St. Margaret's Church, and of the various guilds for women and girls connected with it, and a Home for Working Girls. They are also engaged in mission work at Stirling, and at Kirkwall, Orkney.

St. Martha's Home, Spital, Aberdeen.—A Lodging-house for Working Girls. Terms, 5*s*. per week. The Sister-in-Charge will be much obliged if Clergymen will recommend this Home to girls coming into Aberdeen from the country.

Scottish Society of Reparation, Bethany, Hardgate, Aberdeen.—This Religious Society was founded in 1870 for purposes of devotion and the perfecting of the spiritual life, and to aid the Clergy in propagating the Faith; and that chiefly by the work of Christian education and the godly upbringing of the young; but the Sisters do not limit themselves to these works, and are ready to assist in Church work in any way in their power. They have a Home in Aberdeen for destitute girls; a Primary School, also in Aberdeen, under a Sister holding a Government certificate, and a Ladies' School (at 9 Albury Road) for the higher education of the daughters of the Clergy and others, with a Clergy Orphanage attached.

Community of SS. Mary ye Virgin and Modwenna, 10 King Street, Dundee.—This Sisterhood was founded in 1871, and, during his lifetime, directed by the late Bishop Forbes. Affiliated to All Saints' Sisterhood, London, it is devoted to the work of 'Sisters of the Poor,' and its members labour in the various districts of Dundee. To it is attached a small Home for Incurables, capable of receiving 10 male and 10 female patients.

All Saints' Mission House, Glen Street, Edinburgh.—The Home, which was established in 1870, is held in trust for the All Saints' (London) Sisters working in Edinburgh. The Sisters do mission work in All Saints' District, and also in the District of St. Martin's, Tynecastle, and devote themselves to teaching and visiting among the poor. Retreats are held from time to time in the House, and ladies can be received as Visitors.

Community of St. Andrew of Scotland, Joppa, Midlothian.—Founded in 1858. *Visitor*, The Bishop of Edinburgh. *Warden*, The Rev. Canon Murdoch. A Council and Trustees. *Bankers*, The Union Bank of Scotland. The work of the Community is that of a Penitentiary, which is carried on by the Mother Superior, Sisters, and Sisters Associate, with other helpers. It is supported mainly by laundry work of the inmates, supplemented by voluntary subscriptions. There is accommodation for 34. The Society also manages the Probation House established by the Home Mission Board at Mount Pleasant, Joppa. It receives six girls, who, if found suitable, pass on to the Penitentiary.

St. Salvador's House, 7 Grosvenor Street, Edinburgh.—*Warden*, Rev. R. Mitchell Inner. This House was opened in 1889 for the benefit of Nurses connected with the Church. Special services are held, and addresses given to them in the Oratory from time to time. They frequent the house also for rest and recreation. It is intended besides as a residence for ladies who desire to work among the sick and poor in the city.

The Home, Paton's Lane, Dundee.—Founded in 1848, and partially endowed in 1861. The Home has had, on the whole, a career of progress, as well as of unquestionable usefulness, in its penitentiary work. Inebriates are also received as boarders, payment being according to social position, but all except first-class patients are required to do some work for the institution. Needlework, washing and ironing, are done by the other inmates, and a portion of the income arises from this source.

Superintendent, Mrs. Swanston.

The Convalescent House, William Street, Dundee.—*Lady Superintendent*, Miss A. F. Marshall. Established in 1860.—Patients labouring under incurable and active disease are not admitted, and those above ten years of age are preferred.

The Scottish Church Orphanage, Aberlour, Strathspey, Scotland, founded in 1875, is supported by voluntary contributions. Number of inmates, 275. The institution is managed by a board of directors, who are elected annually by the subscribers. Children from all parts of the three kingdoms are eligible for admission.

The Orphanage and Home of the House of Bethany, Aberdeen, conducted by the Community of St. Mary and St. John, is intended for destitute girls, from infancy till fit to earn their living. There are at present 25 children in the House.

Holy Trinity Church Home, Sterling, is under the charge of two Sisters of the Community of St. Margaret, of Scotland, who devote themselves to the care of the sick and poor, and hold mothers' meetings, classes for girls, &c.

SECTION III.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

OF

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Furnished, by order of the General Convention, by the

Rev. SAMUEL HART, D.D.,

*Secretary of the House of Bishops.***HOUSE OF BISHOPS.***Presiding Bishop.*—THE BISHOP OF CONNECTICUT.*Chairman of the House of Bishops.*—THE BISHOP OF ALBANY.

Diocese	Name of Bishop	Address
Connecticut . . .	John Williams, D.D., LL.D. . . .	Middletown, Conn.
Rhode Island . . .	Thomas March Clark, D.D., LL.D. . .	Providence, R. I.
Minnesota . . .	Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., LL.D.	Faribault, Minn.
Alabama . . .	Richard Hooker Wilmer, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.	Mobile, Alabama
Tennessee . . .	Charles Todd Quintard, D.D., LL.D.	Sewanee, Tennessee
(Retired) . . .	Channing Moore Williams, D.D.	Tokio, Japan
Maine . . .	Henry Adams Neely, D.D. . . .	Portland, Maine
Missouri . . .	Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D.D. . . .	St. Louis, Missouri
Virginia . . .	Francis McNecece Whittle, D.D., LL.D.	Richmond, Virginia
Oregon . . .	Benjamin Wistar Morris, D.D. . . .	Portland, Oregon
Long Island . . .	Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., LL.D.	Garden City, New York
Albany . . .	William Crosswell Doane, D.D., LL.D.	Albany, New York
Central N. York . . .	Frederic Dan Huntington, D.D., LL.D., L.H.D.	Syracuse, New York
Pennsylvania . . .	Ozi William Whitaker, D.D. . . .	Philadelphia, Pa.
Arkansas . . .	Henry Niles Pierce, D.D., LL.D.	Little Rock, Arkansas
New Hampshire . . .	William Woodruff Niles, D.D. . . .	Concord, N. Hampshire
*South Dakota . . .	William Hobart Hare, D.D. . . .	Sioux Falls, S. Dakota
Colorado . . .	John Franklin Spalding, D.D. . . .	Denver, Colorado

HOUSE OF BISHOPS—*continued.*

Diocese	Name of Bishop	Address
ern Cali- rnia	John H. D. Wingfield, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.	Benicia, California
s . . .	Alexander Charles Garrett, D.D., LL.D.	Dallas, Texas
ackey . . .	Thomas Underwood Dudley, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.	Louisville, Kentucky
Jersey . . .	John Scarborough, D.D.	Trenton, New Jersey
. Michigan . . .	George De Normandie Gillespie, D.D.	Grand Rapids, Michigan
ern Ohio . . .	Thomas Augustus Jaggard, D.D.	Cincinnati, Ohio
go . . .	William Edward McLaren, D.D., D.C.L.	Chicago, Illinois
. . .	William Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.	Davenport, Iowa
y . . .	Alexander Burgess, D.D.	Peoria, Illinois
Virginia . . .	George William Peterkin, D.D., LL.D.	Parkersburg, West Va.
gfield . . .	George Franklin Seymour, D.D., LL.D.	Springfield, Illinois
rk . . .	Thomas Alfred Starkey, D.D.	East Orange, New Jersey
ana . . .	Leigh Richmond Brewer, D.D.	Helena, Montana
burgh . . .	Cortlandt Whitehead, D.D.	Pittsburgh, Penn.
ssippi . . .	Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., LL.D.	Jackson, Mississippi
York . . .	Henry Codman Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.	New York, N.Y.
ern Virginia	Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., LL.D.	Norfolk, Virginia
ern New ork	William David Walker, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.	Buffalo, N.Y.
Carolina	Alfred Augustin Watson, D.D.	Wilmington, N. Carolina
al Penn- vania	Nelson S. Rulison, D.D.	South Bethlehem, Penn.
land . . .	William Paret, D.D., LL.D.	Baltimore, Maryland
aska . . .	George Worthington, D.D., LL.D.	Omaha, Nebraska
Palmas, rica	Samuel David Ferguson, D.D., D.C.L.	Cape Palmas, Liberia
la . . .	Edwin Gardner Weed, D.D.	St. Augustine, Florida
esota . . .	Mahlon Norris Gilbert, D.D. (Coadj.)	St. Paul, Minn.
ning & Idaho	Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., LL.D.	Laramie City, Wyoming
on . . .	William Forbes Adams, D.D., D.C.L.	Easton, Maryland
ern Texas . . .	James Steptoe Johnston, D.D.	San Antonio, Texas
da, Utah, l Western	Abiel Leonard, D.D.	Salt Lake City, Utah
orado	Leighton Coleman, D.D., LL.D.	Wilmington, Delaware
vare . . .	John Mills Kendrick, D.D.	Albuquerque, New Mexico
Mexico and izona	Boyd Vincent, D.D. (Coadjutor).	Cincinnati, Ohio
ern Ohio . . .	Charles Chapman Grafton, D.D.	Fond-du-Lac, Wisconsin
-du-Lac . . .	William Andrew Leonard, D.D.	Cleveland, Ohio
igan . . .	Thomas Frederick Davies, D.D., LL.D.	Detroit, Michigan
Platte . . .	Anson Rogers Graves, D.D., LL.D.	Kearney, Nebraska
ornia . . .	William Ford Nichols, D.D.	San Mateo, Cal.
Missouri . . .	Edward Robert Atwill, D.D.	Kansas City, Missouri
ama . . .	Henry Melville Jackson, D.D. (Coadj.)	Montgomery, Alabama
siana . . .	Davis Sessums, D.D.	New Orleans, Louisiana
aukee . . .	Isaac Lea Nicholson, D.D.	Milwaukee, Wis.
gin . . .	Cleland Kinlock Nelson, D.D.	Atlanta, Georgia
gfield . . .	Charles Reuben Hale, D.D., LL.D. (Coadjutor)	Cairo, Illinois
s . . .	George Herbert Kinsolving, D.D.	Austin, Texas
ane . . .	Lemuel Henry Wells, D.D.	Spokane, Washington

HOUSE OF BISHOPS—*continued.*

Diocese	Name of Bishop	Address
*Southern Florida . . .	William Crane Gray, D.D. . . .	Orlando, Florida
*Oklahoma and Indian Territory	Francis Key Brooke, D.D. . . .	Guthrie, Oklahoma
*Olympia . . .	William Morris Barker, D.D. . . .	Tacoma, Washington
*Tokio, Japan . . .	John McKim, D.D. . . .	Tokio, Japan
*Shanghai, China . . .	Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D. . . .	Shanghai, China
South Carolina . . .	Ellison Capers, D.D. . . .	Columbia, S. Carolina
Tennessee . . .	Thomas Frank Gailor, D.D. (Coadj.) . . .	Sewanee, Tennessee
Massachusetts . . .	William Lawrence, D.D. . . .	Cambridge, Mass.
North Carolina . . .	Joseph Blount Cheshire, Jr., D.D. . . .	Raleigh, N. Carolina
Vermont . . .	Arthur Crawshaw Alliston Hall, D.D. . . .	Burlington, Vermont
Virginia . . .	John Brackenborough Newton, D.D. (Coadjutor)	Richmond, Virginia
Indiana . . .	John Hazen White, D.D. . . .	Indianapolis, Indiana
Kansas . . .	Frank Rosebrook Millsbaugh, D.D. . . .	Topeka, Kansas
*Alaska . . .	Peter Trimble Rowe, D.D. . . .	Juneau City, Alaska
Lexington . . .	Lewis William Burton, D.D. . . .	Lexington, Kentucky
Los Angeles . . .	Joseph Horsfall Johnson, D.D. . . .	Los Angeles, California
Washington . . .	Henry Yates Satterlee, D.D. . . .	Washington, District of Columbia
Marquette . . .	Gershom Mott Williams, D.D. . . .	Marquette, Michigan
*Duluth . . .	James Dow Morrison (elect)	
*Asheville . . .	Vacant	

* Missionary Jurisdictions.

Presiding Bishop.—The BISHOP OF CONNECTICUT.*Chairman of the House of Bishops.*—The BISHOP OF ALBANY.*Secretary of the House of Bishops.*—The Rev. SAMUEL HART, D.D., Hartford, Connecticut.*President of the House of Deputies.*—The Rev. MORGAN DIX, D.D., New York.*Secretary of the House of Deputies.*—The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, D.D., Concord, Massachusetts.*Treasurer of the General Convention.*—BUCHANAN WINTHROP, Esq., New York.*Registrar of the General Convention.*—The Rev. J. LIVINGSTONE REESE, D.D., New York.

The next General Convention will meet in the City of Washington on the first Wednesday in October 1898.

A GENERAL REVIEW OF CHURCH ACTION, 1898.

The only name removed from the roll of Bishops by death during the past year is that of the poet-bishop of the American Church, eminent among her defenders of the faith, Dr. Arthur Cleveland Coxe, for more than thirty years Bishop of Western New York. The diocese has elected to his place the Rt. Rev. Dr. Walker, Missionary Bishop of North Dakota, whose translation at the moment of writing awaits confirmation.

The missionary jurisdiction of Northern Texas, organising as the self-supporting diocese of Dallas, has elected its former Bishop, Dr. Garrett, to be its diocesan; and the missionary jurisdiction of Marquette, set-off from the diocese of Michigan, has also organised as a diocese, and elected to the episcopate the Rev. Dr. Gershom Mott Williams, who has been duly consecrated. Bishops have also been elected and consecrated for the three new dioceses erected in 1895 by the division of former dioceses: the Rev. Dr. Lewis William Burton for Lexington, in the eastern part of the State of Kentucky; the Rev. Joseph Horsfall Johnson for Los Angeles, in the southern part of the State.

nia; and the Rev. Dr. Henry Yates Satterlee for the national capital, Wash-
; the diocese including the district of Columbia and four counties of the State
yland.

The House of Bishops held a special meeting at New York in October, and elected
v. Dr. James Dow Morrison to be Bishop of the new missionary jurisdiction of
t, in the State of Minnesota, for which a partial endowment had been secured;
udes very interesting and important work among the Indians. The House
l to make no election for the other new jurisdiction of Asheville, which still
s under the care of the Bishop of North Carolina.

This year, following that of a General Convention, and full of interest in the world
ness and politics on account of great financial depression and a most extra-
y campaign in preparation for a Presidential election, has not been marked by
notable ecclesiastical events. Several of the committees and commissions
ted at the last General Convention have made progress in their work, especially
n the revision of the Constitution and Canons, and that on marginal readings for
GLISH Bible; but no results of their work have been made public as yet. A prayer
country has been set forth by several of the Bishops, and largely used in the
es. The unsettled state of business led to a decided falling off in the contribu-
o the General Board of Missions, so that the managers felt obliged to announce
hdrawal of some appropriations and a *pro rata* reduction in others; but through
nest efforts and the generous gifts of Churchmen the needed sum of money was
up, most of the appropriations were restored to their original amount, and the
al year of the Board was closed without debt.

The annual meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held at Pittsburg in
r, and the Church Congress was held at Cincinnati in November. The Bishop of
rgh, who delivered the Paddock Lectures of the year at the General Theological
ry, was present at the former. The centenary of the death of Bishop Seabury
served in the special services in February at New London, the place of his
d life and his burial, and was also commemorated at the annual convention of the
of Connecticut.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FOR TRIENNIAL PERIODS.

DIOCESES	BAPTISMS			PERSONS CONFIRMED			COMMUNICANTS			OFFERINGS, CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.			
	For 3 Years Ending 1892	For 3 Years Ending 1893	Increase	For 3 Years Ending 1892	For 3 Years Ending 1893	Increase	1892	1893	Increase	For 3 Years Ending 1892	For 3 Years Ending 1893	Increase	
	1891	1892	1893	1891	1892	1893	1892	1893	Increase	1891	1892	1893	
1 Alabama	1,418	1,221	1,240	1,106	6,530	833	843,680	74	835,284	03	844,453	11	
2 Albany	5,642	4,153	4,150	17,662	20,449	2,787	1,673,562	82	1,730,560	40	1,716,006	58	
3 Arkansas	663	953	492	71	4,200	209	38,907	36	84,591	34	313,876	02	
4 California	2,267	2,556	2,908	352	10,595	1,379	693,295	03	697,289	09	700,008	01	
5 Central New York	4,700	5,240	3,078	102	16,666	17,217	312,391	38	339,162	68	35,771	30	
6 Central Pennsylvania	4,274	5,275	3,310	31	10,051	10,362	812,859	93	846,479	89	33,610	95	
7 Chicago	5,583	5,916	3,317	359	14,107	17,051	1,692,575	00	1,348,554	75	265,779	72	
8 Colorado	1,905	1,665	1,638	95	14,366	3,736	304,447	09	324,714	45	50,367	38	
9 Connecticut	6,640	6,583	4,710	115	27,374	29,495	1,673,451	01	1,743,730	97	70,366	96	
10 Delaware	1,449	1,659	702	715	2,943	2,685	285,524	01	222,399	92	68,124	09	
11 East Carolina	1,046	1,156	1,110	13	3,474	3,032	189,780	19	145,431	50	6,645	01	
12 Easton	1,152	917	629	511	3,169	3,250	189,780	19	130,628	28	70,007	08	
13 Florida	4,716	990	1,352	786	5,406	3,077	1,191,235	36	126,028	28	44,748	99	
14 Fond du Lac	1,331	1,908	1,196	37	3,494	3,684	133,368	71	178,117	70	25,225	11	
15 Georgia	1,693	1,361	1,362	1,616	6,290	575	366,493	29	381,708	40	13,578	80	
16 Indiana	1,642	1,859	1,361	1,351	6,126	6,143	176,279	75	296,271	68	135,043	17	
17 Iowa	1,859	1,813	1,995	1,025	20	5,100	420,914	75	309,038	61	105,781	54	
18 Kansas	1,852	1,409	1,615	1,514	10,770	7,387	119,200	00	224,981	54	105,781	54	
19 Kentucky	6,156	8,441	285	5,496	6,442	27,691	2,169,674	25	2,113,007	11	56,067	14	
20 Long Island	1,786	1,778	1,409	1,322	87	5,256	354,184	88	290,406	25	85,778	03	
21 Louisiana	889	1,154	562	663	101	2,142	168,361	22	171,433	41	3,092	19	
22 Maine	8,043	8,482	439	5,433	6,822	30,565	1,700,475	45	1,964,417	03	263,937	58	
23 Maryland	9,630	9,612	18	5,065	6,083	418	31,029	4,542	2,270,117	35	160,565	65	
24 Massachusetts	3,004	3,941	277	3,197	14,941	1,088	697,394	29	765,092	47	86,321	82	
25 Michigan	3,207	2,427	2,194	292	7,115	8,225	1,110	308,901	12	415,408	55	206,507	43
26 Milwaukee	3,500	3,528	29	2,852	9,000	54	10,978	13,530	27,290	10	592,421	05	
27 Minnesota	897	801	874	717	3,291	3,558	176,782	39	137,585	71	802	32	
28 Mississippi	2,311	2,010	1,736	1,481	4,852	6,135	4,852	6,135	470,718	00	598,938	11	
29 Missouri	1,628	1,933	1,107	74	3,344	3,083	296,897	74	308,918	31	97,880	43	
30 Nebraska	6,073	487	4,556	337	10,570	19,158	2,568	1,116,401	07	1,405,287	75	348,836	38
31 Newark	1,073	665	771	105	5,015	5,540	107,753	19	103,929	63	45,856	48	
32 New Hampshire	4,000	4,728	20	3,774	2,759	15,040	13,250	15,040	780,150	00	841,310	84	

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34	North Carolina	19,952	20,463	12,960	13,125	173	54,057	59,408	5,411	7,447,131	88	5,318,588	96	1,928,562	92	
35	Ohio	1,461	1,565	1,344	1,287	90	4,096	5,356	429	141,124	35	176,426	65	35,302	30	
36	Oregon	3,437	3,550	1,113	2,685	3,100	10,227	12,003	1,776	674,316	99	698,033	39	71,282	61	
37	Pennsylvania	858	919	61	515	702	2,905	2,645	380	124,825	79	154,319	83	29,494	94	
38	Pittsburgh	13,705	14,376	671	7,968	8,425	557	38,400	42,973	3,973	3,306,539	37	8,364,722	76	*31,816	61
39	Quebec	4,043	4,016	*27	2,846	3,071	2,255	10,474	12,000	2,126	683,969	60	725,643	29	41,657	26
40	Rhode Island	649	543	*106	556	421	*135	2,433	3,115	682	112,831	34	129,953	46	8,122	12
41	South Carolina	3,538	3,696	138	3,223	2,159	3,396	10,888	10,646	258	875,428	28	875,428	28	12,164	28
42	South Carolina	1,407	1,636	279	1,020	1,859	319	5,170	6,277	1,928	209,074	33	232,817	33	23,243	00
43	Southern Ohio	1,648	1,920	252	1,674	1,898	134	7,880	8,759	929	542,981	19	565,917	98	82,996	79
44	Southern Virginia	2,580	2,589	..	2,812	2,812	..	10,487	10,487	..	111,698	95	572,407	72	572,407	72
45	Springfield	1,029	962	*58	665	787	122	3,510	3,839	329	117,323	01	111,698	95	*5,754	06
46	Tennessee	1,532	1,597	65	1,155	1,282	127	5,044	5,766	722	293,469	36	276,695	82	40,196	46
47	Texas	1,290	1,293	3	846	1,077	231	3,026	4,100	474	140,000	60	220,753	62	83,763	62
48	Vermont	1,166	1,161	*5	864	853	*11	4,424	4,888	464	150,913	73	197,764	89	46,851	16
49	Virginia	44,668	2,050	*2,558	13,994	1,847	*2,057	119,042	9,777	*9,295	492,337	00	508,530	27	*420,806	13
50	Western Michigan	1,510	1,390	*114	1,043	1,055	12	4,539	4,942	418	204,068	12	245,387	16	41,319	04
51	Western New York	5,252	5,000	*252	3,918	3,388	*330	16,090	18,171	2,081	1,192,568	66	825,311	16	*907,247	50
52	West Missouri	1,197	971	*226	807	737	*50	3,953	3,821	*182	283,513	92	194,254	95	*89,258	97
53	Western Virginia	719	1,106	387	589	841	252	3,124	3,743	619	104,126	00	199,776	97	35,650	97
54	Alaska	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
55	Arizona (with N. Mex.)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
56	Montana	680	1,012	332	354	476	122	1,514	1,886	372	93,164	08	99,394	75	6,230	67
57	Nevada and Utah	676	601	*15	348	501	*47	1,843	1,355	12	66,920	33	59,400	79	*7,719	54
58	New Mexico and Arizona	258	460	208	163	175	12	696	804	108	36,273	64	34,253	73	*2,019	91
59	North Dakota	562	444	*118	275	204	*11	823	1,050	227	45,900	80	32,516	38	*13,393	42
60	Northern California	621	671	50	767	374	*393	1,056	1,572	516	74,742	82	76,204	28	1,461	46
61	Northern Michigan	978	978	..	524	524	..	2,000	2,880	880	100,834	79	69,195	64	69,195	64
62	Northern Texas	407	472	65	407	515	108	2,000	2,880	880	100,834	79	78,001	54	*21,933	25
63	Oklahoma and Ind. Ter.	186	186	..	171	171	..	504	504	504	..	..	15,999	33	15,999	33
64	Olympia	1,089	1,200	111	658	950	392	2,500	2,792	292	..	..	146,380	94	146,380	94
65	South Dakota	2,886	2,772	*113	1,104	1,386	282	2,867	4,266	1,400	51,470	00	67,917	81	16,447	81
66	Southern Florida	936	936	..	581	581	..	2,923	2,923	2,923	..	..	50,303	62	50,303	62
67	Spokane	358	358	..	222	252	..	854	854	854	..	..	17,859	89	17,859	89
68	The Platte	747	369	*298	511	283	..	930	1,264	334	80,887	96	46,388	09	16,000	13
69	Western Colorado	378	747	369	228	228	..	431	431	431	..	..	24,190	18	24,190	18
70	Western Texas	651	857	206	411	672	261	1,900	2,357	457	82,656	07	71,291	73	*11,064	34
71	Wyoming and Idaho	325	923	598	174	455	281	1,733	1,753	30	37,766	58	92,594	04	54,827	46
72	Cape Palmas	702	748	46	281	387	106	806	1,237	431	6,069	59	5,661	05	*3,068	54
73	Tokio	846	857	11	617	557	*60	1,469	1,504	35	8,451	02	5,946	07	495	05
74	Shanghai and the Yang Tse Valley	1,233	877	*356	1,285	244	*1,041	851	947	96	2,266	47	2,408	80	170	33
Total		183,482	190,820	7,388	125,637	131,473	5,836	550,929	618,500	67,371	835,675,361	64	838,373,259	41	*896,102	23

* Decrease.
 † Including Southern Virginia.
 ‡ Including Western Colorado.
 § Estimated, the Report covering only two years and eight months.

Episcopal Church of America.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES FOR 1895-96.
Compiled from the latest Diocesan Convention Journals and Official Sources.

DIOCESES AND MISSIONS	Clergy	Parishes and Missions	Candidates for Orders	Ordinations		Baptisms	Confirmations	Communicants	Marriages	Burials	Sunday School Teachers	Sunday School Scholars	Contributions
				Priests	Deacons								
1 Alabama	35	80	2	1	3	477	375	6,084	108	948	546	3,430	\$102,286.99
2 Albany*	136	210	31	3	0	1,865	1,510	21,036	481	1,119	1,292	10,039	377,064.31
3 Arkansas	15	31	1	3	0	165	304	2,500	25	73	133	1,234	28,273.15
4 California	80	70	6	3	3	952	791	8,408	392	577	454	4,870	139,034.25
5 Central New York	119	145	18	5	5	1,575	957	17,689	508	950	1,031	8,096	207,894.32
6 Central Pennsylvania	110	162	16	2	0	1,548	1,246	11,235	250	702	1,582	15,017	375,831.69
7 Chicago	92	97	13	2	2	2,034	1,279	17,796	742	975	1,170	9,800	379,085.01
8 Colorado	45	50	2	3	676	359	4,139	178	990	381	3214	100,979.44	
9 Connecticut	219	170	21	6	10	2,165	1,354	30,265	688	1,634	1,959	17,941	673,844.78
10 Dallas	20	47	—	—	263	259	2,321	35	73	171	171	1,171	37,410.57
11 Delaware	42	38	7	2	5	415	308	3,967	64	217	279	2,715	63,072.02
12 East Carolina	26	63	2	—	328	215	3,363	55	145	368	2,533	33,070.59	
13 Easton	83	87	2	—	276	194	3,173	67	198	292	1,937	32,534.63	
14 Florida	39	68	1	—	313	191	2,968	80	182	234	1,865	41,832.37	
15 Fond-du-Lac	43	46	6	2	7	387	361	3,697	85	147	269	2,392	64,676.27
16 Georgia	44	110	3	—	699	461	6,554	139	341	491	4,561	134,803.68	
17 Indiana	47	61	7	—	501	594	6,362	132	234	399	3,184	99,237.38	
18 Iowa	63	98	6	5	823	507	7,515	186	290	412	3,544	129,207.97	
19 Kansas	39	147	3	—	565	500	4,339	83	152	210	2,010	57,253.50	
20 Kentucky	32	36	4	1	275	349	4,729	69	161	305	2,030	69,948.20	
21 Lexington	18	119	—	—	153	119	2,735	49	101	156	1,419	39,838.34	
22 Long Island	186	128	12	5	2,793	1,777	28,730	929	1,313	2,145	19,493	709,709.83	
23 Los Angeles	37	44	3	1	336	378	3,730	137	237	268	1,741	54,570.00	
24 Louisiana	41	87	3	4	616	543	6,439	179	307	239	2,020	101,060.73	
25 Maine	32	47	—	—	341	194	3,569	44	212	218	2,001	61,313.33	
26 Maryland	16	30	4	—	230	69	1,333	44	69	125	1,073	16,637.53	
27 Marquette	126	133	17	6	1,657	1,296	18,171	436	1,607	3,374	17,491	369,448.65	
28 Massachusetts	251	993	24	12	3,412	2,109	35,664	1,191	1,956	2,662	27,180	912,331.10	
29 Milwaukee	74	111	8	9	1,146	1,034	14,251	360	625	1,116	9,006	182,319.94	
30 Michigan	60	121	21	17	880	629	8,596	375	419	563	5,080	116,264.23	
31 Minnesota	34	139	12	4	1,171	841	11,454	207	467	855	7,856	172,802.40	
32 Mississippi	67	67	2	4	1,265	291	3,142	57	128	219	1,617	35,619.28	
33 Missouri	31	57	2	1	744	615	6,456	171	322	528	4,225	106,216.34	
34 Nebraska	33	55	3	3	689	475	3,732	104	141	206	2,947	67,275.44	
35 Newark	112	93	11	2	2,240	1,355	20,393	901	1,017	1,384	13,874	467,884.61	
36 New Hampshire	44	45	3	—	281	239	3,443	113	180	203	1,465	35,130.54	
37 New Jersey	165	217	16	—	1,472	1,085	15,167	402	968	1,322	10,000	293,079.51	
38 New York	394	232	30	4	6,063	4,037	62,592	3,334	4,376	5,673	49,000	1,400,000.00	

No.	Diocese	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																				
40	Springfield*	57	64	70	74	78	82	86	90	94	98	102	106	110	114	118	122	126	130	134	138	142	146	150	154	158	162	166	170	174	178	182	186	190	194	198	202	206	210	214	218	222	226	230	234	238	242	246	250	254	258	262	266	270	274	278	282	286	290	294	298	302	306	310	314	318	322	326	330	334	338	342	346	350	354	358	362	366	370	374	378	382	386	390	394	398	402	406	410	414	418	422	426	430	434	438	442	446	450	454	458	462	466	470	474	478	482	486	490	494	498	502	506	510	514	518	522	526	530	534	538	542	546	550	554	558	562	566	570	574	578	582	586	590	594	598	602	606	610	614	618	622	626	630	634	638	642	646	650	654	658	662	666	670	674	678	682	686	690	694	698	702	706	710	714	718	722	726	730	734	738	742	746	750	754	758	762	766	770	774	778	782	786	790	794	798	802	806	810	814	818	822	826	830	834	838	842	846	850	854	858	862	866	870	874	878	882	886	890	894	898	902	906	910	914	918	922	926	930	934	938	942	946	950	954	958	962	966	970	974	978	982	986	990	994	998	1002	1006	1010	1014	1018	1022	1026	1030	1034	1038	1042	1046	1050	1054	1058	1062	1066	1070	1074	1078	1082	1086	1090	1094	1098	1102	1106	1110	1114	1118	1122	1126	1130	1134	1138	1142	1146	1150	1154	1158	1162	1166	1170	1174	1178	1182	1186	1190	1194	1198	1202	1206	1210	1214	1218	1222	1226	1230	1234	1238	1242	1246	1250	1254	1258	1262	1266	1270	1274	1278	1282	1286	1290	1294	1298	1302	1306	1310	1314	1318	1322	1326	1330	1334	1338	1342	1346	1350	1354	1358	1362	1366	1370	1374	1378	1382	1386	1390	1394	1398	1402	1406	1410	1414	1418	1422	1426	1430	1434	1438	1442	1446	1450	1454	1458	1462	1466	1470	1474	1478	1482	1486	1490	1494	1498	1502	1506	1510	1514	1518	1522	1526	1530	1534	1538	1542	1546	1550	1554	1558	1562	1566	1570	1574	1578	1582	1586	1590	1594	1598	1602	1606	1610	1614	1618	1622	1626	1630	1634	1638	1642	1646	1650	1654	1658	1662	1666	1670	1674	1678	1682	1686	1690	1694	1698	1702	1706	1710	1714	1718	1722	1726	1730	1734	1738	1742	1746	1750	1754	1758	1762	1766	1770	1774	1778	1782	1786	1790	1794	1798	1802	1806	1810	1814	1818	1822	1826	1830	1834	1838	1842	1846	1850	1854	1858	1862	1866	1870	1874	1878	1882	1886	1890	1894	1898	1902	1906	1910	1914	1918	1922	1926	1930	1934	1938	1942	1946	1950	1954	1958	1962	1966	1970	1974	1978	1982	1986	1990	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010	2014	2018	2022	2026	2030	2034	2038	2042	2046	2050	2054	2058	2062	2066	2070	2074	2078	2082	2086	2090	2094	2098	2102	2106	2110	2114	2118	2122	2126	2130	2134	2138	2142	2146	2150	2154	2158	2162	2166	2170	2174	2178	2182	2186	2190	2194	2198	2202	2206	2210	2214	2218	2222	2226	2230	2234	2238	2242	2246	2250	2254	2258	2262	2266	2270	2274	2278	2282	2286	2290	2294	2298	2302	2306	2310	2314	2318	2322	2326	2330	2334	2338	2342	2346	2350	2354	2358	2362	2366	2370	2374	2378	2382	2386	2390	2394	2398	2402	2406	2410	2414	2418	2422	2426	2430	2434	2438	2442	2446	2450	2454	2458	2462	2466	2470	2474	2478	2482	2486	2490	2494	2498	2502	2506	2510	2514	2518	2522	2526	2530	2534	2538	2542	2546	2550	2554	2558	2562	2566	2570	2574	2578	2582	2586	2590	2594	2598	2602	2606	2610	2614	2618	2622	2626	2630	2634	2638	2642	2646	2650	2654	2658	2662	2666	2670	2674	2678	2682	2686	2690	2694	2698	2702	2706	2710	2714	2718	2722	2726	2730	2734	2738	2742	2746	2750	2754	2758	2762	2766	2770	2774	2778	2782	2786	2790	2794	2798	2802	2806	2810	2814	2818	2822	2826	2830	2834	2838	2842	2846	2850	2854	2858	2862	2866	2870	2874	2878	2882	2886	2890	2894	2898	2902	2906	2910	2914	2918	2922	2926	2930	2934	2938	2942	2946	2950	2954	2958	2962	2966	2970	2974	2978	2982	2986	2990	2994	2998	3002	3006	3010	3014	3018	3022	3026	3030	3034	3038	3042	3046	3050	3054	3058	3062	3066	3070	3074	3078	3082	3086	3090	3094	3098	3102	3106	3110	3114	3118	3122	3126	3130	3134	3138	3142	3146	3150	3154	3158	3162	3166	3170	3174	3178	3182	3186	3190	3194	3198	3202	3206	3210	3214	3218	3222	3226	3230	3234	3238	3242	3246	3250	3254	3258	3262	3266	3270	3274	3278	3282	3286	3290	3294	3298	3302	3306	3310	3314	3318	3322	3326	3330	3334	3338	3342	3346	3350	3354	3358	3362	3366	3370	3374	3378	3382	3386	3390	3394	3398	3402	3406	3410	3414	3418	3422	3426	3430	3434	3438	3442	3446	3450	3454	3458	3462	3466	3470	3474	3478	3482	3486	3490	3494	3498	3502	3506	3510	3514	3518	3522	3526	3530	3534	3538	3542	3546	3550	3554	3558	3562	3566	3570	3574	3578	3582	3586	3590	3594	3598	3602	3606	3610	3614	3618	3622	3626	3630	3634	3638	3642	3646	3650	3654	3658	3662	3666	3670	3674	3678	3682	3686	3690	3694	3698	3702	3706	3710	3714	3718	3722	3726	3730	3734	3738	3742	3746	3750	3754	3758	3762	3766	3770	3774	3778	3782	3786	3790	3794	3798	3802	3806	3810	3814	3818	3822	3826	3830	3834	3838	3842	3846	3850	3854	3858	3862	3866	3870	3874	3878	3882	3886	3890	3894	3898	3902	3906	3910	3914	3918	3922	3926	3930	3934	3938	3942	3946	3950	3954	3958	3962	3966	3970	3974	3978	3982	3986	3990	3994	3998	4002	4006	4010	4014	4018	4022	4026	4030	4034	4038	4042	4046	4050	4054	4058	4062	4066	4070	4074	4078	4082	4086	4090	4094	4098	4102	4106	4110	4114	4118	4122	4126	4130	4134	4138	4142	4146	4150	4154	4158	4162	4166	4170	4174	4178	4182	4186	4190	4194	4198	4202	4206	4210	4214	4218	4222	4226	4230	4234	4238	4242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CHAPTER VII.

THE CHURCH IN COUNCIL.

SECTION I.

THE CONVOCATIONS OF CANTERBURY AND YORK.

SUMMARY OF THE ACTS OF THE UPPER AND LOWER HOUSES OF CONVOCATION OF CANTERBURY, THE FOURTEENTH VICTORIA REGNANTE, 1895-1896.

Tuesday, August 13, 1895.

(St. Paul's Cathedral.)

The Convocation was formally opened after the Latin Litany and a Sermon in Latin by the Very Rev. Edward Charles Wickham, D. D., Dean of Lincoln.

The Lower House was directed by the President to proceed to the election of a Prolocutor.

LOWER HOUSE.

Election of Prolocutor.—Archdeacon Cheetham moved, and the Dean of Windsor seconded :

‘That the Right Reverend George Henry Sumner, D. D., Archdeacon of Winchester and Bishop-Suffragan of Guildford, be elected Prolocutor and Referendary of this House.’

Sessions II., III., IV. were held formally on November 5, December 24, 1895, and February 11, 1896.

SESSION V.—*Wednesday, February 12, 1896.*

The Holy Communion was celebrated in the Chapel of Henry VII., in Westminster Abbey.

UPPER HOUSE.

Presentation of Prolocutor.—The Prolocutor-elect was presented by Archdeacon Cheetham and the Dean of Windsor. His election was approved and confirmed by the President.

Attendance of the Lower House.—CLAIM OF MEMBERSHIP. The Prolocutor stated that two Clergymen of the diocese of Lichfield had appeared in the Lower House claiming to be elected members of Convocation.

Bishop of Winchester, the late Dr. Thorold.—RESOLUTION. Moved by the Bishop of London, seconded by the Bishop of Winchester :—

‘That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss sustained by the whole Church, and especially by this House, in the death of the late much-valued

Bishop of Winchester. His spiritual character, his devotion to his duties, his unflinching courtesy and kindness in all relations of his life endeared him to both Clergy and Laity of the dioceses over which he presided, and gave to him a singular weight and influence in all discussions on important questions concerning the work of the Church.'

Thanks to the Revisers of the Apocrypha.—Moved by the Bishop of Oxford, seconded by the Bishop of London :

'That gratitude be expressed to the revisers for their great work.'

Bishop of Chichester, the late Dr. Durnford.—RESOLUTION. Moved by the Bishop of London, seconded by the Bishop of Oxford :

'That this House desires to put on record its sense of the loss sustained by the whole Church, and especially by this House, in the death of the late lamented Bishop of Chichester. His extraordinary diligence and activity, in spite of his great age, his vigorous judgment, his readiness in debate, his high principles of action will not soon be forgotten by those who had the advantage of knowing him in this House and in his diocese.'

Draft Bill for Amendment of Rubrics.—RESOLUTION. Moved by the Bishop of Winchester, seconded by the Bishop of Southwell :

'That it is desirable to obtain, under proper safeguards, increased facilities for effecting such amendments as may from time to time be necessary in the rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer.'

LOWER HOUSE.

Treasurer.—Archdeacon Burney was reappointed Treasurer.

Expenses.—ASSESSMENT. Moved by Archdeacon Burney :

'That a voluntary assessment for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the House should be levied at the rate of £2 per Dean, £1 10s. per Archdeacon and Chapter Proctor, and £1 per Clergy Proctor.'

Editor of the 'Chronicle of Convocation.'—Canon Ainslie was reappointed Editor.

Revised Version of Apocrypha.—Attending in the Upper House the Prolocutor received from the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol a copy of the Revised Version of the Apocrypha.

Reform of Convocation.—RESOLUTION. Moved by Sub-Dean Clements, seconded by the Dean of Lichfield :

'That this House, believing that its own reform by the enlargement of the number of elected Clergy Proctors is a pressing question at this time, begs very respectfully to recall to his Grace the President and their lordships of the Upper House the following Resolution passed by them on May 10, 1887 :—"That the President be requested to apply for the assent and licence of the Crown for making a Canon to enlarge and rearrange the representation of the Clergy of the Province of Canterbury in Convocation in conformity with the annexed table," and this House desires further to assure their lordships of its hearty concurrence in this Resolution and its earnest hope that his Grace the President may judge that the time has now come for endeavouring to raise the number of elected Clergy Proctors from 48 to 104 by acting upon it.'

The Report (No. 189) on the Election of Proctors was ordered to be reprinted.

Thursday, February 13, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Address to Her Majesty.—The Address was finally agreed to by the two Houses in the following form :

'May it please your Majesty—We, your Majesty's most faithful subjects, the Arch-

bishop and Bishops and Clergy of the Province of Canterbury, in Convocation assembled, humbly approach your Majesty with the expression of our loyal and devoted attachment to your Majesty's throne and person; and, at the same time, of our profoundly felt condolence and sympathy in the great sorrow now resting on your Majesty and your Royal house, through the lamented death, during service to our country, of his Royal Highness, Prince Henry of Battenberg.

'To your Majesty, and to the gracious Princess now mourning the loss of a beloved husband, and to every member of your Majesty's Royal house, we humbly and heartily pray that the comfort of the Holy Spirit may be vouchsafed in its fullest and most consolatory measures.

'We feel the more strongly the earnest desire to convey to your Majesty in this time of sorrow every expression of our devotion to your Majesty's person, as we cannot fail to recognise that it is also a time when a great weight of care must be resting on your Majesty in providing not only for the welfare of this kingdom and empire, but for the maintenance of peace and friendship with the great nations of the Continent of Europe, and for the permanence of our fraternal relations with our kindred in the United States of America.

'We cannot conceal from ourselves that troubles and disquietudes are gravely affecting the union and concert of the Great Powers of Europe in the endeavour to mitigate the sufferings which an ancient Christian people are undergoing at the hands of their oppressors. We observe with grief and dismay that as yet no real alleviation of these sufferings has been secured by the efforts of your Majesty's counsellors, and we well know how this delay, and this present inability to arrest persecution and misery, must weigh heavily on your Majesty's gracious and sympathising heart.

'We pray, therefore, the more earnestly that God may support and strengthen your Majesty, and may prosper every effort for the termination of the cruel sufferings of our fellow Christians in Armenia, and for a manifestation of justice and mercy to an ancient and oppressed nation, that for centuries has sought for it in vain.

'Meanwhile we forget not those needs of our own Church and country which, we well know, ever hold a place in the gracious solicitude of your Majesty for the welfare of all your Majesty's subjects, and particularly for the welfare of the Church of England, in regard of which your Majesty has been graciously pleased to assure us of your Majesty's continued sympathy and interest.

'Especially we approach your Majesty with the earnest desire that definite religious education may be maintained in the fullest efficiency, and that our Church schools, which for nearly three generations have nurtured the children of this land committed to their charge in the discipline and admonition of the Lord, may receive such help from the State that they have so largely benefited as increasing numbers and enhanced requirements make it equitably necessary that they should receive.

'Not less earnest is our hope that your Majesty may favourably regard our efforts for increasing the pastoral efficiency of our Church by carefully considered changes in the exercise of the solemn trust of the patronage of benefices. It is our especial desire that the rights of parishioners as members of the National Church and partakers in its ministrations and worship should always, in the case of patent or demonstrable unfitness for the cure and government of souls, be fully recognised and provided for in the laws relating to the appointment of ministers and pastors in the Church of this land.

'We are further impressed with the conviction that the time has fully come when the great cause of temperance may be further advanced by wise and equitable legislation. But this legislation, owing to the varied nature of current proposals, we feel persuaded would be greatly furthered by the guiding influence of a Royal Commission or of a Parliamentary Committee. We, therefore, humbly approach your Majesty with the prayer that such steps may be taken as will materially advance and sustain a cause which, in the case of the Church of England Temperance Society, enjoys your Majesty's gracious patronage.

'We pray that the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, may rest upon your Majesty, and upon every member of the Royal house.'

Evangelist Brotherhoods.—COMMITTEE. Moved by the Bishop of Lichfield, and seconded by the Bishop of Southwell:

'That his Grace the President be requested to appoint a Committee of this House to consider what steps may be taken to give a general recognition to the Order of Lay

Evangelists founded in the Diocese of Lichfield, and similar organisations, and to extend and develop such work throughout the Church under Episcopal authority and control.'

Thanks to the Dean and Chapter of Westminster.—RESOLUTION. Moved by the Bishop of Ely, seconded by the Bishop of London :

'That this House desires gratefully and unanimously to acknowledge the hospitality shown to the Convocation of Canterbury by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster, by allowing it to meet within the precincts of the Abbey since the revival of Convocation, when first the Jerusalem Chamber, and subsequently the Dining-hall of the Scholars, was placed at its disposal for its meetings.'

Thanks to the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty.—RESOLUTION. Moved by the Bishop of Ely, seconded by the Bishop of London :

'That this House desires to express its unanimous thanks to the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty for their permission to hold its meetings in the Board-room of their office during the many years that have elapsed since the revival of Convocation, and requests them to convey to their Secretary its thanks for the arrangements so carefully made for the comfort and convenience of its members.'

LOWER HOUSE.

Secondary Education.—JOINT COMMITTEE. Moved by Archdeacon Sandford, seconded by Canon Browne (Bishop-Suffragan of Stepney) :

'1. That having regard to the Report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a Joint Committee of both Houses of Convocation to consider the questions of (1) the religious education of the younger members of the higher and middle classes, and of (2) legislation on secondary schools; and to submit proposals thereon.

'2. That his Grace the President be requested to grant permission to the Joint Committee to confer with any Committees that may be appointed for the like purpose by the Convocation of the Province of York, and to put itself into communication with any Committees on the same subject appointed by the Houses of Laymen.'

Friday, February 14, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Draft Bill for Amendment of Rubrics.—Moved by the Bishop of Winchester, and agreed to after Amendments :

A Bill intituled an Act to provide facilities for the Amendment from time to time of the rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, and for the addition of prayers thereto.

Be it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

'1. The Archbishops and Bishops and Clergy of the Provinces of Canterbury and York in their Convocations may (by and with the authority of the Queen's Majesty) prepare, and from time to time amend and lay before her Majesty in Council, a scheme for making such alterations in and additions to the rubrics and directions contained in the Book of Common Prayer, and for providing such additional prayers or services to be used in public worship as may seem to them to be required: Provided that no such scheme shall be laid by these Convocations before her Majesty in Council unless or until the same shall have been agreed to by each of the two Convocations, and shall be certified to her Majesty the Queen under the hands and ecclesiastical seals of the Presidents of both the said Convocations.

'2. When any such scheme as aforesaid shall have been laid before her Majesty in Council, the same shall forthwith, if her Majesty shall see fit, be laid before both Houses of Parliament, if Parliament be then sitting, or, if Parliament be not sitting, then

within twenty-one days after the beginning of the then next ensuing Session of Parliament.

'3. In case either House of Parliament shall within three months, exclusive of any period of prorogation, after any such scheme as aforesaid shall have been laid before such House, present an address to her Majesty, praying her Majesty to withhold her consent to such scheme or any part thereof, no further proceedings shall be had with respect to such scheme, unless or until the scheme in an amended form shall again in like manner have been laid before Parliament.

'4. In case neither House of Parliament shall within the said period of three months, exclusive of any period of prorogation, present such an address to her Majesty as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for her Majesty in Council to make an order ratifying the said scheme and specifying the time when it shall take effect.

'5. In any order made by her Majesty in Council under the authority of this Act it shall be sufficient to refer to this Act without reciting any of the provisions of this Act.

'6. Every such order shall, as soon as may be after the making thereof by her Majesty in Council, be published in the *London Gazette*; and so soon as any such order shall be so gazetted, it shall in all respects and as to all things therein contained have and be of the same force and effect as if the same were included in and enacted by this Act.

'7. A copy of every order of her Majesty in Council made under this Act shall be laid before each House of Parliament within forty days after the making thereof, if Parliament be then sitting, or, if Parliament be not then sitting, within twenty-one days after the beginning of the next ensuing Session of Parliament.

'8. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to repeal or alter the Act (25 Henry VIII., ch. 19) commonly known as "The Act of the Submission of the Clergy," or any part thereof.

'9. This Act may for all purposes be cited as "The Rubrics Act, 1896."

'10. This Act shall extend to that part of the United Kingdom called England, and to the Channel Islands, and to the Isle of Man.'

Book of Private Prayer.—COMMITTEE. Moved by the Bishop of Ely, seconded by the Bishop of London:

'That a Committee of the Upper House be appointed to consider the Book of Private Prayer.'

LOWER HOUSE.

National Society.—Archdeacons Pott, Sandford, Smith, and Canons Bristowe and Lowe were nominated representatives of this House to attend the Conferences of the National Society.

Board of Missions.—The Rev. H. E. Perkins, Canon Edmonds, and Canon Crowfoot, were nominated to fill certain vacancies on the Board of Missions.

Tuesday, April 28, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Education, Elementary.—CONFERENCE. Their lordships held a conference on this subject with the Lower House.

[For the Resolutions as finally agreed upon by the two Houses, see *Summary of April 29, 1896.*]

LOWER HOUSE.

Education, Secondary.—REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE. Moved by Archdeacon Sandford.

[For the Resolutions as finally agreed to by both Houses, see *Summary of May 1, 1896.*]

Board of Missions.—The Rev. E. Maclure was elected to fill a vacancy on this Board.

Wednesday, April 29, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Reform of Convocation.—JOINT COMMITTEE. Moved by the Bishop of Ely, seconded by the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol:

'That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a Joint Committee of both Houses, to draft a Canon on the subject of the Representation of the Clergy of the Province of Canterbury in Convocation.'

The President nominated the following Bishops to serve on the Committee: The Bishops of Winchester, Gloucester and Bristol, and Ely; to whom were subsequently added, by the Lower House, Archdeacons Perry and Ainslie, Canons Bright and Savory, Sub-Dean Clements, Prebendary Tudor.

LOWER HOUSE.

Education, Elementary.—The Resolutions passed at the Conference on April 28 were agreed to, as follows:

1. 'That this Conference thankfully recognises the effort made by the Government in the Education Bill to meet the just requirements of the voluntary schools.'

2. 'That the proposals to decentralise the administration with reference to elementary schools will be a great improvement upon the present system.'

3. 'That it is desirable that the Bill shall require that the County Council shall in all cases appoint persons who are not members of the Council to be members of the Committee, provided that the majority of the Committee be members of the County Council.'

4. 'That it is not desirable to make any difference in respect of elementary education between English and Welsh counties.'

5. 'That, in view of the increased and increasing cost of education and the competition of board schools, which are allowed so much larger expenditure out of the rates, the proposed Special Aid Grant is insufficient to relieve the strain upon voluntary schools, and that it should be both increased in amount and supplemented by some provision to meet the case of expanding expenditure in school board localities.'

6. 'That this Conference cordially approves of the principle of federating schools laid down in the Bill, and trusts that greater facilities will be given for extending it, and that the managers of Church schools generally will take advantage of these facilities.'

7. 'That it is desirable that as soon as in any educational area there shall be a sufficient supply of secondary schools, all scholars shall be required to leave the elementary schools at the age of fourteen.'

8. 'That this Conference welcomes the provision raising the age of compulsory attendance in elementary schools to twelve years.'

9. 'That the powers intended to be given to the managers of voluntary schools for borrowing should be more clearly defined.'

10. 'That this Conference regrets the proposal to deduct the amount of school endowments from the Special Aid Grant, and trusts that this provision may be omitted from the Bill.'

11. 'That this Conference approves the 27th clause regulating religious instruction, provided that Church-of England teachers are not restricted under 33 and 34 Vict., cap. 75, s. 14 (2), commonly called the Cowper-Temple clause, when giving instruction in schools other than those of the Church of England.'

12. 'That it is desirable that the same facilities be given to voluntary bodies to provide new schools in school board districts as are at present given in non-school board districts.'

13. 'That in any contract made by a Board of Guardians under clause 2, section 5, the existing law concerning the religious education of pauper children according to their creed register be maintained.'

14. 'That, whereas certain property liable to be rated for the support of board schools is held by bodies or persons who are debarred from making contributions to voluntary schools, it is desirable that power be given to such bodies or persons to contribute to the maintenance of voluntary schools if it shall seem to them to be advisable upon grounds of economy or public advantage.'

Thursday, April 30, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Education, Elementary.—The Upper House adopted the Resolutions of the Lower House, passed on April 29.

LOWER HOUSE.

Benefices Bill.—RESOLUTION. Moved by Archdeacon Lightfoot, seconded by the Dean of St Paul's :

'1. That this House approves of the Benefices Bill generally, as amended in the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure, and hopes that the Bill will become law in the present Session of Parliament.

'2. That the Prolocutor be requested to take the foregoing Resolution to the Upper House, with a humble request that their lordships would take it into their favourable consideration.'

Friday, May 1, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Education, Secondary.—RESOLUTIONS ON REPORT (No. 299). The Resolutions as finally agreed upon by both Houses were as follows :

1. 'That clause 1 (3) of the Government Education Bill should be so amended as to make the appointment of the local education authority of members from outside the County Council obligatory and not permissive, with a view to the admission of an adequate number of persons interested in education.'

2. 'That an addition should be made to clause 17 (2) of the Government Education Bill, to the effect that in submitting proposals for a scheme the local education authority should have regard to the connection of the endowment with a particular denomination, whether by the terms of the original instrument or regulations (as required by the Endowed Schools Act, 1869), or under a scheme made by the Court of Chancery, or by long use; and that the same rule should apply to all schools taken over by the local education authority.'

3. 'That if in accordance with clause 12 (6) of the Government Education Bill the local education authority are permitted to place representatives on the governing body of a school receiving aid from public sources, the proportion of such representation be defined and limited.'

4. 'That in the interests both of education and religion, which are served by the voluntary principle, a sub-section should be inserted in clause 12 requiring that a period of "twelve months or more" should be given for voluntary agency to make the provision required, with facilities for borrowing from public bodies, before the powers of building are exercised by the local education authority.'

5. 'That where schools are established by the local education authority, it shall be left for them to decide what shall be the character of the religious instruction given in the school, and that in so deciding they shall have regard to its suitability in that respect to the religious belief of the parents of the children for whom it is intended.'

6. 'That where schools are established by the local education authority there should be a conscience clause and provision for religious instruction of a special kind, with freedom to supply by voluntary agency hostels or boarding-houses of a special religious character, and that the general rule as to religious instruction should apply in the case of schools taken over by the local authority, other than those expected under clause 19 of the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, or under a scheme made by the Court of Chancery, or by long use.'

7. 'That steps be taken for the formation or development of central and local bodies to represent and further the interests of religious training in secondary education.'

Diminished Incomes of the Clergy.—RESOLUTION. Moved by the Bishop of Norwich, seconded by the Bishop of Chichester :

'That this House expresses its warm sympathy with the movement inaugurated by the laity, and publicly approved by the Archbishops, for the promotion of a central fund for the sustentation of the Clergy in addition to such funds as have been or may be formed in the several dioceses, and would cordially support any well-considered scheme to carry out the object in view.'

Armenia.—RESOLUTION. Moved by the Bishop of Rochester, seconded by the Bishop of Southwell :

'That this House desires to commend to members of the Church the duty of sending continued and liberal relief to the needs of the suffering and destitute Christian people in the Turkish provinces of Asia Minor, both in compassion for their sad condition and in testimony of thankfulness and respect for the constancy to the Christian faith shown amongst them.'

LOWER HOUSE.

Agricultural Land Rating Bill.—RESOLUTIONS ON REPORT (No. 301). Moved by Archdeacon Sheringham :

'That, while deeply sympathising with all those suffering from the agricultural depression, and recognising with thankfulness the proposals of the Government for their relief, this House yet regrets the exclusion of owners of the tithe rent-charge in lieu of tithe from the benefits of the Agricultural Land Rating Bill.'

'That his Grace the President and their lordships of the Upper House be respectfully requested to take such steps in the matter as to them may seem expedient.'

Assistant Curates.—COMMITTEE. Canon Bristow moved, and Bishop Mitchinson (Archdeacon of Leicester) seconded :

'That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a Committee to consider the position of assistant-Curates, with a view to removing any grievances under which they may be suffering.'

Missions to the Jews.—COMMITTEE. Moved by Sir Lovelace T. Stamer (Bishop-Suffragan of Shrewsbury), seconded by Archdeacon Sutton :

'That his Grace the President be requested to appoint a Committee to inquire what efforts the Church is making at the present time to bring the Jews to the knowledge and faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to report and advise thereon, so that Jewish Missions may be strengthened, and have their proportionate representation in the prayers, offerings, and labours of the Church.'

Tuesday, July 7, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Church Trusts.—COMMITTEE. Moved by the Bishop of Peterborough, seconded by the Bishop of St. Albans :

'That His Grace the President be requested to appoint a small Committee of the Upper House to confer with the National Society and the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and any other Societies necessary, on certain changes now rendered necessary in their forms of Trust Deeds.'

The President appointed the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol, the Bishop of St. Albans, and the Bishop of Peterborough to form the Committee.

The Two Convocations ; Conference on Education.—For Resolutions as finally agreed to, see Summary of July 8.

Benefices Bill.—Read the Resolutions of the Lower House on April 30, 1896 ; their lordships agreed to send the following answer :

'That the Upper House has done, and is doing, all that it can to promote and to give effect to their wishes.'

Lay Evangelists.—RESOLUTION ON REPORT (No. 303). Their lordships resolved:
 'That the Report be referred back to the Committee for consideration in connection with former Reports in Convocation on the subject.'

LOWER HOUSE.

Marriage Laws.—RESOLUTION ON REPORT (No. 305). Moved by the Archdeacon of Oxford:

'That in the opinion of this House the law of the Church of England has not been changed by the action of the State in passing the Divorce Act of 1857, but remains in force as before.'

Moved by the Archdeacon of Canterbury, seconded by Canon Banks:

'That this Report be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.'

Wednesday, July 8, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

The Two Convocations; Conference on Education.—The following Resolutions were finally agreed upon by both Houses:

1. 'That all the members of the Houses of Convocation of the provinces of Canterbury and York, and the Houses of Laymen, be invited to meet together at the Church House in conference to consider the question of elementary education early in November.'
2. 'That the Archbishop of Canterbury take the chair.'
3. 'That the members of the Conference sit and debate together.'
4. 'That the members of the Conference vote together.'

Parochial Church Councils.—Moved by the Bishop of Norwich, seconded by the Bishop of Lichfield:

'That, in the opinion of this House, the recent change in the constitution of vestries, and the powers of Churchwardens, affords a suitable opportunity for the formation, in many of our parishes, of Parochial Councils.'

Moved by the Bishop of Lichfield, seconded by the Bishop of Norwich:

'That the Resolution of this House, carried this day, on Parochial Church Councils be referred to a Committee to consider the bearing of the 90th Canon on the subject, and the principle on which the number and mode of selection of members of such Councils might best be settled.'

The President appointed the following to be the Committee:—The Bishops of Truro, Lichfield (Convener), Norwich, Rochester.

LOWER HOUSE.

Board of Missions.—The Rev. Horace E. Clayton was elected to fill a vacancy on the Board of Missions.

Secondary Education.—RESOLUTIONS ON REPORT (No. 302), as finally agreed to by both Houses:

1. 'That it is of urgent importance that the attention of the Church should be directed to the promotion of religious training and teaching in connection with secondary education.'
2. 'That it is desirable that special means should be adopted for promoting the more systematic religious instruction of scholars in secondary schools.'
3. 'That co-operation from within the Universities and on the part of Cathedral Chapters be invited for promoting the religious training of teachers and systematic religious instruction in secondary schools.'
4. 'That the expediency of obtaining teachers for work in secondary schools be submitted to the consideration of the Bishops of the Church.'
5. 'That the duty of co-operation between parents and teachers in the religious

training of children during the years of school life should be constantly pressed upon the attention of those classes the children of which for the most part attend secondary schools, and that this purpose would be furthered by combining parents and teachers in associations.'

6. 'That the Bishops with their parochial Clergy be earnestly invited to consider by what means they may bring religious influences more effectually to bear on the home life of those classes the children of which for the most part attend secondary schools.'

7. 'That Churchmen be urged either to support existing voluntary Church agencies now engaged in the establishment of secondary schools, or to subscribe to a secondary education fund to be raised for the promotion of the general work of the Church, in connection with this branch of education.'

8. 'That it is desirable that the working out of these Resolutions be entrusted to a council to be formed on some such lines as are laid down in the last division of this Report.'

9. 'That his Grace the President be requested to take such steps as he shall think fit to give effect to the foregoing Resolutions.'

Thursday, July 9, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Church Trusts.—RESOLUTIONS ON REPORT (No. 277). Moved by the Bishop of St. Albans, seconded by the Bishop of Salisbury:

'That it is not desirable, under present circumstances, to apply to Parliament for powers for the incorporation of Trustees capable of holding Church property, apart from Churches and Schools.'

Moved by the Bishop of St. Albans, seconded by the Bishop of Oxford:

'That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a Committee of the Lower House to take afresh into consideration the second and third Resolutions agreed to by the Lower House on the 1st of February, 1894.'

LOWER HOUSE.

Draft Bill on Rubrics and Additional Services.—RESOLUTION ON REPORT (No. 304). Moved by the Dean of St. Paul's:

1. 'That this House accepts the principle that the Church ought to have power to regulate her services in the manner proposed by the Bill.'

2. 'That this House cordially approves the proposal contained in the Bill for legally providing additional prayers or services for special occasions.'

3. 'That this House is of opinion that, at the present time, it is inexpedient to seek for powers to make alterations in the Rubrics as proposed by the Bill.'

4. 'That the Prolocutor be requested to take a copy of these Resolutions to the Upper House.'

Friday, July 10, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

Reform of Convocation.—RESOLUTION ON REPORT (No. 307). Moved by the Bishop of Ely, seconded by the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol:

'That the Report be referred back to the Joint Committee for further consideration.'

Secondary Education.—See Summary of Lower House, July 8, 1896.

LOWER HOUSE.

Increase of the Episcopate.—RESOLUTION ON REPORT (No. 306). Moved by Archdeacon Burney:

'That his Grace the President and their lordships the Bishops be respectfully requested to use their best efforts to secure the passing of an enabling Bill to provide for the foundation of new Bishoprics in England and Wales.'

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Regulation of Rites and Ceremonies.—That this House recognises the importance of the subject of legislation on ecclesiastical matters, and prays his Grace the President to direct the appointment of a joint committee to consider the question, with power to confer with any similar committee of the Convocation of Canterbury.

That this House receives with respect the message of his Grace the President with respect to the committee on the subject of Church legislation, and respectfully requests his Grace to refer the resolution of the Archdeacon of Durham to the same committee.

Reform of Convocation.—That his Grace the President be respectfully prayed to direct the appointment of a committee of the Lower House to consider the principles on which a reform in the constitution of the Lower House of Convocation can be effected, with the view to make it more representative of the Church as a whole.

Temperance Reform.—That this House urges upon Her Majesty's Government that the time has come for the appointment of a Parliamentary Committee of both Houses to inquire into and report on various proposals for licensing and other temperance reforms with a view to early and effective legislation on the subject.

The Privy Council Return.—This House begs leave respectfully to represent to the Upper House that it finds itself unable to concur with the resolution passed by their lordships respecting the statistical returns furnished to the Privy Council on the ground that the aforesaid statistical returns are the only returns the clergy are required by statute law to make; but is of opinion that other statistics of a more comprehensive character should be obtained by authority and with a guarantee for permanence.

Selections from the Revised Version.—(i.) That his Grace the President be prayed to direct the appointment of a joint committee of the two Houses to consider the propriety of authorising certain selected passages of the Old and New Testament to be read (whenever they occur in the public services of the Church) as they stand in the revised version rather than as they stand in the existing authorised version.

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The Late Prince Henry of Battenberg.—That this House begs leave to concur with the Upper House in the loyal address on the death of the late Prince Henry of Battenberg.

Queen Anne's Bounty.—That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a committee of this House to consider the working of Queen Anne's Bounty Office.

Board of Missions.—That the Very Reverend the Hon. Dr. Fremantle, Dean of Ripon, be elected a member of the Board of Missions in the room of the late Dean of Ripon; and that the Rev. Dr. Hughes-Games be re-elected upon the Board.

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February 13, 1896.

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Regulation of Rites and Ceremonies.—That this House recognises the importance of the subject of legislation on ecclesiastical matters, and prays his Grace the President to direct the appointment of a joint committee to consider the question, with power to confer with any similar committee of the Convocation of Canterbury.

That this House receives with respect the message of his Grace the President with respect to the committee on the subject of Church legislation, and respectfully requests his Grace to refer the resolution of the Archdeacon of Durham to the same committee.

Reform of Convocation.—That his Grace the President be respectfully prayed to direct the appointment of a committee of the Lower House to consider the principles on which a reform in the constitution of the Lower House of Convocation can be effected, with the view to make it more representative of the Church as a whole.

Temperance Reform.—That this House urges upon Her Majesty's Government that the time has come for the appointment of a Parliamentary Committee of both Houses to inquire into and report on various proposals for licensing and other temperance reforms with a view to early and effective legislation on the subject.

The Privy Council Return.—This House begs leave respectfully to represent to the Upper House that it finds itself unable to concur with the resolution passed by their lordships respecting the statistical returns furnished to the Privy Council on the ground that the aforesaid statistical returns are the only returns the clergy are required by statute law to make; but is of opinion that other statistics of a more comprehensive character should be obtained by authority and with a guarantee for permanence.

Selections from the Revised Version.—(i.) That his Grace the President be prayed to direct the appointment of a joint committee of the two Houses to consider the propriety of authorising certain selected passages of the Old and New Testament to be read (whenever they occur in the public services of the Church) as they stand in the revised version rather than as they stand in the existing authorised version.

(ii.) That it be an instruction to the said committee, if they think fit, to select such passages, limiting their recommendation to those cases only in which the present authorised version is felt by nearly all competent scholars either to be founded on a text which cannot be defended, or otherwise seriously to misrepresent the meaning of the original.

The Late Prince Henry of Battenberg.—That this House begs leave to concur with the Upper House in the loyal address on the death of the late Prince Henry of Battenberg.

Queen Anne's Bounty.—That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a committee of this House to consider the working of Queen Anne's Bounty Office.

Board of Missions.—That the Very Reverend the Hon. Dr. Fremantle, Dean of Ripon, be elected a member of the Board of Missions in the room of the late Dean of Ripon; and that the Rev. Dr. Hughes-Games be re-elected upon the Board.

Missions to the Jews.—That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a committee to inquire what efforts the Church is making at the present time to bring the Jews to the knowledge and faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to report and advise thereon, so that Jewish Missions may be strengthened and have their proportionate representation in the prayers, offerings, and labours of the Church. And that the said committee have power to confer with any similar committee which may be appointed by the Convocation of Canterbury.

April 9, 10, 1896.

UPPER HOUSE.

The Benefices Bill.—That the Upper House approves generally of the purposes and provisions of the Benefices Bill, and expresses the earnest hope that it may soon be passed into law, but suggests certain amendments.

The Education Bill.—That a committee of the whole of the Upper House be appointed to consider the Education Bill, and that it meet for this purpose in London at the Church House, on Thursday, May 21, at half-past ten o'clock.

LOWER HOUSE.

The Benefices Bill.—That this House adopts the report of the committee of the whole House on the Benefices Bill, and that the Prolocutor report to the Upper House the said Bill with the amendments adopted by the House.

That this House desires to express its general approval of the Benefices Bill, and an earnest hope that it may soon be passed into law.

The Education Bill.—That this House, without committing itself to the details of the measure, and while considering that some of its provisions are inadequate, cordially approves of the main principles of the Education Bill introduced by Her Majesty's Government.

June 2, 3, 4, 1896.

IN FULL SYNOD.

The Education Bill.—That the word 'shall' be substituted for the word 'may' in line 13 of page 1 of the Education Bill.

That it is essential that the constitution of the education authority should provide for the appointment upon the committee of persons conversant with the subject of education.

That this synod feels that to make this Bill attain its objects it needs to be enlarged by a provision allowing a measure of rate-aid to voluntary schools in areas where educational rates are levied; and that this synod is not prepared to object to any securities for local control over the efficiency of the schools, provided always that in the arrangement of the religious instruction and appointment of the teachers the special religious character of the schools be adequately safeguarded.

That in clause 4, section (2), be omitted all the words following 'the previous financial year' in line 23 of page 4 of the Education Bill.

That in clause 27, section (1), after the words 'separate religious instruction' be added the words 'in accordance with their own principles;' and in line 20, after the word 'instrument,' be added 'or of any Act of Parliament.'

UPPER HOUSE.

Cremation and the Burial Service.—That the report of the joint committee on the question of what changes in the Burial Service may be rendered desirable by the practice of cremation be received and the committee thanked for its labours, but after discussion this House is of opinion that it is not desirable at the present time to make any recommendations thereon.

Incumbents' Resignation Act.—That this House adopts the report of the Lower House on the Incumbents' Resignation Act, subject to the alterations now made therein.

Amendment of the 29th Canon.—That the report of the joint committee on the Amendment of the 29th Canon be referred back to the committee for further consideration.

LOWER HOUSE.

The Education Bill.—That this House do concur in the desire expressed by his Grace for a joint session to-morrow to discuss the Education Bill.

The Constitutional Rights of the Lower House.—That it be an instruction to the committee on Privilege and Gravamina to consider the constitutional rights of this House as referred to it in the last Convocation.

Acts of Uniformity.—That the report of the committee on the Acts of Uniformity be referred, so far as it relates to rites and ceremonies, to the committee on the Regulation of Rites and Ceremonies, and so far as it relates to special services to the committee on Special Prayers, Thanksgivings, and Services.

Tithe-owners and Agricultural Rating.—That the exclusion of Tithe Rent Charge from the relief proposed to be granted by the Agricultural Land Rating Bill to agricultural land is an act of grievous injustice to the Church and the clergy.

A New Building for Convocation.—(1) That it is very desirable that suitable buildings should be erected for the meetings of York Convocation. (2) That his Grace the President be prayed to direct the appointment of a committee to consider and report upon the matter.

That the best thanks of this House be conveyed to the Dean of York for so kindly rearranging the services of the Minster, and thus greatly facilitating the business of this House.

Divorce.—That this House strongly approves the legislation proposed by Lord Halifax in the Divorce Act Amendment Bill, 1896.

I. That the recommitted Report be received, with the foregoing alterations and additions.

II. That the conclusions at which the committee has arrived be adopted, as follows:—

1. That the marriage law of the English Church is that to which those who are members of it must look, and by which they must abide.
2. That this law is clearly set forth in the Marriage Service, namely, that the sanctity of marriage as a Christian obligation consists in the faithful union of one man with one woman until the union is severed by death.
3. That this law is in accordance with Holy Scripture, and has the support of the vast majority of Councils, and of Fathers, and these the most weighty.
4. That this law does not permit the marriage of any person separated by divorce, so long as the former partner is living.
5. That it is therefore inconsistent to issue any marriage licence, or to allow banns to be published, or a marriage to be solemnised with the rites of the Church, for any such person.

That the two reports of the committee on Divorce which have been presented to this House be printed as a whole, and that a small sub-committee be appointed to edit the same.

The Education Bill—A Vigilance Committee.—That his Grace the President be requested to appoint a joint committee to examine the proposed amendments to the Education Bill which bear upon voluntary schools; to watch their progress through the Houses of Parliament; and to make such definite recommendations to his Grace the President as shall seem fit; and that such committee be authorised to consult and co-operate with any similar committee which may be appointed by the Convocation of Canterbury.

Missions to the Jews.—That the report regarding mission work amongst the Jews be received, and that permission be granted by this House to the committee to continue their sittings and studies of the subject with the view to a further report.

The National Society.—That this House do appoint three of its members to act with the Consultative committee of the National Society in reference to education.

That the Prolocutor be requested, after making such inquiries as he thinks necessary, to select three members of Convocation to serve on the National Society Consultative committee.

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Amendment of 29th Canon.—That the report of the committee on the Amendment of the 29th Canon be received and adopted.

That in the event of their lordships of the Upper House concurring in the adoption of this report, his Grace the President be requested to communicate to the President of the Canterbury Convocation the terms of the proposed new 29th Canon as passed by this Convocation, with the view to its adoption by the Southern Convocation if it should see fit; and as to subsequent application for a Royal licence for the promulgation of the new canon.

The Education Bill.—That limitations by statute of money provided for primary education either from imperial or local sources cannot be regarded as satisfactory.

SECTION II.—HOUSE OF LAYMEN (PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY).

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS OF SESSION, February 12, 13, and 14, 1896.

Chairman:

The LORD ASHCOMBE, 17 Princes Gate, S. W.

Vice-Chairman:

Mr. G. A. SPOTTISWOODE, 3 Cadogan Square, S. W.

Secretary:

Mr. SYDNEY W. FLAMANK, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S. W.

Wednesday, February 12, 1896.

After Prayers,

The Secretary read the following communication from the Lord Archbishop convening the House:

Edward White, by Divine Providence Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of All England and Metropolitan, Sydney Walkom Flamank, Esquire, Greeting: We do by these presents convene the House of Laymen of the Province of Canterbury; and we do commission you, the said Sydney Walkom Flamank, Esquire, to summon the Members elected of the same House to appear before us on Wednesday, February 12, 1896, at 1.30 p.m., at the Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, on which day we propose ourselves, in person, to open the Sittings of the said House according to the constitution of the same.

Dated at Lambeth Palace this Eleventh day of February, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and Ninety-six, and of our Translation the Thirteenth.

(Signed) EDW. CANTUAR.

The Lord Ashcombe was elected Chairman, and Mr. G. A. Spottiswoode was elected Vice-Chairman.

The Lord Aldenham was elected Treasurer.

The Members present signed the Roll of Members of the House.

His Grace the Archbishop, accompanied by several of the Bishops of the Province, then entered and addressed the House. After his address, the Archbishop and Bishops withdrew.

Standing Committee.—The following Members were appointed the Standing Committee :

The Lord NORTON (Worcester).
The Rt. Hon. Sir R. H. PAGET, Bart. (Bath and Wells).
Sir J. KENNAWAY, Bart., M.P. (Exeter).
Sir J. R. BAILEY, Bart. (Hereford).
Mr. H. H. BEMROSE, M.P. (Southwell).
Mr. D. CHRISTOPHERSON (Rochester).

Mr. E. P. MONCKTON, M.P. (Peterborough).
Mr. E. H. LEYCESTER PENRHYN (Rochester).
Mr. ATHELSTAN RILEY (London).
Mr. P. V. SMITH, LL.D. (London).
Mr. J. A. SHAW STEWART (London).
Colonel R. WILLIAMS, M.P. (Salisbury).

Powers of Convocation.—Mr. R. J. More, M.P., moved, and Mr. P. P. Pennant seconded :

That a Committee be appointed to report what powers beside taxation of the clergy Convocation formerly possessed. Whether it would be desirable to revive those powers, and what part the laity might take in the greater self-government of the Church:

After discussion, the motion was negatived.

Endowed Schools in Wales.—Mr. Morton Smith moved, and Mr. J. E. Ollivant seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That, in the opinion of this House, it is highly important, in the best interests of religious education, and of the future work of the Church in Wales, that no effort should be spared to preserve to the Church the Endowed Schools in Wales to which she has a just claim.

Secondary Education.—Col. R. White Thomson moved, and Mr. A. H. A. Hamilton seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That, having regard to the Report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, a Committee be appointed to consider : (1) the best means of securing the religious education of the younger members of the higher and middle classes ; and (2) any proposed legislation in reference to Secondary Schools, and to confer with any Committees appointed by the Houses of Convocation, and, if they think fit, to submit any proposals to this House.

Thursday, February 13, 1896.

Increase of the Episcopate.—Mr. W. S. de Winton moved, and The Earl Nelson seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That a Committee be appointed to watch the progress of the movement for the increase of the Episcopate, and to co-operate with any Committee or Committees of Convocation on the subject, and to report from time to time to this House.

Pastoral Board.—Mr. G. A. Spottiswoode moved, and Mr. Sinclair F. Hood seconded :

That this House is of opinion that many matters connected with the maintenance, increase, and distribution of the Home Pastorate, whether diocesan or parochial, might with advantage be referred to a Committee or Board, consisting of all the Bishops of the Province, a certain number of clergy to be nominated by the Lower House of Convocation, and an equal number of laymen to be nominated by the House of Laymen.

The motion as amended in the following form was ultimately put, and carried by a large majority :

That this House is not prepared to affirm the resolution in favour of a Pastoral Board without further consideration.

Clergy Sustentation.—Mr. P. V. Smith moved, and Mr. W. S. de Winton seconded :

That it is the duty of every adult lay member of the Church to contribute individually towards the support of the clergy ; and that, with a view to providing all the clergy with an adequate income, a general clergy sustentation scheme should be framed, and a general fund established.

The debate was adjourned until the following day.

Friday, February 14, 1896.

Standing Committee.—The Standing Committee recommended :

(1) That the following Members form the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopate: Earl Stanhope (Canterbury), Lord Norton (Worcester), J. R. Bailey, Bart. (Hereford), J. T. D. Llewelyn, Bart., M.P. (St. Davids), D. Christopherson (Rochester), W. S. de Winton (St. Davids), S. Hoare, M.P. (Norwich), Stanley Leighton, M.P. (Lichfield), P. V. Smith, LL.D. (London), A. Sperling (Ely), J. G. Talbot, M.P. (London), with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman *ex-officio*.

(2) That, as notice has been given of the introduction of a Bill by Her Majesty's Government on Elementary Education, your Committee are of opinion that a Committee should be appointed to examine the provisions of the Bill, and to report to the House at its next Session.

The Report of the Standing Committee was adopted.

The Vice-Chairman moved :

That the Standing Orders VII and XV. be suspended, and that a Committee be now appointed, and that it consist of the following Members :

Earl Nelson (Salisbury), Viscount Cranborne, M.P. (Rochester), Rt. Hon. Sir R. Temple, Bart. (Nom.), Sir J. R. Bailey, Bart. (Hereford), B. St. John Ackers (Glos. and Bristol), Sydney Gedge, M.P. (Rochester), F. C. Holiday (London), D. Howard (St. Albans), A. Riley (London), P. V. Smith, LL.D. (London), J. G. Talbot, M.P. (London), Jonas Watson (Llandaff), with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman *ex-officio*.

At the request of Mr. Jonas Watson, and with the consent of the House, his name was removed from the Committee.

With the consent of the House the following additional Members were placed upon the Committee :

C. L. A. Skinner (Norwich), W. D. Thurnam (London), M. Williams (Truro), H. H. Bemrose, M.P. (Southwell).

Elementary Education.—Mr. Athelstan Riley moved, and the Right Hon. Sir R. Temple seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That the conditions under which Religious Instruction is imparted to the children of Church parents in the Industrial, Day Industrial, Truant, and Reformatory Schools of England and Wales be referred to the Committee on Elementary Education, with an instruction to report to this House.

Mr. F. C. Holiday moved, and Mr. Athelstan Riley seconded, and it was agreed by a large majority :

That in the opinion of this House, assistance to Voluntary Schools in the form of an additional fixed grant will fail to mitigate the destructive competition of School Boards unless accompanied by provisions for limiting and controlling the rating and borrowing powers of the Boards.

Clergy Sustentation.—The adjourned debate on the following resolution was continued by Mr. H. Morris, and it was unanimously agreed :

That it is the duty of every adult lay member of the Church to contribute individually towards the support of the clergy ; and that, with a view to providing all the clergy with an adequate income, a general clergy sustentation scheme should be framed, and a general fund established.

Mr. P. V. Smith, LL.D., moved, and Mr. W. D. Thurnam seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That this general fund should be supplemental to and not supersede or interfere with existing or future diocesan or local funds, and should itself receive contributions either general or appropriated to a particular diocese or place.

Mr. P. V. Smith, LL.D., moved, and Mr. H. Morris seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That His Grace the Archbishop be respectfully requested to take such steps as may seem best for carrying out the foregoing resolutions : inasmuch as this can only be effectively done under the authority of the Church as a whole.

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS OF SESSION, April 28, 29, and 30, 1896.

Tuesday, April 28, 1896.

National Society Consultative Body.—The Chairman moved, Mr. D. Christopherson seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That Mr. F. C. Holiday, Mr. David Howard, and Mr. G. A. Spottiswoode be elected to represent this House upon the Consultative Body which, as occasion may arise, is invited to meet the Standing Committee of the National Society in deliberation.

Secondary Education.—The Vice-Chairman moved, Mr. W. W. Portal (Winchester) seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That it be an instruction to the Elementary Education Committee,

To consider the reference contained in the following resolution passed by the House at its last Session:—‘That having regard to the Report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, a Committee be appointed to consider: (1) the best means of securing the religious education of the younger members of the higher and middle classes; and (2) any proposed legislation in reference to Secondary Schools, and to confer with any Committees appointed by the Houses of Convocation, and, if they think fit, to submit any proposals to this House.’

It was agreed that the name of the Elementary Education Committee should be changed to the Education Committee.

Education.—The Vice-Chairman presented an interim report of the Committee on Elementary Education.

The Vice-Chairman moved and Mr. A. Riley seconded :

That this House approves the general principles of the Education Bill now before Parliament, and hopes that, with the Amendments indicated in the Report, it may speedily pass into law.

The motion was ultimately carried unanimously in the following form :

That this House approves the general principles of the Education Bill now before Parliament, and hopes that with amendments, some of which are indicated in the Report, it may speedily pass into law.

Mr. O. H. Jones and Sir Theodore C. Hope were appointed members of the Education Committee.

Wednesday, April 29, 1896.

Benefices Bill.—Col. R. Williams, M.P., moved, Sir J. H. Kennaway, Bart., M.P., seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That in the opinion of this House the Benefices Bill is an earnest endeavour to remedy an acknowledged danger to the Church; inasmuch—

(1) as it places limitation upon the transfer and exercise of patronage on the lines recommended by the Select Committee of 1874 and the Royal Commission of 1878;

(2) as it provides safeguards against the institution to benefices of men not fit to be incumbents, while protecting both patron and presentee from possible injustice by ensuring a full trial before a court consisting of the Archbishop and a lay judge—the decision of the latter on matters of law and fact being absolutely binding.

Col. R. Williams, M.P., moved, Mr. W. U. Heygate seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That in the opinion of this House the Benefices Bill is an earnest endeavour to remedy an acknowledged danger to the Church; inasmuch—

(3) as it also provides against those cases of gross neglect of duty which, while happily rare, work great injury to the best interests of a parish.

Clergy Sustentation Fund.—Col. R. Williams, M.P., moved, Mr. P. V. Smith, LL.D., seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That this House hears with satisfaction that steps are being taken towards establishing a general Clergy Sustentation Fund.

Re-Marriage of Divorced Persons.—Major C. L. A. Skinner moved, and Mr. W. D. Thurnam seconded :

That in the opinion of this House it is a matter of grave importance that the question of the re-marriage in the Church of England of persons divorced outside the jurisdiction of English law should be seriously considered, and that his Grace the Archbishop be asked to take this matter into his consideration with a view to the discontinuance of the issue of licences for such re-marriage.

The debate was adjourned until Thursday, April 30.

Thursday, April 30, 1896.

Draft Rubrics Bill.—The Vice-Chairman moved and the Earl Nelson seconded :

That this House approves generally of the Draft Rubrics Bill, but with the express condition that no scheme shall be finally adopted by the two Convocations and laid before the Queen in Council until it shall first have been published in draft in such manner as the Archbishop of Canterbury shall think fit, and until an interval of twelve months from such publication shall have elapsed.

The resolution was agreed to on a division by 17 votes to 15.

Mr. Melville Portal moved, the Vice-Chairman seconded, and it was agreed by 16 votes to 12:

That this House deprecates at the same time the suggestion to revise and alter from time to time the Rubrics and directions contained in the Book of Common Prayer, and is of opinion that any Act passed for this purpose is likely to lead to confusion and division in the Church.

The Vice-Chairman moved, Professor Sir G. G. Stokes, Bart., seconded, and it was unanimously agreed :

That the condition in the Vice-Chairman's Resolution having been agreed to by both Houses of Convocation on March 1, 1889, this House requests his Grace the Archbishop to provide due means for securing its observance.

Re-Marriage of Divorced Persons.—The adjourned debate on the resolution moved by Major Skinner was resumed by Mr. W. D. Thurnam, and after some discussion the resolution was withdrawn and the following amendment, moved by Mr. P. V. Smith and seconded by Mr. Morton Smith, was unanimously agreed to :

That in the opinion of this House the present state of the law respecting the re-marriage of persons divorced outside the jurisdiction of English law, and also respecting the re-marriage of persons divorced in England, is unsatisfactory, and ought to be reconsidered and amended.

HOUSE OF LAYMEN (PROVINCE OF YORK).

THE House of Laymen met at York on Thursday, April 9, 1896, Viscount Cross in the chair.

After an address by the Archbishop, the Treasurer's statement was received and passed, showing a balance in hand of 143*l.* 2*s.* 7*d.*

1. The Benefices Bill. Sir Francis Powell (Ripon) moved the following resolution :

That the House of Laymen, while strongly approving generally of the Benefices Bill 1896, is of opinion that some of the provisions, especially those relating to the adequate discharge of the duties of benefices, require revision.

This was seconded by Sir John Hibbert (Carlisle).

The Chairman suggested the omission of the words 'especially relating to the adequate discharge of the duties of benefices.'

The motion, thus amended, was unanimously adopted. Sir Francis Powell then moved :

That the House of Laymen is of opinion that an incumbent incapacitated for three years, and who has not made provision for the competent discharge of the cure of souls, should resign with a pension of one-third the value of his benefice.

This was seconded by Mr. J. E. Maude (Ripon).

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On a division the motion was rejected by 20 votes to 6.

Mr. E. H. Carille then moved :

That this House respectfully suggests to the promoters of the Benefices Bill that it will be desirable to form a Patronage Board in every Diocese, partly composed of laymen, in whose hands the appointments under the provisions of section 1, sub-section 2, of the present Bill might with advantage be placed.

After a discussion the motion was withdrawn.

2. Higher Religious Education. Lord Halifax proposed the following motion :

That having regard to the report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, his Grace the Archbishop be requested to direct the appointment of a committee of this House to consider the question of (1) the religious education of the younger members of the higher and middle classes, and (2) legislation on *all* secondary schools, and to submit proposals thereon. Also that it be an instruction to such committee, with the sanction of the Archbishop, to confer with any committee that has been or may be appointed for a like purpose by Convocation of the Provinces of York or Canterbury, and also by the House of Laymen of the latter Province.

Mr. J. W. Maclure seconded the resolution, which was unanimously passed.

3. Clergy Sustentation Fund. Lord Egerton of Tatton moved :

(1) That it is the duty of every adult lay member of the Church to contribute individually towards the support of the clergy; and that, with a view to providing all the clergy with an adequate income, a general clergy sustentation scheme should be framed and a general fund established. (2) That this general fund should be supplemental to and not supersede or interfere with existing or future diocesan or local funds, and should itself receive contributions, either general or appropriated to a particular diocese or place. (3) That his Grace the Archbishop be respectfully requested to take such steps as may seem best for carrying out the foregoing resolutions, inasmuch as this can only be effectively done under the authority of the Church as a whole.

Earl Percy seconded the resolution.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

4. The Education Bill. This subject was introduced by Lord Halifax, who moved the following resolution :

That this House, without committing itself to the details of the measure, for the consideration of which time is necessary, approves of the Education Bill introduced by Her Majesty's Government, as a measure framed in the interests of education, calculated to relieve the Voluntary Schools from the difficulties under which they now labour, and as affording a basis for the settlement of the religious difficulties which attach to the question with impartiality and justice.

Lord Feversham seconded.

The motion was unanimously passed.

Colonel Morrison moved :

That this House recommends that section 4 of the Education Bill of 1896 be amended by introducing the following new clause between sub-section 1 and sub-section 2, namely: 'The education authority in every urban district in which there is a School Board shall be authorised to supplement the said aid grant out of the local rates by a sum which, together with money provided by Parliament, will amount to three-fourths of the sum per scholar received by the School Board out of the rates for maintenance.'

Lord Halifax seconded, and the proposal was adopted, by a majority of 12 to 6.

5. Self-government in the Church. Dr. Eastwood moved the following resolution :

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After a discussion the motion was withdrawn.

2. Higher Religious Education. Lord Halifax proposed the following motion :

That having regard to the report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, his Grace the Archbishop be requested to direct the appointment of a committee of this House to consider the question of (1) the religious education of the younger members of the higher and middle classes, and (2) legislation on *all* secondary schools, and to submit proposals thereon. Also that it be an instruction to such committee, with the sanction of the Archbishop, to confer with any committee that has been or may be appointed for a like purpose by Convocation of the Provinces of York or Canterbury, and also by the House of Laymen of the latter Province.

Mr. J. W. Maclure seconded the resolution, which was unanimously passed.

3. Clergy Sustentation Fund. Lord Egerton of Tatton moved :

(1) That it is the duty of every adult lay member of the Church to contribute individually towards the support of the clergy; and that, with a view to providing all the clergy with an adequate income, a general clergy sustentation scheme should be framed and a general fund established. (2) That this general fund should be supplemental to and not supersede or interfere with existing or future diocesan or local funds, and should itself receive contributions, either general or appropriated to a particular diocese or place. (3) That his Grace the Archbishop be respectfully requested to take such steps as may seem best for carrying out the foregoing resolutions, inasmuch as this can only be effectively done under the authority of the Church as a whole.

Earl Percy seconded the resolution.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

4. The Education Bill. This subject was introduced by Lord Halifax, who moved the following resolution :

That this House, without committing itself to the details of the measure, for the consideration of which time is necessary, approves of the Education Bill introduced by Her Majesty's Government, as a measure framed in the interests of education, calculated to relieve the Voluntary Schools from the difficulties under which they now labour, and as affording a basis for the settlement of the religious difficulties which attach to the question with impartiality and justice.

Lord Feversham seconded.

The motion was unanimously passed.

Colonel Morrison moved :

That this House recommends that section 4 of the Education Bill of 1896 be amended by introducing the following new clause between sub-section 1 and sub-section 2, namely: 'The education authority in every urban district in which there is a School Board shall be authorised to supplement the said aid grant out of the local rates by a sum which, together with money provided by Parliament, will amount to three-fourths of the sum per scholar received by the School Board out of the rates for maintenance.'

Lord Halifax seconded, and the proposal was adopted, by a majority of 12 to 6.

5. Self-government in the Church. Dr. Eastwood moved the following resolution :

That considering the present position of the Church of England in relation to civil

**SUMMARY OF THE ACTS OF THE CONVOCATION OF
THE PRELATES AND CLERGY OF THE PROVINCE
OF YORK IN THE YEAR 1896.**

February 13, 1896.

THE Convocation of the Prelates and Clergy of the Province of York, after Holy Communion in the Choir, assembled in full Synod in Archbishop Zouche's Chapel in the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of St. Peter of York, His Grace the President in the Chair.

In Full Synod.—That a respectful address of condolence with Her Gracious Majesty the Queen, and Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice of Battenberg, under their recent heavy affliction, be prepared and presented from the Convocation of the Northern Province.

UPPER HOUSE.

Secondary Education.—(I.) That having regard to the report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a joint committee of both Houses to consider the questions of :

(i.) The religious education of the younger members of the higher and middle classes ; and of

(ii.) Legislation on Secondary Schools, and to submit proposals thereon.

(II.) That it be an instruction to the joint committee to confer with any committees that may be appointed for the like purpose, by the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, or by the Houses of Laymen.

Temperance Reform.—That this House urges upon Her Majesty's Government that the time has come for the appointment of a Parliamentary Committee of both Houses to inquire into and report on various proposals for licensing and other temperance reforms with a view to early and effective legislation on the subject.

The Privy Council Return.—That having regard to the comparatively imperfect character of the return now required by the Privy Council, and to the existence of a more complete and valuable return in respect to the work of the clergy, it is desirable that the return to the Privy Council should no longer be required.

Cremation and the Burial Service.—That his Grace the President be requested to appoint a joint committee of the two Houses of Convocation to consider what changes in the Burial Service may be rendered desirable by the practice of cremation.

Regulation of Rites and Ceremonies.—That his Grace the President be requested to appoint a joint committee of both Houses of Convocation to consider a draft Bill intended to provide facilities for the regulation from time to time of the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England, and to make thereon such proposals and observations as may appear to them to be desirable.

Armenian Christians.—That this House cordially agrees with the resolution of the Lower House expressive of their sympathy with the suffering Armenian Christians.

LOWER HOUSE.

Secondary Education.—(I.) That having regard to the report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a joint committee of both Houses to consider the questions of :

(i.) The religious education of the younger members of the higher and middle classes ; and of

(ii.) Legislation on Secondary Schools, and to submit proposals thereon.

(II.) That it be an instruction to the joint committee to confer with any committees that may be appointed for the like purpose, by the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, or by the Houses of Laymen.

Armenian Christians.—That this House expresses its deep sympathy with the suffering Armenian Christians.

Divorce.—That the gravamen of the Rev. Canon Temple on the subject of a certain marriage recently celebrated in St. Mark's Church, North Audley Street, London, be adopted as an *articulus cleri*.

Regulation of Rites and Ceremonies.—That this House recognises the importance of the subject of legislation on ecclesiastical matters, and prays his Grace the President to direct the appointment of a joint committee to consider the question, with power to confer with any similar committee of the Convocation of Canterbury.

That this House receives with respect the message of his Grace the President with respect to the committee on the subject of Church legislation, and respectfully requests his Grace to refer the resolution of the Archdeacon of Durham to the same committee.

Reform of Convocation.—That his Grace the President be respectfully prayed to direct the appointment of a committee of the Lower House to consider the principles on which a reform in the constitution of the Lower House of Convocation can be effected, with the view to make it more representative of the Church as a whole.

Temperance Reform.—That this House urges upon Her Majesty's Government that the time has come for the appointment of a Parliamentary Committee of both Houses to inquire into and report on various proposals for licensing and other temperance reforms with a view to early and effective legislation on the subject.

The Privy Council Return.—This House begs leave respectfully to represent to the Upper House that it finds itself unable to concur with the resolution passed by their lordships respecting the statistical returns furnished to the Privy Council on the ground that the aforesaid statistical returns are the only returns the clergy are required by statute law to make; but is of opinion that other statistics of a more comprehensive character should be obtained by authority and with a guarantee for permanence.

Selections from the Revised Version.—(i.) That his Grace the President be prayed to direct the appointment of a joint committee of the two Houses to consider the propriety of authorising certain selected passages of the Old and New Testament to be read (whenever they occur in the public services of the Church) as they stand in the revised version rather than as they stand in the existing authorised version.

(ii.) That it be an instruction to the said committee, if they think fit, to select such passages, limiting their recommendation to those cases only in which the present authorised version is felt by nearly all competent scholars either to be founded on a text which cannot be defended, or otherwise seriously to misrepresent the meaning of the original.

The Late Prince Henry of Battenberg.—That this House begs leave to concur with the Upper House in the loyal address on the death of the late Prince Henry of Battenberg.

Queen Anne's Bounty.—That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a committee of this House to consider the working of Queen Anne's Bounty Office.

Board of Missions.—That the Very Reverend the Hon. Dr. Fremantle, Dean of Ripon, be elected a member of the Board of Missions in the room of the late Dean of Ripon; and that the Rev. Dr. Hughes-Games be re-elected upon the Board.

Missions to the Jews.—That his Grace the President be requested to direct the appointment of a committee to inquire what efforts the Church is making at the present time to bring the Jews to the knowledge and faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to report and advise thereon, so that Jewish Missions may be strengthened and have their proportionate representation in the prayers, offerings, and labours of the Church. And that the said committee have power to confer with any similar committee which may be appointed by the Convocation of Canterbury.

for Junior Clergy (Sec. V. 5). Several other subjects were dealt with in papers and speeches—Secondary Education, the Church and Colonial Expansion, the Church's Care of the Deaf and Dumb, Missions in Country Parishes. At the close the Archbishop touched upon the subjects under discussion in his summing up.

York.

No Conference summoned in consequence of the assembling of the Diocesan Synod.

London.

This Conference was held in the Hall of King's College on Tuesday and Wednesday April 21 and 22. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the College Chapel at 10.30. In opening the proceedings of the Conference, the Bishop dealt mainly with the subjects of the Education Bill and the Benefices Bill. The following committees presented reports: (1) Diocesan Trusts, (2) Diocesan Reading Union, (3) Diocesan Council for Welfare of Young Men.

The following subjects were then discussed and resolutions passed: (1) Education Bill (Sec. V. 8); (2) Church Life in Rural Deaneries (Sec. V. 33); (3) Shortened Forms of Service (Sec. V. 38); (4) Volunteer Manœuvres (Sec. V. 13); (5) Diocesan Sundays (Sec. V. 33); (6) The Benefices Bill (Sec. V. 28); (7) Federation of Schools (Sec. V. 8); (8) Clerical Charities (Sec. V. 27). The following resolution was also unanimously passed: 'That this Conference respectfully asks the Lord Bishop to take counsel with the Archbishop and Bishops of the Province, with a view to conveying to our suffering fellow Christians in Armenia the assurance of our heartfelt sympathy, and at the same time of expressing to Her Majesty's Government our hope that it will not cease to use its influence to the utmost in behalf of the sufferers in that afflicted country.'

Durham.

The Conference was not summoned.

Winchester.

This Conference was held at Winchester on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 10 and 11. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion each day in the Cathedral at 8; Matins at 10; and Evensong at 5.30. The Bishop of the Diocese presided, and referred at length to the death of the late Archbishop, the Education Question, the Poverty of the Clergy, and the Laws of Marriage and Divorce. The Parliamentary Committee presented its report.

The following subjects were then discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (2) Church Trusts (Sec. V. 26); (3) Sequestration of Benefices (Sec. V. 27); (4) Retirement of the Clergy (Sec. V. 28); (5) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (6) The Education Bill (Sec. V. 8); (7) Rubric's Bill (Sec. V. 38); (8) Evangelistic Agencies (Sec. V. 4.)

The following resolutions were also passed:—(1) Armenian Persecutions: 'That this Conference deeply sympathises with the Armenian Christians in their terrible sufferings under persecution in Turkey, and earnestly hopes that the Great Powers of Europe will speedily unite in putting an end to horrors which are without parallel in modern history.' (2) Rating of the Clergy: 'That this Conference requests the Parliamentary Committee to take such steps as are necessary to have a statement on the subject of the rating of Clerical Incomes laid, orally or otherwise, before the Royal Commission on the incidence of rates.'

Bangor.

The Conference was not summoned.

Bath and Wells.

This Conference was held at Bath on October 13 and 14. The proceedings on both days were commenced by a celebration of Holy Communion and Morning Prayer in the Abbey Church. The Bishop presided, and in his address referred to the great loss the Church had suffered in the death of the Archbishop of Canterbury; he also paid a tribute to the memories of the late Archdeacons of Bath and Taunton. The Bishop then spoke upon the Marriage Laws, the Education Question, and the Sustentation of the Clergy.

The Conference then proceeded to discuss the following subjects: The Assaults upon the Faith, The Observance of Sunday; upon these no resolutions were passed. (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Clergy Pensions (Sec. V. 27); (3) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (4) Federation of Schools (Sec. V. 8).

An evening meeting for working men was held, and largely attended, at which addresses were given by the Bishop, Archdeacon Ainslie, Canon Quirk, and Mr. Somerville.

Carlisle.

This Conference was held at Kendal on September 22 and 23. The proceedings commenced with Morning Prayer in the parish church, there being a celebration of Holy Communion on the second day at 8 o'clock.

The Bishop of the Diocese presided, and alluded to matters of diocesan interest, and then touched upon the Education Bill, the Benefices Bill, the Armenian Atrocities, Church Defence, and efforts to meet the prevailing poverty of the Clergy.

The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Parliamentary; (2) Missionary Students' Fund; (3) Clerical Training Fund; (4) Sunday Schools; (5) Special School Building Fund; (6) Mission to the Deaf and Dumb; (7) Church Army Vans; (8) Church Defence; (9) Diocesan Sustentation Fund; (10) Bishop's Special Clergy; (11) Waifs and Strays Society.

The following subjects were discussed; and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (2) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (3) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (4) Armenian Atrocities; the following resolution was passed after the Bishop's address:

'That this Conference representing the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Carlisle, records the deep distress and indignation with which it regards the atrocities perpetrated on Armenian Christians under the infamous Government of the Sultan.'

The following subjects were considered, but no resolutions were proposed: (1) Is the Nation benefited by a Legal Provision for the Relief of the Poor? (2) Religious Conduct as affected by Modern Thought and Conditions of Life.

Chester.

The Conference was not summoned in consequence of the Bishop's Visitation.

Chichester.

This Conference was held in the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on October 21 and 22. There was no previous celebration of Divine Service, but the proceedings of the Conference commenced with a short office of prayer.

The Bishop presided, and referred to the great loss the Church had sustained in the death of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the diocese in the death of Bishop Durnford. Reference was then made to the Poverty of the Clergy, the Church and Education, the Traffic in Livings, Retirement and Pensions of the Clergy, the Bishop of Rome and the English Clergy.

The Archdeacons presented their reports upon the statistics of Church Work in the Diocese. Appointed Committees reported upon Easter Offerings and the Diocesan Gazette.

The following subjects were discussed: (1) Elementary Education (Sec. V. 8); (2) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (3) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (4) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (5) Benefices Bill (Sec. V. 28); (6) Easter Offerings; the following resolution was passed:

'That this Conference would cordially welcome the general adoption of the custom of Easter offerings throughout the diocese.'

Ely.

This Conference assembled in the South Transept of Ely Cathedral on June 16 and 17. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 A.M.

The Bishop, in opening the proceedings, dwelt upon the importance of the Church Defence movement, and of instructing the people in Church History; Education legislation; the Church Patronage Bill; the Diocesan Trust Fund; and the general progress of Church work in the Diocese. The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Ely Diocesan Fund; (2) Council of Education; (3) Inspection in Religious Knowledge; (4) Sunday School Association; (5) Missionary Studentship Association; (6) Diocesan Branch of C.E.T.S.

The Conference proceeded to discuss the following subjects: (1) The Education Bill (Sec. V. 8); (2) Benefices Bill (Sec. V. 28).

The Conference discussed the subject of 'The Duties of Christians with respect to money getting and money spending,' but passed no resolution.

Exeter.

This Conference assembled in Exeter on October 22 and 23. The proceedings commenced each day with a celebration of the Holy Communion.

The Bishop, in the course of his inaugural address, paid a devout tribute to the memory of the late Archbishop. He then dealt with the subjects of (1) Marriage with the Deceased Wife's Sister; (2) Reunion and the Papal Bull; (3) Armenia; (4) Lay-readers; (5) The Education Question.

The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Council of Religious Education; (2) Diocesan Inspection; (3) Organising Visitor; (4) Sunday Schools; (5) Higher and Middle Schools; (6) Higher Religious Education; (7) Foreign Missions; (8) Parochial Missions; (9) Lay Readers Association; (10) Diocesan Finance.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (2) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (3) Reform of Church Patronage (Sec. V. 28). The Armenian question was discussed and a resolution passed:

'That this Conference desires to express its sense of the stigma that will attach to the Christian nations of Europe, and especially to our own, if, having regard to the appalling sufferings of the Armenian people in the Turkish Empire, such action is not speedily taken as will secure to the surviving Christian population under his government the common rights of law-abiding people.'

Church Work in the Navy and Army. The subjoined resolution was adopted:

'That promotion of Church Work in the Navy and Army claims the warmest interest of all Churchmen.'

Gloucester and Bristol.

This Conference was held in the chapter house of Gloucester Cathedral on October 14 and 15. The proceedings commenced with a choral celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 o'clock.

The Bishop, in his inaugural address, alluded to the death of the Archbishop, and then briefly discussed three subjects, viz., the Re-union of Christendom, a dream dispelled by the Pope's recent Encyclical; the Education Question; and the Armenian massacres.

The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Parliamentary; (2) Diocesan Trustees of Church Property; (3) Augmentation of Small and Impoverished Benefices. The subjects discussed were: (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23). The Conference discussed the following subjects, but formulated no resolutions: (1) Legislation on Elementary Education; (2) The Union of Small Benefices; (3) Men's Work in the Church.

The session concluded with the adoption of the following:

'That this Conference humbly desires Her Majesty the Queen to accept their most dutiful and loyal congratulations on her having attained to a length of reign surpassing that of any of her predecessors, and earnestly prays that she may be long spared to continue her wise and gracious rule over the vast empire which Almighty God has committed to her care.'

Hereford.

The Conference was not summoned in consequence of the assembling of the Church Congress.

Lichfield.

The Conference was not held in consequence of the assembling of the Church Congress.

Lincoln.

This Conference was held at Lincoln on October 13 and 14. The proceedings commenced by a celebration each day at 8 A.M., followed by Matins in the Cathedral at 10 o'clock.

The Bishop in opening the Conference touchingly alluded to the death of the Archbishop, and proposed the following expression of sorrow and sympathy:

'That this Conference is unable to express its sense of the loss which the Church and Nation of England have sustained in the death of Archbishop Benson, a loss which the Conference feels personally, remembering the years that he resided in Lincoln as Chancellor of the Cathedral, a loss of utterly inestimable greatness to all members of the great Anglican Communion, for the sympathy and ability and untiring self-devotion which from the first to the last unexpected moment characterised his noble life.'

The resolution was carried unanimously, the members of the Conference standing.

The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Parliamentary; (2) Education; (3) Home and Foreign Missions; (4) Temperance and Purity; (5) Diocesan Sunday Fund; (6) Church Defence.

The President in further treating of the business of the Conference, spoke of the recent action of Parliament regarding marriage with deceased wife's sister, the abandonment of the Education Bill, the recent utterances of the Pope on the validity of Anglican Orders, and the Armenian massacres. The following subjects were discussed: (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Church Reform (Sec. V. 10); (3) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (4) Sunday Schools (Sec. V. 9); (5) Observance of Holy Seasons (Sec. V. 13); (6) Village Feasts and Recreation (Sec. V. 12).

The Bishop proposed the following, which was unanimously accepted:

'That this meeting of Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Lincoln, assembled in Diocesan Conference, viewing with horror and indignation the massacres of Christian populations in the Turkish empire, prays that the Great Powers of Europe will take effective measures to make their recurrence impossible, and assures her Majesty's Government of its unanimous support in any steps that may be deemed necessary to attain this end.'

Liverpool.

This Conference was held in St. George's Hall on November 3 and 4. The proceedings commenced with a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Cathedral. The Bishop in his opening address, after alluding to the death of the Archbishop, spoke at some length upon the subjects of Disestablishment, Elementary Church Education, Church Reform, the Deceased Wife's Sister's Bill, the present position and prospects of the Church, our Divisions, and Fasting Communion.

The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Parliamentary; (2) Diocesan Finance; (3) Temperance Society; (4) Sunday School Institute; (5) Lay Helpers; (6) Waifs and Strays.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Church Reform (Sec. V. 23); (2) Elementary Education (Sec. V. 8); (3) Systematic Almsgiving (Sec. V. 43).

The following resolutions were also passed: (1) Public worship: 'That this Conference, while recognising a general desire to make the public services of our Church both reverent and hearty, notices at the same time with grave concern the increasing use of concerted music and the elaborate "services," greatly to the hindrance, it believes, of "common" prayer and praise, and the true spiritual worship of Almighty God.' (2) Anglican Orders: 'That in the judgment of this Conference the Orders of the Church of England are as valid as those of any Church in Christendom, and stand in no need of any recognition from the Bishop of Rome.' (3) Armenian massacres. Upon the proposition of the President, the Conference unanimously expressed its indignation at the atrocious massacre of the Armenian Christians in the Turkish Empire. The Conference also heartily adopted the following resolution submitted by the Bishop: 'That the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Liverpool in Conference assembled, do hereby express their deep thankfulness to Almighty God that her Majesty Queen Victoria has been permitted to reign longer than any previous British Sovereign, and that the nation still enjoys the inestimable advantage of her wisdom and maturity of judgment, and her excellent example in all the relations of life.'

Llandaff.

This Conference was held at Cardiff on October 14 and 15. The proceedings commenced with a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Church of St. John.

The Bishop in presiding expressed the grief of the Church for the death of the Archbishop, and then referred to measures of Church Reform submitted to Parliament, the Education Bill, and several other matters of Diocesan interest.

The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Church Defence; (2) Mission work in the Diocese; (3) the Welsh Church Press.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (2) Rubrics Bill (Sec. V. 38); (3) Sunday Observance (Sec. V. 13); (4) Biblical criticism (Sec. V. 42); (5) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23).

The following resolution was unanimously accepted by the Conference:

'That this Conference of clergy and laity of the Diocese of Llandaff desire to approach her most gracious Majesty with feelings of deep loyalty and affection: that they desire to offer to her Majesty their hearty congratulations on her having reigned over

this kingdom for a longer period than any of her predecessors, and assure her of their earnest prayer that she may long be spared to continue her beneficent rule over the great Empire that Almighty God has committed to her care.'

Manchester.

This Conference assembled in Manchester on Oct. 21 and 22. The proceedings commenced with a Celebration of the Holy Communion in the Cathedral. The Bishop expressed the deep sorrow of the Church for the death of the Archbishop, and then dealt with the Education Question and the Pope's Encyclical.

The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Church Defence; (2) Clergy Superannuation; (3) Lay Helpers' Association; (4) Diocesan Societies. The Church Lads' Brigade and the Manchester branch of the Waifs and Strays Society were commended to support.

The following resolutions were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Elementary Education (Sec. V. 8). The status of the unbeneficed clergy was discussed, but no resolution passed.

Newcastle.

This Conference was held in Newcastle on Oct. 20 and 21. The proceedings commenced with a Celebration in the Cathedral church. The Bishop in his inaugural address referred to the great loss the Church had sustained in the death of the Archbishop. He then dealt with the special necessity for Church extension in the Diocese; the American Brotherhood of St. Andrew; the Education Bill; the Marriage Laws; the Benefices Bill; the Clergy Sustentation Fund; and Church Defence. The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Finance, (2) Diocesan Society, and (3) Press Committee.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (3) Elementary Education (Sec. V. 8); Secondary Education (Sec. V. 8); (4) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (5) Scepticism (Sec. V. 42).

The Conference expressed its indignation at the persecution of the Armenian Christians. A public meeting was held in the Church Institute on Wednesday evening, and addresses were given on 'Betting and Gambling.'

Norwich.

This Conference was held at Ipswich on April 9 and 10. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the church of St. Mary le Tower. The Bishop of the Diocese presided, and in his opening address referred to certain Diocesan changes, provision for the better payment of the Clergy, Parochial Church Councils, and the Education Bill.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Education Bill (Sec. V. 8); (2) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (3) Lay Co-operation (Sec. V. 10); (4) Education [Federation of Schools] (Sec. V. 8); Benefices Bill (Sec. V. 28); decline of the rural population, in regard to which the following resolution was passed: 'That this Conference desires to express its grave concern with the industrial difficulties with which the agricultural interests are surrounded, and the earnest hope that the Legislature may employ its best energies to the amelioration of the condition of those who were suffering from no fault of their own.'

Oxford.

This Conference was held at Oxford on Sept. 24 and 25. The proceedings commenced with the celebration of the Holy Communion in the Cathedral. The Bishop of the Diocese in his opening address dealt very fully with the Education Bill and the Benefices Bill. He then referred at considerable length to the Pope's Encyclical; and then stated that a resolution would be submitted expressive of indignation at the terrible tragedies in Armenia and Constantinople. The following reports were presented to the Conference: (1) Finance Committee; (2) Clergy Pensions; (3) Parliamentary.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (3) The Rubrics Bill (Sec. V. 38); (4) Education (Sec. V. 8); (5) Deceased Wife's Sister's Bill (Sec. V. 19); (6) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (7) Sunday Schools [St. Sulpice System] (Sec. V. 9). The following resolutions were also passed. Resolved: (1) 'That the question of foreign service for junior clergy deserves the earnest consideration of the Church.' (2) 'That this Conference desires to express earnest gratitude to Almighty God for prolonging the life of her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, and for extending her reign over a period longer than any of her Majesty's predecessors who sat on the throne of England, and beg leave to offer hearty congratulations to her Majesty, and would pray God that her rule might still be continued to the blessing of her people.'

The Conference by resolution condemned the atrocities in Armenia.

Peterborough.

This Conference was held at Northampton on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the church of All Saints. The Bishop in his opening address alluded to the subject of Voluntary Schools; the Marriage Laws; the Armenian Question; the Clergy Sustentation Fund; Modern Objections to Definite Christianity; Church Services in Common Life; and Diocesan matters. The following Committees presented their reports: (1) Church Defence; (2) Diocesan Trustees.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Education, Secondary (Sec. V. 8); (3) Objections to Christianity (Sec. V. 42); (4) Education (Sec. V. 8); (5) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (6) Services (Sec. V. 38). The Conference by unanimous resolution deplored the terrible sufferings of the Armenians under Turkish rule.

Ripon.

This Conference was held at Keighley on Oct. 22 and 23. The Bishop in his opening address alluded to the death of the Archbishop of Canterbury; the peace which has been secured between England and the United States by the spirit of Christianity; the Encyclical of the Pope with regard to Anglican Orders; the danger of over definition in the expression of Christian truth; the need for loyalty to the Church in the use of phrases and formularies; the Education question. Reports of Committees on the following Diocesan matters were submitted and approved: (1) Church Organisation, Finance, &c.; (2) Upper and Middle Schools; (3) Victoria Clergy Aid Fund; (4) Lay Helpers' Association; (5) Ripon Diocesan Gazette; (6) Church of England Temperance Society; (7) White Cross League; (8) Church Committee.

The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Observance of Sunday (Sec. V. 13); (2) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (3) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (4) Benefices Bill; (5) Education Bill. The following resolutions were also passed: 'That the Committee be reappointed, and that this Conference earnestly hopes that the Government will introduce into Parliament, and exert every effort to pass into law, in the session of 1897, a Bill dealing with Church Patronage, and that the Government will also adopt such measures as will give permanent and effectual relief to voluntary schools.' A statement was also made to the Conference respecting Missionary Clergy who, after officiating in the Diocese, go out to foreign service. The Diocesan Missioner was introduced to the Conference, and gave an account of his work. In the evening a meeting was held for working men. The Bishop presided. Addresses were given by the Bishops of Wakefield and Southampton.

Rochester.

This Conference assembled in Rochester on June 11 and 12. Each day's session was preceded by Holy Communion and Morning Prayer in the Cathedral. The subjects of the Bishop's opening address were: The Church's Corporate Force of Prayer; The Benefices Bill; The Education Bill; The Rochester Cathedral Society of Mission Preachers. Reports were then presented from the following Committees: (1) Church Defence and Church Reform; (2) Christian Influence over Lads; (3) Secondary Education; (4) The Repair of Church Property; (5) Clergy Pensions; (6) The Revenues of unnecessary City Churches. Resolutions on the following subjects were adopted: (1) Re-union of Christendom (Sec. V. 3); (2) Reform of Convocation (Sec. V. 24); (3) Sunday Schools (Sec. V. 9); (4) Education Bill (Sec. V. 8); (5) Federation of Church Schools (Sec. V. 8); (6) Secondary Schools (Sec. V. 8); (7) Church Reform (Sec. V. 23); (8) Observance of Ascension Day (Sec. V. 13); (9) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (10) Clergy Pensions (Sec. V. 27). Also that the Bishop of the Diocese be requested to appoint a Diocesan Committee of Clergy and Laity to promote the formation and development of Church Institutes, Boys' Clubs, Evening Continuation Schools, and similar organisations; to form a centre in London to which lads might be commended; and provide lectures and classes and similar work.

St. Albans.

This Conference assembled at Chelmsford, October 21 and 22. Previously to the first session there was a celebration of Holy Communion in the parish church. In his opening address the Bishop referred to the death of the Archbishop; then to the persecution of the Armenians, the Education Question, the Diocesan Trustees, and the Clergy Sustentation Fund. The President moved resolutions referring to the death of the Archbishop, and also of sympathy with the Armenians, both of which were carried unanimously. The several Diocesan Committees presented their reports. The following

subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Free and Open Churches (Sec. V. 11); (2) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (3) Education (Sec. V. 8); (4) Reform of Convocation (Sec. V. 24.) In the evening the Bishop presided over a working men's meeting.

St. Asaph.

The Conference was not summoned.

St. Davids.

This Conference was held at Brecon, September 23 and 24. A celebration of the Holy Communion preceded the first session in St. Mary's Church. The Bishop in his opening address spoke of the improvement in the spiritual condition of the Church of England in recent years. The Committees presented their reports on the proposed division of the Diocese and the Diocesan Trustees; the latter suggested the formation of a Diocesan Trust on the lines of the Canterbury scheme. The report was adopted, and the Committee re-appointed to carry out the recommendations contained therein. The following resolutions were proposed and carried: Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27), and Armenian Massacres—That this Conference deeply sympathises with the suffering Armenian people, and desires to express its indignation at the treatment which individuals of that race have received in various parts of the Turkish Empire. The Conference further desires to express a hope that an amicable settlement may shortly be entered into, which shall render impossible the recurrence of scenes which have sent a thrill of horror throughout the civilised world.

Salisbury.

This Synod assembled in the Chapter House, Salisbury, on April 15 and 16. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion each morning in the Cathedral at 8 o'clock. The Bishop's address dealt with the Education Bill, Clergy Sustentation, the Benefices Bill, and Re-marriage after Divorce. The following Committees presented reports: (1) Impoverishment of Clergy; (2) Board of Missions; (3) Spiritual Aid Board; (4) Church Defence; (5) Parliamentary; (6) Emigration; (7) Temperance; (8) Welfare of Young Men; (9) Secondary Education. The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Clergy Sustentation (Sec. V. 27); (2) Marriage Laws (Sec. V. 19); (3) Intemperance (Sec. V. 16); (4) Foreign Missions (Sec. V. 5). A resolution was also passed pledging the members of the Synod to use every means to ensure the safety of the tower and spire of the Cathedral.

Southwell.

This Conference assembled at Retford on October 20 and 21. The Bishop presided, and in his opening address referred to the death of the Archbishop, the Pope and Anglican Orders, and the preliminaries for the Church Congress at Nottingham. The several Diocesan Committees presented their reports. The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (2) Education (Sec. V. 8); (3) Children's Services (Sec. V. 9). 'The Village Pastorale' was also discussed at some length, but no resolution formed.

Truro.

This Conference assembled in Truro, October 29 and 30. Each morning session was preceded by a celebration of the Holy Communion. In his inaugural address the Bishop referred to the late Primate, and a unanimous resolution was passed of sympathy with Mrs. Benson, and expressive of the feeling cherished towards the Archbishop as their late Diocesan. The following Committees presented reports: (1) Standing; (2) Religious Education; (3) Church Finance; (4) Home Missions; (5) Church Building; (6) The Cathedral; (7) Temperance; (8) Diocesan Choral Union; (9) Purity; (10) Foreign Missions; (11) Bills in Parliament and Church Defence; (12) Sunday Schools.

The subjects discussed and resolutions passed thereon were as follows: (1) Almsgiving (Sec. V. 43); (2) Training of Candidates for Holy Orders (Sec. V. 2); (3) Education Bill (Sec. V. 8); (4) Foreign Missions (Sec. V. 5); (5) Lay-help (Sec. V. 10); (6) Church Defence (Sec. V. 23); (7) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (8) Tithe (Sec. V. 31). The Bishop in an address at the close of the Conference referred to the recent Papal Bull, the Education Bill, and the poverty of the Clergy.

Wakefield.

This Conference was held at Halifax on October 21, preceded by Matins and the celebration of the Holy Communion in the parish church. The Bishop presided, and in

his inaugural address referred to the death of the Primate, the Armenian Christians, the Papal Bull, the Clergy Sustentation Fund, work among men, Education and progress in the diocese. Reports were presented and adopted from the Committees of the Diocesan Societies and on Parochial Fees. A resolution was proposed and adopted on the Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27). The following subjects were also discussed, but no resolutions formed thereon: (1) The Training of Candidates for Holy Orders; (2) The responsibility of the Church at home in regard to her work abroad. In the evening the Bishop of Peterborough addressed a crowded meeting of the Conference and general public on 'The changes wrought in the English Church at the Reformation.'

Worcester.

The third Conference was held in Birmingham on September 30 and October 1. On the first day there was a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Martin's Church. The Bishop presided. After alluding to Diocesan business, he proposed a resolution conveying the congratulations of the Conference to the Queen; this being carried, he referred to the Armenian persecutions, the Pope and Anglican Orders. The several recommendations of the Committee appointed 1894 on 'The Consolidation of the work of the Diocese,' were agreed to. The following subjects were discussed and resolutions passed thereon: (1) Systematic Almsgiving (Sec. V. 43); (2) Clergy Sustentation Fund (Sec. V. 27); (3) Education, State Aid (Sec. V. 8); (4) Education, Decentralisation (Sec. V. 8); (5) Secondary Education (Sec. V. 8); (6) Foreign Missions (Sec. V. 5). A resolution proposed by the Bishop, expressive of sympathy with the Armenian Christians, was passed unanimously.

SECTION IV.—CENTRAL COUNCIL OF DIOCESAN CONFERENCES.

CONSTITUTION, AND SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS, 1896.

A. The object of the Central Council shall be to give greater unity of action to Diocesan Conferences by considering, through representative members, the resolutions at which such Conferences may have arrived, and other matters concerning the interests of the Church which the Council may deem it expedient to suggest for discussion by the Conferences; so that the general opinion of the Church at large may be obtained on matters affecting its welfare, with a view to their being brought prominently, if thought desirable, before the Convocations and Parliament.

B. The action of the Central Council shall be free from political bias.

The sixteenth annual session was held at the National Society's House, Westminster, on April 23 and 24, 1896. The following resolutions were discussed and adopted:—

A. Central Clergy Sustentation Fund.

(1) That it is the duty of every adult member of the Church of England to contribute towards the support of the Clergy; and that, with a view to providing all the Clergy with an adequate income, a general Clergy Sustentation Scheme should be framed, and a general fund established.

(2) That this general fund should be supplemental to, and not supersede or interfere with, existing or future diocesan or local funds, and should itself receive contributions, either general or appropriated to a particular Diocese or place.

B. Diocesan Trusts.

That it is desirable to promote still further the formation of Diocesan Trusts for various Church objects.

C. Church Patronage—Benefices Bill.

That the Central Council strongly approves of the Benefices Bill, and hopes that the same with Amendments may pass into law in the course of the Session.

D. Education, Elementary and Secondary, and Proposals of Her Majesty's Government.

(a) That the Government Education Bill on the whole deserves support, whilst requiring amendments in several particulars, amongst which in fairness to Voluntary Schools should be an increase of the proposed additional grant. (b) That endowments should not be taken into account in allocating the special grant of 4s. (c) That the permissive power given under the Bill to the County Council to appoint under the Statutory Education Committee persons who are not members of the County Council shall be made obligatory, and that the persons co-opted shall be, amongst others, those qualified by experience in the management of Elementary Schools."

SECTION V.—CLASSIFIED RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE SESSIONS OF THE CONVOCATIONS OF CANTERBURY AND YORK, THE HOUSES OF LAYMEN FOR THE PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY AND YORK, THE DIOCESAN CONFERENCES, AND THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESAN CONFERENCES DURING THE YEARS 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896.

WITH a view to exhibit the mind of the Church upon subjects generally affecting her work and organisation in relation to the spiritual and temporal wants of the people, we have collected and registered in this Section the resolutions touching such matters which have been adopted in the Convocations of Canterbury and York, the Sessions of the House of Laymen, Diocesan Conferences, and the Central Council. We have designedly taken, for the most part, a four years' limit, in order that we may present as comprehensive a view as possible of the decisions which have been arrived at. The resolutions of the Convocations of Canterbury and York, of the Houses of Laymen, and the Central Council for 1896, will be found incorporated with the official summaries of their proceedings given in this Section. With regard, however, to the Diocesan Conferences, such resolutions as were passed in 1896 upon any of the subjects which this Section embraces will be found tabulated in this record.

1. INCREASE OF EPISCOPATE. SUBDIVISION OF DIOCESES.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 378 ; 1895, p. 391.

Rochester D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the division of this Diocese is a subject which calls for early attention—(1) Because it is impossible for one Bishop to discharge all the Episcopal functions required for so large a population; (2) Because the population is rapidly increasing, the rate of increase by immigration alone being estimated at 35,000 per annum; (3) Because the situation of the Cathedral renders it practically useless for all except a small fraction of the Clergy and people.'

Worcester D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference it is desirable that the Diocese be divided.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. 1891.—Resolved: 'That this House concurs with the Lower House in the opinion expressed in their resolution of May 9, 1890, that additional Bishoprics in this Province are needed, especially to meet the requirements of the county of Suffolk and of the Dioceses of Worcester and St. Davids, and will do all in their power to forward well-considered schemes for these purposes, and will bear in mind the substance of the second resolution.'

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1892.—Resolved: 'That in view of the Resolution of the Upper House on April 30, 1891, to the effect that their Lordships will do all in their power to forward well-considered schemes for the purpose of founding certain new Bishoprics the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopate be requested to prepare draft schemes for founding new Bishoprics to meet the requirements of the county of Suffolk and of the Diocese of St. Davids.'

2. HOLY ORDERS. EXTENSION OF THE DIACONATE, AND EDUCATION OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1891, p. 391; 1895, p. 392.

Llandaff D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this Conference is strongly of opinion that all candidates for Holy Orders should, when possible, undergo a special training between the completion of their academical course and their Ordination.'

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1893.—Resolved: 'That in view of the varied needs and special difficulties of the age, the spiritual, moral, and intellectual preparation of Candidates for Ordination is more than ever necessary for the true interests of the Church.'

Truro D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to express its hope that a wider measure of sympathy and support will be given to the Divinity Schools for the Training of Candidates for Holy Orders, in connection with the Cathedral, by the Diocese at large, in consequence of the value of the work which, through their agency, has been done, and is still being carried out, for the benefit of the Church, especially in Cornwall.'

3. REUNION OF CHRISTENDOM.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 380; 1894, p. 408.

Hereford D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is the duty of Churchmen to cherish and to promote the ideal of Christian Unity.'

Lichfield D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference earnestly desires Reunion between the Church of England and Nonconformists, on the basis laid down by the Bishops at the Lambeth Conference in 1887.'

Lincoln D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'In the opinion of this Conference the present divided state of Christendom constitutes a serious hindrance to the furtherance of Christ's Religion, and it is the urgent duty of all Churchmen, while not compromising essential principles, to do all in their power to promote that unity among Christians which our Divine Lord made the subject of His parting prayer, and enjoined on His disciples as the witness to the world to His mission from the Father.'

Hereford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to promote a better understanding between Churchmen and Nonconformists.'

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the recent appeals for more outward unity amongst Christians, coming both from the Church of Rome and from Nonconformist quarters, deserve earnest response from Churchmen, and that the Conference would respectfully request the Bishop to consider whether the prayers of the Diocese could not be invited for this object, if possible on Rogation Tuesday, the day recommended by the Lambeth Conference of 1879.'

Peterborough D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference thankfully recognises the growth of a desire for greater union amongst all Christians; and while fully conscious of the difficulties which stand in the way of any formal steps for this purpose, commends the subject of Christian unity to the thoughts and prayers of all members of Christ's Church.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in all efforts to promote the Reunion of Christendom, loyalty to their own Church on the part of English Churchmen is at once a duty and strong ground of hope.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, thankfully recognising the desire for a reunited Christendom, which is being manifested in various ways, records the conviction that Reunion will be most effectively promoted by maintaining in a spirit of Christian charity the Faith of the Primitive and Undivided Church as taught in the Canonical Scriptures, affirmed by the undisputed General Councils, and re-affirmed in the Anglican Church at the time of the Reformation; and is of opinion that it is not only the duty of all Christians to pray for that unity for which our Blessed Lord prayed, but to work earnestly for the same by endeavouring to remove the various misunderstandings and hindrances which keep Christians divided.'

4. HOME MISSIONS AND EVANGELISATION WORK, PAROCHIAL MISSIONS, &c.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1892, p. 399; 1895, p. 393.

Lincoln, D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That, inasmuch as some thousands of the population resident on the Coast-line in this Diocese are by their sea-faring occupation cut off for a

large portion of the year from ordinary parochial ministrations, this Conference is of opinion that the Church in this Diocese should make special provision to meet the needs of Fishermen and Sailors.' (2) 'That an extension of Church Mission Work in our villages would be very beneficial to the religious life of the country.'

Southwell D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the Home Mission needs call for increased support, and further development of Lay as well as Clerical ministrations.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference, in view of the needs of Home Mission Work, it is very desirable that the Wednesday in the Lenten Ember Week, with the option of any other day in that week, should be appointed, with the authority of the Bishop, as the Day of Intercession for Home Missions in the Diocese of Truro.'

Llandaff D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference desires to express its gratitude for the continued progress of Mission Work in the Diocese, and notes with special satisfaction the formation of a Union of Mission Workers, and the observance of Quiet Days for Teachers in Voluntary and Board Schools. It accepts the recommendation of the Committee with reference to Workhouses and Workhouse Schools, and urges Incumbents of Parishes and Guardians in Unions in which no chaplain has been appointed, to see that due facilities are provided for the spiritual needs of the Church inmates.' (2) 'That a copy of the second half of the resolution' (that relating to Workhouses), 'together with the recommendation of the Committee referred to therein, be sent to the Incumbents of Parishes and Guardians in Unions in which no chaplain has been appointed.'

Liverpool D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference thankfully recognises the great advance which has taken place of late years in connection with Women's work in the Church of England, and, believing it to be capable of great extension, desires to see it get more thoroughly developed and organised.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference earnestly commends to the Clergy of this Diocese the use of Parochial Missions as a powerful aid in developing and deepening the spiritual life of the Church.' (2) 'That it is desirable that where possible Communicants' Guilds or Meetings and Bible Classes should be formed, an annual Quiet Day provided, and the closest personal intercourse between Priest and people maintained.'

Winchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that the attention of the Parochial Clergy be more distinctly called to the various Evangelistic Agencies of the Diocese.'

5. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 381 ; 1895, p. 394.

Truro D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is of great importance that more life and energy should be thrown into the working of the existing Diocesan Organisations for the support of Foreign Missions.'

Canterbury D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That in training Missionaries for employment effectively in the East, more attention than is at present thought necessary should be paid to acquaintance with the religious and secular history, ways, and habits, as well as language of the communities, Christian or non-Christian, amongst whom they are intended to work.' (2) 'That in the opinion of this Conference Foreign Missions should obtain more distinct Diocesan recognition, and that the subject should be brought before individual parishes with greater frequency.'

Lichfield D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That in order to make the efforts of the Church in the Evangelisation of the heathen, and amongst the settlers in parts of our Colonies, a distinct part of Diocesan work, this Conference requests the Bishop to form a *Diocesan Board of Missions*, such Board to consist of secretaries to be appointed by the *Buridecanal Conferences* in accordance with the arrangements recently made for that purpose, together with such other persons as he may see fit to nominate.'

Rochester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to form a Board of Foreign Missions in the Diocese of Rochester, on the lines on which such Boards already exist in other Dioceses, in order to awaken Missionary interest, especially in those parishes at present without any Missionary organisation.'

Salisbury D.S. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Synod desires to see a more general recognition (i.) of the duty of furthering the Church's work abroad, and (ii.) of the close relationship between healthy life of the Church at home and her extension in other lands; and that the Board of Missions be requested to take such action as shall best effect the desired objects.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is the duty of the Parochial Clergy to give special attention to the instruction of their congregations in the work of Foreign Missions.'

Liverpool D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, the needs of the still unevangelised parts of the earth, the present unprecedented openings, and recent events in some of the fields of Foreign Mission work, utter a loud cry to every member of the Church to make greatly increased exertions to fulfil the command of Christ, to "Preach the Gospel to every creature."'

London D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Missionary Studentship Association for the Diocese of London is worthy of the increased support of the Clergy and laity of the Diocese.'

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to form a Diocesan Committee of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, in order to improve the organisation of the Society in the Diocese of Oxford, and to secure increased interest and support for missionary work.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Conference having received the Report of the Board of Foreign Missions appointed in June 1894, approves of the scheme whereby it is proposed to awaken a wider missionary interest in the Diocese.' (2) 'That this Conference desires to express its sincere sympathy with the Missions that have recently been subjected to attack in China, and that the Honorary Secretaries be requested to forward this expression to the proper quarter.'

Canterbury D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the question of foreign service for the junior clergy deserves the earnest consideration of the Church.'

Salisbury D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it be an instruction to the Board of Missions to prepare a scheme for the systematic organisation of Foreign Mission Work in the Rural Deaneries and Parishes of the Diocese; and the Bishop be requested to recommend its adoption in such way as he may think best.'

Worcester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is the duty and privilege of every parish to support Foreign Missions.'

6. COMMUNITY LIFE—SISTERHOODS—BROTHERHOODS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 410; 1895, p. 305.

Canterbury Convocation U.H. 1891.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House, recognising the value of Sisterhoods and of Deaconesses and the importance of their work, considers that the Church ought definitely to extend to them her care and guidance.' (2) 'That those who enter a Sisterhood shall be permitted, after an adequate term of probation, and being not less than thirty years of age, to undertake lifelong engagements to the work of the community, provided that such engagements be liable to release by competent authority.' (3) 'That the form of such engagements should be a promise made at the time of admission, before the Bishop or his commissary, from which, if the Bishop thinks fit, upon cause shown, he might subsequently release the Sister.' (4) 'That the statutes of the community should be sanctioned by the Bishop under his hand, and not be changed without his approval, signified in like manner.' (5) 'That no statutes should contain any provision which would interfere with the freedom of any individual Sister to dispose of her property as she thinks fit.' (6) 'That no branch house of a Sisterhood should be established or any branch work undertaken in any Diocese without the written consent of the Bishop of such Diocese.' (7) 'That no work external to the community should be undertaken by the Sisters in any parish without the written consent of the Incumbent of such parish, subject, if that be refused, to an appeal to the Bishop.' (8) 'That Deaconesses having, according to the best authorities, formed an order of ministry in the early Church, and having proved their efficiency in the Anglican Church wherever the order has been revived, it is desirable to encourage the formation of Deaconesses' institutions and the work of Deaconesses in our Dioceses and parishes.' (9) 'That a Deaconess should be admitted in solemn form by the Bishop, with benediction by the laying-on of hands.' (10) 'That there should be an adequate term of preparation and probation.' (11) 'That a Deaconess so admitted may be released from her obligations by the Bishop, if he thinks fit, on cause shown.' (12) 'That a licence to serve in any parish should be given by the Bishop of the Diocese, at the request of the Incumbent, to any Deaconess employed therein.' (13) 'That the dress of a Deaconess should be simple, but distinctive.' (14) 'That a Deaconess should not pass from one Diocese to another without the written permission of the Bishop.' (15) 'That special care should be taken to provide for every Deaconess sufficient time and opportunity for the strengthening of her own spiritual life.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. and L.H. 1891.—Resolved: (1) 'That, in the opinion of this House, the time has come when the Church can, with advantage, avail herself of the voluntary self-devotion of Brotherhoods, both clerical and lay, the members of which are willing to labour in the service of the Church without appealing for funds or any form of public support.' (2) 'That a wide elasticity is desirable as to the rules and system of such Brotherhoods as may be formed in the several Dioceses.' (3) 'That such Brotherhoods should work in strict subordination to the authority of the Bishop of each Diocese in which they are established or employed, and only on the invitation and under the sanction of the Incumbent or Curate in Charge of the parish.' (4) 'That those who enter a Brotherhood should be permitted, after an adequate term of probation, and being not less than thirty years of age, to undertake lifelong engagements to the life and work of the community, provided that such engagements be subject, on cause shown, to release by the Bishop of the Diocese in which the Brotherhood is established.' (5) 'That the statutes of the community should be sanctioned by the Bishop under his hand, and not be changed without his approval signified in like manner.' (6) 'In every body of statutes it is desirable that provision should be made for the exclusion of unworthy or inefficient members by the Brotherhood, with the assent of the Bishop.'

Hereford D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the spiritual work of the Church, both in town and country, might be furthered by the existence and aid of Brotherhoods.'

Canterbury D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the plans for the formation of Brotherhoods and the increased use of Lay Ministrations deserve all possible consideration in view of the pressing spiritual needs of the times.'

London D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That in view of the increasing demand for trained women in Church work, it is expedient that the primitive Order of Deaconesses be more fully developed as one of the authorised organisations of the Church of England.'

7. FURTHERANCE OF THE SPIRITUAL LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH, &c.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 383; 1895, p. 396.

Salisbury D.S. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it be an instruction to the Spiritual Aid Board to continue the issue of the intercessory prayers at the Ember Seasons, and to forward two copies to each Incumbent of the Diocese, with a request that a list of intercessions be read publicly before the Prayer for all Conditions of Men, or some other place, during the time of evening service, and that a copy be placed on the notice boards of the church door.'

Holy Communion.

Lincoln D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'This Conference considers that in every parish or group of united parishes there should be at least a weekly celebration of the Holy Communion.'

Chichester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That as the Celebration of the Holy Communion is the chief act of Christian Worship, and also a Service of Divine obligation, every endeavour should be made to place it in its right relation to the other public Services of the Church.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That inasmuch as there is reason to fear that many are admitted to be partakers of the Holy Communion who are without the qualifications which Holy Scripture and the Church require, this Conference is of opinion that the restraints provided by the Prayer-book, so far as they are practicable, should not in any parish be in abeyance, and that in the Diocese of Rochester no unconfirmed person should be allowed to communicate unless "timely notice" shall have been given to the Bishop.'

Board for the Home Pastorate.

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this House is of opinion that many matters connected with the maintenance, increase, and distribution of the home pastorate, whether diocesan or parochial, would best be dealt with by the Church in her corporate capacity.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that a Home Pastorate Board should be established, to link together the various Societies working to assist Home Missions and Pastoral work; and that a Committee be appointed to consider the matter.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, whilst heartily thanking Mr. Spotti-woode for the able and interesting paper which he has read to them, and for the time that he has given to the study of the subject, feels that its great importance demands more time for its consideration than can be given to it during the present discussion.'

Southwell D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the House of Laymen for the Province of Canterbury having requested the Conference to consider the following resolution which is proposed for discussion by them in 1896:—(1) "That this House is of opinion that many matters connected with the maintenance, increase, and distribution of the Home Pastorate, whether Diocesan or Parochial, would best be dealt with by the Church in her corporate capacity." (2) "That the Southwell Diocesan Conference having considered the Resolution of the House of Laymen on the Pastoral Board, is of opinion that it is premature to express an opinion upon it in the absence of details as to the precise objects and organisation of the Board.'

8. EDUCATION.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 384; 1895, p. 369; 1896, p. 409.

Maintenance of Church Schools. Assistance to Poor Parishes.

Canterbury D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That Church Schools are essential to secure Church teaching and ought to be maintained.' (2) 'That in the opinion of this Conference it is just and wise that contributors to a Church School who are not professed members of the Church should be heartily accorded a share of representation on the management of the Committee, or, where that is impossible, upon some Committee appointed by it.'

Exeter D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference, it is desirable to urge upon the authorities of the Church, and also upon Members of Parliament, the importance of representing that any settlement of Secondary Education to be deemed satisfactory must have respect to the rights of individual parents, and allow full scope for the denominational, as well as the undenominational, system.'

Lichfield D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the President of the Conference be requested to sign a Petition on behalf of the Conference to Parliament praying for the abolition of the 17s. 6d. limit to the annual grant in Elementary Schools, or at least for its extension to 20s.; such increase being justified by the expense of meeting the advanced requirements of the Education Department.'

Lincoln D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is incumbent upon all Churchmen to welcome, so far as possible, every requirement of the Education Department which tends to raise the general level and tone of Elementary Education, without introducing work proper to Secondary Schools, and especially to promote the establishment of Day and Evening Continuation Schools.'

London D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, while re-affirming the Resolution on the subject of Religious Education passed at its Session in 1893, approves of the amended rule and explanatory circular by which the London School Board have defined the Resolution of the Board of March 8, 1871, commonly called the Compromise. The Conference considers that such amended Rule and Circular are in strict accordance with the Compromise, since they are merely designed to secure that Christian instruction, as contained in the New Testament, shall be given in the Schools under the jurisdiction of the London School Board.'

Newcastle D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That the maintenance of the Voluntary Schools in this Diocese will be best secured by capable management and by loyal co-operation with the Education Committee of the Diocesan Society.' (2) 'That without entering at present into the question of rate-aid assistance for Voluntary Schools, this meeting expresses an opinion that all local and Imperial taxation should be removed from Voluntary Schools, from which no personal or other profit can be or is derived.' (3) 'That the Royal Commission on the subject of Secondary Schools makes it more than ever desirable that Church people should endeavour to promote and extend Secondary Schools on a distinctly religious basis.'

Norwich D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference, whilst strenuously supporting all endeavours for the improvement of religious education in Board Schools as at present regulated, is nevertheless convinced that the existing law is unsatisfactory, and that such fresh legislation is required as shall secure, as far as possible, for all scholars unreserved instruction in the religion preferred by their parents.' (2) 'That this Conference desires to press upon the Education Department the urgent necessity of taking effective steps to secure a larger supply of elementary teachers, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the President and Vice-President of the Committee of Council on Education.'

Oxford D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That combination is urgently needed in order to consolidate and strengthen the position of Church Schools.' (2) 'This Conference therefore desires that a Committee be formed to draw up, and with the consent of the Bishop to give effect to, a scheme for such combination on the lines suggested by the Committee of the

Burnham and Maidenhead Deaneries in its Report to the Bishop. (3) 'That it is desirable that the conscience of Church people should be awakened, with a view to bringing about such alteration of the Law as (a) would secure for the children of the Church in Board Schools instruction in the faith of their fathers, and (b) would place Voluntary Schools on a fair footing of equality.'

Ripon D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference hereby declares its conviction that the friends of Denominational Schools within School Board areas feel that they are entitled to assistance from the State, and ought to take the necessary steps to secure assistance.'

St. Albans D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Church cannot rightly accept any system of religious instruction which does not make provision that the teachers of religion shall themselves be professed Christians, and that the teachings shall include the cardinal doctrines of historic Christianity.' (2) 'That while it is the duty of the Church to make the most of the powers secured in the Education Acts to give religious instruction in Board Schools, true Church education can be effectually given only in Church Schools, and every effort should be made to retain the Church Schools in our parishes, and where possible to recover those which have been closed or transferred.' (3) 'That the provision of rate aid to Voluntary Schools in School Board districts is imperatively required by civic equity.'

Southwell D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is essential that provision should be made for Christian Education in Primary Schools.' (2) 'That the time has come to claim a share of the rates for the maintenance of Church Schools in School Board districts.'

Worcester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That the maintenance of Church Schools is essential to the well being of the nation and the Church.' (2) 'That this Conference, while strongly pressing upon all Churchmen the vast importance of preserving to this kingdom its Church Schools, as the surest means of securing adequate religious instruction, urgently recommends that in all cases where Board Schools are established, Clerical and Lay Members of the Church should not stand aloof, but should endeavour to maintain a majority of seats upon the Boards, in order to secure as far as is possible, for the children educated therein, the best Christian and moral training which the Law allows.'

Canterbury D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the encouraging success which has attended Church Schools calls for redoubled efforts on the part of Churchmen for their maintenance in a high state of efficiency, and entitles them to liberal and sympathetic treatment on the part of the State.'

Bath and Wells D.C. 1895. Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference pledges itself to maintain and extend the system of Voluntary Church Schools; and remembering not only the large sums raised by Voluntary contributions for building and equipping and improving the Schools, but also the unpaid services of Clergy and laity for continuous administration, respectfully claims for a system so economical to the State and so acceptable to the people, an extension of aid from public funds.' (2) 'That this Conference ventures to suggest these methods of further aid:—(a) Abolition of 17s. 6d. limit, so that the schools may earn as much as they can; (b) Freedom of school-buildings from rates; (c) Additional capitation grant per child.'

Carlisle D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, without pledging itself to the details of any Bill, considers that the recommendations of the Archbishops' Committee should receive the earnest support of all friends of Voluntary Schools.'

Chester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the just claims of Voluntary Schools, as well as the ultimate interests of the ratepayers, require that the 17s. 6d. limit should be extended, all Public Elementary Schools exempted from rates and taxes, and that such further provision as shall be equitable should be made for their maintenance.'

Ely D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference considers the National Society's Draft Bill deserves the careful consideration of Churchmen, but at the same time expresses an earnest hope that other methods of obtaining relief for Voluntary Schools may not be relaxed.'

Hereford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference is of opinion that it is desirable that the two Education Boards shall jointly consider the expediency of promoting some form of the Newcastle School Federation Scheme in this Diocese, and if convinced of its utility and practicability shall take action, under the Bishop's sanction and authority, for its development.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference is of opinion that steps should be taken to strengthen the financial position of Voluntary Schools, either on the lines of the Report of the Archbishops' Committee or otherwise as may be deemed most desirable; and

sires respectfully to represent to H.M. Government that it is of the utmost importance in the highest interests of the country, and in the furtherance of religious education, that this matter should have their serious attention in the ensuing Session of Parliament.'

Lincoln D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, holding—(1) That fair consideration for religious liberty and for the wishes of parents renders the continued existence of Voluntary Schools desirable; (2) that apart from this, financial considerations make any general displacement of Voluntary Schools scarcely possible; (3) that it is of the highest public importance that in all schools alike the education given should be such as to meet the growing requirements of the time—wishes to express its earnest desire that, while all possible care is taken to safeguard the rights of conscience for all, such arrangements may be made, both by better organisation and by increased annual assistance, where necessary, from public sources, as shall render it possible in poor districts to maintain the existing schools in open educational efficiency.'

Liverpool D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, all schools alike, whether Voluntary or Board Schools, have an equal right to share in all public funds raised for educational work done to the satisfaction of H.M. Inspector; and the Conference directs that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, Mr. A. J. Balfour, and the Members of Parliament representing constituencies in the Diocese, with an expression of opinion that immediate steps should be taken to relieve the pecuniary pressure on Voluntary schools.'

Llandaff D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That the time has come for so amending the elementary Education Acts, as to give increased financial support to Voluntary Schools.' (2) 'That this financial support come from the Imperial Treasury in the shape of an increased grant.' (3) 'That the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be requested to transmit at once directly to his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury the resolution come to yesterday by the Conference on the question of Voluntary Schools.'

Manchester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be respectfully requested to summon a meeting of the Conference upon the publication of any scheme for the relief of Voluntary Schools by the Government or by the Archbishops, in order that the carrying of the scheme on the schools of the Diocese may be fully considered.'

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the condition of the Voluntary Schools in England requires to be dealt with by some large measure, such as that recommended by the Archbishops' Committee, as well as by local proposals such as that of the federation of schools, and that any such measure to be satisfactory must provide room for specific religious instruction for children in Board Schools, whose parents desire it.'

Peterborough D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That as the expense of Elementary Education is continually increasing it is both just and requisite that further aid from public sources should be given to Voluntary Schools. That such further aid would be effectively given under the Bill, "To make further provision for Elementary Education" prepared by the National Society on the lines of the recommendations of the Archbishops' Committee. That this Conference, therefore, recommends Churchmen throughout the Diocese to urge upon their representatives in Parliament the active support of this Bill.'

Ripon D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'In consideration of the additional expense of education it will be just that the grants from the Education Department be largely increased.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in view of the supreme importance of preserving the schools of the Church in the highest possible state of efficiency, and the difficulty of meeting the necessarily increased expenditure for this purpose, this Conference welcomes the report of the Archbishops' Committee, and commends the Bill which has been founded upon to the cordial support of all who value definite Christian teaching in the Elementary schools throughout the country.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference desires to express its opinion that the time has arrived, when the increasing demands of the Education Department with respect to buildings, staff, and appliances can in many cases no longer be met by the Managers of Elementary Schools unless the financial assistance rendered by the State be materially augmented.' (2) 'That it is desirable that every Church School in the Diocese should be affiliated to the Committee for the Federation of Schools appointed by the Bishop in connection with the Board of Education.'

St. Asaph D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, feeling the importance of united action in behalf of Voluntary Schools, approves generally of the scheme put forth by the Archbishops' Committee.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Synod commends the Report of the Archbishops' Committee on the present position of Voluntary Schools to the careful consideration

of the Board of Education. That, while the increasing demands of the Education Department make it equitable and necessary that the Government Grant to Voluntary Schools should be increased, it is needful for Churchmen to remember that it is only by their continued and liberal support of their schools that they can preserve their religious teaching, and be in a position to induce the Government to deal with them on more just and favourable terms.'

Southwell D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That Churchmen should accept the method proposed by the Archbishops' Committee for providing payment for the Elementary School Teachers out of the Imperial taxes.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference having been requested by the House of Laymen to consider their resolution that Federation of National Schools in every Diocese is needed, desires to recommend the partial or entire adoption of the Newcastle Scheme as a part of their own organisation, and refers the matter to the Executive Committee of the General Committee for Religious Education.'

York D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That without pledging itself to details this Conference approves generally of the recommendations contained in the Report of the Archbishops' Committee, and expresses an earnest hope that legal effect may be given to them.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this House approves generally of the recommendations of the Archbishops' Committee on Voluntary Schools, and commends them to the immediate and careful attention of the Church.'

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House approves the recommendation of raising the 17s. 6d. limit to 21s., and of exempting Elementary Schools from payment of rates.' (2) 'That this House is of opinion that it is desirable to continue and extend efforts to obtain subscriptions towards the maintenance of Elementary Schools from the parents of children attending them.' (3) 'That in the opinion of this House Voluntary Schools satisfying the requirements of the Education Department have as good moral right to a share of public money as any other Elementary Schools, and therefore as a matter of principle have an equitable claim to assistance out of the rates.' (4) 'That, nevertheless, under existing circumstances it is desirable to seek the additional help required by Voluntary Schools from some other source than the rates.' (5) 'That in the opinion of this House it is very undesirable to place by any general scheme the teaching of religious and secular knowledge in the hands of two distinct sets of teachers.' (6) 'That this House can approve of no scheme for the establishment of secular schools, however carefully provision might be made for giving religious instruction out of school hours.' (7) 'That this House would object to any proposals for assisting Church schools that would deprive the Managing Committees of Churchmen of the appointment of the teachers.' (8) 'That this House approves the proposal to seek for additional assistance from Imperial sources, and of the recommendation that this should be done by making the teachers' salaries a charge upon Imperial funds in lieu of the present Government grant.' (9) 'That as in the opinion of this House the continued existence and prosperity of Voluntary Schools must at all times depend upon the zeal and liberality of Churchmen, it is most desirable that the two Archbishops, as recommended in the Report of the Archbishops' Committee, should issue an appeal setting forth this as strongly as possible, and exhorting Churchmen to a fuller sense of their responsibilities in this matter.' (10) 'That this House approves the recommendation that annual grants should be given to new schools built at private cost where the Department is satisfied that no sufficient provision exists for the children for whom the school is intended, regard being had to the religious belief of their parents.' (11) 'That this House approves the recommendation that the line which distinguishes elementary from secondary education should, in the interests both of School Boards and Managers of Voluntary Schools, be clearly defined, so that they may know their duties exactly and be better able to discharge them.' (12) 'That this House approves the recommendation that where School Boards have central classes for the instruction of pupil-teachers, the Managers of Voluntary Schools should be allowed to send their pupil-teachers to attend these classes free of cost.' (13) 'That in the opinion of this House the principle of confederating schools should be more widely adopted, and with a view to its further extension it is desirable that greater legislative facilities should be given for confederating Voluntary Schools, and thus enabling them to help each other, and that in the opinion of this House it is very desirable that the National Society should invite at an early period members of the Boards of Education and other educational organisations in the different Dioceses, together with members of the Houses of Convocation of both Provinces and of the Houses of Laymen, to consider the possibility of carrying out the above Resolution on central as well as Diocesan and local lines.' (14) 'That this House desires to emphasise the importance of pressing upon parents their right and responsibility in determining the religious instruction which their children

should receive, and that the Legislature should be pressed to recognise their rights and claims.' (15) 'That the Prolocutor be requested to take the above Resolutions to the Upper House.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Resolutions agreed to by the Lower House on Feb. 6 and 8, 1895, on Education, I. to XIV. inclusive, be adopted by this House.'

York Convocation, U.H. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this House approves generally of the recommendations of the Archbishops' Committee on Voluntary Schools, and commends them to the immediate and careful consideration of the whole Church.'

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1895.—Resolved: '(1) That having regard to the Resolutions passed on February 10, March 9, July 4 and 5, and November 2, 1893, and the communication made to this House by his Grace the Archbishop on January 30, 1894, to the effect that he and the Archbishop of York had appointed a Committee on the subject of Christian Teaching in Public Elementary Schools, this House views with satisfaction the issue of a Report by that Committee, (a) recognising the seriousness of the situation, (b) impressing upon Churchmen the necessity of their supporting Church schools, and (c) urging application to Parliament for further financial aid.' (2) 'That this House concurs with the said Report in thinking that further financial aid to Denominational Schools is in many districts necessary if they are to be efficiently maintained.' (3) 'That in view of the probable near approach of a General Election, this House respectfully requests the Lord Archbishop, and, through his Grace, the other Prelates of the Church, to formulate a scheme for obtaining such further financial aid from Imperial or Local sources for Voluntary Schools as may seem to them most likely to meet their requirements without endangering their religious character, and to win the general support of the Church and the consent of the Legislature.' (4) 'That this House respectfully suggests that it would be desirable that a conference of representatives of the Church and other religious bodies interested in the maintenance of Voluntary Schools should be held, with a view to arranging united action in applying to Parliament for the further financial aid which these Schools require.' (5) 'That Federation of National Schools in every Diocese is needed, (a) to successfully withstand undue pressure, (b) to meet the demands made by the Education Department.'

Bath and Wells D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference commends the scheme of Federation of Elementary Schools to the attention of the Diocesan Board in conjunction with the Church Day Schools Association.'

Chichester D.C. 1896—Resolved: 'That while this Conference is of opinion that the financial strain upon Voluntary Schools can best be met by some form of additional State aid, coupled, where necessary, with some form of Rate aid, it urges upon Churchmen, in view of the paramount importance of a united policy, the extreme desirability of supporting, as far as possible, the recommendations that may be made by the Convocations and Houses of Laymen of Canterbury and York at the forthcoming Meeting for the purpose of framing such a policy.'

Ely D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference approves of the general principles of the Education Bill now before Parliament, as involving (a) Devolution of authority (*Decentralisation*); (b) Special aid to Voluntary Schools and Poor Board Schools; (c) Federation of Schools; (d) The right of Parents to prescribe the special form of religious teaching for their children. The Conference trusts that the Bill, with certain amendments, may pass into law during the present Session.'

Liverpool D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That, in furtherance of the desire expressed by the Vice-President of the Council on Education for a consensus of opinion amongst Churchmen, as to the principles on which H.M.'s Ministry should base the Bill for the relief of Voluntary Schools promised for next Session of Parliament, this Conference declares its adhesion to the resolution passed last June by the Synod of the two Houses of the province of York, namely, that, to attain the objects of the Bill of 1896, it "needs to be enlarged by a provision allowing a measure of rate aid to Voluntary Schools in School Board areas;" and, that objection should not be taken "to any securities for local control over the efficiency of the Schools, provided that, in the arrangement of the religious instruction and appointment of the teachers, the special religious character of the Schools be adequately safeguarded.'"

London D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That Federation in National Schools in every Diocese is needed (a) to successfully withstand undue pressure, (b) to meet the demands made by the Education Department.'

Manchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is desirable that, in view of the recent and impending increase of expenditure in Elementary Education, a considerable increase of

the Government grant be made to all schools alike.' (2) 'That this Conference is emphatically of opinion, that the Education difficulty can only be finally settled by assistance being granted to Denominational Schools from the rates in areas where a rate for education is collected, and that in any such scheme, while it is essential that the appointment of the teachers and the control of the religious teaching in Denominational Schools shall remain under the control of the Denomination, it is reasonable that the rating authority shall be satisfied that the secular part of the teaching is efficient and the money economically spent.'

Newcastle D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That in any scheme for relieving Voluntary Schools this Conference is of opinion that the following main lines of policy should be followed:— (1) Exemption of all schools from local rates; (2) abolition of the statutory limitations, known as the 17s. 6d. limit; (3) increase of Government grant to Board Schools and Voluntary Schools alike; (4) facilities for federation of schools under federal boards, the full rights of managers in appointment of teachers and control of religious education being maintained according to the deeds of trust; (5) optional rate aid, with representation of ratepayers on the federal boards, such aid to bear a fair proportion to the expenditure on other schools within the area; due security being given for the continuance of the denominational character of the school.'

Peterborough D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference fresh legislation is urgently needed for the purpose of securing the religious character of Elementary Education and the position of Voluntary Schools.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Conference welcomes the Government Education Bill, and trusts that, with some modifications, it may be passed into law.' (2) 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, it is essential to the maintenance and development of Church Schools that prompt advantage should be taken of the encouragement for combined action offered in the Education Bill; and that the Board of Education be instructed to take whatever steps may be necessary to promote and extend the Federation of all the Church Schools in the diocese.'

The Education Bill, 1896.

London D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference approves generally of the Government Education Bill, and trusts that, with some modifications, it may speedily pass into law.'

Winchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That no settlement of the Education question can be deemed satisfactory which does not secure by Statute for Voluntary Schools (a) an increased Grant from the Imperial Exchequer; (b) the right of selecting managers and teachers of the Denomination to which the School belongs; (c) full freedom of Religious Teaching.'

Norwich D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference, though unwilling to commit itself without further consideration and further knowledge to the acceptance of every clause of the Government Education Bill, desires to express its grateful recognition of the intention shown by the Bill to render justice to Voluntary Schools.' (2) 'That it is desirable to introduce into the diocese the principle of common banking accounts for Church Schools.'

Oxford D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That while Voluntary Schools have an equal moral right to public money with other public Elementary Schools, and so might equitably claim help from the rates, it is nevertheless desirable to seek the additional assistance needed by Voluntary Schools from other sources than the rates.' To this a Rider was added: 'That having regard to the heavy burdens of local taxation and the history of education since 1870, it is desirable that further assistance to the Voluntary Schools should be provided from Imperial sources.'

St. Albans D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference is of opinion that it is urgently necessary that the Government should next Session redeem its promise to carry through Parliament a measure relieving Voluntary Schools from their present financial difficulties; that the provisions contained in the Education Bill of last Session would be insufficient for that purpose, and that therefore aid on a larger scale ought to be given to Voluntary Schools, such aid to be obtained from school rates in districts where School Boards have been formed, and elsewhere from the Consolidated Fund.' (2) 'That the rights of parents to determine the religious teaching given to their children ought to be secured by some change in the law.' (3) 'That for the purposes of such aid Voluntary Schools should be formed into groups, and the money granted to be distributed by a representative council in each group.'

Southwell D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That no school shall be deprived of its proportion of an educational rate by reason of its character as a Denominational School not formed by a School Board.' (2) 'That in any scheme for assisting Voluntary Schools distinction should be drawn between those in School Board districts and others not so placed.' (3) 'That Government Grants should be given equally to both Board and Voluntary Schools.' (4) 'That the feeling of the country is best met by maintaining Denominational Schools.' (5) 'That in undenominational schools, or in places where there is only one school, the 27th clause of the Bill of 1896 is a reasonable provision.' (6) 'That Church Schools should be federated for financial purposes in districts of one or more rural deaneries.'

Truro D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference trusts that the disadvantage under which the 12,000 Elementary Schools connected with the Church of England have been so long suffering, will be finally removed, by a Bill to be introduced at the earliest opportunity during the next Session of Parliament.'

Worcester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference approves the establishment of a central authority for education, and also of the principle of decentralisation, or the devolution of certain duties connected with the arrangement of schools upon local bodies, provided that in both cases adequate precautions are taken to secure the presence upon the Councils or Boards of a fair proportion of educational experts.' (2) 'That it is possible to devise a scheme of State and Rate aid to Voluntary Schools which shall promote their efficiency without unduly pressing upon the tax and the ratepayer, or impairing the existing religious character of the schools.'

Technical Education.

Chichester D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this Conference recognises the great value of Technical Instruction in country districts as well as in towns, and expresses the hope that each rural parish in the Diocese will share in the benefits conferred by the Technical Instruction Act of 1890.'

Secondary Education.

Chichester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference no scheme of State-aided Secondary Education can be satisfactory which does not leave the Church a free hand to continue her present work wherever she has already occupied the ground, and to extend it as opportunity may occur.'

Rochester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That, in the interests of education generally, it is of great importance that the relations between Elementary and Secondary Education should be more clearly defined than they are at present.'

Wakefield D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference strongly deprecates the proposals of the Charity Commissioners which have reference to the transfer of certain grants, made from the Charity known as Betton's Charity, from Elementary Schools to the purposes of Secondary Education in Wales, which would mean the diversion of these funds from their original purpose under Betton's bequest.'

Hereford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference is of opinion that every means should be adopted for bringing the Diocese into touch with our Universities.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to report on Secondary Education, and to make suggestions to the proper policy of the Church with regard to it.'

Religious Teaching in Secondary Schools.

Newcastle D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That no Education Bill will be satisfactory which does not secure teaching given in them in accordance with their schemes of government, but in existing Secondary Schools there shall be no interference with the religious instruction, and that in any new Secondary School established under the Bill adequate provision shall be made for such teaching.'

Peterborough D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference recognises the necessity of considerable increase in the number of Secondary Schools of different types, and of a more complete organisation of Secondary Education under the general superintendence of central and local authorities, and demands that in such organisation the right of parents to definite religious instruction for their children must be safeguarded.'

Middle-Class Education. Higher Religious Education.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 418; 1895, p. 403.

Canterbury D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that some scheme for an examination of Schools higher than Elementary Schools, and on all subjects taken in the course of ordinary instruction, shall be formulated and adopted in this Diocese.'

Chester D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the Church should by all means in her power earnestly urge upon all parents the duty of laying a good foundation of Religious Knowledge, by systematic reading and study at home of the Holy Scriptures, the Creeds, the Catechism, and the Prayer Book generally.'

Liverpool D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that the Religious Education of all classes should be deeper and more definite than it ordinarily is; and that the Bishop be requested to consider the appointment of a Committee, with a view to the formation of a Diocesan Association for carrying out this object.'

Rochester D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that the movement for Higher Religious Education in the Diocese should, if possible, be so extended as to remedy the present unsatisfactory state of Church teaching in Schools other than Elementary.'

St. Asaph D.C. 1892.—Resolved: (1) 'That, in the opinion of this Diocesan Conference, the proposals of the Denbighshire Joint Education Committee in regard to Ruthin Schools are injurious to Welsh Education and unjust to the Church.' (2) 'That, in the opinion of this Diocesan Conference, it is injurious and unjust to prevent the children of Churchmen from receiving as boarders, in Intermediate Schools, such Religious Instruction as is desired by their parents.'

Central Council D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it is most desirable to promote Higher Religious Education in the various Dioceses.'

Lincoln D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference considers that the question of Religious Education in Secondary Schools has been much overlooked in past years, and desires to call the attention of governors or managers of such schools to the efforts that are being made in several quarters for its increase and improvement.'

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is desirable that a course of systematic instruction on the History and Claims of the Church of England should be given in our Parochial Schools under the auspices of the Diocesan Education Society, and preferably by teaching the children a short catechism on the subject.' (2) 'That the report of the Central Committee on Higher Religious Education with regard to Religious Instruction in Secondary Schools deserves the serious attention of Churchmen.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That every effort should be made to secure that the Religious Instruction in new Secondary Schools be governed by the provision of the Industrial Schools Act.'

Worcester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the spheres of Primary and Secondary Education need to be more clearly defined, and their relations more carefully adjusted.'

9. SUNDAY SCHOOLS—CATECHISING.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1892, p. 413; 1895, p. 404.

Chichester D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to consider a scheme for the voluntary examination of Sunday Scholars, to draw up a Syllabus of subjects for this purpose, and to report to the Conference next year.'

Chichester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is most desirable that the children in all parishes of the Diocese should be openly catechised in the Church upon Sundays and Holy-days, according to the directions of the Book of Common Prayer.'

St. Albans D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That in view of the inadequate, indefinite, and erroneous teaching upon the elements of religion which obtains in many public elementary and secondary schools throughout the country, it is especially important that the Public Catechising which the Church prescribes should be more generally adopted.'

Lincoln D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Sunday School system has been and is a powerful auxiliary in the work of the Church, and that in view of the difficulties connected with the religious education of children in our Day Schools, it is very important that Sunday Schools should receive increased attention and support. Also that the directions of the Prayer Book with reference to public catechising should be more generally carried out.'

Oxford D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the methods of the St. Sulpice system of catechism deserve the study of the clergy and laity.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Conference desires to record its sense of the good work which has been done in and by the Church's Sunday Schools; and while desiring to see the "Dupanloup" method fully and fairly tried in the Diocese, is not sufficiently informed with regard to it to be able to pronounce an opinion upon it.'

Southwell D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That services of instruction and worship suited to children should be developed as an essential part of our Church system.'

10. LAY REPRESENTATION AND LAY CO-OPERATION.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 392.

Lichfield D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to establish a Diocesan Deaconesses' Home, and that the Bishop be requested to nominate a Council, and to take such other steps as he may deem necessary for the formation of such a Home.'

Liverpool D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That inasmuch as the entire responsibility for financial administration of parishes practically rests with the Clergy, and since weakness in this department specially repels lay sympathy, the subject of parochial church finance demands fresh consideration on the part of the Clergy in the light of modern conditions, with a view to securing a far larger amount of lay co-operation.'

Rochester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the welfare of the Church demands greater interest on the part of the Laity, and that such interest would be promoted by giving them a responsible voice in the management of Church affairs, and that it is desirable that changes should not be made in the services and arrangements of the church and parish without the goodwill of the Laity, and for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not this exists in particular cases the Incumbent should (where there is no voluntary parochial council) consult the churchwardens, sidesmen, and other fit persons being communicants of the Church of England.'

Ely D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to encourage still further, under due regulations and Episcopal Authority, the employment of spiritually minded faithful laymen to supplement the regular ministry of the Church.'

Liverpool D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, the Laity should relieve the Clergy, as much as possible, of the burden of the secular work of the Church.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that there should be in every Parish, with the sanction of the Bishop, a Council of Laymen, being Communicants, to assist the Parish Priest in the administration of such affairs of the Church as do not affect the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments.'

Lincoln D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Lay members of the Conference be requested to form a committee of their order to consider and report to the next Diocesan Conference as to the position the Laity should occupy in the administration of the affairs of the Church, and that the Lay Secretary of the Conference be requested to arrange for such Committee.'

Norwich D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that a Norwich Diocesan Association of Lay-Helpers be formed at an early period.'

Truro D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That, recognising the extended usefulness of Lay-help during recent years, this Conference would earnestly claim for it a wider sympathy than it has hitherto received, and would welcome some still further extension of the facilities for its exercise.'

Ministrations of Laymen.

York House of Convocation, L.H. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this House considers the subject referred to it by the Archbishop as so grave, and surrounded with so much difficulty, that it is not prepared, without further consideration, to affirm the desirability of permitting the public ministration in Church of persons not in Holy Orders; and that in further answer to the President's Message, this House desires to assure his Grace that it cordially recognises lay ministrations under proper authority in unconsecrated buildings.'

York House of Laymen, 1894.—Resolved: 'Subject to any legal difficulty, this House is of opinion that it is desirable that lay preaching be allowed in consecrated buildings, provided (1) that such laymen be approved by the Bishop after such examination as he may think fit; (2) that the consent of the Incumbent be given; (3) that such admission should not apply to the two regular services. That, should there be any legal difficulty, the Archbishop be requested to take such steps as his Grace may be advised to ascertain the state of the law.' The following amendment was carried: 'That this House, whilst fully recognising the importance of extending the powers existing enabling laymen to conduct services, feels that as yet it scarcely possesses sufficient information to enable it to recommend that they should be extended to services in consecrated buildings.'

11. FREE AND OPEN CHURCHES.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 394; 1895, p. 404.

Newcastle D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference free and open Churches should be the rule, not the exception, in this land.'

Oxford D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference the circumstances of the time require that special efforts should be made to give to members of the Working Class their full share of welcome and of accommodation in buildings set apart for the Public Worship of the Church of England.'

London D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the pew-rent system has not, on the whole, been prejudicial to the interests of the Church in the Metropolis, and, if rightly safeguarded, is in many cases rightly continued.'

St. Albans D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That arrangements for seating parishioners in church should be made, according to the requirements of the parish, as may most tend to the edification of the Laity.' (2) 'That this Conference recognises the difficulty of carrying out in its entirety, in some country parishes, the system of free and unappropriated seats in Church, and still is of opinion that it is right in principle, and is the only just system for populous parishes.'

12. THE CHURCH IN RELATION TO SOCIAL QUESTIONS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 422; 1895, p. 406; 1896, p. 419.

Ely D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That, whilst thankfully recognising the great improvement which, during the last 20 or 30 years, has taken place in the dwellings and surrounding gardens of the Labouring and Artisan Classes, in town and country districts, through private outlay, benevolent gifts, and well-considered legislation, this Conference acknowledges that much remains to be done; and trusts that landlords, sanitary and other authorities, will do their best to effect such further improvements as may render the dwellings of the Labouring and Artisan Classes more consistent with health, decency, and comfort. And this Conference desires also to call the attention of the Clergy, and all who have opportunities of exercising influence, to the necessity of impressing upon the Labouring Classes their own duty towards their families in securing for them, so far as it lies in their own power, the conditions of virtue and morality in their dwellings.'

Lichfield D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is the duty of the Church to study the principles of State Socialism in relation to the teaching of Christ.'

Lincoln D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That every member of the Church should consider how he may best help in the pressing problems of social morality and Christian living.'

Llandaff D.C. 1893.—Resolved: (1) 'As men, women, and children (especially children) frequently live in surroundings that predestine to crime, charitable effort should be centred in *improving* the surroundings, rather than helping the poor *in* their surroundings, on the principle that "Prevention is better than cure."' (2) 'As the amelioration of the condition of the poor is greatly hampered, if not checked, by bad air, bad drainage, absence of light, a limited or bad supply of water, overcrowding, poorly cooked food, and insufficient opportunity for physical exercise in which to work off evil tendencies, sanitary and physical conditions should go hand in hand with Christian efforts.'

London D.C. 1893.—Resolved: (a) 'That this Conference views with grave anxiety the spiritual and moral condition of the metropolis, and urges in the strongest terms upon the Diocese the necessity of giving more abundant support to the Bishop of London's Fund and the East London Church Fund;' and that (b) 'This Conference believes the failure of spiritual life amongst many classes in the metropolis to arise from ignorance of the essential elements and the demands of the Christian faith, and of its moral obligations, and is convinced of the necessity of more definite and extensive teaching upon these subjects.'

Oxford D.C. 1893.—Resolved: (1) 'That each part of the Christian Church is bound by every principle of faith, of hope, and of charity continuously and consciously to include in its thought and its prayerful endeavour the promotion of just peace between nation and nation, between class and class, and between employer and employed.' (2) 'That in the opinion of this Conference the Social Scheme of the Church Army is worthy of cordial support.'

Rochester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the Church should show her sympathy with the efforts of working men and women to organise their labour.'

Salisbury D.S. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Synod, while recognising with thankfulness the vast improvement which has taken place within the last few years in the dwellings of the industrial classes, still considers that much remains to be done, and resolves that a Committee should be appointed to consider whether any voluntary action can be taken to improve the housing of the poor and the sanitary conditions under which they live.'

Chester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be proposed to inquire into the social work of the Church in the Diocese.'

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Lichfield D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference requests the Committee who presented a very able report on Socialism in 1893 to report to the next Diocesan Conference on the progress and development of Socialistic movements in the intervening period.'

Liverpool D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'This Conference desires to record its sense of the urgent responsibility of the Church in presence of the Social problems now pressing for consideration; and impresses upon its members the duty of maintaining an attitude of personal interest and sympathy towards all sound efforts for their solution.' (2) 'It is the opinion of this Conference that, in the great industrial centres of population, it is wise for the Church to take an interest in and, as far as possible, endeavour to control the recreations and amusements of the people.'

Rochester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, recognising the need for reform in the condition of the homes of the poor, urges upon its members the necessity for strengthening the powers of local boards and corporations in all matters affecting the housing of the working classes, and for additional legislation to make compulsory those remedial measures which are now voluntary.'

St. Albans D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference is of opinion that Christian morality requires that a wage sufficient to maintain the worker in a condition of decent comfort should be a first charge on produce, due consideration being made for the varying standard of life in different trades.' (2) 'That many of the social problems of the day are to be solved, and can only be solved, by a more general recognition of the mutual responsibilities which the law of Christ imposes on all classes of the community, and that the Church is called upon to approach such problems in this spirit as a Christian duty.' (3) 'That this Conference, recognising the excellent results already obtained by means of voluntary labour, conciliation, and arbitration boards, is strongly in favour of the foundation of such boards for the settlement of labour disputes, and for the avoidance of the wasteful and calamitous effects of strikes and lock-outs.'

Salisbury D.S. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Synod is of opinion that the services of Church Army Officers can be advantageously used in this Diocese, and that a Committee be appointed to consider and report on the Church Army at the next meeting of the Synod.' (2) 'That this Synod sympathises with the aims of the Christian Social Union as laid down in its rules, and recommends that a list of the papers of the Union be inserted from time to time in the Diocesan Gazette, at the discretion of the editor, in order that its work may be brought to the notice of the Diocese.'

Southwell D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the intimate connection between spiritual and material well-being makes it the duty of the Church to promote the material progress, and improve the industrial relations, of the people.'

Canterbury D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is desirable to give to the working classes the fullest means of enjoying in every healthy and intellectual manner such opportunities of relaxation from their daily occupations as are open to them.' (2) 'That this Conference commends to the sympathy of Churchmen all well-considered measures tending to promote the social welfare of the English people so far as such measures are in harmony with the great purposes for which the Church exists.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the proper relation of the Church to the recreations of the people requires attention.'

Central Council, 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to bring more distinctly before the people the immense value to the whole nation of the Church's untiring efforts, voluntary, social, and philanthropic, to benefit all classes of the community, especially the poor, and to make more widely known the facts concerning such efforts, as published on authority in the "Official Year-Book of the Church of England" and other works.'

Lincoln D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the increasing demand for village feasts and recreations requires the attention of the parochial Clergy and faithful Laity, and that time and labour will be profitably employed in its legitimate satisfaction; and 'That where the feast-week actually comes in connection with the dedication day of the Church, special services should be held in the Church on that day.'

13. OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY AND HOLY SEASONS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 424; 1895, p. 409.

London D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference earnestly deprecates the growing tendency to devote the Lord's Day to purposes of amusement, as being a serious hindrance to the performance of religious obligations, and the cause of unnecessary labour to large classes of the community.'

Rochester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the question of the due observance of the Lord's Day.'

Truro D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to impress upon the Heads of Families the importance of the observance of Sunday as a Divine and Blessed Institution.'

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1893.—Resolved: 'That the Day of Holy Rest is a Divine Institution appointed by God at the beginning as a day for rest and worship. That the observance of Sunday has been an incalculable blessing to all classes of society, especially to working men and women. That this House deprecates every movement which tends to increase Sunday labour or to make the Lord's Day a mere day of amusement, and is of opinion that such public institutions as Museums, Picture Galleries, and Libraries should not be opened on Sundays.'

Canterbury D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That beyond the essential duty of attendance at public worship, no uniform rule can be laid down for the mode of observance of Sunday, which must necessarily vary with different classes of persons, and be different in urban and rural populations.'

Lichfield D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference regards with sorrow and alarm the growing tendency among all classes to desecrate the Lord's Day, and to disregard its ordinances; and it respectfully requests the Bishop of the Diocese to take counsel with others how such contempt of the Divine Law can be most effectually checked.'

Rochester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That an earnest appeal from this Conference be issued to the Laity in the Diocese, to discountenance such Sunday amusements as unduly interfere with the higher ends Sunday was intended to promote.' (2) 'That the tendency in modern times to limit the hours of labour, and to provide more week-day leisure, renders the argument that Sunday is the only time for recreation and amusement of far less weight than formerly.'

Southwell D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires that the duty of observing Sunday as a day of rest and of worship be earnestly enforced on the people, and deprecates the extension of Sunday labour for Sunday amusements.'

Worcester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference observes with regret the increasing disregard among all classes of the sacred character and obligations of Sunday, and is of opinion that a serious effort should be made to counteract the evil.'

Canterbury D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That Church-goers (in towns and villages) have an important and promising field of duty before them to induce their non-worshipping neighbours to follow their example, and especially by removing difficulties felt by many non-worshippers in the Book of Common Prayer.'

Lincoln D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference views with grave concern the present wide neglect of public worship, and recognises the urgent duty of the Church to use every means in her power for remedying the evil.'

Liverpool D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference views with alarm the increasing laxity in the observance of Sunday, and, side by side with it, the growth of Sunday amusements and unnecessary labours. It pledges itself to resist every attempt to secularise the Lord's Day, and calls upon the Church to provide on this day additional opportunities of recreative rest and glad worship.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. and L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House again desires to impress upon the Clergy the duty of warning persons of all classes, and especially the rich and leisured classes, against the increasing misuse of Sunday for purposes of mere amusement, as (a) tending to impair, for many others as well as for themselves, the sacred character and distinctive value of the Lord's Day; and (b) involving addition to the Sunday labour of those who are called upon to minister to such amusement.' (2) 'That it is the duty of the Church to remind the people of England that the foremost privilege of the Lord's Day is the privilege and responsibility of worship, and that this must be carefully safeguarded.'

Chichester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That in order to promote a more general religious observance of Good Friday, this Conference respectfully asks the Archbishops and Bishops to take such measures as may be desirable, either by Encyclical Letter or otherwise, for the better observance of Good Friday as a day of humiliation, fasting, and prayer, and that the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be asked to forward a copy of this resolution to the Primate.'

London D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, recognising the importance of the annual Volunteer Manœuvres, and the fact that they cannot, under present circumstances, be held at any other time than Easter, and appreciating the good order and discipline which characterises them, trusts that the commanding officers and chaplains of the London

Volunteer Regiments will make such regulations as may be possible, in conjunction with the Clergy of Parishes on the various routes, to secure the utmost attainable quiet on Good Friday, and opportunities of attending Divine Service on that day, and of receiving the Holy Communion on Easter Day.'

Lincoln D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is to be wished that Churchmen would agree to observe the Fasts and Festivals of the Church according to the rules of the Prayer Book.'

Llandaff D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference, while religious observance of the Lord's Day is of paramount obligation for all Christian people, the association of the day with reasonable recreation in due subordination to its primary purpose of edification and worship is in no way repugnant to its sacred character and higher uses.'

Ripon D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, recognising the importance to man's spiritual life of the observance of the Lord's Day as a Holy Day, deprecates any such departure from that observance as would tend to deprive it of its true character and purpose.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed in order to organise means for obtaining a national observance of the Ascension Day, such as obtains in almost all other Christian nations.'

14. CHURCH INSTITUTES—WELFARE OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 398; 1895, p. 410.

Chester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, subject to the approval of the Lord Bishop, a Committee be formed for the purpose of extending and consolidating and supervising the work of the Church Lads' Brigade in the Diocese.'

Exeter D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to draw young men of all classes into unity with each other on lines of healthful self-development and Church fellowship.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That while thanking the Committee on Christian Influence over Lads for the report, and for its work in connection therewith, this Conference refers the report back to the Committee with a recommendation that a business conference be held of those who are at the head of the various existing organisations for lads throughout the Diocese.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to appoint a Diocesan Board for the purpose of encouraging such existing agencies for the welfare of young men as may best commend themselves to the judgment of the Board, and that the Bishop be requested to consider the possibility of adding to the Missioners of the Society of St. Andrew a member specially qualified to promote the welfare of young men in the Diocese.'

Sodor and Man D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'After the discussion on "Organisations for the Young," that a Committee, consisting of the President, the Archdeacon, the Lay and Clerical Secretaries, with power to add to their number, be appointed to take steps to further the movement of the Church Lads' Brigade.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That the life of the young men of Cornwall calls for the true leadership of the Church in this county.' (2) 'That a Committee be appointed to forward work amongst young men in this Diocese.'

15. GAMBLING AND BETTING.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 425; 1895, p. 410.

Salisbury D.S. 1893.—Resolved: 'That a memorial be forwarded to the Postmaster-General pointing out the great need of some steps being taken to stop the present stream of specious invitations from abroad to join in public lotteries.'

16. TEMPERANCE—LIQUOR TRAFFIC AMONG NATIVE RACES.

For previous resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 411.

Canterbury D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that early legislation on the Temperance question should take place in respect of the number of public-houses, a diminution of the hours during which they are opened, and the registration of clubs.'

Lichfield D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference approves generally of the scheme of Temperance Reform proposed by the Lord Bishop of Chester, but considers that the Bill

introduced by him into the House of Lords should be so amended as to insure that any person at any time directly injured for the general good of such legislation should receive fair compensation.'

Rochester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, while rejoicing that the Government have introduced a Bill giving the people some power in the matter of the liquor traffic, this Conference is of opinion that the Bill of the C.E.T.S. is wider, more just, and likely to produce more immediate and beneficial results in the great majority of places, and where there is not the least probability of the absolute veto being adopted by a large majority.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Bishop be requested to nominate a Committee to consider and report on the several schemes suggested as Legislative Remedies for the sin of Drunkenness.'

Lincoln D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, deeply conscious of the manifold evils resultant from intemperance, and convinced that the licensing laws require reform, respectfully urges the Government to promote such legislation as shall, while providing for the equitable treatment of those engaged in the trade of alcoholic liquor, lessen the temptation to excess.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to express its sympathy with the Police Courts Mission work of the Church of England Temperance Society, and would be glad if in every parish some support could be given to this special work.'

Southwell D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That legislative Temperance reform requires previous conference of Temperance workers upon the possible lines for common agreement.' (2) 'That this Conference urges upon the Government the necessity of taking action for the better regulation of the sale of intoxicating liquors.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference earnestly hopes that the present Government will, as soon as it may be possible to do so, direct their attention to the best means of reducing the evils of intemperance in this country.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. and L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House trusts that some legislative measure may speedily be passed which shall largely diminish the number of places in which intoxicating liquors are sold.' (2) 'That this House would welcome a further limitation of the hours during which public-houses may be open on Sunday.' (3) 'That this House is of opinion that there is need of some legislative measure for the compulsory registration and stringent control of clubs where intoxicating liquors are sold.' (4) 'That this House regards the continuance of the legal provision granting licences to grocers for the sale of intoxicating liquors as prejudicial to the cause of temperance, especially in the case of women.' (5) 'That this House expresses an earnest wish that some organisation in connection with the Church of England Temperance Society should, if possible, be established in every parish, and specially recommends devotional meetings, and the use of intercessory prayer for the advancement of temperance, as provided by the Prayer Union of the Society.' (6) 'That this House invites the serious attention of the parochial Clergy to the subject of intemperance among women.' (7) 'That this House commends the "Band of Hope" movement to the parochial Clergy, and all concerned with the education of the young; but especially urges the importance of connecting the movement directly with religious life and training, and of pointing out its value as a help to the fulfilment of the baptismal vow.' (8) 'That this House considers it to be a matter of urgent importance to provide some further arrangements for keeping together those of both sexes who have passed out of the younger age of those in the "Band of Hope."' (9) 'That this House recognises with pleasure the increasing interest in temperance manifested in our training colleges, and trusts that steps will be taken to sustain and deepen that interest.' (10) 'That this House respectfully urges the subject of temperance, as affecting the entire social life of the nation, upon the consideration of all connected with the universities, the public schools, and the middle and upper schools generally.' (11) 'That this House desires to express its sense of the importance of the subject of the temperance work of the Church having a due place in the training of candidates for Holy Orders in the theological colleges, as affecting the efficiency of their future ministerial work.' (12) 'That this House urges upon all Church people the desirability of encouraging all measures that indirectly tend to withdraw people, and more especially young men, from the temptations that are presented by public-houses and by drink.' (13) 'That this House invites the attention of the parochial Clergy to the opportunities afforded by Acts of Parliament, and especially by the Local Government Act of 1894, for the provision of such permanent counteracting agencies to the social attractions of the public-house as free libraries, reading-rooms, recreation grounds, allotments, parish halls, and the like.' (14) 'That this House understands the word temperance in the above Resolutions in the same sense in which it is understood by the Church of England Temperance Society, as applying alike to the temperate who are not abstainers from alcoholic liquor.'

Salisbury D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Synod, deploring the evils which result from intemperance, desires to express its strong hope that the labours of the Royal Commission will result in early and well-considered legislation, with a view to the abatement of those evils; and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister and the Leader of the House of Commons.' (2) 'That the work of the Police Court Mission carried on by the Church Temperance Society is deserving of support from Churchmen and others, and that the Temperance Board be requested to report fully on the subject at the next Session of the Synod.'

St. Albans D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That a certain and general reduction in the number of licences, accompanied by compensation at the cost of those whose licences are renewed, would be more valuable for the Temperance cause than the chance of occasional prohibition by Local Option.' An amendment was moved and carried for the insertion of the word 'fair' before 'compensation,' and the omission of the clause stating from what source the compensation should be drawn.

Salisbury D.S. 1893.—Resolved: 'That while in thorough sympathy with the aim of the Church of England Temperance Society's Bill to reduce the number of public-houses in districts where they are now too numerous, this Synod cannot accept as satisfactory any scheme for this purpose which does not admit the principle of fair compensation from the Imperial Exchequer.'

Chichester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, it is desirable that any future amendments in the laws affecting the sale of alcoholic liquors should include the diminution of the number of licensed houses, and further restrictions in the hours of sale, as essential to the social and moral well-being of the people.'

Salisbury D.S. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to encourage the "Spare Time" movement, promoted by the Church of England Temperance Society, and that the Committee on Pauperism and Thrift be requested to report upon it at the next meeting of the Synod.'

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House having, in obedience to the direction of his Grace the President, considered, as fully as time permitted, the Licensing Laws Amendment Bill, 1894, agrees to the following Resolutions:—(2) 'That this House approves of the restriction of kinds of licence as proposed by this Bill.' (3) 'That this House approves of the gradual reduction of the number of licences in the spirit of this Bill.' (4) 'That this House approves of the principle on which compensation is given to publicans whose licences are not renewed, and of the methods proposed for carrying the principle into effect.' (5) 'That this House approves of the proposals of the Bill with regard to the closing of public-houses on the Lord's Day.' (6) 'That this House is thoroughly in accord with the spirit of the Bill as regards the necessity of safeguarding the issue of occasional licences, but considers that the provisions of the clause are too restrictive.' (7) 'That this House approves of the proposals of the Bill for the appointment of special inspectors.' (8) 'That this House approves of the principle of the registration of clubs.'

Opium Traffic.

Lichfield D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this Conference regrets the circulation of exaggerated statements as to the circumstances under which opium is exported from India to China, and as to the nature of the administrative restrictions on its manufacture in India itself; and, at the same time, expresses its approval of the policy adopted by the Indian Government, of controlling the sale of the drug in some cases, and of prohibiting it altogether in others, by all practicable means.'

17. PURITY.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 401.

Lichfield D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this Conference approves the action taken by the Committee appointed last year on Rescue and Preventive Agencies, in opening the Labour Home at Stafford.'

Truro D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That, owing to the very low standard of morality that exists at the present time, it is highly desirable, in the opinion of this Conference, that the Church should take some definite action, and that the Lord Bishop be asked to consult with his Committee as to what steps might be best.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Secretaries of this Conference be instructed to communicate with the several members of Parliament of the county, pressing upon them the desirability of adding flogging to the punishment in conviction of an indecent assault, or

attempted indecent assault, on young persons.' (2) 'That the Secretaries of this Conference be instructed to communicate with the several members of Parliament of the county, pressing upon them the desirability that magistrates should have the power of clearing the Court of young persons in cases where the evidence is of an indecent character.'

18. PURE LITERATURE.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 412.

Lincoln D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the character of many of our newspapers and much of our popular literature, as an indication of prevalent thought and taste, and their influence on the minds of their readers, demand our serious and anxious consideration. In particular, this Conference hopes that the time may shortly come when the publication of detailed accounts of Divorce Court proceedings and other similar matters may be prohibited by law.'

Wakefield D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to promote a distribution of pure literature through our parishes.'

19. MARRIAGE LAWS—DIVORCE—DECEASED WIFE'S SISTER'S BILL.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 414.

St. Albans D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference considers that the Divorce Act of 1857 has been the cause of serious injury to the morals of the country, and enters its protest against the law which requires the Clergy to allow the use of their churches for the marriage, and in some cases to solemnise the marriage, of a divorced person whose husband or wife is still living, in defiance of the teaching of Christ and His Church. And this Conference calls on the Parliamentary Committee to keep a very strict watch against any further legislation which may be attempted in a similar direction.'

York Convocation L.H. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this House views with the greatest satisfaction the firm and successful opposition offered by the House of Lords to the Bill which proposed to legalise marriage with a deceased wife's sister.'

Bath and Wells D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference regards the Bill of Lord Halifax, on the re-marriage of divorced persons, as worthy of all support, and trusts that it may soon become part of the law of the land.'

Ely D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference is of opinion that the re-marriage of divorced persons is contrary to the doctrine and discipline of the Church of England, as expressed in her formularies, and is subversive to the best interests of the nation.' (2) 'That the difficulties of the Clergy may best be overcome by (a) the direction of her Bishops in the particular Diocese committed to their charge; (b) the instruction of their flocks on the sanctity of the marriage bond.'

Exeter D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to repeal the 58th Clause of the Divorce Act of 1857.'

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference earnestly trusts that Lord Halifax's Bill (for the amendment of the Divorce Act of 1857) may become law with the least possible delay.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That there should be a uniform scale of fees for marriages throughout the Diocese, and that such scale ought not to exceed the fees charged by the Registrar for marriages.' (2) 'That this Conference approves of the Matrimonial Causes Amendment Bill of 1895, and earnestly hopes that it will speedily become law.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference earnestly hopes that an Act, on the lines of Lord Halifax's Bill, will be speedily passed, and respectfully prays the Bishop of the Diocese to take such steps as he may think right to further that end, and urges on our representatives in Parliament the duty of supporting any legislation by which this object may be obtained.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That your Petitioners are opposed to the Bill now before your (Right) Honourable House, having for its object to legalise marriage with a deceased wife's sister. Your Petitioners believe that the permission to contract such marriages would most injuriously affect the purity and happiness of English home life, and would lead to further relaxation in the Marriage Law, as has been the case in countries where marriage with a deceased wife's sister has been legalised. They therefore humbly pray your (Right) Honourable House not to assent to any such Bill.' (2) 'That the following Petition be

adopted for presentation to the Upper House of the Convocation of Canterbury:—That your Petitioners are of opinion that it is desirable that the notice of intended marriages at the Registrar's office should be given more publicly. Your Petitioners therefore pray the Upper House of Convocation to consider how the Law may be amended in this respect.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the present state of the law of Divorce in England, and the facilities afforded to re-marriage of divorced persons, threaten the purity of home life, and strike a blow at the welfare and happiness of England.'

York Convocation L.H. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Report of the Committee on Divorce be recommended.' (2) 'That the Bishops be respectfully requested to consider the propriety of taking common action, so that licences to enable divorced persons to enter into fresh unions may no longer be issued from the diocesan registries.' 'That any religious body should be compelled to allow the use of any of its ecclesiastical buildings for acts which, in its official statements and public services, are condemned as gross sin, is an injustice and an oppression which ought to be remedied—more especially as the civil registrar's office is open to all: we urge, therefore, that legislation should be sought for freeing the Church from such a grievous wrong, in accordance with a resolution passed unanimously by both Houses of this Convocation on April 27, 1881. That this Convocation of York desires to see some legislative enactment which would relieve the Clergy of the Church of England from the obligation of solemnising, publishing banns for, or lending the Church of which they are Incumbents, for the solemnisation of the marriages of any divorced persons whatsoever.'

Carlisle D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That, owing to the recent action of the House of Lords with reference to the marriage law, the Carlisle Diocesan Conference re-affirms the principle at stake, "A man may not marry his wife's sister."'

Chichester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That since the Church of England recognises no divorce *à vinculo*, but holds the marriage bond to be indissoluble save by death, it behoves all Churchmen to uphold her Law unaltered as the surest defence of the purity of national and family life.' (2) 'That no law of affinity as a bar to marriage can be so intelligible or salutary as identity of prohibition by consanguinity and affinity, as this rests on the truth that a man and his wife are not two but one; and that any variation will not only create a conflict between the law of the land and the law of the Church of England, but most probably much social and ecclesiastical confusion.'

Exeter D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the attempt to legalise marriage with a deceased wife's sister should be resisted to the utmost, and that every possible effort shall be made to uphold and enforce the marriage of the Church of England in its integrity, and to diffuse information in its true principles.'

Llandaff D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Divorce Act of 1857 has been productive of much evil, in lessening in public estimation the sanctity of the marriage bond; that the provisions of the Deceased Wife's Sister's Bill are not conducive to the moral and social welfare of this country; and, therefore, it is the duty of the clergy and laity to do all in their power to bring about the rejection of the latter measure and in general to maintain the Church's law of marriage.'

Newcastle D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference regrets the recent vote of the House of Lords in favour of the Bill for legalising Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister, foresees evils and far-reaching consequences from placing the law of the land in opposition to the divine law of the Church, and urges the vital importance of maintaining inviolate the principle upon which the marriage law is based.' (2) 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, no marriage should be solemnised with the rites of the Church for any person separated by divorce so long as the former partner is living.' (3) 'That in the opinion of this Conference, the Bill of Lord Halifax ought to be supported, with the provision that the marriage in our churches of convicted adulterers shall be forbidden altogether by the Bill.'

Oxford D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'The Conference is convinced that no basis for any law of affinity can be found so salutary as that laid down by our Lord, that man and wife become in marriage one flesh in God's sight, and that any violation therefore of complete similarity between the prohibited degrees of affinity and consanguinity violates the sanctity of Christian marriage.' (2) 'That the Conference expresses its disapproval of the use of the Church, and the Church's service, for the performance of the marriage ceremony in the case of persons who have obtained a decree of divorce in the civil courts, whilst the husband and wife, thus divorced, are both alive, and re-affirms its resolution passed in the Conference of last year with regard to Lord Halifax's Bill for the amendment of the Divorce Act of 1857.'

Peterborough D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, believing that any change in the existing Marriage Laws would be contrary to the best interests of Society, suggests that

steps be taken to spread information as to the principles on which the law is founded, and to urge on the Local Members of Parliament the necessity of opposing any measure which aims at such change.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That in the interest of home and family life, the question of judicial separation demands the consideration of the Church.'

Salisbury D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Synod expresses its disapproval of the issue of licences for the re-marriage of divorced persons, and of the use of the Church and the Church's Service for the performance of the marriage ceremony in the case of persons who have been found guilty in the Divorce Court.'

20. THRIFT—FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 414.

Southwell D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that the Clergy and all who are interested in the encouragement of thrift should make themselves acquainted with the comparative advantages and disadvantages of the different Friendly Societies and Industrial Assurance Agencies, with a view to assist the working classes in making the best selection.'

Lichfield D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, it is to be desired that the administrators of Parochial Charities, under the Local Government Act of 1894, should consider the importance of distributing them, to a large extent, by way of adequate pensions to old persons, and, as far as possible, as rewards for thrift and self-help.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in view of the satisfactory report on the "Spare Time" movement, the Bishop be respectfully requested to bring the subject before the Ruridecanal Conferences.'

21. POOR LAW—SPIRITUAL PROVISION IN WORKHOUSES— OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1892, p. 427.

Chichester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the Poor have a claim on the Church for aid in providing for old age, and that this object is worthy of the practical attention of this Conference; that a Committee be appointed, but should suspend work till Mr. Chamberlain's Report is issued.'

Llandaff D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That every workhouse, hospital, or similar institution, should have a definitely appointed Chaplain, whose duty it should be to administer regularly the Sacraments of the Church, to instruct the Church inmates in Church teaching, and to prepare the Church children for Confirmation and Holy Communion.'

Llandaff D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to express its satisfaction that the work of Missions has been carried on in the Diocese during the past year with so much energy and success, and requests the Committee to continue their deliberations on the best means of providing for the spiritual welfare of the inmates of workhouses and other similar institutions, with the view of arranging that a Clergyman shall have definite charge of the Church inmates in each of these institutions.'

Chester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference, it is expedient that increased efforts be made by the Clergy and other Church workers to aid in the administration of the Poor Law and in the distribution of charities, so as to make them co-operate for the benefit of the deserving poor and aged.'

Exeter D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That improvements in the condition of the poor are to be sought rather by careful administration and diligent inquiry into individual cases than by any radical alteration of the existing Poor Laws; and, as regards the aged poor, by supplementary assistance to thrift out of public funds.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Bishop be requested to nominate a Committee to consider and report how far it is desirable to extend the system of boarding-out of inmates of workhouses, so as to include others beyond children; and also how far it would be practicable for the Church in every Parish to recognise her responsibility to the deserving, but destitute, aged poor.'

Southwell D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the condition of the aged and deserving poor is not satisfactorily met by the system of out-door relief, and calls for earnest consideration of other provision for it.'

22. EMIGRATION.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 406.

Salisbury D.S. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the Board of Emigration be authorised to take counsel with the Church Emigration Society as to the possibility of arranging for loans to emigrants, to be repaid through the accredited agents of the Society in the Colonies.'

Hereford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that the attention of the Clergy of the Diocese should be drawn to the importance of taking special steps to provide for the spiritual care of emigrants who may be leaving their Parishes to settle in the Colonies.'

23. CHURCH DEFENCE—CHURCH IN WALES—CHURCH REFORM.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 416; 1896, p. 428.

Chichester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the Scheme for Church Defence prepared by the Central Church Committee be approved and adopted for this Diocese.'

Llandaff D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, steps should be at once taken to form a Committee of Churchmen and Churchwomen in every parish where there is no existing organisation for the purpose of educating public opinion and disseminating accurate knowledge of the rights and history of the Church; and in every Rural Deanery or suitable combination of parishes a Secretary should be appointed to act in concert with the Secretary of the Church Defence Committee of the Diocesan Conference, and furnish him with a report of the work done in his district, and that the Incumbent of each such parish be requested to call a meeting of Churchmen with a view to carrying out the above objects, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to every priest having a cure of souls in the Diocese.'

Manchester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That a Diocesan Committee on Church Defence be appointed to organise Parochial Committees and Ladies' Committees, and to place itself in communication with the Central Church Committee and the Church Defence Institution, or any other existing organisation for Church Defence; the Committee to consist of the Bishop as President, the Standing Committee of Conference and others to be invited by them, and the members of Parliament being members of the Diocesan Conference.'

Salisbury D.S. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the time is come when a Diocesan Board should be formed, under the presidency of the Bishop, to promote and to report to the Synod upon the work of Church Defence in the Diocese; and that the Committee of Selection be requested to determine the constitution of the Board and the number of its members, and to nominate them.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is the duty of Churchmen, whatever their political views may be, to resist, with bold, determined, and united action, all attacks made in Parliament on the National Church of England.'

Church in Wales Disestablishment Bill.

* **Canterbury D.C. 1894.**—Resolved: 'That this Conference is of opinion that it is the duty of the Church generally, both Clergy and Laity, to take concerted measures to avert the national wrong and the injury to religion involved in the Bill for Disestablishing and Disendowing the Church of England in Wales.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House desires to convey to the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Church in Wales their assurance of the warmest sympathy with them in the present crisis.' (2) 'That this House pledges itself to do its utmost to resist the attack now made upon the Church.' (3) 'That this House emphatically condemns the principle of the Established Church (Wales) Bill, 1894, and deprecates the national wrong which would be involved in the dissolution of the union between Church and State in certain Dioceses of the Province of Canterbury, in the alienation in whole or in part of their endowments, and in the application to secular purposes of property hitherto devoted to the service of Almighty God.' (4) 'That the separate provisions of the Bill are details of the main injustice, partly consequential on its principle, and partly gratuitous and harassing restrictions on the power and liberty of the Church to continue its work. Into these this House does not consider it necessary to enter point by point at present, the Bishops of both Provinces having already expressed their judgment upon them in general terms.' (5) 'That it is desirable that concerted measures should be taken in every Diocese in defence of the

* *Note.*—This resolution generally expresses the decisions of such of the Diocesan Conferences as took the subject into consideration during their sessions of 1894.

Church, and for offering strenuous resistance to the Bill for disestablishing the Church in the Dioceses above mentioned; and that this House is prepared to use its utmost influence in support of such measures.'

York Convocation U.H. and L.H. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this House protests against the Bill introduced by the Government, entitled "A Bill to terminate the Establishment of the Church of England in Wales and Monmouthshire," inasmuch as it would, should it become an Act, disconnect the Principality from the English Church and people in the national recognition of the Christian Religion. And further protests against the attempt made in clause 14 of the said Bill to dismember the Sacred Synod of the Province of Canterbury. And further protests against the proposals for depriving four Dioceses of the Province of Canterbury of a large part of their ancient endowments and of the control of their cathedrals, inasmuch as such proposals are unjust in themselves, and hurtful to the spiritual interests of the people, especially of the poor. That this House desires to express its sincere sympathy with the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Principality in the present crisis, and to assure them of its determination to do all in its power to assist them in repelling the attack now being made on their national status and on their property.'

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1894.—Resolved: 'That inasmuch as Her Majesty's Government have given notice of their intention to introduce a Bill into Parliament for the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church of England in Wales and Monmouthshire, this House desires to affirm: (1) That disestablishment would be a misfortune to the country, and should be opposed by loyal Churchmen as wrong in principle and injurious in practice. (2) That piecemeal disestablishment and disendowment, such as is now proposed, is open to the strongest objections, and ought to be resisted by the whole strength of the Church of England. (3) That this House protests against any attempt to transfer the parochial and other endowments of the Church from their legitimate and sacred uses to secular purposes.'

Canterbury D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference recognises the great benefits that have followed the schemes of Diocesan organisation inaugurated by the Archbishops and Bishops for the defence of the Church of England, and urges the need of maintaining that organisation in full vitality.'

London D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference highly approves of the scheme of systematic Church Defence recommended by his Grace the Primate, and urges on all Churchmen the duty of carrying it out.'

Ely D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference protests against the Established Church (Wales) Bill, introduced by the late Government into the House of Commons, sympathises with the Welsh Dioceses which are more immediately the object of the present attack, and, recognising the duty of defence and the probability of continued or renewed attack, earnestly hopes that the organisation of this Diocese for Church Defence upon the Archbishops' scheme may speedily be completed, and that the Parochial and other Committees formed under the scheme will be maintained in a state of efficiency, whatever may be the immediate issue of the Bill now before Parliament.'

Hersford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That reform in the Church is necessary to enable her to meet the requirements of the present time, and that the Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee to report to the Conference at the next meeting as to the best way in which Reform can be carried out.' (2) 'That this Conference desires to renew its protest against any scheme for the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church in England or Wales.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is of primary importance that the Church should use every endeavour to obtain such a measure of re-adjustment of her relationship to Parliament as shall restore to her her ancient freedom of legislation in matters concerning her own members, "without the intermeddling of any exterior person or persons," subject only to the rightful supremacy of the Crown, and to the Veto of Parliament on any Acts requiring to be made Statute Law.'

Llandaff D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference records its satisfaction at the increased support accorded to those candidates at the last General Election who were opposed to the Bill for the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church in Wales and Monmouthshire, and as it believes that this result is largely due to the spread of information concerning the position and claims of the Church, and to the conviction that disastrous consequences would have followed the passing of the above measure, it urges upon all Churchpeople the duty of maintaining and extending the system of Parochial Committees and other organisations calculated to disseminate fuller information upon all subjects and measures which affect the Church, both in the direction of internal reform and external defence.' (2)

'That this Conference fully recognises the importance of a careful watch being kept on all proposed legislation affecting the Church, and rejoices that loyal Churchmen in the House of Commons have banded themselves together to effect this purpose.'

Peterborough D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, believing that the property of the Church of England is held in trust for the promotion of the worship of Almighty God, and that the work of her Ministers is of inestimable value to the nation, deprecates the alienation of ecclesiastical revenues to secular purposes, and the repudiation of religion by the State; this Conference further trusts that Churchmen will labour to explain to all the importance of the issues at stake in proposals for Disestablishment and Disendowment, and for this purpose heartily welcomes the efforts now being made by the Church Defence Institution and Central Church Committee.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference, the Clergy and Laity of the Church of England should take advantage of the period of cessation from Parliamentary attack, which is likely to follow the recent General Election, to instruct the members of the Church in her history and claims, and in every possible way to strengthen the organisation for Church Defence.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church in Wales would be a national calamity, an injury to the poor, and an injustice to the Church, and that petitions against the Bill be sent from the Synod to both Houses of Parliament.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That in the opinion of this Conference the present time is most opportune for pressing the urgent necessity of Church Reform on the attention of Her Majesty's Government.' (2) 'That the work of the Archbishops' Central Church Committee deserves the active and permanent support of every parish, and that the best thanks of Churchmen are due to them, and to the Church Defence Institution, for its strenuous and successful labours in the defence of the Church for the last twenty-five years.'

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1895.—Resolved: 'That this House renews its solemn protest against the threatened dismemberment of the Church of England, and its Disestablishment and Disendowment in Wales and Monmouthshire; and having already, in April last, unanimously resolved that such a measure ought to be resisted by the whole strength of the Church of England, it gratefully acknowledges, and expresses its hearty concurrence in, the measures taken with that view by the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces.'

House of Laymen, York, 1895.—Resolved: 'That this House renews its solemn protest against the proposed dismemberment of the Church in Wales and Monmouthshire; and having already, in March last, unanimously resolved that the "threatened Disestablishment and Disendowment of an integral part of the Church of England should be resisted in every possible way," it gratefully acknowledges and expresses its hearty concurrence in the measures taken with that view by the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces. It further recommends public meetings to be held in various towns of the Province.'

Central Council, 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That in questions touching the national status, endowments, and work of the Church of England, this Council urges upon all Churchmen, whether electors or Members of Parliament, to put the Church—the interests of the Church—before party politics.' (2) 'That this Council protests against the Government measure for the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church in Wales, and recommends that the most energetic support be given to the organisations now formed for opposing all efforts to dissolve the present union of Church and State, or to apply to secular uses the endowments and property of the Church.'

Amalgamated Church Defence Institute and Central Church Defence Committee.

The several Diocesan Conferences assembling in 1896 unanimously passed the following Resolution: 'That this Conference approves of the objects and methods of the Amalgamated Central Church Committee and Church Defence Institution, and pledges itself to do its utmost to support them, and resolves to complete the Diocesan, Ruri-decanal, and Parochial Committees of the Diocese.'

Church Reform.

Liverpool D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That Church Reform will be best secured by building upon the old lines of the Church's constitution, and adapting that constitution to the wants of the present day.' Rider agreed to: 'That this Conference is of opinion that our present system of Church patronage requires amendment, and recommends the addition of some form of a representative character.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the "principles of Church Reform" advocated by the Church Reform League demand the earnest consideration of all Churchmen of the Diocese, Clergy and Laity, and the Conference refer them to the Church Defence and Church Reform Committee for consideration and report.'

24. REFORM OF CONVOCATION.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 434.

Chester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference requests the Lord Bishop and the Proctors of the Clergy to make known to his Upper and Lower Houses respectively of the Convocation of York its strong conviction that the time has arrived when (a) the Representation of the Clergy in Convocation should be amended by the extension of the right to vote in the election of proctors, to unbeneficed priests licensed in the Diocese, and by an increase in the number of proctors for the Clergy in proportion to the size of the Diocese; and when (b) with a view to the more effective consideration of matters affecting the welfare of the Church, steps should be taken to procure the combined Synodal action of the Convocations of the two Provinces.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Diocesan Conference, having regard to the present defective character of Convocation as a representative body, would recommend—(1) That the number of elected Proctors of the Clergy should be largely increased, and that the electoral areas should be Archidiaconal instead of Diocesan. (2) That all licensed priests should be electors.'

Rochester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Conference views with satisfaction the renewed effort of the Lower House of Convocation of the Province of Canterbury to obtain its reform.'

St. Albans D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it was of the utmost importance that the number of Clergy Proctors in Convocation should be increased; that the franchise should be extended to unbeneficed Clergy in Priests' Orders of five years' standing serving under the Bishop's Licence; and that pending these reforms the method of electing Proctors should be simplified.'

25. CHURCH PATRONAGE.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 434.

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House regards with satisfaction the introduction into Parliament in the present session of a Bill to amend the law of Church Patronage.' (2) 'That in respect to clause 1 (3) (a) and (b) of this Bill, this House fears that the period of four years, after which the resale of a right of patronage would be permitted, may be found inadequate to prevent the evils arising from repeated sales of the same right of patronage.' (3) 'That in respect of clause 11, the House would greatly prefer the clause of the Bill of 1893 to the clause as it stands in the present Bill.' (4) 'That the Prolocutor be requested to convey the foregoing Report and Resolutions to the Upper House, with the prayer that their lordships would endeavour to secure an extension of the interval between the purchase and subsequent sale of a right of patronage.'

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this House generally approves the Church Patronage Bill now before the House of Commons.' (2) 'That a Committee be appointed with a view of suggesting a means, under proper safeguards, of getting rid of incumbents whose continuance in their cures is, through their own grave fault or incompetence, injurious to the spiritual welfare of the parish.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference gives a general approval to the provisions of the Church Patronage Bill, introduced into the House of Commons during the session of 1894, provided that the just claims of the owners of advowsons are duly recognised and adequately preserved.'

Wakefield D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference respectfully suggests to the promoters of the Church Patronage Bill that it will be desirable to form a Patronage Board in every Diocese, partly composed of laymen, in whose hands the appointments under the provisions of the Bill may, with advantage, be placed.'

Worcester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, while approving of the principle of placing a restriction on the sale of advowsons, is of opinion that the indiscriminate abolition of the sale of advowsons would inflict hardship upon many, and would do little to relieve the many grave scandals from which the Church is suffering.'

York Convocation U.H. 1894.—Resolved: 'That provision should be made in the Church Patronage Bill forbidding the sale of advowsons by public auction. That purchasers of advowsons appendant should be exempted from the restrictions of clause 1, 2 (a). That purchasers, being public patrons, without power of sale, should be similarly exempted.'

Bath and Wells D.O. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Conference generally approves of the Archbishop's Church Patronage Bill.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That in order to increase the efficiency of the Parochial Clergy, it is desirable that the Bishop should have extended power to refuse to institute a person unfitted by physical infirmity or immoral character to a benefice, and the parishioners should have due opportunity of raising objections to such appointment; the Bishop to be sole judge of the validity of such objections.' *Rider.*—'That the sale of next presentations be forbidden by law, and that the Bishop be made a party to all sales of advowsons, with a power of veto in due cause shown.' (2) 'That it is desirable to extend the principle of the Act 26 and 27 Victoria, c. 120 (for the transfer of patronage from the Lord Chancellor to private individuals in consideration of increasing the endowments of livings) to all livings in the Patronage of the Crown and the Duchy of Lancaster.'

Llandaff D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, regarding Church Patronage as a solemn trust, and being of opinion that larger powers should be given to the Bishops, approves generally of the Church Patronage Bill (H.L.) 1895, and of that part of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Bill (H.C.) 1895, which relates to Patronage.'

London D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference generally approves of the Church Patronage Bill introduced by the Archbishop of Canterbury into the House of Lords, and hopes that it may speedily become law.'

Manchester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to express its general approval of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Church Patronage Bill, and its hope that it may speedily pass into law.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Conference recommends that the Patronage Bill, introduced by the Archbishop of Canterbury, be amended by rendering illegal bonds of resignation, and that 9 George IV. cap. 94 be repealed.' (2) 'That the Conference desires to see both the Church Patronage Bills passed into law, but considers that any compulsory retirement of an incumbent, as contemplated by one of the Bills, demands the provision of an adequate pension from other sources than the income of the benefice, where that income, when reduced, would be insufficient for the incumbent.' (3) 'That a Committee be appointed to consider the mode by which such pension should be provided.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference is deeply sensible of the need of some moderate scheme of Church Reform, on the lines of the two Church Bills before the last Parliament, and believes the present time to be opportune for passing into law some such measure.' *Rider.*—'The Conference is, however, of opinion that Church Patronage and the Amendment of the Pluralities Act should be dealt with in separate Bills, and that the grounds upon which the Bishop may refuse to institute a presentee should be clearly stated, as in the Archbishop's Bill.'

St. Asaph D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference expresses its hearty approval of the main provisions of the Church Patronage Bill, and expresses its earnest hope that the present Government may secure next Session the carrying into law of those main provisions.'

St. Davids D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it be an Instruction to the Committee on Church Defence and matters Parliamentary to examine and report to the Conference: (1) on the Patronage Bills of the Archbishop and of Mr. Hayes Fisher, the principle of both of which Bills has met with very considerable approval from the members of this Conference; and (2) on any other Church Reform that they may consider necessary.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That your Petitioners consider that the provisions of the Church Patronage Bill, introduced by the Archbishop of Canterbury, will be beneficial to the Church. They therefore pray your (Right) Honourable House to assent to this Bill.' (2) 'That your Petitioners are in favour of the "Bill to amend the Law respecting the exercise of Church Patronage, and the avoidance of Benefices, and to further amend the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act," believing that it will give to Bishops power that under special circumstances they require. They therefore humbly pray your (Right) Honourable House to assent to this Bill.'

Southwell D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That effective means be provided for consulting the parishioners upon these subjects.'

York D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference, whilst earnestly desiring to reform abuses dealt with in the Church Patronage Bill, is of opinion that many provisions of the Bill are defective, and deprecates the Bill being passed in its present form.' (2) 'That in all cases involving the refusal to institute a clergyman to a benefice, the inhibition of an incumbent who is unable or unwilling competently to discharge the cure of souls in his parish, the avoidance of a benefice on account of bankruptcy or insolvency, or the compulsory resignation of a benefice, the clergyman proceeded against shall have a right to demand that all questions of fact shall be determined by a jury consisting of twelve beneficed clergymen of the Diocese to which the benefice or parish in question belongs, presided over by the Bishop, assisted by a legal assessor, who shall be a barrister of not less than seven years' standing.'

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this House, having taken into consideration the Church Patronage Bill sent down from the Upper House, approves generally of the Bill, but desires to call attention to the following points:—(1) "That the marginal title of clause 4 does not appear to be borne out by the words of that clause." (2) "That the concluding words of clause 6, taken together with clause 13, sub-section 3, seem to enable parishioners to raise questions of doctrine in their representation to the Bishop, and that it would be advisable to insert, after the word 'ground' at the end of clause 6, the words 'mentioned in the following clause 7, 1 (b).'" (3) "That, to the regret of the House, it is proposed to maintain the law as it at present stands in regard to Bonds of Resignation." (4) "That the definition of a public patron includes any university or college, which seems to introduce a principle that persons or bodies which have the power of sale should be treated as public patrons."'

26. CHURCH ENDOWMENTS—PROPERTY—CHURCH TRUSTS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 420.

Gloucester and Bristol D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to appoint in the Diocese a body of Trustees by name, who will be capable of holding property, whether personal or real, in trust for Church purposes within the Diocese, with powers of mortgage, sale, or exchange, and such other powers as may be necessary without contravening the Mortmain and Charitable Purposes Act of 1888; and that a small Committee be nominated by the Conference, with powers to proceed to the appointment of Trustees.'

London D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the Conference learns with regret that the scope of the Incorporated Trustees of the Bishop of London's Fund cannot be extended so as to enable them to hold funds and property for all purposes in connection with the material as well as the spiritual work of the Church, and the Conference urges upon the Executive Committee of the Fund to establish and associate with the Fund a separate Trust Corporation to supply the want which the Trustees of the Fund are unable to meet.'

Norwich D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is advisable that conveyances of land and buildings for mission and parish rooms should be made to ordinary trustees by deed enrolled under the Mortmain and Charitable Trusts Act, 1888; and that personal property to be given for the ecclesiastical purposes of a parish should be vested in trustees appointed under the ninth section of the Compulsory Church Rate Abolition Act, 1868.'

Ripon D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to consider the reconstruction of Diocesan Finance, and the desirability of the creation of Diocesan Trusts, and to report to the next Conference.'

Rochester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference is of opinion that a body of three should be constituted, in such legal form as may be found desirable, to which body gifts of sites and money for diocesan and parochial purposes may be conveyed.' (2) 'That, as regards existing charities, only the legal estate shall be vested in such body, but that there is no objection to their taking the management also of any new charities if their founders desire them to do so.'

Bath and Wells D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is expedient that a Church Trust be constituted to hold real and personal property in the Diocese; and that it be referred to the Bishop, with the Dean and Chapter and the Proctors in Convocation, to select the form of Church Trust to be adopted in the Diocese, and that the Bishop be empowered to appoint the trustees, and that the Trust be constituted without delay.'

Canterbury D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that a body of Trustees be appointed for this Diocese, capable of holding property whether personal or real in trust for Church purposes, and that the Archbishop is hereby requested to nominate a Committee to report to him upon the form which such a trust should take, and upon the receipt of their report to take steps, if he sees fit to do so, to establish such a body of Trustees.'

Llandaff D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the provision of suitable endowments is the best method of securing the permanent efficiency of religious work and ministrations, and should accompany as far as possible every movement of Church Extension.'

London D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, in continuation of the resolution on the subject of a Diocesan Trust passed last year, urges the Executive Committee of the Bishop of London's Fund further to consider the question of a Diocesan Trust for holding lands and property for all purposes in connection with the material, as well as the spiritual work of the Church; that a copy of the above resolution be sent to the Secretary of the Bishop of London's Fund; and that a Committee of the Conference be appointed to hold communications with the Executive Committee of the Bishop of London's Fund on the subject.'

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the question of the repair of Church property in the parishes of the Diocese other than Parsonage Houses and Schools by means of an Insurance Fund.' (2) 'That his Conference approves of the proposed Diocesan Trust, and requests the Bishop to at once take the necessary steps to constitute the same.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that every parish should possess registers and inventories of all ecclesiastical property therein, corrected to the present time, and that the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to take such steps as he may deem fit for furthering this object.'

York D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed by the Conference, with His Grace the Archbishop as chairman, to consider and determine on the best form of Church Trust for this Diocese.'

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is not desirable under present circumstances to apply to Parliament for powers for the incorporation of trustees capable of holding Church property, apart from churches and schools.' (2) 'That it is desirable to appoint in each Diocese a body of trustees by name, who shall be capable of holding property, whether personal or real, in trust for Church purposes within the Diocese, with power of mortgage, sale, and exchange, and such other powers as may be necessary without contravening the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Act of 1888.' (3) 'That the number of such trustees (with power to fill vacancies) should be large enough to obviate frequent changes in their body.' (4) 'That the Prolocutor be requested to take these resolutions to the Upper House.'

York Convocation L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That the report of the Committee on Church Trusts be received.' (2) 'That it is expedient that a body of Trustees shall be appointed in every parish where any property, either real or personal, is or shall be given for Church purposes; that such Trustees shall be appointed by name; that it be provided in the Trust Deed that the Bishop shall have the sole power of appointing new trustees; that such trustees shall hold all property, whether real or personal, that may be bequeathed or conveyed to them for the purposes named in the Will or Deed of Conveyance; and that such trustees shall have power of mortgage, sale and exchange, and all such powers as may be necessary without contravening the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Act of 1888.' (3) 'That it be left to each Diocese to determine whether it be expedient to appoint a body of Trustees in the Diocese, as recommended for Parochial Trusts in resolution number two, or to constitute a Diocesan Trust Body capable of (a) holding and (b), where so desired, of managing, and (c), where so further desired, of administering, real and personal property for religious and charitable purposes in connection with the Church of England.' (4) 'That this House respectfully suggests to their Lordships the Bishops that they should cause inquiries to be made in their respective Dioceses as to the tenure of Church property, both real and personal (other than churches, churchyards, and glebe houses), and more especially of land, mission rooms and parish rooms, with the view of ascertaining how far the conveyance of the same has been duly effected, and how far the tenure of the same is legal, in order that steps may be taken to render the tenure secure in any case where it may be found that doubt exists.'

House of Laymen, York, 1895.—Resolved: 'That, having considered Mr. Darwin's motion relative to the alteration of the law with reference to the formation of Church trusts, this House desires to express its opinion that it is extremely desirable that some such trusts should be formed in each Diocese of the Northern Province where such trusts do not at present exist.'

Winchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable to appoint in this Diocese a body of Trustees by name, who shall be capable of holding property, whether personal or real, in trust for Church purposes within the Diocese, with power of mortgage, sale, and exchange, and such other powers as may be necessary, without contravening the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Act of 1888.'

27. CLERICAL INCOMES—PENSIONS—SUSTENTATION FUND.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 421.

Chichester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that in each parish the Laity should have the opportunity of contributing towards the income of the Clergy; that a good opportunity for doing this would be afforded by the Easter offerings; and that the very serious and widespread diminution in the value of benefices is of such pressing gravity to the Church and the people, as can only be adequately remedied by some large scheme of a national character.'

Lichfield D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee to inquire into the number of parishes in the Diocese which are in urgent need of an augmentation of their endowments, and to report to the Council.'

Lincoln D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That through the increased poverty of the Clergy of this Diocese, an effort should be made for their immediate relief through a separate additional branch of the existing Association for the Augmentation of the poor Benefices of our Diocese, and it is further desirable in the interests of the parishes as well as of the parochial Clergy, to modify the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act of 1885.'

Llandaff D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference respectfully requests the Bishop to appoint a Committee whose duty it shall be: (a) To collect and administer a fund for the augmentation of inadequately endowed benefices, viz. of benefices with a population exceeding 300, the net annual income of which is less than 200*l.* with a house, or 250*l.* without a house; (b) In the case of inadequately endowed benefices with a population not exceeding 300, to endeavour, where desirable, to procure the linking of such a benefice with another benefice.'

London D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to consider and report on the best means of mitigating the evils arising from the impoverishment of so many of the Clergy.'

Norwich D.C. 1893.—Resolved: (1) 'That the present state of Clerical incomes calls for the earnest consideration of the Church throughout the country, and that a Committee be appointed to consider the subject as it affects our own Diocese.' (2) 'That a Committee be appointed to consider and report on the great need which exists for establishing some plan whereby old-age pensions may be secured for the Clergy on retirement from active work.'

Oxford D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the decrease in the ecclesiastical income of the Clergy is a danger to the interests of the Church as an organised body, and should be met at once by remedial measures.'

Peterborough D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the impoverishment of the Clergy caused by the fall in value of agricultural rents and tithe rent-charge imposes on the Laity the duty of making fresh efforts for their annual maintenance.' (2) 'That over and above the efforts which is now being made by the Diocesan Association for the Augmentation of Endowments of poor Benefices, it is desirable that a Diocesan Sustentation Fund should be at once started out of which annual grants might be made in augmentation of impoverished benefices.' (3) 'That the Clergy Distress Fund inaugurated by the Corporation of the Sons of the Clergy affords the best means of dealing with the relief of cases of individual distress.' (4) 'That the Diocesan Association, one of whose chief objects is the collection of funds for the augmentation of poor benefices, is worthy of far greater support than is at present accorded to it by the Laity of the Diocese.' To this a rider was added 'that, for the purpose of affording immediate relief in cases of Clerical distress, this Conference recommends every parish to adopt the ancient custom of Easter offerings.'

Rochester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, the present mode of parochial affiliation—i.e. systematic annual help rendered by wealthy to poor parishes—might be further developed to the great advantage of the Church in the Diocese and without prejudice to Diocesan societies or funds, and that the matter be referred to a Committee for consideration.'

St. Albans D.C. 1893.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference, in sympathising with the Clergy in their straitened circumstances, and while trusting that the Legislature may find a way to reduce the heavy burdens on land, urges those more wealthy Churchmen and Clergymen not so crippled by agricultural depression to help in this hour of need the increased spiritual wants of this Diocese.' (2) 'And that, in view of the growing needs of the Clergy this Conference recommends a general revival of the weekly offertory and Easter offerings, the establishment of a Diocesan Sustentation Fund, the wise union of the small benefices of small parishes, and the greater use of the system of Lay Helpers.'

Clerical Incomes—Sustentation Fund. 435

Salisbury D.S. 1893.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is expedient that a fund should be raised in aid of reduced Clerical incomes.' (2) 'That a Committee be appointed to report to the Bishop as speedily as possible on special cases, and on the best way of meeting the present distress, and of administering the fund so to be raised in the Diocese.'

Southwell D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, it is desirable that an effort should be made to raise funds for the augmentation of the more poorly endowed livings of the Diocese, and that such efforts should, where practicable, be made by each Rural Deanery on behalf of the poor benefices within its own borders.'

Winchester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the present and serious impoverishment of benefices claims the earnest consideration of the Diocese, and that a Committee be appointed to report, through the Bishop, to the next meeting of Conference methods by which such impoverishment may be most wisely alleviated.'

Bangor D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That one of the pressing needs of the Church at the present time is the creation of a fund for the augmentation of the seriously diminished incomes of the Clergy.'

Chester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is neither just nor equitable to the Clergy and others that local rates should be levied exclusively from one description of property—viz. house and land, including tithe rent-charge.'

Exeter D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it is expedient to open at once a Special Poor Benefice Fund for this Diocese, in connection with "The Church of England Incumbents Sustentation Fund." That the Lord Bishop be requested to issue an appeal for this Fund.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That while the extension of legal powers for the removal of infirm, inefficient, or unsuitable Clergy is desirable, the creation of a satisfactory scheme of adequate pensions (on the lines of the Clergy Pensions Institution) to be derived from the compulsory contributions of the Clergy, from funds provided by parochial offerings, from existing Clergy Charities, and from voluntary donations, will greatly promote this object.' (2) 'That the position of Assistant Curates of long-standing deserves consideration, and that the subject be referred to the Committee appointed to consider a scheme for the retirement of the aged and infirm Clergy.'

London D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is the duty of every adult member of the Church to contribute individually towards the support of the Clergy; and that, with a view to providing all the Clergy with an adequate income, a General Clergy Sustentation Scheme should be framed, and a general fund established, to which Church people of all classes and all degrees of income shall be expected to contribute; that reforms in Church Patronage and the tenure of livings ought to accompany the carrying out of the scheme, and that the vested rights of the Clergy under the present system of Church Patronage and the tenure of livings ought not to confer any vested right to continuous participation in the benefits of the scheme; and that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Houses of Convocation and the Houses of Laymen of Canterbury and York, with a request that they will take the matter to speedy consideration, and draw up a scheme of sustentation for the Church.' (2) 'That a superannuation of the aged Clergy ought to be provided for, and that the Clergy Pensions Institution affords an advantageous means of carrying out this superannuation.'

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the depreciation of the ecclesiastical income of the Clergy has become an increasing hindrance to the extension of the work of the Church, and that an effort should be made by Church people to remedy the mischief.'

St. Albans D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That as Her Majesty's Government seems to be anxious of taking steps to lighten the burdens upon the land, this Conference desires to call for attention to the increasing poverty of the rural Clergy, occasioned by the low price of land and the unequal pressure of taxation upon Clerical incomes.' (2) 'That it is desirable that a Fund be formed in this Diocese, raised by offerings and subscriptions, for the purpose of raising the Incomes of Beneficed Clergy to a minimum of 200*l.* per annum; at least half contributions to the Fund to be capitalised. The Fund to be managed by the Bishop and a selected Council, Lay and Clerical, in equal numbers.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in any Scheme which the Government may adopt for amelioration of the present grave agricultural distress, consideration shall be given to the great incidence of the Poor Rate on those incumbents who derive their incomes from rent-charge in lieu of tithes.'

Clergy Sustentation Fund.

Canterbury D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference heartily approves the newly established Clergy Sustentation Fund for the Provinces of Canterbury and York, and is of opinion that three representatives from the Diocese should be elected to the Board of the Fund.'

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London D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to investigate the subject of Clerical Charities, and the Augmentation of Stipends, and to recommend a scheme for the concentration of the same.'

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Bath and Wells D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Diocesan Conference approve generally the Clergy Sustentation Fund for the two Provinces of Canterbury and York, and the desirability of selecting three Laymen to represent the Diocese on the governing body of the Fund.' It was further resolved 'That each Parish should be asked to have a collection, at least once a year, on behalf of the Fund.'

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Manchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is the duty of every adult member of the Church to contribute individually towards the support of the Clergy.' (2) 'That the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be requested to form, in consultation with such members of the Conference as he may think fit, a Diocesan Branch of the Clergy Sustentation Fund, to collect contributions for the benefit of the Diocese and for the General Fund according to the wish of the donors, or at the discretion of the Committee of the Branch, where no such wish is expressed.'

Newcastle D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to consider the advisability of forming a Diocesan Fund for the Sustentation of the Clergy affiliated to the Central Fund for the Provinces of Canterbury and York, and further to consider in connection therewith the position of the various Diocesan agencies for assisting the Clergy with a view to their being worked in connection with this Diocesan Fund so as to produce the best result, and that the Committee be authorised to take such action as, with the approval of the Bishop, they may determine on.'

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Worcester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Standing Committee of the Diocesan Conference be requested to put themselves in communication with the Poor Clergy Relief Fund or other Diocesan Funds with kindred objects, to consider the desirability of the affiliation of such Diocesan organisation with the Clergy Sustentation Fund.'

Amalgamation of Benefices—Incumbents' Resignation—Sequestration.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 422.

Norwich D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it be referred to the Standing Committee on Union of Parishes and Augmentation of Small Livings to inquire what steps should be taken to increase the fund for the augmentation of livings, and to consult with the Committee of the Diocesan Fund on the subject.'

Norwich D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That a scheme of Clergy Pensions in alliance with the Clergy Pensions Institution be adopted in this Diocese; that a Committee be appointed to bring this scheme in operation at once; that to draw attention to the subject, the Bishop be respectfully requested to put it before the Ruridecanal Chapters as a subject for discussion; and that it be an instruction to the Committee to consider whether the Diocesan Charities could assist a scheme of Aided Life Assurance, and to what extent.' (2) 'That a Committee be appointed and instructed to take immediate action with a view to carrying out the recommendations of the Report on Clerical Incomes; that in the opinion of this Conference the time has come for the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces to bring before the nation the poverty, increasing and poignant, of the Clergy of the Church of England; and that this Conference respectfully asks the Bishop of the Diocese to lay the resolution and the rider before the House of Bishops.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That in the opinion of this Conference it would be just and desirable that a fixed proportion of Bishop Phillpotts' Church Endowment Fund should be allotted to the Diocese of Truro, to be expended by that Diocese at its discretion, and also that the Diocese of Truro should have a proportionate share in any other endowment belonging to the old Diocese of Exeter, to which it could prefer a just claim.' (2) 'That the

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Truro D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Clergy Sustentation Fund for the two Provinces of Canterbury and York deserves the earnest support of all Churchmen, and that steps should be taken to support it in this Diocese.'

Wakefield D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference would put on record its gratitude to the promoters of the Clergy Sustentation Fund, its conviction of the urgency of such a movement for the well-being of the Church, and its readiness to establish a Diocesan Branch of the Fund. Also that the Bishop be requested to nominate three representatives of the Diocese upon the Central Committee.'

Worcester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Standing Committee of the Diocesan Conference be requested to put themselves in communication with the Poor Clergy Relief Fund or other Diocesan Funds with kindred objects, to consider the desirability of the affiliation of such Diocesan organisation with the Clergy Sustentation Fund.'

Amalgamation of Benefices—Incumbents' Resignation—Sequestration.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 422.

Norwich D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it be referred to the Standing Committee on Union of Parishes and Augmentation of Small Livings to inquire what steps should be taken to increase the fund for the augmentation of livings, and to consult with the Committee of the Diocesan Fund on the subject.'

Norwich D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That a scheme of Clergy Pensions in alliance with the Clergy Pensions Institution be adopted in this Diocese; that a Committee be appointed to bring this scheme in operation at once; that to draw attention to the subject, the Bishop be respectfully requested to put it before the Ruridecanal Chapters as a subject for discussion; and that it be an instruction to the Committee to consider whether the Diocesan Charities could assist a scheme of Aided Life Assurance, and to what extent.' (2) 'That a Committee be appointed and instructed to take immediate action with a view to carrying out the recommendations of the Report on Clerical Incomes; that in the opinion of this Conference the time has come for the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces to bring before the nation the poverty, increasing and poignant, of the Clergy of the Church of England; and that this Conference respectfully asks the Bishop of the Diocese to lay the resolution and the rider before the House of Bishops.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That in the opinion of this Conference it would be just and desirable that a fixed proportion of Bishop Phillpotts' Church Endowment Fund should be allotted to the Diocese of Truro, to be expended by that Diocese at its discretion, and also that the Diocese of Truro should have a proportionate share in any other endowment of the Diocese of Exeter, to which it could prefer a just claim.' (2) 'That the

Committee of the Cornwall Clergy Fund for Aided Life Insurance and Clergy Pensions and kindred Committees be convened before the next Diocesan Conference, to consider whether any scheme can be proposed to assist poor Clergy, and to encourage them to make provision for themselves and their families.

Rochester D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That further facilities be provided for promoting the union of parishes both in towns and in the country.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is desirable that section 4 of the Incumbents' Resignation Act of 1887 be repealed.' (2) 'That the Commissioners appointed under the Acts of 1871 and 1887 should in every case be required to state in their return whether, having regard to the chief sources of the income of the benefice, the awarded pension should be unalterable, or alterable according to the provisions of a further amending Act.' (3) 'That in any case in which the net annual value of a benefice charged, after the passing of the Act, with an alterable pension has become reduced, or increased by one-fourth of its value since the pension was awarded, it should be competent for the present or retired Incumbent to apply to the Bishop for a readjustment of the pension, such readjustment, if made, to continue unalterable for a period of five years.' (4) 'That for the purpose of readjustment of an alterable pension the Bishop should be empowered, if he think fit, to issue a Commission similarly constituted and with similar powers to that which he now issues in cases of resignation under these Acts.' (5) 'That section 11 of the Act of 1871 and section 5 of the Act of 1887 should be amended, so as to define the "net annual value," in reference to which the pension is fixed, to be the value of the benefice at the time of the Incumbent's resignation.' (6) 'That provision should be made enabling the holder of a pension legally to surrender it, with the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese.'

York Convocation L.H. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Report of the Committee on the Incumbents' Resignation Act, which was received last session, be adopted by this House.' (2) 'That besides permanent illness, old age, and inability (physical or mental) to serve the particular cure should be admitted as good reasons for a beneficed Clergyman to seek honourable retirement.' (3) 'That a Clergyman so retiring, after serving his cure for not less than seven years, ought to be assured of a pension of not more than one-third, and not less than one-fourth, of the net annual income of the benefice, after the usual deductions have been made; subject to the regulation as to limits of pension contained in the Incumbents' Resignation Act Amendment Act of 1887.' (4) 'That the pension so awarded should be regarded as pensions in other professions are, and that by consequence, in any amended Act, the private means of the retiring Incumbent should not be taken into consideration.' (5) 'That the Resignation Act Amendment Act should be amended with reference to section 4, in order to limit the application of that section to so much only of the income of the vacated benefice as is derived from the tithe rent-charge. As a general principle, it is thought desirable that the pension should be, not a fixed charge, but a sum proportioned always to the value of the benefice. It might be a matter of irksome labour to prove this every year, except in respect of tithe rent-charge. But the Committee are of opinion that the outgoing Incumbent or the holder of the benefice should either of them be entitled to demand a re-valuation of the income at the end of any term, not being less than three years; and that, on proof of alteration in value, the amount of pension should be amended accordingly.' (6) 'That in cases where the outgoing Incumbent or patron is dissatisfied with the award of the Commissioners, an appeal should lie to the Bishop sitting with his Chancellor to readjust the same.' (7) 'That provision should be made enabling the holder of a pension legally to surrender it with the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese.'

Winchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to consider the state of the law with reference to the Sequestration of Benefices, and to report to the Bishop.'

28. CLERGY DISCIPLINE.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1895, p. 424.

Hereford D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to express its full approval of the Clergy Discipline and the Pluralities Acts, and believes that they will prove conducive to the best interests of the Church.'

Lichfield D.C. 1892.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference approves generally of the Clergy Moral Discipline Bill now submitted to Parliament, but it would like to see the words "immoral conduct" substituted for "immoral misconduct or immoral habit," in Clause 2, line 4, and also the period during which a complaint for an offence can be made limited to three years instead of five, in Clause 4.' (2) 'That a copy of the resolution passed by the Conference be forwarded to the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P., who has charge of the Bill in the House of Commons.'

London D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, while fully recognising the importance of passing the Clergy Discipline Bill now before Parliament, is of opinion that the Bill presents a specially favourable opportunity to the Church of asserting her right to proceed by synodical action in proposing new legislation.'

Norwich D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the principles of the Clergy Discipline Bill, now before Parliament, are deserving of the support of Churchmen.'

Winchester D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the President of this Conference be authorised and requested to sign a petition to the House of Commons in the name of the Conference, praying that the Clergy Discipline (Immorality) Bill may as speedily as possible become law.'

Rochester D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the powers of the Clergy Discipline Act be extended, so that the Bishops should have power, with the consent of their assessors, to remove inefficient incumbents from their cures.'

The Benefice Bill of 1896.

Chichester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is in the best interests of the Church that the sale and transfer of private patronage should be limited in the manner proposed by the Benefices Bill, 1896; and that the Bishops should have the power to refuse to institute a presentee, and to inhibit an incumbent upon the grounds mentioned in the Bill subject to the safeguards provided by it.'

Ely D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference, believing that the provisions of the Benefices Bill are favourable to the best interests of the Church, desires that it may pass into law.' (2) 'That the wording of section 8 (1) (b), in which some of the grounds which entitle a Bishop to refuse to institute are set forth, requires more careful consideration.'

Exeter D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference earnestly hopes that her Majesty's Government will next year introduce a Bill for the Reform of Church Patronage, and desires to express a strong conviction of the urgency of such a measure in the interests of the Church of England.'

London D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference approves generally of the Benefices Bill, and welcoming the amendments introduced in Committee, earnestly hopes that it will become law during the present year.'

Norwich D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is for the advantage of the Church that the Benefices Bill, which has been read a second time in the House of Commons, should, with some alterations in details, become law.'

Winchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that further limitations be placed to the present system whereby a Beneficed Clergyman holds his incumbency for life.'

Ecclesiastical Courts.

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1892.—Resolved: 'That this House is glad to hear that the Government proposes to introduce a Bill for the purpose of dealing with Criminous Clerks, and trusts that the procedure provided by it will be of such a character as, consistently with constitutional principle, will meet with the general approval of Churchmen.'

House of Laymen, York, 1892.—Resolved: 'That this House cordially approves of the principle of the Clergy Discipline (Immorality) Bill, now before Parliament, and trusts that the Bill may be passed in the course of the present session. And rejoices to hear from the Archbishop that it is proposed to apply to the Crown for licence to enact a Canon, in conformity with the Bill.'

York Convocation U.H. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this House cordially approves of the principle of the Clergy Discipline (Immorality) Bill, now before Parliament, and trusts that the Bill may be passed in the course of the present session.'

York Convocation, L.H. 1892.—Resolved: 'That this House cordially approves of the principle of the Clergy Discipline (Immorality) Bill, now before Parliament, and trusts that the Bill may be passed in the course of the present session; but requests his Grace the President and the Upper House to take the foregoing Report into their consideration, and to endeavour to secure such alterations in the Bill as their Lordships hold to be expedient.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference measures affecting the internal discipline and order of the Church should be originated, under Royal Licence, by the Upper and Lower Houses of both Convocations, and afterwards approved by Parliament, in matters required to be made statute law, in accordance with the provisions of the late Bishop of London's Bill on the subject.'

Exchange of Benefices—Tithes.

York D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That, in all cases involving a clergyman with a benefice, the inhibition of an incumbent who is unable or unwilling competently to discharge the cure of souls in his parish, the avoidance of a benefice on account of bankruptcy or insolvency, or the compulsory resignation of a benefice, the clergyman proceeded against shall have a right to demand that all questions of fact shall be determined by a jury consisting of twelve beneficed clergymen of the Diocese to which the benefice or parish in question belongs, presided over by the Bishop, assisted by a legal assessor, who shall be a barrister of not less than seven years' standing.'

23. FIRE INSURANCE.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 412.

Truro D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That the Conference would be grateful if steps could be taken by competent authority to ascertain the number of Churches and Mission Rooms in the Diocese in which (1) the Chancel, (2) the whole Church, (3) the Ornaments and Furniture are insured against Fire, and a return presented at the Conference in 1894.'

Dilapidations.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 412.

Norwich D.C. 1892.—Resolved: 'That the Dilapidations Act of 1871 require amendment, and that a Committee be appointed to consider the subject and to report.'

Salisbury D.S. 1892.—Resolved: 'That a Committee be appointed to consider the working of the Ecclesiastical Dilapidations Act.'

30. EXCHANGE OF BENEFICES.

Amalgamation of Small Parishes and Revision of Boundaries.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 413.

Norwich D.C. 1891.—Resolved: (1) 'That in the opinion of this Conference the Church in the Diocese is suffering serious loss in consequence of the large number of small parishes within it.' (2) 'That this Conference petition the Lord Bishop of the Diocese to issue a Commission—similar to the one already issued in Norwich—to inquire as to what alterations may best be made for ecclesiastical purposes with reference to the benefices within the Diocese (exclusive of Norwich), and to give his Lordship particular information concerning the benefices which, in the opinion of the Commission, may be altered with advantage to the interests of religion, such Commission to work in three separate sections, one for each Archdeaconry.'

St. Albans D.C. 1891.—Resolved: (1) 'That it is the duty of all Churchmen in a country village to make themselves acquainted with the hindrances of the Church work in their locality, and cordially to unite in minimising or removing them.' (2) 'That it would tend to lessen the difficulties of country parishes if, in cases where the population is scattered over a considerable area, more frequent use were made of the facilities existing for the consolidation of parishes, and for the redistribution of parochial boundaries for ecclesiastical purposes.'

Ripon D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That in rural districts it is desirable that full advantage should be taken of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, and that the limits should be forthwith widened, giving further facilities for the union of benefices.'

31. TITHES.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 413.

Lichfield D.C. 1891.—Resolved: (1) 'That the Tithe Act, 1891, is calculated to remove the more serious difficulties connected with the collection of Tithes.' (2) 'That while this Conference deprecates any tampering with the Tithe Settlement of 1836, it is of opinion that a return to the state of things existing before the commutation would not cause any pecuniary loss to the tithe-owners; and it is further of opinion that a redemption of the Tithe Rent-charge on equitable terms would be a still more desirable arrangement.' (3) 'That the redemption of the Tithe, unless with ruinous loss to the Clergy, can be accomplished only by the pious generosity of wealthy Churchmen.'

Truro D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That this Conference hopes that the Tithepayers will take into their consideration the hardship to the Clergy caused by any delay in the payment of the Tithe Rent-Charge, and that they will, if possible, pay it when due, or, if not, as soon as possible.' (2) 'That before any scheme is settled for the re-adjustment of Local and Imperial Taxation, the rates at present levied on Tithe Rent-Charge should be carefully considered.'

32. THE CHURCH HOUSE.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 415.

Ely D.C. 1891.—Resolved: 'That this Conference offers its thanks to Mr. Percy Crosse for his lucid explanation of the objects of the Church House, and cordially recommends it to the support of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese.'

Norwich D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to congratulate the Council of the Church House upon the steady progress of their great and useful undertaking, and hopes that sufficient funds may be raised by June 21, 1894, to complete the large central hall now building.'

33. DIOCESAN ORGANISATION.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1892, p. 438.

Southwell D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That it is essential for the strength of the Church that the claims of the Diocese on the parish be duly recognised and met.'

Truro D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That this Conference desires to press on the notice of each separate parish in the Diocese the obligation resting upon it to take a lively interest in the well-being of the Diocese at large, and to show its interest by organising more methods of bringing before the members of the Church in the parish the wants of the Diocese, and the plans proposed for providing for them.'

Llandaff D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That in the opinion of this Conference the time has come when the need of the Diocesan societies for more fully organised support is of paramount importance.' (2) 'That a Board of Finance be formed, whose duty it shall be to organise the finance of the Diocese, having special regard to the needs of the Diocesan societies.' (3) 'That the formation of such Board of Finance be entrusted to the Executive Committee of Conference.'

London D.C. 1896.—Resolved: (1) 'That the practice of allocating Sundays to certain Diocesan causes, and to the Missions of the Church, is advantageous, provided it be not allowed to become a burden to the Clergy and Laity.' (2) 'That it is desirable to adopt methods for the furthering of Church life in Rural Deaneries, particularly by forming Church workers of the Rural Deanery into a corporate body, so that united action may be possible in circumstances in which it may be deemed advisable.'

34. RURIDECANAL SYSTEM IN ITS GENERAL OPERATIONS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK, 1891, p. 430.

Rochester D.C. 1888.—Resolved: 'That this Conference approves the scheme of rural dean organisation suggested in the report of the Committee on the subject, desires to press the importance of creating greater interest in the election of parish representatives, and urges the formation of Standing Committees in the several Deaneries of the Diocese in order to carry out the scheme generally.'

35. PAROCHIAL COUNCILS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 416.

The Parish Councils Bill.

Canterbury D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference welcomes the Local Government Act of 1894 as capable of promoting the social and intellectual interests of rural populations.'

Carlisle D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference accepts the Act as a restoration of local self-government on a parochial basis, and earnestly advises the Clergy and Laity to assist in making it effective for the welfare of the rural districts.'

Ely D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference recognises the duty of all Churchmen, Clerical and Lay, to do all that they can, or may be permitted to do, in assisting to make the working of the Local Government Act, 1894, effective for the welfare of the country districts.'

Gloucester and Bristol D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference is of opinion that, as the Local Government Act (Parish Councils) has been passed into law, it becomes the duty, and is to the interest of all members of the Church, Clerical and Lay, to co-operate with their neighbours of all classes and denominations in promoting the usefulness and efficiency of the Act.'

Lincoln D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference cordially welcomes the Local Government Act, 1894 (Parish Councils), and believes that it may, under the Divine blessing, improve the civil government of each district and the condition of the people, becoming an important factor in the strengthening of mutual fellow feeling and the progress of definite practical religion.'

Newcastle D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, without expressing approval of each and every provision of the Local Government Act, 1894, welcomes the measure on the whole as a restoration of local self-government on a practical basis, and earnestly commends the Clergy and Churchmen generally to give their cordial assistance in making the Act effective for the welfare of the rural districts.'

Norwich D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the very considerable changes in parochial administration, which the new Local Government Act will introduce, require the most serious attention of the Clergy as well as Laymen, especially in the rural districts; and that the subject be referred to the Standing Committee on Matters Parliamentary on Ecclesiastical Questions, with power to obtain such information as will enable it to advise parochial Clergy and any Churchmen seeking information and advice.'

Oxford D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference welcomes the legislation of the Local Government Act of the present year as intended to promote the welfare of all classes of the agricultural population, and desires through its members to assist in establishing and utilising the new parochial institutions.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, whilst not expressing approval of each and every provision of the Local Government Act of 1894, loyally accepts the measure on the whole as a restoration and extension of local self-government on a parochial basis, and feels confident that the Clergy and Churchmen generally will assist in making it effective for the welfare of the rural districts.'

Winchester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is the wisdom and duty of Churchmen to lend their best assistance to carry out the provisions of the Local Government Act of 1894.'

Ecclesiastical Vestries and Parochial Councils.

York Convocation L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That the report of the Committee on Parochial Councils, presented November 8, 1893, be adopted.' (2) 'That, inasmuch as it appears that in populous parishes a voluntary Parochial Council is of great service in bringing the Clergy into closer touch with the people, and in interesting the Laity in the work of the Church, this House respectfully requests their lordships of the Upper House to take such steps as in their judgment shall seem expedient to promote the formation of such Councils.'

Ripon D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference pledges itself to take early action to establish Councils of Laymen in the Diocese for the purpose of fostering and encouraging lay opinion.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That the formation of Church Parochial Councils has, in consequence of recent legislation with regard to Local Government, become a matter of urgent necessity.' (2) 'That the Committee for Parochial Councils be asked to revise the rules for Church Parochial Councils, with the sanction of the Lord Bishop, and to take immediate action.'

Canterbury D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the future constitution of Church vestries and the qualifications of Churchwardens call for the careful and earnest consideration of the Church.'

Oxford D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That this Conference, while recognising the anomalies existing under the present law in the constitution of Church vestries and the qualifications of Churchwardens, is not prepared to accept the provisions of the measure introduced upon the subject into the House of Commons in February last.'

Peterborough D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That while recognising the existence of theoretical anomalies in the present system of vestries, this Conference considers the occasion inopportune for applying to Parliament for a remedy.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: 'That it be an instruction to the Parliamentary Committee to examine into the whole question of the constitution of ecclesiastical vestries, and to report to the Synod on the best steps to be taken for the legal regulation of such vestries, and the adaptation of their procedure to the changed circumstances.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That having regard to the limitation imposed by the Local Government Act, 1894, upon the functions of vestries, it is desirable that Churchmen should see the expediency of taking united action, with the view of having a simple and uniform constitution of ecclesiastical vestries in all ecclesiastical parishes and districts, whether ancient or statutory.'

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1894.—Resolved: 'That his Grace the President be respectfully requested to direct the appointment of a Committee to consider whether, owing to recent legislation, any change is now rendered desirable in the law relating to vestries and the election of Church officials, or to other matters in which it may appear that the interests of the Church have been affected.'

House of Laymen, Canterbury, 1894.—Resolved: 'That this House, while reaffirming the expediency of the amendments on the law as to ecclesiastical vestries and Churchwardens, approved by the House on November 3, 1893, considers that the withdrawal by the Bill of all secular business from the vestries of ancient parishes, and the provisions in the Bill for the subdivision of those parishes in certain cases, render it important that there should be enactments to the following effect in relation to parishes to which part 1 of the Bill applies: (a) That select vestries should be abolished; (b) That wherever, now or hereafter, the area of an ancient parish is not conterminous with the parochial area of ecclesiastical purposes, the vestry of the ancient parish should consist only of the inhabitants of the area ecclesiastically connected with the parish church of that parish.'

Canterbury Convocation U.H. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That, considering the confused condition of the law with regard to the constitution of vestries for Church purposes, especially since the Local Government Act, 1894, it is desirable for Churchmen to consider what steps should be taken to secure a simple and uniform constitution of ecclesiastical vestries in all ecclesiastical parishes and districts, whether ancient or statutory.' (2) 'That it is desirable that the obligations of churchwardens to maintain and repair Church burial-grounds should not be transferred to Parish Councils without the sanction of the Ordinary as well as that of the parochial Church authorities.' (3) 'That it is desirable that a full statement of all funds intrusted to Incumbents and churchwardens conjointly should be published annually for the information of parishioners.' *Supplementary:* (a) 'That the qualification for membership of a vestry should remain as at present.' (b) 'That a member of the vestry should have one vote only.' (c) 'That the *ex officio* chairmanship of the Incumbent should be retained, and a casting vote.' (d) 'That the method of election of churchwardens (one by the Incumbent and one by the vestry) should be provided for.' (e) 'That the qualification of a churchwarden should be the same as at present in any ancient parish.'

36. PAROCHIAL SYSTEM.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1892, p. 439; 1894, p. 442.

Salisbury D.S. 1892.—Resolved: 'That it be an instruction to the Spiritual Aid Board to be good enough to include in their next Report any scheme that they might think it possible to publish at the present time for the redistribution of the parishes in the Diocese, in accordance with the resolution carried in a former Synod.'

Liverpool D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'The position of the Church of England as the National Church—recognised by all alike—places pastoral visitation in the very forefront of her duty to the people, dowers her Clergy with a privilege of unique and inestimable value, and entails responsibilities of corresponding magnitude.'

37. CHURCH REGISTERS.

Oxford D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the Parochial Registers of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials are in the best custody when, as now, in the charge of the incumbent of the parish, and that so placed they are more accessible to those interested in their contents than they would be in any public depository.'

St. Albans D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That the Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee to inquire and report on the condition, preservation, transcription, and custody of Parish Registers and Records in the Diocese.'

38. OCCASIONAL SERVICES, ACT OF UNIFORMITY, &c.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1891, p. 431; 1893, p. 416.

Occasional Services, the Prayer Book, and Hymn Books.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 416.

Canterbury Convocation U.H. and L.H. 1894.—Resolved: (1) 'That the statistics presented by the Hymnal Committee exhibit an approximation towards a general use, which the House regards with satisfaction and thankfulness.' (2) 'That the House considers that a debt of gratitude is due to the editors and proprietors of *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, the *Hymnal Companion to the Book of Common Prayer*, and *Church Hymns* for the successful manner in which they have, to a great extent, met the wants of the Church.' (3) 'That this House does not deem it expedient, in existing circumstances, to take any steps which will tend to interfere with the liberty of Clergy and congregations in respect to the use of Hymns.'

York House of Laymen, 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this House, it is not desirable that steps should be taken to put forth an authorised Church Hymnal.'

Lichfield D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the Conference desires to express the hope that the Bishop of the Diocese will sanction a Form of Service for Rogation Days, such Service to include Prayers which may be used more generally than those in the Prayer Book for rain or fine weather, and also for God's blessing on the trades and manufactories of our towns.'

Llandaff D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference is of opinion that, although it may be desirable to have the sanction of authority for a form of shortened Service and for Prayers to be used on special occasions, it is unnecessary and undesirable to alter or interfere with the rubrics that now govern the order of the public worship of the Church.'

London D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference would be glad to see a general discontinuance of the forms of Service contained in the Schedule of the Act of Uniformity Amendment Act of 1872.'

Oxford D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That having regard as well to the history of the Prayer Book as to the existing circumstances of the Church of England, this Conference is of opinion that any reform of the rubrics at present is undesirable and inexpedient.' Rider: 'That this House accepts the principle that the Church ought to have power to regulate and modify her own Services, a principle recognised by the Bishop of Winchester's Bill.'

Peterborough D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the use of Church Services in common life may be extended and resorted to with advantage where attended with reverence, earnestness, and simplicity.'

Winchester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Rubrics Bill, as approved by the Upper House of the Convocation of Canterbury, deserves the support of this Conference.'

Ritual Uniformity.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 417.

Rochester D.C. 1890.—Resolved: 'Questions which disturb the peace of the Church in matters of ritual can be satisfactorily solved only by the voice of the Living Church, expressed through her constituted authorities and assemblies, and, with a view to such action being possible, this Conference petitions that the Bill should, if possible, become law which has been drafted by the Convocation of Canterbury (which was also submitted to and approved by the House of Laymen), and which provides that when the Houses of Convocation have passed any measure affecting any Rubric or Directions in the Book of Common Prayer, such measure shall have legal force if, after having been approved by Her Majesty in Council, and laid on the table of both Houses of Parliament for a definite time, no address shall have been presented to the Crown by Parliament on the subject.'

Canterbury D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That this Conference urges upon both Clergy and Laity a careful and thorough obedience to the teachings, directions, and Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, as to its letter and spirit, and recognises the great importance of plain, systematic and definite instruction on the Prayer Book for the younger members of the Church.'

39. FUNERAL REFORM.

Burials Bill.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1893, p. 418.

London D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That it is desirable that the fees charged for burial in consecrated ground should not be higher than those charged for burial in unconsecrated ground.'

Oxford D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in view of the increasing practice of cremation and of the greater facilities demanded on behalf of Burial Authorities for the establishment of crematoria, this Conference is of opinion that it would be desirable that the Church through her Convocation should express an opinion if there is anything abhorrent to the teaching of the Catholic Church in the disposal of our dead by cremation.'

Truro D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That this Conference considers that it is the duty of churchmen to resist to the utmost the non-consecration of land wherein their dead are to be buried.'

Salisbury D.S. 1895.—Resolved: (1) 'That your Petitioners are opposed to the Bill to further alter the Burial Laws, inasmuch as it contains provisions unfair to the Church and Clergy, and re-opens questions which it was thought had been decided by the Burials Act, 1880. Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your (Right) Honourable House not to assent to any such Bill.' (2) 'And that a copy of this resolution be sent to every Member of Parliament for a constituency in the Diocese, with a request to oppose the third reading of the Bill, should it be reached.'

40. QUEEN ANNE'S BOUNTY.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1892, pp. 441, 442.

Canterbury Convocation L.H. 1889.—Resolved: 'That his Grace the President and their Lordships the Bishops, be humbly requested to take such steps as to them may seem best for securing the reduction of the rate of interest payable by the Clergy on loans contracted with Queen Anne's Bounty Office for the building or improvement of parsonages and other purposes, in consequence of the reduction of interest on public securities.'

York Convocation L.H. 1889.—Resolved: 'That his Grace the President and their Lordships the Bishops be humbly requested to take such steps as to them may seem best for securing the reduction of the rate of interest payable by the Clergy on loans contracted with Queen Anne's Bounty Office for the building or improvement of parsonages from 4 per cent. to 3½ per cent., in consequence of the reduction of interest on public securities.'

Truro D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That the amount expended on management by Queen Anne's Bounty, and by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, receive the consideration of the Committee for Church Defence.'

41. SYSTEMATIC COLLECTION OF CLERICAL RETURNS.

For previous Resolutions see YEAR-BOOK 1894, p. 443.

42. BIBLICAL CRITICISM AND CHRISTIAN EVIDENCES.

Hereford D.C. 1893.—Resolved: 'That, in these days of scepticism and of some extreme views set forth by the higher criticism, it is desirable that our people should be made acquainted with the modern discoveries throwing light on the Bible and confirming its historical truth.'

Liverpool D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, the subject of Christian Evidences demands special attention at the present time.'

Winchester D.C. 1894.—Resolved: 'That, in view of the keen general interest at present taken in questions of Biblical criticism and the history and formularies of the Church, a cordial support ought to be given to the work of the Winchester Diocesan Society for promoting Higher Education in Religious Knowledge.'

Lincoln D.C. 1895.—Resolved: 'That in the opinion of this Conference the aspects of the question as to the relations of Religion and Science, though requiring care and serious consideration, are at the present time both hopeful and encouraging.'

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Llandaff D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That while believing that the most search will in the end be found to serve the cause of truth, this Conference is not accept either the methods or present results of a criticism which inverts the Scri of Israelite history.'

Newcastle D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That the Bishop of the Diocese be nominate a Committee to consider the best way of meeting the prevalent se strengthening faith.'

Peterborough D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That whereas practical Christianity doctrinal basis, insistence on the fundamental articles of the Christian Faith needed in the present day.'

43. SYSTEMATIC ALMSGIVING.

Liverpool D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That, in the opinion of this Conference, ea the Church should give a due proportion of his worldly substance for religious p that the Clergy should diligently teach this, and discourage, as far as possible, all methods of raising money for Church purposes.'

Truro D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That, as the duty of Almsgiving should be r all, quite apart from the pressure of special claims, it is much to be desired that should be given weekly to the worshippers in every Church to make, of the offerings to God.'

Worcester D.C. 1896.—Resolved: 'That as amongst the objects of Church maintenance of the fabric of Churches, and the provision of all things needf worship now depend on free-will offerings, the necessity and blessing of propo systematic almsgiving should be earnestly and frequently pressed upon all Chur

SECTION VI.—THE CHURCH CONGRESS.

MEETING AT SHREWSBURY.

THE thirty-sixth annual Conference of Clergy and Laity wa Shrewsbury, the Bishop of Lichfield presiding.

The Congress commenced on Tuesday, October 6, when the opening services were held—At St. Chad's Church, pre Archbishop of York, 1 Thess. v. 21; at St. Mary's, preacher, t of Ballarat, Deut. xxix. 29; at the Church of Holy Cross, the Bishop of Rochester, Psalm cxxxi. 1.

On Tuesday morning the Mayor of Shrewsbury (W. Mayr Esq.) and the local Nonconformist Ministers presented ad welcome, to both of which the President replied; on the same the latter also delivered his inaugural address.

The following Women's Meetings were held—1. For Youn on Tuesday evening, Hon. Mrs. A. Legge, in the chair. P read by the Hon. Mrs. Maclagan, Lady Laura Riddling, and M 2. On Wednesday afternoon, Hon. Mrs. A. Legge in the chair were read by Miss S. Lonsdale, Miss Clifford, Miss L. Hert Creighton, Hon. Mrs. Pelham, and Mrs. Wodehouse. 3. On W evening, Chairman, the Bishop of Wakefield; addresses being Rev. E. Hoskyns, Mrs. Philip, Mrs. Hatton, and the Hon. Mrs.

On Thursday evening a conversazione was given by the Miss How, when Holman Hunt, Esq., read an interesting pap relation of art to the Church.

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The closing services on Friday were held as follows—At St. Chad's, Worcester, the Rev. A. F. Winnington Ingram, St. Luke v. 8-10; at St. Mary's, Worcester, preacher, the Dean of Christ Church, St. Mark ix. 50; at Holy Trinity Church, Worcester, preacher, Canon Gore, 1 St. John v. 19.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6. AFTERNOON MEETING.

Congress Hall.

Subject: THE IDEA OF A NATIONAL CHURCH:
Both as the expression of the Conscience of the Nation and as an integral part of the Church Catholic.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Invited Readers and Speakers: Bishop of PETERBOROUGH, H. O. WAKEMAN, Esq., Dean of SOUTHWELL, W. J. BIRKBECK, Esq., and H. MALET, Esq.

Voluntary Speakers: Revs. NEWTON MANT, F. L. DONALDSON, and Hon. L. W. DENMAN.

EVENING MEETINGS.

Congress Hall.

Subject: THE CAUSES OF INTemperance AND POSSIBLE REMEDIES.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Invited Readers and Speakers: Sir W. WADE, Canon HICKS, Commander BOWLY, Dean of HEREFORD, and J. T. COCKHOTT, Esq.

Voluntary Speakers: Archdeacon EMERY, S. BOURNE, Esq., Captain the Hon. G. A. Archdeacon SANDFORD, Revs. C. T. PORTER, D.D., W. MARTIN, J. S. PENROSE, and F. DONALDSON.

Music Hall.

Subject: THE SUPPLEMENTARY MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FOR HOME AND FOREIGN WORK.

Chairman: Bishop of ST. ASAPH.

Invited Readers and Speakers: Rev. A. F. WINNINGTON INGRAM, Dr. ARMITAGE, Rev. Canon, H. H. GORE, Esq., and Rev. E. R. FORD.

Voluntary Speakers: Revs. J. W. GEDGE, J. H. SWINSTEAD, T. P. RING, H. J. WALTERS, EARLILE, and H. A. COLVILLE, Esq.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7.

MORNING MEETINGS.

Congress Hall.

Subject: THE BEARING OF THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION ON CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE.

Chairman: Bishop of HEREFORD.

Invited Readers and Speakers: Archdeacon WILSON, Professor BONNEY, Canon GORE, and V. C. L. ENGSTRÖM.

Voluntary Speakers: Bishop of LONDON, Revs. J. A. BETTS, Hon. L. W. DENMAN, ACEY, T. B. WATER, and the Bishop of ROCHESTER.

Music Hall.

Subject: CHURCH REFORM. PRACTICAL:

The Appointment, tenure, and Retirement of the Beneficed Clergy.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Invited Readers and Speakers: Chancellor DIRDIN, A. G. BOSCAWEN, Esq., M.P., HANCOCK, H. J. TORR, Esq., and the Dean of CORK.

Voluntary Speakers: Chancellor ESPIN, E. GARNETT MAN, Esq., Revs. W. CROUCH, EDWARDS, and T. P. RING; J. M. WALKER, W. G. E. REES, W. MARTIN, and Canon

AFTERNOON MEETINGS.

Congress Hall.

Subject: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION.

- (1) Proposals for relief of financial strain on Voluntary Schools.
- (2) Decentralisation and local Education authorities.
- (3) How can the right of parents to determine the religious instruction of their children be secured?

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Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Colonel MORRISON, Archdeacons WILSON and SANDFORD, and the Bishop of LONDON.

Voluntary Speakers: Rev. Canon NUNN, Chancellor SMITH, Canon CLARKE, Earl NELSON, the Bishops of HERFORD and MANCHESTER, H. H. GORE, Esq., and Rev. C. DUNKLEY.

Music Hall.

Subject: CHURCH REFORM. CONSTITUTIONAL:

Concession of Legislative powers to the Church of England for the administration of her internal affairs through a Reformed Convocation.

Chairman: Bishop of BALLARAT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Archdeacon AINSLIE, Sir W. G. F. PHILLIMORE, Archdeacon WATKINS, and SYDNEY GEDGE, Esq., M.P.

Voluntary Speakers: S. LEIGHTON, Esq., M.P., the Dean of LICHFIELD, Revs. W. CUNNINGHAM, and J. W. GEDGE, W. GIBBORNE, Esq., Revs. T. A. LACEY, E. C. E. CARLETON, L. G. FRY, W. A. EDWARDS, and Dr. THACKERAY.

EVENING MEETINGS.

Congress Hall.

Subject: CHURCH REFORM. CONSTITUTIONAL:

The part of the Laity in the administration of the affairs of the Church in the Province, in the Diocese, and in the Parish.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: The Bishop of MANCHESTER, G. A. SPOTTISWOODE, Esq., Rev. BROOKE LAMBERT, W. D. HOLLIS, Esq., and Chancellor LIAS.

Voluntary Speakers: Archdeacon SINCLAIR, H. W. HILL, Esq., Rev. L. G. FRET, H. J. TORR, Esq., Revs. W. A. EDWARDS, W. CROUCH, Dr. C. J. HARFORD-BATTERSBY, and J. MORE, Esq., M.P.

Music Hall.

Subject: THE CHURCH'S LAW OF MARRIAGE, ESPECIALLY IN RELATION TO DIVORCE.

Chairman: Bishop of SOUTHWELL.

Selected Readers and Speakers: The Dean of LICHFIELD, Prebendary WORDSWORTH, Viscount HALIFAX, Prebendary BARKER, and W. D. THURMAN, Esq.

Voluntary Speakers: Rev. C. T. PORTER, D.D., Chancellor ESPIN, Earl NELSON, Canon BODDINGTON, Rev. A. PINCHARD, S. BOURNE, Esq., and the CHAIRMAN.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8.

MORNING MEETINGS.

Congress Hall.

Subject: FOREIGN MISSIONS:

- (1) The necessity of stirring the heart and conscience of the Church to greater earnestness in Foreign Missionary Work.
- (2) Need of a 'Foreign Service Order' for ensuring an adequate supply of men for the Colonies and Mission Field.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: The Bishop of NEWCASTLE, EUGENE STOCK, Esq., Bishop SELWYN, Rev. B. R. WILSON, and D. W. THORNTON, Esq.

Voluntary Speakers: the Bishops of HONDURAS and LONDON, Rev. G. A. LEFROY, the Bishops of BALLARAT and ROCKHAMPTON.

Music Hall.

Subject: THE DISCIPLINARY POWERS OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OVER CLERGY AND LAITY RESPECTIVELY:

Their origin and exercise, and the need of their adaptation to present requirements.

Chairman: The Bishop of PETERBOROUGH.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Canon GORE, Chancellor P. V. SMITH, Prebendary OVERTON, H. W. HILL, Esq., and Rev. T. A. LACEY.

Voluntary Speakers: Rev. A. PHILLIMORE, R. BATEMAN, Esq., Rev. W. CROUCH, and the CHAIRMAN.

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Congress Hall.

Subject: THE CONTINUITY OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

(1) A Historical Fact.

(2) Not broken by

(a) Any political action under Henry VIII., Edward VI., or Elizabeth;

(b) Any doctrinal or disciplinary changes.

Chairman: Bishop of ROCHESTER.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Professor BERNARD, Rev. H. H. HENSON, Professor G. WATKIN, Revs. A. BRICKMAN and W. H. HUTTON.

Voluntary Speakers: Revs. T. A. LACEY, H. ALCOCK, B. HASLEWOOD, and the CHAIRMAN.

Working Men's Hall.

Subject: THE SUPPLY AND TRAINING OF MISSIONARIES:

Clerical and Lay, Male and Female, for various fields of Foreign Missionary Work.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Bishop of ROCKHAMPTON, Rev. H. E. FOX, C. F. HARFORD-BATTERSBY, Esq., M.D., Prebendary OLDFIELD, and Rev. Sir J. E. PHILIPPS.

Voluntary Speakers: Rev. A. PENNY, Very Rev. C. L. DUNDAS, EUGENE STOCK, Esq., Bishop of WEST EQUATORIAL AFRICA, and Bishop of NEWCASTLE.

EVENING MEETING.

Congress Hall.

Subject: THE DUTY OF THE CHURCH IN REGARD TO THE INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS OF THE DAY.

(a) The morality of Strikes and Lock-outs.

(b) Boards of Arbitration and Conciliation.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: G. DRAGE, Esq., M.P., Alderman PHILLIPS, Canon W. MOORE EDE.

Voluntary Speakers: H. A. COLVILLE, Esq., Rev. R. L. DONALDSON, H. H. GORE, Esq., Revs. T. P. RING, T. HILL, and W. CROUCH.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9.

MORNING MEETINGS.

Congress Hall.

Subject: DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE OFFICE FOR THE HOLY COMMUNION:

(a) Communion;

(b) Worship;

(c) Intercession.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Rev. W. H. BARLOW, D.D., Dean of CHICHESTER, Canon NEWBOLT.

Voluntary Speakers: Rev. E. F. WAYNE, Dean of LICHFIELD, Bishops of WAKEFIELD and BALLARAT, and the PRESIDENT.

Music Hall.

Subject: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL.

Chairman: Bishop of NEWCASTLE.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Bishop of HEREFORD, Earl of MEATH, Prebendary MOSS, and Rev. T. J. LAWRENCE.

Voluntary Speakers: Sir W. PHILLIMORE, R. St. J. CORBET, Esq., Rev. S. J. HAWKES, and the CHAIRMAN.

AFTERNOON MEETINGS.

Congress Hall.

Subject: TENDENCIES IN MODERN SOCIETY WHICH NEED TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE LIGHT OF CHRISTIAN TEACHING.

(a) Social Extravagance;

(b) Current Literature, Society Papers, &c.;

(c) Amusements and Recreations.

Episcopal Visitations.

Chairman: The PRESIDENT.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Canon WATSON, Dean of ROCHESTER, Canon AINGER, Earl of DARTMOUTH, and G. ROWLAND HILL, Esq.

Voluntary Speakers: W. P. FULLAGAR, Esq., Bishop of WAKEFIELD, Lieut.-Col. W. L. B. COULSON, and S. BOURNE, Esq.

Music Hall.

Subject: (1) THE IMPOVERISHMENT OF THE CLERGY.

(2) The Status of the Unbeneficed Clergy.

Chairman: Bishop of Hereford.

Selected Readers and Speakers: Lord EGERTON OF TATTON, ATHELSTAN RILEY, Esq., W. S. DE WINTON, Esq., Archdeacon SINCLAIR, Rev. Dr. THACKERAY, Alderman PHILLIPS.

Voluntary Speakers: Revs. W. MARTIN, W. A. EDWARDS, L. G. FRY, and the CHAIRMAN, Revs. F. H. REICHLARDT, S. HOUSON, BROOKE LAMBERT, and J. W. WYCLIFFE GEDGE.

SECTION VII.—EPISCOPAL VISITATIONS.

As it is found impossible within the bare limits of space at our disposal adequately or profitably to summarise the Bishops' views upon the several points touched upon in their Charges, it has been thought wiser to confine this statement to the simple announcement of the Visitations, and the headings of the subjects which were dealt with.

Diocese of Durham.—On Wednesday, October 21, the Bishop began his Visitation in Durham Cathedral. The main topic of this portion of the charge was the Corporate Unity of the Faith, especial stress being laid throughout on the interdependence, continuity, and solidarity of all finite things. Each age has its own work, and the end will be reached through the accumulated results of the works of all. The perfect enfranchisement of the individual among us is leading to an aspiration after a corporate life: individuality is an element and pre-suppositional factor of unity: under these conditions, it is the duty of our age to harmonise in Christian practice the completed freedom of the individual with the paramount claims of Society. In this connection the Bishop pointed out the necessity of sympathy, tolerance, and largeness of view, if Reunion was to be obtained in Christendom: as to social improvement, the futility of legislative enactment and physical research to solve social problems was generally admitted: spiritual force was the ever-present need. Continuing on October 24, in Bishopwearmouth Church, his lordship pointed out how the revelation of the great truth of the unity of creation '*in Christ*' affected our personal life. We cannot isolate ourselves in anything: the condition of others affects us: for each man a special work has been '*afore prepared*' by God, answering to his '*peculiar difference*': it is the duty of the believer to recognise and fulfil his appointed work. There can be no division in the Christian life; whatever the Christian does, he does as a Christian. The last portion of the charge was delivered at Bishop Auckland on Wednesday, October 28. The Bishop again laid stress on the impossibility of isolation in Christian life, which is in its essence a social thing. The corporate life is perfected by the most complete personal development of all the members of the body. During the last four centuries the tendency of the moral growth of England has been towards the recognition of personal responsibility: but the '*old order clungeth*,' and we are beginning to discern the range, meaning, and unity of life: each man is found to touch all men: life is not a fragment, bounded on both sides by darkness, but a whole, not limited by time or place. It is the lack of united expression of belief and aims, and the predominance of isolated self-assertion and individualism, that have brought about the failure of the legitimate effect of Christian influence: it is the duty of Christianity to train society no less than to win individual souls: the great goal of life can only be reached by co-operation of all believers as ministers of religion. In conclusion, the Bishop demonstrated the provision made by the ordinances of the Church as a promoter of corporate unity. Confirmation and Communion are both social acts, and not the mere conversation of an individual soul with its God. Fellowship, self-abasement, confraternity, these are the essential factors in the consummation of that Unity '*in Christ*'—the one invincible bond of peace.

Diocese of Chester.—On Thursday, October 29, the Bishop delivered his third Charge, entitled 'The Visitation of the Kingdom of God.' The contents were divided under three main headings: (1) The Kingdom of God, on earth represented by the kingdoms of the world and the kingdom of Christ embodied in a visible Church. The purpose of every visitation was to inspire and quicken us as fellow-workers into this kingdom; in this connection he referred at some length to Judge Hughes, and the Maurice school of thought—its firm hold on the reality and scope of the kingdom. (2) The idea of visitation as connected with the Kingdom of God—its place in the kingdom—not the occasional intervention of an absentee Ruler, but the manifestation of His constant Presence and governance. He then dealt with the motive and aspects of Divine visitation: (a) In the Old Testament, retribution never the only object; (b) The Incarnation, the climax of all previous visitations. In the New Testament the benedictory aspect is more conspicuous, but necessarily involving the penal. Our Lord is the supreme visitor of His kingdom, with His sub-visitors—(a) the Church as a corporate body of individuals, each of whom has his own function, (b) especially its officers, Bishops and Pastors. In the third portion of his charge, the Bishop referred to 'some things of present urgency pertaining to the Kingdom of God,' e.g. Church statistics. Lastly, he pointed out the duty of the clergy as instructors, in tancing as subjects on which the laity need guidance (a) the marriage controversy, (b) the Athanasian Creel.

Diocese of Liverpool.—On Tuesday, October 14, the Bishop delivered his sixth triennial Charge in St. Peter's Cathedral, Liverpool. In his opening remarks, the Bishop lamented the inadequacy of the provision of means of grace in the Diocese; but he was glad to see the increasing number of mission-rooms, and the number of candidates presented for confirmation. Speaking of education, Dr. Kyle strongly urged on the Clergy the necessity of doing their utmost to keep up the efficiency of their Sunday-schools. In conclusion, he urged a more diligent cultivation of a spirit of charity, kindness, courtesy, brotherly love, among professing Christians, especially among the clergy.

Diocese of Oxford.—The Bishop held his third visitation during the months of May and June last at the following centres in the Diocese, viz.—Oxford, Banbury, Buckingham, Witney, Reading, Wantage, Abingdon, Aylesbury, Newbury, Newport Pagnell, and Bicester. In his opening remarks the Bishop referred to the great loss the Diocese had sustained by the death of Archdeacon Palmer and other prominent clergy. After a general comparison between the decay of religion in England (over which Bishop Butler lamented in his charge to the Diocese of Durham in 1851) and present-day infidelity, Dr. Stubbs passed on to the main topics of his charge—(a) Unity: In laying particular stress on the spiritual side of the question as underlying the natural, the Bishop strongly deprecated the surrender of personal conviction in order to secure a superficial unity of belief; the unity which is to come must come, but in His own good time: it will only be hindered by any attempts to forestall it. (b) Divorce: 'As to my private and personal belief,' said the Bishop, 'I will begin by saying that marriage is not soluble in any sense in which the parties who have contracted it are justified in marrying again whilst either survives; that the marriage-tie may be broken by adultery, but that divorce, which may rightly legalise separation, ought not to legalise re-marriage.' He also reiterated his acceptance of the three general resolutions passed on the subject at the Lambeth Conference in 1888. (c) Church Reform: As to patronage, the Bishop thought that many of the desired reforms were embodied in the Patronage Bill now before Parliament, while the prevention of unfit appointments could only be secured by increased knowledge of duties and rights, but not by experimental legislation. As to clerical poverty, it was too well-worn a theme to add much of a novel character, but he was glad to see that a Central Sustentation Fund had been started, on the principle that 'the time has come when the Church of England should take the whole matter up of providing an adequate maintenance for the beneficed clergy in her corporate capacity.' The Bishop also dealt with the questions of Reform of Convocation and the appointment of bishops by the Crown. Pastoral work, education, Anglicanism, and Establishment formed the topics of the latter portion of the charge.

Diocese of Southwell.—The Bishop commenced his Visitation at the Cathedral, Southwell, on May 4, when he dwelt mainly on Diocesan progress and needs. At St. Mary, Nottingham, on May 5, the subject was Church Law as distinct from State Law. After an historical review of the various canons on the subject, the Bishop dwelt on the present sphere of Church Law in England, the Matrimonial Laws, and the Rubrics Bill. Continuing at St. Swithun, Retford, on May 9, his lordship chose as his theme, the cry, 'The Church must stand upon her principles.' He pointed out the value of the Church to the nation, dissenters as well as Churchmen, and the importance of village pastorates, in connection with which he laid stress on the value of lay work, and the province of the Laity in Church government. At All Saints, Derby, on May 12, the charge was generally concerned with Church services and schools. Continuing at St. Mary and All Saints,

Chesterfield, on May 13, the Bishop chose as his subject, 'The Church established and free.' Among the main points urged were, the comprehensive nature of an established Church, its contrast with a kingdom of this world, and the worldliness of political religious agitation; in conclusion, he exhorted his Clergy to do their utmost to make the Church of real value to the people. *Sursum corda!* At St. Oswald, Ashbourne, on May 15, the Bishop touched on Church endowments and the incomes of the Clergy. Concluding at All Saints, Bakewell, on the day following, Dr. Ridging gave a general address on the value of parochial organisation, especially urging his brethren to be 'real' in spite of all drawbacks and difficulties. There was a nobility in the Pastorate. 'But to be men of spirit, to be Prophets, Priests, and Pastors, in the spirit of our Ordination service, it is a noble calling, and a happy and glorious life, with all the happiness and nobility by which souls, no more known in their time of duty, became the martyrs and leaders and examples of the Church which has converted the world.'

Diocese of Truro.—In the month of June last the Bishop held his Primary Visitation, his charges being delivered on the following plan—viz.: The first part was common to all, and dealt with the articles of inquiry furnished by the Clergy of the Diocese. In the second part the subject chosen was the 'Ideal of the Parish-life of a Diocese,' considered under seven distinct aspects, viz. (1) The ideal of Christian Life-Holiness (at the Cathedral); (2) The ideal of the Parish Church—the conscious presence of the Trinity in the midst of the village (at Penzance); (3) The ideal of the Parish Priest—for he is the man of God among us, the ambassador of our Heavenly Kingdom, steward of the Lord (at Helston); (4) The ideal of the Sacraments—for they turn all our water into wine and ourselves into Christ (at Truro); (5) The ideal of Church-work—for 'Son, go work to-day in my vineyard,' is said, not to Clergy alone, but to every child of God (at Liskeard); (6) The ideal of the Christian Home—for it is the birth-place, the nursery, and the loving shelter of every family of God (at Bodmin); (7) The Parish is part of a greater ideal (at Launceston).

SECTION VIII.—CLERICAL AND LAY CONFERENCES.

NOTE.—These are briefly recorded as they have come under the cognisance of the Editor.

Islington Clerical Meeting.—The annual meeting was held in the Wilson Memorial Hall, Islington, on Tuesday, January 14, under the presidency of the Rev. W. H. Barlow, D.D., who delivered the opening address. The subject selected for discussion was the 'Prayer-Book and Articles of the Church of England.' The following papers were read and discussed—(a) 'Their witness to the supreme authority of Holy Scripture,' the Dean of Norwich and the Rev. W. Sunderland Lewis; (b) 'Their witness to Primitive and Positive Truth,' Archdeacon Sinclair and Rev. W. H. Griffith Thomas; (c) 'Their witness against error in doctrine and practice,' Revs. T. W. Drury and P. Ireland Jones; (d) 'Their witness to the essential unity between purity of teaching and spirituality of life,' Revs. H. C. G. Moule, D.D., and E. A. Stuart. The conference closed with prayer offered by Rev. H. E. Fox.

Southport Conference.—The thirty-seventh annual meeting opened on June 1, in the Temperance Institute, Southport, when Archdeacon Taylor delivered a lecture on the 'Evangelical principles of the Church of England.' On the following morning the President, Canon Stowell, delivered his inaugural address. The first paper, entitled 'Weak Points,' was read by Archdeacon Sinclair. In the afternoon the subject was the 'Lord's-day in the Home, the Parish, and the Country,' introduced by Revs. J. H. Townshend, D.D., and J. W. Consterline. At a special service in the evening, the sermon, was preached by Archdeacon Sinclair. On Wednesday the subjects discussed were (a) 'Old Testament difficulties,' opened by the Rev. Dr. Hughes-Games, and (b) 'Home Evangelisation: its needs, methods, and dangers,' introduced by the Rev. John Barton.

Western District Clerical and Lay Association.—This annual conference met at Cheltenham on June 2-3, under the presidency of the Rev. E. L. Roxey, who delivered a devotional address on the subject of Christian hope. The following papers were read and discussed—(1) 'What are the encouraging, and what the discouraging signs of the present day: and what should be our course with regard to them?' opened by Rev. S. R. Cambie. (2) 'Christian Socialism,' by Canon Quirk. (3) 'How should we deal with the attempts made to secularise the Lord's Supper?' by Mr. J. Inskip. (4) 'Union with Christ; what does it imply, promise, and require?' by the Rev. E. C. Chapman. (5) 'The Religious Outlook,' by the Rev. C. L. Rogers.

Yorkshire Evangelical Union.—The twentieth annual conference opened at York on Thursday, June 28. The Rev. Dr. Hughes-Games presided, and delivered the opening address. The first subject set for discussion was the 'Mutual Relations of the Word and the Church,' introduced by the Rev. C. H. Waller, D.D. Mr. Eugene Stock followed with a paper on 'the True Missionary Spirit, and how to promote its growth in regard to Home and Foreign Missions.' At the evening session, papers were read on (a) 'Sunday Schools,' by Canon Thompson; (b) 'The Biblical Teaching of the Articles and Prayer-Book of the Church of England, on the one Mediator, the one Priesthood, the one all-sufficient sacrifice and oblation finished on the Cross,' by the Rev. C. H. Waller, D.D. Mr. Eugene Stock also gave an address on Sunday-school teaching. On Friday, the first paper was read by the Rev. W. Odom, on 'Romanising Literature in the Church of England, and how best to combat it.' The Conference closed with a paper on 'The Second Coming of our Lord,' by Archdeacon Eyre.

London Clerical and Lay Union.—The annual meeting was held on Monday, January 27, at the Leopold Rooms, Ludgate Circus, under the presidency of Prebendary Webb-Peploe. The Report was then read by Rev. F. W. A. Wilkinson, and was adopted. After various business and discussion, the proceedings terminated. The annual summer meeting was held on June 24, at Trent Park, Barnet, by the invitation of Mr. Frank Bevan. The Rev. H. E. Fox gave an address.

Midland Clerical and Lay Association.—This conference met at Northampton during the first week in June, under the presidency of Sir C. R. Leighton. Among the speakers were the Revs. H. Sutton, W. Otton, J. Howell, W. E. Burroughs, and F. Peake, D.D. The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. H. Woffindin.

Anglican Church Conference.—The annual meetings for Northern and Central Europe were held at the British Embassy, Vienna, on Wednesday and Thursday, June 3 and 4. Bishop Wilkinson presided, and delivered the opening address. Frequent services were held during the conference in the Embassy Chapel, when addresses were given by the Bishop of Glasgow and the Rev. W. H. Hechler. The subjects set for discussion were threefold. (1) 'Missions, with special reference to our duties in India and Africa,' introduced by Revs. C. A. Moore, J. Last, and T. J. Cooper. (2) 'The Unity of the Church of Christ,' when the speakers were the Revs. C. Faulkner, and T. A. S. White, and Dr. Waterhouse. (3) 'Christian Socialism: the duty of the Church towards social questions,' when a paper was read by Mr. J. Lomas. Representatives of the Ministry of Public Worship and Education, and the German Protestant Churches, were present at certain services.

Craven Evangelical Union.—The yearly conference was held in the Alexandra Hall, Leeds, on Thursday, November 12. In the absence of Canon Thompson, the chair was taken by the Vicar of Bradford. The first subject discussed was 'The position of Evangelical Churchmen,' when the opening paper was read by the Rev. A. E. Barnes-Lawrence. The Rev. Dr. Child also contributed a paper on 'the Christian Ministry: what view of it is given in the New Testament, and what in the Book of Common Prayer.'

Clifton Conference.—The thirty-fourth annual meeting was held in the Victoria Rooms, Clifton, on October 6, 7, and 8. The Rev. J. Ormiston presided. The general subject selected was 'Christ and the Church (Eph. v. 32).' Addresses were given on the following branches of the text—(a) 'The Bridegroom,' (b) 'The Bride,' (c) 'The Marriage of the Lamb.' The conference was brought to a close on Thursday evening by a special sermon and a celebration of the Holy Communion.

South-Eastern Clerical and Lay Alliance.—This annual conference met at Hastings on June 9 and 10, under the presidency of Canon Scott-Robertson. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Honduras.

Pakefield Conference.—The eighteenth annual meeting was held at Pakefield on August 11, 12, and 13.

Cornwall Clerical and Lay Union.—This conference was held at S. Paul's, Penzance, on Thursday and Friday, October 29 and 30. The proceedings commenced on Thursday afternoon with a Bible-reading, followed by a discussion on 'Evangelical Influence in Cornwall.' In the evening the Rev. C. E. R. Cowan read a paper on the following question, 'What truths need special prominence in the present day?' After a discussion the Rev. F. W. Paul followed with a paper on 'Work amongst men.' On Friday morning the Lord's Supper was administered at St. Paul's Church, when an address was given by the Rev. John Shaw.

Salisbury Conference.—The twenty-second annual session was held during the month of September. The Rev. E. N. Thwaites presided. On Tuesday the subject was 'Communion with God,' introduced by the Rev. Graves Walker; on Wednesday, 'Obedience to God' was opened by Mr. R. C. Morgan; on Thursday, the subject was 'Consecration to God.' Throughout the session, meetings of a missionary character were held.

SECTION IX.—THE CHURCH HOUSE.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CHURCH HOUSE,

Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

THE COUNCIL.

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Organising Secretary.—The Rev. J. A. Betts.

Purposes of the Church House.—The Church House is the 'Business House' of the Church of England. It forms a centre which eventually will be in touch with Church work in every diocese and parish, and from which new philanthropic and religious movements may emanate. There will be accommodation for the meetings of Convocation and the House of Laymen, and also for the various Committees in which the main work of Convocation is done. A Hall capable of seating 1,200 people, or more, has been erected for great Church meetings. It centralises and strengthens Church work and Church organisation. The Church Societies are numerous and powerful; their work covers a field as wide as that of the Church itself. That work increases daily in volume, and there is much waste of time, energy, and money caused by that want of intercommunication from which they suffer at present. It is intended that the Church House should remedy this defect by providing suitable offices for, or having telephonic communication with, the numerous Church Societies which are now disconnected and scattered all over London. It strengthens the union between the Church at home and the Church abroad. The Church of England is in a true and broad sense the Church of the English-speaking world. It is the Church of the Colonies. It is becoming more and more influential in India, and in the United States of America the Church has a growing interest. The Church House will form a home to which English-speaking Churchmen from all parts of the world may turn when they come back to this land. There will be a most valuable reference library, which, it is hoped, will eventually contain all the best works in theological and ecclesiastical literature. Members of the Corporation have free use of the library, reading-room, writing-room, &c. The Church House will be a permanent, conspicuous, and useful memorial of the Jubilee of Queen Victoria, externally grand, and internally thoroughly fitted for the various uses and requirements of the Church—monumental in character, but also adding much to the dignity and efficiency of the Church's work.

What has been done.—The best possible site has been secured and paid for. The Corporation of the Church House has been made a chartered body, and possesses a royal recognition as such. Pending the erection of the permanent buildings, the Council have adapted the houses standing upon the site and provided temporary premises, comprising some forty-five rooms, where many Church Societies have offices, and where rooms for the purposes of committees and small public meetings can be hired. The reference



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library contains about 15,000 volumes, and a reading-room, writing-room, and other conveniences have been provided, and are supplied with all requisites for the use of members of the Corporation. Information on matters connected with the work of the Church at home and abroad may be obtained from the Secretary.

The first portion of the permanent buildings, the Great Hall block, has now been completed. The building consists of offices in the basement, temporary accommodation for the two Houses of Convocation on the ground floor, and the Great Hall, which occupies the whole of the first floor. Convocation commenced to use these rooms at the first group of Sessions in February, 1896, and the Hall is in frequent use for meetings of Church Societies.

Conditions of Membership.—Membership of the Corporation may be acquired by persons of either sex (being members of the Church of England or of any Church in full communion therewith) by an annual subscription of at least one guinea; life membership by a donation in one sum of at least ten guineas. Associates are admitted on the payment of five shillings a year.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S. W.

CHAPTER VIII.

THE EPISCOPATE.—HOME AND FOREIGN.

SECTION I.—CONSECRATIONS AND ENTHRONEMENTS.

CO-ADJUTOR BISHOP OF BRISBANE.

THE Very Rev. John Francis Stretch was consecrated co-adjutor Bishop of Brisbane, in St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, on All Saints' Day, 1895, by the Primate of Australia, assisted by the Bishops of Melbourne, Goulburn, and Grafton and Armidale; the preacher being the Bishop of Ballarat.

The Right Rev. J. F. Stretch graduated from Trinity College, Melbourne, B.A. 1874, LL.B. 1887. He was ordained Deacon 1878, and Priest 1879, by the Bishop of Melbourne. Curate of All Saints, Geelong, 1879; All Saints, St. Kilda, 1880-81; E. and S. Brighton, 1881-82; St. Andrew, Brighton, 1892-93; Incumbent of Holy Trinity, Maldon, 1883-85; St. Mark, Fitzroy, 1885-92; St. Ann, Brighton, 1892-4; Dean of Ballarat, 1894.

CO-ADJUTOR BISHOP OF BALLARAT.

The Venerable Henry Edward Cooper was consecrated co-adjutor Bishop of Ballarat, in St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, on All Saints' Day, 1895, by the Primate of Australia, assisted by the Bishops of Melbourne, Goulburn, and Grafton and Armidale; the preacher being the Bishop of Ballarat.

The Right Rev. H. E. Cooper graduated from Trinity College, Dublin, B.A. 1873, M.A. 1876. He was ordained Deacon 1872, and Priest 1874, by the Bishop of Worcester. Curate of St. George's, Birmingham, 1872-75; St. Paul's, Ballarat, 1875; Incumbent of Clunes, Victoria, 1875-84; Archdeacon of Hamilton, 1884-92; Vicar of Hamilton, 1884-93; Archdeacon of Ballarat, 1894.

BISHOP OF NEWCASTLE.

The Rev. Edgar Jacob was consecrated Bishop of Newcastle, in York Minster, on St. Paul's Day, 1896, by the Archbishop of York, assisted by the Bishops of Durham, Bath and Wells, Carlisle, Chichester, Wakefield, Beverley, and Hull, and Bishop Selwyn. The Bishop of Wakefield read the Epistle, and the Bishop of Durham the Gospel; the sermon being preached by the Vicar of Leeds, from Is. xxiv. 15. The presenting Bishops were the Bishops of Durham and Wakefield.

The *Enthronement* took place in St. Nicholas Cathedral Church, Newcastle, on February 11. The ceremony was conducted by Canon Gough, Vicar of Newcastle, and the sermon was preached by the Bishop.

The Right Rev. E. Jacob graduated from New College, Oxford, B.A. 1868, M.A. 1870. He was ordained Deacon 1868, and Priest 1869, by the Bishop of Oxford. Curate of Taynton, 1868-69; Witney, 1869-71; St. James', Bermondsey, 1871-72; Domestic Chaplain to Bishop of Calcutta, 1872-76; Examining Chaplain to Bishop of Winchester, 1876-91; Hon. Chaplain to the Queen, 1887-90; Vicar of Portsea, 1878; Hon. Canon of Winchester, 1884; Chaplain in Ordinary, 1890; Chaplain to Bishop of Winchester, 1891; Rural Dean of Landport and Chaplain to H.M. Prison, Portsmouth, 1892.

BISHOP OF SOUTHAMPTON.

The Rev. George Carnac Fisher was consecrated Bishop of Southampton, in Lambeth Parish Church, on the Feast of the Annunciation, by the Archbishop of Canterbury, assisted by the Bishops of London, Winchester, Guildford, and Bishop Barry. The sermon was preached by the Rev. G. W. Knollys, from St. Luke i. 38. The Bishop of Winchester read the Epistle and the Bishop of London the Gospel. The presenting Bishops were the Bishops of London and Winchester.

The Right Rev. G. E. Fisher graduated from Brasenose College, Oxford, B.A. 1868, M.A. 1870. He was ordained Deacon 1869, by the Bishop of Ripon (for York), and Priest 1870, by the Archbishop of Canterbury. Curate of St. James', Doncaster, 1869-70; Dartford, 1870-74; Vicar of Forest Row, 1873-79; St. George's, Barrow, 1879; St. Mary's, Beverley, 1881-89; Vicar and Rural Dean of Croydon, 1889-94.

BISHOP OF LIKOMA.

The Rev. John Edward Hine was consecrated Bishop of Likoma, in St. Matthew's Church, Bethnal Green, on St. Peter's Day, 1896, by the Archbishop of Canterbury, assisted by the Bishops of Exeter, St. Albans, Rochester, Rockhampton, Mashonaland, and Bishop Hornby. The Epistle was read by the Bishop of St. Albans, and the Gospel by the Bishop of Exeter; the sermon being preached by Canon Crowfoot, who took as his text John xxi. 15. The presenting Bishops were the Bishops of St. Albans and Rochester.

The Right Rev. J. E. Hine graduated at Oxford University, B.A. 1885, and M.D. 1883 in the University of London. He was ordained Deacon 1886, and Priest 1887, by the Bishop of Rochester. Curate of Richmond, 1886-88; Missionary (U.M.C.A.), at Likoma, Nyasa, 1889-90; Missionary and Priest in charge of the Pro-Cathedral, Zanzibar, 1891-93; Missionary at Likoma, 1893.

BISHOP OF HOKKAIDO (JAPAN).

The Rev. Philip Kemball Fyson was consecrated Bishop of Hokkaido, in St. Matthew's Church, Bethnal Green, on St. Peter's Day, 1896, by the Archbishop of Canterbury, assisted by the Bishops of Exeter, St. Albans, Rochester, Rockhampton, Mashonaland, and Bishop Hornby. The presenting Bishops were the Bishops of Exeter and Mashonaland.

The Right Rev. P. K. Fyson graduated from Christ's College, Cambridge, B.A. 1870, M.A. 1873. He was ordained Deacon 1871, and Priest 1872, by the Archbishop of York. Curate of Drypool, Yorkshire, 1871-73; Missionary at Tokio, Japan, 1873-79; Acting Principal of the C.M.S. Theological College, Osaka, Japan, 1889 to 1891, in which year he was appointed Principal.

BISHOP OF CHICHESTER.

Enthronement.—On Tuesday, January 28, 1896, Dr. Ernest Roland Wilberforce (late Bishop of Newcastle) was enthroned in Chichester Cathedral, by the Bishop of Dover, acting as Archdeacon of Canterbury. Canon Gough and Canon Wilberforce attended the Bishop as Chaplains.

BISHOP OF OTTAWA.

Enthronement.—The Right Rev. Charles Hamilton (late Bishop of Niagara) was enthroned as first Bishop of Ottawa, in the Pro-Cathedral of Christ Church, on the Festival of SS. Philip and James. The Bishop-Elect was met at the west door by the Archbishop of Ontario and the Archdeacon of Ottawa, the latter of whom pronounced the mandate of the Metropolitan. The sermon was preached by the Bishop, who took as his text 1 Cor. iii. 9.

BISHOP OF TINNEVELLY.

The Rev. Samuel Morley was consecrated first Bishop of Tinnevely, in Madras Cathedral, on the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude, by the Metropolitan, assisted by the Bishops of Travancore and Madras, who read the Epistle and Gospel respectively, and subsequently presented the Bishop-Elect. The sermon was preached by the Metropolitan from Matthew xiii. 52.

The Right Rev. S. Morley graduated at the University of London, 1863, and also

from Pembroke College, Cambridge, B.A. 1890, M.A. 1894. He was ordained Deacon 1868, and Priest 1869, by the Bishop of Lichfield. Curate of Ilkeston, 1868-70; Sandgate, 1871-75; Chaplain at Secunderabad, 1875-78; Domestic Chaplain to the Bishop of Madras, 1878-82 and 1884.

BISHOP OF NIAGARA.

The Rev. John Philip Du Moulin was consecrated Bishop of Niagara, in Toronto Cathedral, on St. John Baptist's Day, by the Archbishop of Ontario, assisted by the Bishops of Ottawa, Huron, Algoma, and Toronto. The Epistoler was the Bishop of Toronto, and the Gospeller the Bishop of Algoma, the same two prelates afterwards presenting the Bishop-Elect. The Dean of Montreal preached from St. Luke xvi. 17.

The Right Rev. J. P. Du Moulin was ordained Priest in 1860, and was Curate of Holy Trinity, Montreal, till 1872. Incumbent of St. Thomas', Hamilton, 1872-75; Rector of St. Martin, Montreal, 1875-83; Canon of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, 1883-89. In 1891 he received the hon. degree of D.C.L. from Trinity College, Toronto.

BISHOP OF QU'APPELLE.

The Very Rev. John Grisdale was consecrated Bishop of Qu'Appelle, in Holy Trinity Church, Winnipeg, on Sunday, August 30, by the Archbishop of Rupertsland, assisted by the Bishops of Athabasca, and Saskatchewan and Calgary.

The Right Rev. J. Grisdale graduated at the C.M. College, Islington, 1869, B.D. 1875, Hon. D.D. University of Manitoba, 1887, Hon. D.C.L. Trinity College, Toronto, 1893. He was ordained Deacon 1870, and Priest 1871, by the Bishop of London. Missionary (C.M.S.) at Calcutta, 1870-71; in Rupertsland, N.W. Canada, 1873-76; Canon of St. John's Cathedral and Professor of Systematic Theology in St. John's College, Winnipeg, 1878-82; Dean of Rupertsland, 1882; Deputy-Prolocutor of General Synod of Canada, 1893.

SECTION II.

THE EXTENSION OF THE HOME EPISCOPATE.

THE HOME EPISCOPATE.

PRACTICAL RESULTS OF THE SUBDIVISION OF LARGE DIOCESES.

The following extracts from a recent Charge of Archdeacon Hamilton are exceedingly interesting, as showing how the work of the Church is furthered by a larger provision of episcopal oversight:

* Representing as I do the only remaining link of union between the two dioceses, I may, as Archdeacon of Northumberland, and still a Canon of Durham, briefly bring before you the statistics of both Dioceses, that we may rejoice together that God hath put it into the hearts of His people to give with so much liberality towards supplying the deficiencies of former generations, and bringing the means of grace within the reach of the ever-increasing populations of these Northern counties:

The Bishop of Durham points out that the expenditure on Church extension since the division of the Diocese has been	£223,725
And the Bishop of Newcastle shows that in the first four years of the new Diocese the amount contributed was	244,180
Making for the two Sees	£467,914

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While the sum contributed for the erection of the See of Newcastle amounted to what we now call the comparatively small sum of 85,860*l.* But even in this short period of four years the advance made in purely *spiritual* things is still more encouraging, for we find that in the three periods of four years which immediately preceded the division of the Diocese of Durham, there were ordained to the Diaconate 90, 119, and 134 respectively, which represents the addition to the number of the Clergy of these two counties, while in the first four years after the division there were ordained:

By the Bishop of Durham	115 Deacons
And by the Bishop of Newcastle	55 "
Making an addition to the Clergy of	170 "

Being an increase on the average of 56 Clergymen in the two Dioceses. And again, if we take the numbers confirmed in the two counties before and after the division of the See of Durham, these statistics also prove most encouraging, for we find that in the four years preceding the formation of the new Diocese of Newcastle there were confirmed in the

County of Durham	19,111
And in the county of Northumberland	6,704

Making the number confirmed during the last four years of the undivided Diocese of Durham	25,815
While in the first four years after the division there were confirmed in the reduced Diocese of Durham	23,769
And in the Diocese of Newcastle	13,968

Making the number confirmed in the four years	37,132
Being an increase during this last quadrennial period of	12,317

These figures supply the best practical argument for the further increase of the Home Episcopate, yet the statistics of Ordinations and Confirmations which can thus be tabulated and compared give but a small indication of the other real spiritual advantages conferred upon the Church by the more active exercise of the episcopal office.*

TABULAR STATEMENT OF FUNDS VOLUNTARILY RAISED FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE EPISCOPATE.

Diocese	Amount contributed to found the See		Diocese	Amount contributed to found the See	
	<i>£</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>£</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Truro	70,948	0 0	Newcastle	88,866	12 9
St. Albans	55,073	7 2	Southwell	65,884	17 6
Liverpool	94,676	1 0	Wakefield ¹	83,510	19 5

It should be remembered that these sums represent the voluntary offerings of Churchmen contributed towards the sum required to be deposited before the conditions of the Act founding the See could be fulfilled. The amounts annually alienated from the endowments of other Sees under the provisions of the Act in each case are not taken into account in the summary of voluntary offerings which we have given.

THE BRISTOL BISHOPRIC.

Some few years ago the late Archdeacon Norris most kindly drew up an exhaustive and accurate statement explanatory of the history of the movement for the re-endowment of the See of Bristol; this statement will be found in *OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, 1893, p. 431.* The following extracts from the Report of the Committee presented in October 1894 will show the exact position of the movement up to that time.

* As regards the re-endowment of the See, the Act follows the Bishopricks Act of 1878 (which was promoted by Lord Cross), and enacts that an Order of the Queen in

¹ 10,138*l.* raised in addition by the ladies of Yorkshire for a residence for the Bishop

Council may give effect to the Act, so soon as the Ecclesiastical Commissioners can certify that a suitable residence has been obtained, and an endowment of not less than 2,500*l.* a year has been provided to meet the 500*l.* a year contributed by the See of Gloucester, making together a yearly income of 3,000*l.* Provision, however, is made for the earlier appointment of a Bishop so soon as an annual income of 2,500*l.* (including the 500*l.* from the See of Gloucester) has been secured, provided that a guarantee is forthcoming that within five years after the Bishop's appointment a capital sum shall be raised sufficient to provide an additional income of 500*l.* a year.'

'The Committee are most anxious to be able in their next report to announce that the minimum sum of 2000*l.* per annum, thus required, has been raised. They feel that the honour of Bristol Churchmen is practically pledged to the speedy completion of this Fund, and they are of opinion that it would be little short of a disgrace to the city if it were delayed beyond ten years after the passing of the Act.'

In October 1894 the Committee appealed to all interested in the movement to respond to the challenge made by Captain Norris, by meeting his conditional offer of 500*l.* with such a sum as would make the Endowment Fund sufficient to yield an annual income of 2000*l.*

For the success of this appeal the Society is mainly indebted to the gift of 3,500*l.* by Sir George W. Edwards, who, ever forward in promoting the welfare of his native city, was associated with the late Archdeacon Norris in founding this Society, and has already been a large contributor to the Fund.

But this is not the only circumstance which marks the year now past as one of substantial progress. It will be remembered that in the autumn of last year a petition, very influentially signed, asking that some reparation should be made to Bristol for the manner in which the Bristol Palace Fund had been expended, was laid before the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. In reply the Commissioners stated that, the whole fund having been absorbed in rebuilding the Palace at Gloucester, it was not competent for them to make any contribution to the Re-endowment Fund, but they suggested the expediency of promoting a Bill in Parliament for authorising an increased annual charge of 200*l.* a year on the revenues of the Bishopric of Gloucester and Bristol. Acting on this suggestion the Committee approached Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, who, with the consent of the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol, undertook the conduct of a Bill for this purpose, and succeeded in getting it passed in the last Session of Parliament.

There is therefore now secured a contribution of 700*l.* a year from the revenues of the present Diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, leaving a balance of 300*l.* a year to be provided to make up the total income of 3000*l.* a year. It is not, however, necessary that the capital sum to produce this 300*l.* a year should be raised forthwith, as the immediate appointment of a Bishop of Bristol could be made if a guarantee were given that such a capital sum would be raised within the period of five years from the date of the Bishop's appointment. The Report of the Committee presented on December 16, 1896, explained the present position of the re-endowment fund, and appealed to their fellow-citizens for 2,300*l.*, to be subscribed before March 25 next, to enable them to complete the fund, and thus bring their twelve years' effort to a successful conclusion. The Secretary has since announced that they have received a very hearty response, considerably more than 1,000*l.* having been paid or promised within a fortnight. The committee therefore have now less than 1,300*l.* to raise in order to meet the requirements of the Acts of Parliament, under which the Bishopric of Bristol will be reconstituted.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, the Rev. Canon Cornish, St. Mary Redcliffe Vicarage, Bristol; or to the Hon. Treasurer, R. F. Miles, Esq., The Old Bank, Bristol.

CHAPTER IX.

CHORAL ASSOCIATIONS.

CHURCH CHORAL ASSOCIATIONS.

THE following list of Choral Associations has been carefully revised by reference to the Secretary in each case.

Diocese, Name of Association, Date of Constitution, Secretaries	No. of Choirs in Union	Last Festival, and Number of Singers attending
Canterbury.		
Diocesan C. U. 1862. Rev. G. H. Gray, Precincts, Canterbury	40	Five District Festivals (1000)
Croydon Church Choirs U. 1871. F. J. Fenn, Esq., 2 Courtney Road, Croydon	12	Croydon Parish Church, Oct. 27, 1896. (300)
York.		
North-East Cathedral C. A. 1881.	varies	Ripon Cathedral, 1895. (280)
Hedon, C. A. 1869. Rev. H. E. Maddock, Patrington Rect., Hull	12	Hedon, July 18, 1896. (160)
London.		
Choir of the Association of Lay Helpers. 1871. Mr. T. Cleary, 17 Mornington Road, Regent's Park, N.W.	—	St. Paul's Cathedral, June 20, 1896. (85)
London Gregorian C. A. 1870. Mr. R. A. Turner, 51 Mt. Pleasant Road, Ladywell, S.E.	150	St. Paul's Cathedral, June 4, 1896. (1,230)
Church Sunday School Choir. 1880. Mr. H. Burbage, 78 Parkhurst Road, N.	100	Crystal Palace, July 21, 1896. (5,000)
Rural Desnery of Spitalfields C. C. U. 1886. Mr. J. Lawrence, 16 Albert Road, Dalston, N.E.	15	St. John's, Bethnal Green, Nov. 19, 1895. (200)
Durham.		
Stanhope Ruridecanal C. A. 1888. Rev. M. R. Sharp, Wolsingham, Darlington	9	Wolsingham, June 7.
Winchester.		
North Hants C. U. 1864. Rev. D. W. Chute, Sherborne St. John's Rect., Basingstoke	15	Whitchurch, June 12, 1895. (160). Odilham, June 13, 1895. (123)
Andover C. U. 1872. Mr. G. H. Westbury, The Knoll, Andover	10	Romsay Abbey, June, 1896. (250)

Choral Associations.

Diocese, Name of Association, Date of Constitution, Secretaries	No. of Choirs in Union.	Last Festival, and Number of Singers attending.
Winchester—(continued).		
Isle of Wight C. A. 1872. Mr. H. C. Mills, Beauchamp, Niton, Isle of Wight	13	Newport Parish Church, June 11, 1896. (181)
Leatherhead R. D. C. A. 1875. Rev. Canon Utterton, Leatherhead Vic.	15	Leatherhead Par. Church, 1895. (236)
Portsmouth and E. Hants Church Choral Union. 1888. Rev. C. P. Calvert, 31 S. Parade, Southsea	14	Southsea, St. Jude, June 18, 1896. (400)
Dorking R.D.C.A. Rev. L. S. Kennedy, Newdigate Rectory	11	Dorking, June 23, 1894. (252)
Godalming Church Choral Union. 1812. Rev. B. Roseow, Wayside, Godalming	14	Godalming, May 11, 1892. (350)
Bangor.		
Lifon R.D.C.U. 1870. Rev. E. Pryse, Boderu Vic., Valley	7	Llanfaelog, April 6, 1896. (100)
Talybolion Church C. U. 1874. Rev. H. L. Pryce, Llanfairyrhornwy Valley, Anglesea	3	Llanrhyddlad, Mar. 26, 1894. (65)
West Ardudwy Church Choirs A. 1880. Mr. R. Jones-Morris, Tyecerrig, Talsarnau	4	St. Tanwg's Church, Harlech, Aug. 28, 1896. (85)
Vale of Conway Church Choral Union. 1885. Rev. R. Jones, Vic., Bettws-y-Coed	7	St. Mary's, Bettws-y-Coed, May, 1896. (300)
Bath and Wells.		
Iichester Deaneries C. A. 1882. Rev. D. B. Binney, Limington Rec., Taunton	18	Martock, June 11, 1896. (303)
Bath and Wells Diocesan C. A. 1892. Rev. E. M. Lance, Pill Vic., Bristol	145	During 1896 — Bath Abbey, June 29. (444) Bruton, June 18. Glastonbury, June 24. Milverton, June 25. Wrington, Aug. 5. Chard, Sep. 23. (864)
Carlisle.		
Brampton Choirs A. 1881. Sec., Rev. S. Falle, Vic., Brampton	10	Brampton, June 25, 1896. (168)
Cumberland and Westmoreland C. A. Rev. T. W. Stephenson, Addingham Vic., Langwathby	16	Penrith St. Andrews, 1896. (300)
Association of Church Choirs for Archdeaconry of Furness. 1888. Rev. E. B. Billinge, Urswick Vic., Ulverston	20	Ulverston Par. Church, June 18, 1896. (460)
Derwent Church Choral Union. 1884. Rev. W. H. Parker, All Saints' Vic., Cockermouth	15	All Saints, Cockermouth, Sep. 10, 1896. (300)
Wigton R. D. C. A. 1886. Rev. W. Golling, Thursby Vic., Carlisle	11	Wigton, Aug. 22, 1895. (110)
Chester.		
Nantwich C. A. 1862. E. R. Bellyse, Esq., Ravens Oak, Nantwich	17	Nantwich Parish Church, Sep. 1, 1896. (400)
Mottram-in-Longdendale C. A. 1888. Rev. T. M. Tozer, St. Stephen's Vic., Hyde	10	Mottram Parish Church, Oct. 10, 1896. (200)
Chester Diocesan C. A. 1886. Rev. C. Hylton Stewart, Vic., New Brighton, and Rev. J. G. Elstob, Capesthorpe Vic., Crewe	100	Various centres.
Chichester.		
Association of Parochial Choirs. 1862. Rev. G. S. Gruggen, Subdeanery House, Chichester	17	Littlehampton, July 20, 1896. (299)
Horsham Dis. C. U. 1886. Mr. A. W. Rawlison, Horsham	16	Horsham, June 13, 1895. (350)

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Ely.		
Ely Diocesan Council of Church Music. F. W. Morley, Esq., Pembroke College, Cambridge, and Rev. F. W. Hudson, Fulbourn Lodge, Cambridge	—	District Festivals in 1896
Sudbury Archidiaconal Church Music Society. Rev. Leslie Mercer, Hawstead Rect., Bury St. Edmunds	18	St. Peter's, Moulton, June 25, 1896. (180)
Hunts Church Music Society. 1862. Rev. G. E. Sharland, Stow Longa Vic., St. Neots	30	In 1896 at Elton, Leighton, Kimbolton, and Fenstanton. (464)
Church Music Society for Archdeaconry and Isle of Ely. 1866. Rev. L. Fisher, Harlton Rect., Cambridge, and Rev. C. Butler, Ely	24	In 1896 at Chesterton, Gamlingay, Berrington, Sutton, and Litlington
Archidiaconal Church Music Society of Bedford. 1865. Mr. F. A. Blaydes, Shenstone Lodge, Bedford	35	In 1896 Willington, June 10; Wootton, June 23; Leighton Buzzard, June 25; and Olney, July 16. (572)
Exeter.		
Exeter Diocesan C. A. 1886. (Choirs from the Archdeaconry of Barnstaple, N. Devon Choral Union, and 5 single choirs.) I. J. Roylands (Chanter, Esq., The Mount, Exmouth	35	Exeter Cathedral, July 2, 1896. (888)
Aylesbeare Deanery C. U. Rev. A. W. Hamilton-Gell, Winslade, Exeter. Rev. C. P. Aphthorp, Lindum, Exmouth	6	Ottertton, July 16, 1896. (138)
Aylesbeare Deanery C. U. Rev. A. W. Hamilton-Gell, Winslade, Exeter. Rev. C. P. Aphthorp, Lindum, Exmouth	10	Topsham, July 22, 1896. (207)
Calbury Deanery, C. U. Rev. W. H. Bowden, The Rectory, Bow	—	No Festival held during 1896
Christianity Deanery, C. U. Rev. T. J. Ponting, St. Matthew's Vic., Exeter	4	Exeter Cathedral, July 2, 1896. (114)
East Devon C. U. H. F. Gueritz, Esq., Colyton Vic., Axminster	14	Honiton, Sept. 7, 1896. (216)
Holsworthy. Rev. T. S. Kendall, The Rectory, Holsworthy	1	Exeter Cathedral, July 2, 1896. (30)
Ipplepen Deanery C. U. Rev. G. H. Statham, Torwood Rect., Torquay	12	Paignton, Aug. 5, 1896. (251)
Kenn Deanery C. U. Rev. J. Veysey, St. Michael's Vic., Teignmouth. Major Bower, Claremont, Teignmouth	7	Teignmouth, July 30, 1896. (164)
Moreton Deanery C. U. Rev. T. J. Yarde, Culver House, Chudleigh	8	Bovey Tracey, June 18, 1896. (212)
North Devon C. U. Rev. M. D. Buckingham, Burrington Vic., Chulmleigh	20	Exeter Cathedral, July 2, 1896. (732)
North Devon C. U. Rev. M. D. Buckingham, Burrington Vic., Chulmleigh	3	High Bray, July 19, 1896. (68)
Okehampton. Rev. F. W. Saulez, The Vicarage, Okehampton	—	No Festival held during 1896
Plympton C. U. Rev. C. B. Yonge, Newton Ferrers Rect., Plymouth	8	Ugborough, June 17, 1896. (312)
Totnes Deanery C. U. Rev. T. H. Elliott, The Vicarage, Totnes	—	No Festival held during 1896
Tavistock Deanery C. U. Rev. J. Macklin Targett, Tavistock	4	Princetown, Aug. 26, 1896. (73)
Tiverton (East) Deanery C. U. Rev. T. H. Wyndham, Kentisbeare Rect., Cullompton	—	No Festival held during 1896
Tiverton (West) Deanery C. U. Rev. A. Hill-yard, Stoodleigh Rect., Tiverton	—	" "

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Exeter —(continued).		
The Three Towns Deanery C. U. Rev. W. A. Lewis, St. Mark's Vic. (Ford), Devonport	8	St. Matthias, Plymouth, June 28, 1896. (244)
The Three Towns Deanery C. U. Rev. W. A. Lewis, St. Mark's Vic. (Ford), Devonport	10	St. Mark's Ford, Devonport, July 9, 1896. (222)
Woodleigh Deanery C. U. Rev. W. H. Wilkinson, Kingsbridge	6	South Milton Vicarage, Loddswell, June 18, 1896. (133)
The Three Towns Deanery C. U. Rev. W. A. Lewis, St. Mark's Vic. (Ford), Devonport	8	Exeter Cathedral, July 2, 1895. (279)
The Three Towns Deanery C. U. Rev. W. A. Lewis, St. Mark's Vic. (Ford), Devonport	8	Devonport, June 28, 1895. (260)
Woodleigh Deanery, C. U. Rev. W. T. Keeling, Malborough Vic., Kingsbridge	4	Exeter Cathedral, July 2, 1895. (88)
Woodleigh Deanery C. U. Rev. W. T. Keeling, Malborough Vic., Kingsbridge	9	Salcombe, June 20, 1895. (200)
Gloucester and Bristol.		
Gloucester District Diocesan C. U. 1871. Rev. N. W. Shelton, Taynton Rect., Gloucester	51	Newest Church, July 9, 1896. (230)
Tewkesbury C. U. 1879. Rev. W. B. Broughton, Tewkesbury	14	Tewkesbury Abbey, Sept. 24, 1891 (In abeyance)
Cirencester C. U. 1865. Rev. B. Mallam, Poole, Keynes, Cirencester	15	—
Coleford C. U. 1870. Rev. A. W. Cornwall, Newland Vic., Coleford	8	Coleford, May 31, 1894. (120)
Dursley District C. U. 1885. Rev. W. J. Evans, Coaley Vic., Dursley; Rev. C. R. Ward, Falfield Rect.	20	Dursley, May 20, 1896. (200)
Bristol Church C. U. 1879. Rev. G. A. S. Metford, 24 Berkeley Square, Clifton	24	Bristol Cathedral, June 2, 1896. (707)
Hereford.		
Hereford C. U. 1861. Rev. Sir G. H. Cornwall, Bart., Moccas Court, Hereford; Rev. W. Poole, Hentland, Ross	76	Four District Festivals, 1896.
South Shropshire C. U. 1862. Rev. J. H. Brown, Belstone Rect., Bucknell, R.S.O.	13	In 1896, Clun, July 1. (110); Tenbury, July 15 (80)
Lichfield.		
Lichfield Diocesan C. A. 1856. Rev. C. M. S. Paterson, Chebsey Vic., Ecsleshall	120	—
Wrockwardine R. D. C. A. 1885. Rev. W. D. Craven, Upton Magna, Shrewsbury	12	High Ercall, June 2, 1896. (204)
Salop Union of Ch. Choirs. 1889. Rev. W. G. Hazelhurst, West Felton Rect., Oswestry	40	Shrewsbury, June 11, 1896; Newport, June 18; Ellesmere, June 25. (577)
Stoke-on-Trent R. D. C. A. Rev. R. D. Cheetham, Northwood Vic., Hanley	25	Edensor, Northwood, Longton, and Fenton, 1892. (250)
Lincoln.		
Grimsby and District C. U. 1886. Rev. G. E. Mahon, St. John's Vic., New Cleve, Grimsby	9	Grimsby, June 21, 1894. (217)
Yarboro' R. D. C. A. Rev. C. B. Goodacre, Thornton Curtis Vic., Ulceby	5	Kirmington, June 27, 1894. (115)
Llandaff.		
Llandaff Dioc. Ch. C. A. Glamorgan Branch. 1861. Rev. E. Morgan, Penmark Vic., Cowbridge	24	Penrath, Aug. 26, 1895. (360) Porthcawi, Sept. 1896. (300)
Llandaff Dioc. C. A., Monmouthshire, Eng. Div. Mr. Henry Prothero, Malpas Court, Newport, and Rev. J. L. Clongher, Vic., Blaenavon	26	Llandaff Cathedral, July 30, 1896. (750)

¹ Annual Festival not held in the Cathedral owing to the epidemic.

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Llandaff—(continued).		
Llandaff Dioc. C. A., Welsh Division. Rev. T. Rees, St. Mellons' Vic., Cardiff, and Rev. Precentor Lewis, Ystradyfodwg Vic., Pontypridd	38	Llandaff Cathedral, Sept. 10, 1894. (1,456)
Manchester.		
Leigh C. U. 1878. Rev. W. R. Clayton, Howe Bridge Vic., Atherton, Manchester	8	Atherton, June 20, 1894. (250)
Whalley R. D. C. A. 1882. Rev. G. Lomas, St. John's, Accrington	15	(In abeyance)
Manchester Cathedral R. D. C. U. 1895. Rev. A. Lowry, 14 Broughton Street, Cheetham, and H. F. Pacey, Esq., 57 Manchester Road, Bolton	14	Manchester Cathedral, Nov. 6, 1895. (240)
Norwich.		
Diocesan Church Choral Association. 1859. Rev. H. C. Rogers, Rect., Narborough, Swaffham	170	District Festivals, 1896, Norwich, E. Bergholt, Blofield, Pulham, Needham Market, Runton, and Yarmouth. (1680)
West Norfolk and Lynn C.A. 1856. Rev. E. J. Alvis, E. Winch Vic., King's Lynn, Norfolk.	18	In 1896 district festivals at Terrington, Hunstanton, North Runcton (293)
Flegg C. A. 1880. Rev. W. A. Green, Winter-ton Rect.	7	Yarmouth Par. Church, June 11, 1896. (190)
Swaffham C. A. Rev. E. J. Alvis, E. Winch Vic., King's Lynn	6	Swaffham, Mar. 26, 1894. (100)
Oxford.		
Olney C. A. 1878. Rev. J. P. Langley, Olney Vic., Bucks	9	Olney, July 16, 1896. (180)
Oxford C. A. 1866. Rev. H. E. Clayton, Magdalen College, Oxford	18	(In abeyance)
Deddington R. D. C. A. 1864. Rev. H. J. Gepp, Adderbury Vic., Banbury	16	Banbury Parish Church, June 9, 1896. (309)
Bradfield R. D. C. A. 1882. Rev. J. B. Burne, Wasing Rect., Reading	5	(In abeyance)
Newbury R. D. C. A. 1857. Rev. H. Howard, Bright Walton Rect., Wantage	5	(In abeyance)
Chipping Norton R. D. C. A. 1881. Rev. H. Barter, Shipton-under-Wychwood	15	Chipping Norton, May 21, 1896. (140)
Peterborough.		
West and South Akeley C. U. 1889. Rev. H. B. St. John, Holy Trinity Vic., Ashby-de-la-Zouch	15	Hugglescote, July 1, 1896. (360)
Rutland 2nd Deanery C. U. Miss Trollope, Edith Weston Rect.	9	Ketton, June 1, 1893. (200)
Guthlaxton III. R. D. C. U. 1889. Rev. E. Jackson, Gilmorton, Lutterworth	7	North Kilworth and Bruntingthorpe, July 1895. (120)
Deene C. U. Rev. E. F. Sylvester, Deene Rect., Wansford	10	Deene, June 29, 1896. (121)
Northamptonshire C. U. Rev. Canon Hull, All Saints' Vic., Northampton	16	All Saints', Northampton, May 28, 1895. (280)
Ripon.		
Ripon and Masham C. A. 1883. Rev. F. H. Taylor, Ripon	12	Ripon Cathedral, Oct. 10, 1893. (150)

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Rochester. Rochester Archidiaconal C. A. 1866. J. H. Whitfield, Esq., Rochester	36	Rochester Cathedral, J 17, 1896. (682)
St. Albans. Chelmsford Association of Church Choirs. 1865. Mr. G. Sargent, Essex Bank, Chelmsford	15	Chelmsford, St. M June 16, 1896. (34)
St. Albans Church C.U. 1866. Canon Davys, Rect., Wheathampstead.	41	St. Albans Cathed July 29, 1896. (39)
East Herts Church C.A. 1874. Rev. R. B. Little, Standon Vic., Ware	17	Standon, June 26, 1 (406)
Rochford and Canewdon R. D. C. A. 1874. Rev. H. Hayes, Canvey Island Vic., South Benfleet	5	Canvey Island, Jun 1896. (114)
Epping Forest C. C. A. 1881. (Vacant)	10	St. John's Chu Epping, Sept. 5, 1 (200)
St. Asaph. Wrexham R. D. C. U. 1883. Rev. C. H. Thomp- son, Wrexham	10	Wrexham, May 23, 1 (276)
Vale of Clwyd Ch. C. U. 1889. Rev. D. Griffiths, Cefn Rect., St. Asaph	32	Rhyl, Colwyn Bay, Rut June, 1894. (900)
Oswestry C. A. 1875. Rev. T. Redfern, Holy Trinity Vic., Oswestry	9	Oswestry, July 1895. (
St. Davids. Cardigan Arch. C. U. 1869. Newcastle Branch, Rev. W. Powell, Vic., Newcastle Emlyn	24	Newcastle Emlyn, Jun 1895. (350)
Cardigan Branch, Rev. D. Francis, Vic., Llandygwydd	17	Cardigan, June 12, 1 (300)
¹ Carmarthen Arch. C. U. 1866. Rev. T. R. Walters, St. David's Vic., Carmarthen	42	Llandilo, June 16, 1 Carmarthen, June 1896. Swansea, J 28, 1896. (1,632)
Brecon Arch. C. U. 1852 Brecon Branch, Rev. J. Price, Llanvigan Rect., Brecon	28	Brecon Priory Chu June 17, 1896. (5
Radnorshire Branch, Rev. J. Ll. Herbert, Glanhowey Vic., Llandrindod	7	Builth, Aug. 1894. (; Llandrindod, 1893. (1
Salisbury. Salisbury Diocesan C. A. 1859. Rev. W. M. Barnes, Monkton Rect., Dorchester	225	Four District Festival 1896. (730)
Southwell. Diocesan C. U. 1896. Mr. V. Mellor, Turn- ditch, Derby	30	Southwell Cathed., J 30, 1896. (700)
Derby Arch. C. A. 1869. Rev. W. T. Stratford, Hallam Fields, Ilkeston	—	Ditto
Notts Arch. C. A. Rev. H. S. Arkwright, St. George's, Nottingham	—	Ditto
Derby Arch. C. A. Glossopdale District. 1885. Rev. A. P. Hamilton-Wilson, Glossop Vic., Manchester	3	Glossop Parish Chu Nov. 17, 1896. (65
Truro. Diocesan Choral Union. 1887. Rev. Precentor Donaldson, Truro	115	Truro Cathedral, Jun 1896. (750)
Cornwall Arch. C. U. St. Austell R. D. C. A. 1880. Rev. S. V. Baker, Tywardreath Vic.	8	Fowey, July 8, 18 (140)

¹ English and Welsh Festivals alternately.

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Truro—(continued).		
Carnmarth R. D. C. A. 1896. Rev. H. H. Mills, Vic., Trealothian	10	Jackingmill, June 18, 1896. (193)
Kerrier R. D. C. A. 1889. Rev. A. Harrison, Constantine	11	St. Keverne, July 6, 1896 (200)
Powder, R. D. C. A. 1884. H. Gill, Esq., Truro	12	Probus, July 21, 1896. (300)
East Penwith C. U. 1888. W. J. Taylor, Esq., Lelant	7	Hayle, July 9, 1896. (130)
Pydar R. D. C. A. 1885. Rev. C. J. Lavanchy, Colan Vic.	8	St. Mawgan, June 17, 1896. (189)
Bodmin Arch. C. U.		
Bodmin R. D. C. A. 1885. Rev. E. Drewe, Lostwithiel Vic.	6	Truro Cathedral, June 9, 1896. (120)
Trigg Major R. D. C. A. 1893. [Secretaryship vacant]	2	Truro Cathedral, June 9, 1896. (66)
Trigg Minor R. D. C. A. 1885. Rev. R. D. Parker, Davidstow	5	Truro Cathedral, June 9, 1896. (102)
West R.D.C.A. 1839. [Vacant]	12	Truro Cathedral, June 9, 1896. (217)
East R. D. C. A. 1893. Rev. W. Westmacott, St. Germans	11	Truro Cathedral, June 9, 1896. (176)
¹ Launceston District C. A. 1871. E. Leaman, Esq., Launceston	8	St. Mary Magdalene, Launceston, June 19, 1895. (200)
Worcester.		
Worcester Arch. C. A. 1861. Rev. H. H. Woodward, The College, Worcester	65	Worcester Cathedral. (1,500)
Coventry Arch. C. A. 1863. Rev. W. Scott, Exhall Vic.	16	Coventry, June 11, 1896. (480). St. Philip's, Birmingham, Oct. 15. (433)
Birmingham Arch. C. A. Rev. W. H. Poulton (<i>pro tem.</i>), Queen's Coll., Birmingham	—	(Under re-organisation)

¹ Extra-diocesan, including choirs in Devonshire and Cornwall.

GUILD OF CHURCH MUSICIANS.

THIS is a guild of Church musicians banded together mainly to set forth the duties of those who devote their musical capabilities to beautifying the worship of God; to advance Church music; to receive Church choirs in union, to provide rules for their use, and to encourage meetings of combined choirs; to grant certificates of proficiency to members of enrolled choirs, and to confer diplomas of associate and fellow (after examination) upon members of the Guild. There are 38 choirs in union, 403 ordinary members, 108 life-members, 100 associates (by examination), 117 fellows (by examination), and 122 honorary fellows.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Mr. C. F. Passmore, 11 Arleigh Street, Strand, W. C.

THE CLERGY FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

This is a Society for Clerical Insurance in the event of sickness or other disablement, and is open to all Clergymen of the Church of England who, at the time of their entrance, are beneficed or licensed in England or Wales, under forty-five, and in good health. They pay, for the single benefit, from 36s. to 72s. per annum, according to age in application, and a small sum for management. If they go to work abroad they retain their membership (while continuing their payments), but are debarred from benefit until their return. The single benefit is one guinea a week, falling to half a guinea after twenty-six weeks; and if disablement continues beyond twelve months, the benefit takes the form of an allowance at the rate of 5*l.* 2*s.* 4½*d.* per quarter, till recovery or death. A double premium secures double these benefits. The income for 1894 was 1,026*l.*

Two valuations have been passed with surplus.

Secretary, Rev. G. B. Howard, 13 College Road, Bromley, Kent.

INCUMBENTS' SUSTENTATION FUND.

This Fund, as is generally known, was originated by the Marquis of Lorne in 1873, and its object is to raise the income of every benefice in England and Wales to a minimum of 200*l.* a year, either by (a) permanent endowment, or (b) annual grant.

Towards permanent endowment it has contributed 28,800*l.* In 1895 annual grants were made in augmentation of the year's income of 92 benefices. The income of 1894 amounted to 1,462*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.*

The Council earnestly appeal for contributions to enable them to secure for every incumbent a sufficient maintenance.

Hon. Secretary, Rev. Paul Petit, M.A., Albany Buildings, 39 Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.

CURATES' AUGMENTATION FUND.

The work of this Fund has been described in previous issues of the YEAR-BOOK. Its object is to provide increased stipends for Curates who have served without reproach or not less than 15 years, and thus to make it possible for them to calculate on obtaining in middle life a professional income sufficient to enable them to exercise their ministry without being harassed by pecuniary anxiety, or driven to seek the aid of charitable institutions to obtain the necessaries of life. It should, perhaps, be added that the number of Curates is so much in excess of the benefices to which they can be promoted, that a constantly increasing number have to wait 20 or 30 years before they obtain preferment, whilst many must remain Curates all their lives. There are at present in active work as Curates nearly 1,300 men whose length of service exceeds 15 years, and his number is annually increasing, because the number of men ordained each year is in excess of vacancies and new livings. This excess last year was upwards of 200. Curates are multiplying three times more rapidly than incumbencies.

For the year 1895-6 grants to a considerable amount were voted, and it is hoped that many applications which have had to stand over may soon receive consideration. The applicants are men of about 50 years of age, their average length of service being 29 years, who, though still engaged in active work for the Church, are receiving a professional income of even less than the youngest Curate—namely, from 100*l.* to 130*l.* a year. The income for 1896 was 15,031*l.*

All communications should be made to the Rev. J. R. Humble, 2 Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

**SECTION II.—CLERGY DISTRESS FUNDS, AUGMENTATION
OF BENEFICES, CLERGY CHARITIES.**

As the impoverishment of the Clergy, by reason of the continually increasing diminution of their incomes, has become a matter of pressing importance, it has been thought well to ascertain as fully as possible what special steps are being taken to deal with this great hardship, which has really become a serious injury to the work of the Church.

In the following table a record is given, not only of more recently organised measures, but also of previously existing sources for augmenting

poor benefices, or in other ways relieving clerical distress. A careful reading of these records can leave but one impression—that at present the measures existing for giving the needful assistance to the Clergy are wholly incommensurate with the prevailing necessity, and that the exigencies of the case call for strenuous and generous efforts on the part of the Laity quickly to supply what is lacking.

With regard to the list of Clergy Charities, though this has been carefully revised, and represents with fair completeness the principal existing charities, it is not yet an exhaustive record.

CLERGY SUSTENTATION FUND,

FOR THE TWO PROVINCES OF YORK AND CANTERBURY.

Founded 1896.

THIS Fund was formed in 1896 with the hearty approval of the late Archbishop of Canterbury and the Archbishop of York, and has the twofold object (1) of impressing on all members of the Church, in every rank of life, their clear duty of contributing towards the support of the Clergy; and (2) of promoting and extending Diocesan organisations for that purpose, and supplementing their efforts by establishing a central fund to be distributed amongst the Dioceses in proportion to their needs.

The Rules admit of the Fund receiving gifts for the benefit of either the benefited or the unbenefited Clergy, and either by way of permanent endowment or annual grant, and either generally or limited to a particular area, such as a diocese or parish. But, having regard to the suffering entailed upon many rural Incumbents by the agricultural depression, which has reduced the tithe rent-charge, last year to 28½ per cent., and this year to more than 30 per cent. below its par value, and has seriously diminished the rest of glebe lands, the present efforts of the Fund are directed to making annual grants in augmentation of the income of necessitous benefices. Accordingly, all contributions, not otherwise destined by the donors, are devoted to this purpose under the following scheme. Diocesan organisations having a similar object are invited to affiliate themselves to the Fund, and to pay into it one-fifth of their annual disposable income. From the Central Fund formed by these Diocesan contributions and the direct gifts made to it, annual block grants will be made to the affiliated Dioceses according to their apparent needs, to be distributed among the needy benefices of each Diocese by its own Diocesan organisation by way of supplement to the amount for the same purpose which has been collected and retained in the Diocese.

The Fund is constituted so as to be representative of the whole Church. It is governed by a Board, consisting of the members of the Executive Committee for the time being and three laymen elected by each Diocesan Conference. Its affairs are administered by an Executive Committee of 42 laymen, 6 of whom are nominated by each Archbishop, and the remaining 36 are elected by the Board to serve for three years, with power of being re-elected, 10 going out of office in each year. As a temporary measure until the scheme of election by the Board can take effect, the existing Executive Committee, consisting of members drawn as far as possible from all parts of the country, was sanctioned by the Archbishops last year.

Up to the end of 1896, over £20,000 had been contributed or promised to the Fund: but as this amount includes some large capital donations, it will not all be available for distribution this year among the affiliated Dioceses.

Besides this, the Fund has given a stimulus to the formation and extension of Diocesan Funds for a similar purpose in different parts of the country. Some of these are actually branches of, or affiliated to, the Central Body; but in the case of others the adjustment of their relations to the Clergy Sustentation Fund is still under consideration. The election of members of the Board of this Fund has taken place in many of the Dioceses, and its first meeting will be held in May or June.

Chairman of the Executive Committee—Lord Egerton of Tatton. Vice-Chairman—Viscount Cross, G.C.B., G.C.S.I. Treasurers—F. Charlesworth, Esq., W. S. De Winton, Esq., R. Forster, Esq., W. E. J. Tomlinson, Esq., M.P., Colonel R. Williams, M.P.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Sec. (*pro tem.*), Rev. A. Milburn Blackiston, Church House, Westminster.

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Name of Fund and its defined limits	Date of Origin	Amount of Invested Capital or other sources of Income	Number of Grants in 1895-6	Total Sums distributed in 1895-6	Name and Address of Secretary	Defined Objects of the Fund
Canterbury. Diocesan Association for Augmentation of Poor Benefices	1893	£ s. d. Income 1896 907 1 7 *1,200 0 0	12	£ s. d. 1,700 0 0	Lieut.-Col. Newton Dickenson, The Precincts, Canterbury	To permanently augment all benefices below 200l. to that amount by grants to meet local contributions
Diocesan Easter Offering Fund	1890	Income 1895 721 0 11	23	600 0 0	Rev. G. Moberley Smith, Penhurst Rectory, Kent	To assist incumbents of small livings by annual grants
York. Poor Benefices Fund	1893	3,274 19 10	85	3,225 0 0	Rev. E. de V. Bryans, The Vicarage, Newton-on-Ouse	To augment benefices under 200l. by grants of 20l. to meet local contributions, provided only that such grants do not increase the benefice to more than 200l.
Diocesan Church Extension	1878	Annual Sources	2	600 0 0	W. R. Cobb, Esq., Blake Street, York	Among others, for endowment
Diocesan Clergy Distress Fund	1887	*500 0 0	33	560 0 2	Bishop of Beverley, Bolton Percy Rectory	Personal grants in necessity
Bath and Wells. The Broadmead-Fund	1893	*10,000 0 0	8	180 0 0	H. R. Poole, Esq., South Petherton, Somerset	To meet benefactions for augmentation of poor benefices
Diocesan Committee of the Clergy Pensions Institution	1894	504 11 0	1	2 2 0	Rev. J. A. W. Wadmore, Barrow Gurney Vicarage, Somerset	To pay part or whole of contributions for poor beneficiaries, or purchase annuities for necessitous Clergy over 65
Chester. Juliusæ Clergy Pensions Fund	1887	*16,715 0 0 Annual Contributions 45 0 0	Seven Clergy are in receipt of pensions	711 14 7	John Gamon, Esq., Cathedral Chambers, Chester	To provide pensions for aged or disabled Clergy, to facilitate resignations, to raise capital sum of 30,000l. for such purpose
Carlisle. The Bishop of Carlisle Diocesan Sustentation Fund	1893	955 0 0 Distributed since Christmas 1893	—	200 0 0	Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Carlisle, Rose Castle, Carlisle	Personal grants in necessity
Carlisle Diocesan Church Extension Society	1862	Annual Income from investments 298l., and subscriptions in 1895 395l. 17s. 11d.	4	490 0 0	Rev. Canon Bower, St. Cuthbert's Vicarage, Carlisle	Among others, to make grants for endowment and augmentation
Chichester. Chichester Diocesan Association	1838	Annual Sources	1	100 0 0	Rev. Canon Deane, Ferring Vicarage, Worthing.	Among others, for augmentation of poor livings
Bishop's Fund	1893	Annual Sources	2	500 0 0	Do.	Increase of stipends

* This amount represents capital invested.

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Fund defined its	Date of Origin	Amount of Invested Capital or other sources of Income	Number of Grants in 1895-6	Total Sums distributed in 1895-6	Name and address of Secretary	Defined Objects of the Fund
rd. ¹ Diocesan Office Aug- ment Fund	1861	£ s. d. Annual Sources	2	£ s. d. 200 0 0	Rev. R. C. Ed- wards, Spoon Vicarage, New- bury	To augment benefices by meeting local contributions, and when doubled by Ecl. C. and Q.A.B.
	rough. Sustenta- d ²	1893	979 12 8 (from 1893)	—	197 0 0	Rev. Canon Wat- son, Sharnford Rectory, Hinck- ley	Personal grants in necessity
Office Aug- ment Fund	1876	8,800 0 0 (since 1876)	—	—	Rev. Canon de Mowbray, Knoxx- ington Rect., Oakham	To augment benefices and build parsonage houses in the dioc- ese
Dioc. Clergy Aid	1887	*16,976 10 10	(a) 8 (b) 26	(a) 435 10 0 (b) 430 0 0	Rev. E. P. Knub- ley, Staveley Rec- tory, Leeds	To assist clergy, (a) by retiring pensions, or (b) temporary augmentations of income to obtain pensions, or life assurance
West Yorkshire Endow- ment Society	1892	653 19 8	2	100 0 0	Rev. R. V. Taylor, Mulbecks Vic., Yorks	To assist by grants the augmentation of benefices in three rural deaneries of Richmond
West Yorkshire Emer- gency Endow- ment Society for Clergy of West Yorkshire	1893	*1,391 12 0	38	520 0 0	The Secretary, The Palace, Ripon	Personal grants in necessity
	1878	Annual Sources	1	20 0 0	Rev. E. Kenble, Long Preston Vicarage, Leeds	Augmentation of benefices in the deanery of North Craven
	1877	*6,750 9 8	1	200 0 0	Rev. G. M. Gor- ham, The Vicar- age, Masham, R.S.O., Yorks.	To assist local efforts to raise block sum of 200l. for the in- creased endowment of the six district churches of Mash- am and Kirby Mal- zeard
West Yorkshire Clergy's Fund	1884	706 2 0 in 1895	14	1,200 0 0	A. Harries, Hon. Treasurer, Car- marthen	To augment all liv- ings in the diocese below 200l. to that amount
West Yorkshire Clergy and Clergy Fund	1893	962 9 7	No return	260 0 0	Rev. A. B. Thynne, Scend Vicarage, Melksham, Wilts	Personal grants in case of need
West Yorkshire Church Society	1830	Annual Sub- scriptions	2	150 0 0	W. Beadon Wood- forde, Esq., 10 Full St., Derby	To make grants for augmentation of poor benefices and to supply additional clergy in populous districts
Fund for Clergy of West Yorkshire	1892	*5,000 0 0 (over)	—	—	The Chaplain, Thurgarton Priory, Notts	To augment poor benefices
West Yorkshire Clergy Relief	1894	Annual Sub- scriptions	77	1,280 0 2	Rev. V. Fortescue, Bubbenhall Rec- tory, Kenilworth	To assist where in- comes fall below 200l.
Philpott	1886	*4,642 11 3	38	160 2 7	Rev. D. Tait, The Vicarage, Mal- vern Wells	Payment of half pre- mium for life assur- ance

Diocesan Conference has recently passed a resolution pointing out the duty of the Laity to provide for the support of the Clergy. In the meantime a small fund is in the Bishop's private dispensation by him.

Each of the Central Clergy Sustention Fund.

EXPLANATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE DIOCESES NOT REFERRED
ABOVE TABLE.

Durham.—In this Diocese there is no special necessity for any except dealing with losses occasioned by diminution of income.

Winchester.—The necessity of making some provision to meet the distress among some of the incumbents of the Diocese is under the consideration of the Conference, and steps are being taken.

Bangor.—The Bishop is taking measures to organise a fund for the aid of the poorer Clergy.

Newcastle.—A Diocesan organisation to deal with diminution of income is in formation.

St. Albans.—The Bishop has issued a Pastoral, requesting the Clergy to enforce upon the Laity their obligation to provide for their churches, asking their contributions to a central fund to enable all benefices and vicarages to be increased to this amount.

I. GENERAL CHARITIES.

SONS OF THE CLERGY CORPORATION.

The charitable operations of this Corporation are directed to the following purposes:—

1. To afford continuous or occasional assistance to Clergymen of ten years' standing, and holding or having held a licensed cure of souls in England and Wales, when in need from mental or bodily infirmity, the reverse of the heavy expenses incidental to large families, or any other cause of distress beyond their own control.

2. To grant pensions to widows of Clergymen, and to such maiden daughters as are 45 years of age or upwards.

3. To grant donations to Clergy widows in temporary difficulty, or unsuccessful in obtaining them; and also to single daughters of Clergymen, aged 45, who are incapacitated by want of health from earning their own maintenance, or, if 45 or upwards, are unsuccessful candidates for pensions.

4. To apprentice Clergymen's sons and daughters, orphans or non-profits, to professions, and trades; to assist in their education at school or college, and to provide outfits for them, and to help them in other ways on being placed in the world.

Class I. The amount granted in any one year to a Clergyman varies according to his circumstances and the merits of the case, from 10*l.* to 40*l.*, exclusive of the sums which may be applied in favour of his children under the 4th class.

Class II. Pensions to widows and daughters.

Class III. Donations to widows and daughters.

Class IV. Children are apprenticed by the Corporation, and donations are granted to sons and daughters to assist them in earning their own maintenance.

The total income for 1895 was 27,208 *l.* 14*s.* 7*d.*, exclusive of 935*l.* 16*s.* for the Clergy Distress Fund, re-opened in 1893.

All communications should be addressed to the Registrar, Sir Pa. Bart., 2, Bloomsbury Place, Bloomsbury Square, W.C.

POOR CLERGY RELIEF CORPORATION.

Established 1856; incorporated by Royal Charter 1867; for the relief of the poor Clergy, their widows and orphans, in temporary distress.

During the past financial year the Committee have held 22 meetings for the consideration of cases.

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applications for help have been received at the office. Of these, 838 cases relieved with pecuniary grants ranging from 5*l.* to 25*l.*; 47 cases assisted with, without a pecuniary grant; and 114 cases, for various reasons, were or deferred for further consideration.

838 cases which had grants of money, 294 received clothing also. The income for 1895-96 was 13,241*l.*

Communications should be addressed to Dr. Pigott, 36 Southampton Street, W.C.

FRIEND OF THE CLERGY CORPORATION.

allowing pensions, not exceeding 40*l.* per annum, to the widows, and unmarried daughters, of Clergymen of the Established Church, and for temporary assistance to necessitous Clergymen and their families. At the present time there are 109 pensioners on the funds of the Society, for whose pensions a sum of upwards of 3,500*l.* has annually to be provided.

The income for 1895-96 amounted to 6,650*l.*

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. H. Jona, 17 King William Street, W.C.

ANN HINTON CLERICAL SOCIETY.

The society was founded in 1858; it has as its main object the assistance of Clergy whose incomes are so diminished as to be inadequate for their support; Clergy in England and Wales are eligible if holding livings, and are eligible for grants for general purposes, education, holidays, and in sickness. The recipients in 1895-6 numbered 230, and 458 parcels of clothing were sent during the same period amounting to 1,975*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*

Information may be obtained from the General Manager, Miss C. B. Hinton, 10, Clifton, Bristol.

FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.**CLERGY ORPHAN CORPORATION.**

aiming at providing, maintaining, and educating poor orphans of Clergymen of the Established Church. Boys' School: St. Thomas's Hill, Canterbury. Girls' School: 11, Bushey, Herts. There are exhibitions both at school and at the universities founded in connection with the boys' school. Grants are made to orphans leaving from an Apprenticing Fund. Candidates for admission are the votes of subscribers in May and November, and must be between the ages of eight and twelve (boys under special conditions admitted as candidates up to the age of 15). 3,042 children have been admitted to benefits of these schools, which since 1858 have cost 215. The income for 1895 was 15,000*l.* All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Rev. W. Charles Cluff, M.A., 62 Lincoln's Inn, W.C.

SCHOOL FOR SONS OF POOR CLERGYMEN, LEATHERHEAD.

The Leatherhead Foundation School was instituted in 1852, for providing a free school for the sons of the poorer Clergy. The school is about half-a-mile from Leatherhead Station on either the London and Brighton or the South-Western Railway. The sons of the Clergy are admitted in three different ways into St. John's School: (1) As Free Foundationers. Candidates must be between 9 and 11 years of age, and the sons of living Clergymen in need of assistance. The elections take place on the 1st of December of each year. (2) As Supplementary Foundationers. Candidates must be between 9 and 14 years of age, and the sons of living Clergymen whose incomes are limited. Boys are nominated by the Committee (without election) at the commencement of each term. Fees, 30 guineas per annum. (3) As Non-Foundationers. No limit as to age or income. Fees, 50 guineas per annum. All communications should be made to the Secretary. The education is the same as that of the public schools. Boys are prepared for the Universities, Army and Navy,

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all professions, and commerce. The school is a centre for the Oxford and Cambridge Board Examination and for the Cambridge Locals.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Rev. Sutton Patterson, M.A., The Sanctuary, Westminster, S. W.

CLERGY DAUGHTERS' SCHOOL, BRANDON HILL, BRISTOL.

The object of this school, which was founded in 1831, is to provide for the daughters of Clergymen of the Church of England in straitened circumstances an appropriate education. The number of pupils received is 90, and the age of admittance is 10. Daughters of all Clergy of the Church of England are eligible for admission, but the income of the parents from all sources and the number of their dependent children will be taken into account by the Committee in electing. Applications for admission are laid before the Local Committee for approval after a nomination has been obtained. There is no list of persons qualified to be nominors to whom the applicant can apply; but any friend of the applicant can become a nominor by undertaking to pay yearly, in advance, a Nomination subscription of 10*l.* for so long as the pupil remains in the school. A donor of 50*l.* to the funds of the school has the privilege of nominating a pupil for six years. A parent may be accepted as a nominor under special circumstances to be approved by the Committee. This nomination subscription of 10*l.* a year or 50*l.* in one sum being a contribution to the general School Fund, no part of it can be returned. The parent has to pay at the rate of 21*l.* annually for each child. A deposit of 5*l.* is required on the entrance of every pupil: this caution-money will be accounted for on her leaving. The system of education included in the above sum comprises grammar, writing, arithmetic, history, geography, needlework, gymnastics, French, Latin, German, class-singing, and the pianoforte. The organ, violin, advanced drawing, and solo-singing, being taught by professors, are extras. Laundress and medical attendance are included. There are a few scholarships, exhibitions, and bursaries attached to the school. The pupils are required to bring on entrance a supply of clothing, a list of which may be procured from the Head-Mistress.

All communications should be made to the Honorary Secretary, Clergy Daughters' School, Brandon Hill, Bristol.

CLERGY DAUGHTERS' SCHOOL, KEMP TOWN, BRIGHTON.

St. Mary's Hall is an institution for assisting Clergymen in the education of their daughters. The number of pupils received is one hundred. The daughters of all the Clergy of the Established Church in the United Kingdom, or serving abroad, are eligible, the income of the parent, the number of his family, and his past services in the Church, being the points chiefly regarded. Orphans, *ceteris paribus*, are preferred. Terms: 24*l.* 5*s.* per annum for each pupil in the Upper School, and 22*l.* 5*s.* for each pupil in the Lower School. This charge includes instruction in the usual branches of English, French, Latin, mathematics, and drawing; vocal music, to those who show an aptitude for it; exercises for deportment; and German to the pupils in the Upper School. It also includes board and laundress and medical expenses. Five pounds per annum extra is charged for music. Scholarships: There are seven scholarships—two of about 50*l.* a year each, tenable for two years; two about 30*l.*, and two of 17*l.* 10*s.* for one year; one of 13*l.*, and an entrance exhibition of 5*l.*, given to the candidate who passes the best examination (having regard to age). All are awarded as they fall vacant to the most deserving pupils, character as well as proficiency being taken into consideration. No pupil is eligible as a candidate for a scholarship whose fees have not been all previously paid up.

Applications for admission to St. Mary's Hall should be sent to the Secretary before the 1st of March, July, and December, the months in which fresh pupils are elected.

CLERGY DAUGHTERS' SCHOOL, CASTERTON.

Established as a means of assisting Clergymen with limited incomes in the education of their children. The number of pupils received is 112. Admission is

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granted under the age of 12 years, and, *ceteris paribus*, according to the order in which applications are received. Terms: 28*l.* per annum, for board, with complete English education, French, German, mathematics, Latin, pianoforte, class singing, and calisthenics. Laundress and ordinary medical expenses are included. If the Trustees are satisfied on *special* appeal from the parents that the circumstances of the case require it, they are prepared to give a grant of 6*l.* per annum so as to reduce the annual payment of school fees to 22*l.* Exhibitions of 7*l.* per annum, tenable for three years, are also given by the Trustees as far as the funds in their hands will allow. Those pupils are selected who have been at least six months at the School and are most in need of this additional help. There are eight Scholarships of the value of 30*l.* each for two years, which are given to deserving pupils, who must be 17 years of age, and who intend to be teachers, and also one leaving Scholarship of the value of 30*l.* to 40*l.*

Head-Mistress: Miss Mabel Williams.

Address the Secretary, the Rev. A. D. Burton, Casterton Vic., Kirkby Lonsdale.

CLERGY LADIES' HOMES.

(For Widows and Unmarried Daughters of Deceased Clergymen of the Church of England.)

The object of the Association, formed to provide such homes, is to secure comfortable and private apartments in some respectable suburb of London for widows and unmarried daughters of deceased Clergy. The plan adopted is to rent commodious houses, and apportion them in sets of apartments, the general expenses of the house being borne by the Association.

The benefits conferred are—

1. Relief from the anxiety of rent (1*l.* a year is the nominal rent).
2. Privacy and respectability of residence.
3. A supply of coals during winter.
4. That each lady may have a mother, sister, or daughter, to share her room.

The qualifications for Candidates are that they be—

1. Not under 40 years of age.
2. Communicants of the Church of England.
3. Widows or unmarried daughters of a Clergyman of the Church of England.
4. Possessed of an income not under 40*l.* nor over 80*l.*

Widows and daughters of Clergy in the Colonies, as well as in the British Isles, are eligible. The ladies furnish their own rooms, and pay a small sum weekly for attendance. The voluntary contributions amounted in 1895 to 304*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*

Five houses are now opened, viz :—

23, 25, 27, 29 Formosa Street, Maida Hill, W., and 61 Westmoreland Road, Westbourne Park, W.

Applications for admission, &c., should be made to Miss Lyall, 64 Cambridge Terrace, Hyde Park, W.

CHOLMONDELEY CHARITIES,

Founded under the Will of the late George James Cholmondeley, Esq., deceased, consist of the following Classes :—

1st.—For augmenting the Postmasterships at Merton College, Oxford, upon the foundation of John Chambers, deceased, formerly Canon of Windsor and Fellow of Eton College.

*2nd.—For granting Pensions and Donations to Clergymen who are disabled from performing their duties by age, sickness, or infirmity, and to Widows of Clergymen in indigent circumstances; also Donations to aged unmarried Daughters of deceased Clergymen; and to younger daughters also (to a limited extent), when so afflicted as to be unable to earn their own living.

*3rd.—For granting Exhibitions to Sons of Clergymen, to enable them to continue their studies at the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, or Durham.

*4th.—For granting sums towards placing out the Sons of Poor Clergymen to any profession, trade, situation, or employment in life; and also allowances towards the education of Daughters of Poor Clergymen, to qualify them as Governesses in schools or private families.

5th.—For granting a sum to the Clergy Orphan Corporation in aid of their Apprentice Fund.

6th.—For granting sums towards the erection and establishment of National and Infant Schools; and also the general purposes of Public Charitable Institutions, in London, or within ten miles thereof having an office in London.

The Trustees of the Fund are the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and the Bishop of London.

The Income of the Fund is 4,853*l.*

Application must be made to Sir W. Paget Bowman, Bart., Treasurer, 2 Bloomsbury Place, Bloomsbury Square, W.C., in February of each year. The Trustees meet early in June.

* NOTE.—The Trustees do not make allowances to more than one member of a Clergy family at the same time.

II. CLERGY CHARITIES (DIOCESAN).

This is by no means a complete list of the various charitable organisations existing for the assistance of the necessitous Clergy, their widows and orphans; the number of such charities is indeed very large, and nothing but a laborious inquiry will suffice to ascertain fully their existence and objects. It is hoped that as facilities are afforded this record may more fully represent all existing charities.

BANGOR.

Charity for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, and disabled and necessitous Clergymen in the Diocese of Bangor. Sec., Rev. T. W. Trevor, Machynlleth Vic., Montgomery. Income, 1894-5, 401*l.*—Amount granted, 415*l.*

BATH AND WELLS.

Clergymen's Widows and Orphans Fund, for the Archdeaconry of Bath. For the widows and orphans of Incumbents or licensed Curates in the Archdeaconry. Sec., Rev. J. A. Wadmore, Barrow Gurney Vic., Bristol. Income, 1895, 99*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*—Six grants, 100*l.*

Charity for Poor Clergymen's Widows and Orphans in the Archdeaconry of Taunton. Sec., Mr. W. J. Jewell, Registrar's Office, Taunton. Income, 1895, 70*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*—Amount granted, 68*l.*

Charity for Poor and Indigent Clergymen, or their widows and children, of the Archdeaconry of Wells. Sec., R. Harris, Esq., Wells. Income, 1895-6, 372*l.* 11*s.* 9*d.*—Amount granted, 375*l.*

CANTERBURY.

Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of licensed Clergymen in the Diocese of Canterbury. Applicants must have subscribed at least 10*s.* 6*d.* per annum. Removal to another Diocese is no bar to a claim if the subscription is not dropped. Deputy-Treas., Rev. Canon Scott-Robertson, Dane John, Canterbury. Income, 1896, 706*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*

Sykes' Charity. For beneficed Clergy widows. 41*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* is distributed among six widows of Clergymen who held benefices in Kent. The Dean and Chapter appoint the recipients.

CARLISLE.

Society for the Relief of Necessitous Widows and Orphans of Clergy in the ancient Diocese of Carlisle. Widows (so continuing), their necessitous children, or disabled Clergy derive benefit from this Fund. The relief is given to the widows and orphans only of those Clergymen who, at the time of their death, were beneficed.

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or licensed in the Diocese. If the Clergyman on leaving the Diocese has continued his subscription until the time of his death or incapacity, his widow and children are eligible. Grants are made for the children of necessitous Clergy under certain circumstances. Sec., Rev. G. E. Hasell, Ailton Hall, Wigton. Income, 1895-6, 210*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*—Twenty-five grants, 208*l.*

Kendal Charity, for the relief of necessitous Clergy, their widows and children. It comprises the ancient Deaneries of Amounderness, Lonsdale, Kendal, Furness, and Copeland. Sec., The Right Rev. Bishop of Carlisle, The Abbey, Barrow-in-Furness.

CHESTER.

Institution for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Clergymen who have officiated in their last sphere of duty in the Dioceses of Chester or Liverpool, or the Archdeaconries of Manchester or Blackburn. Sec., Rev. Canon Penrhyn, Winwick Rect., Newton-le-Willows, Lancs. Income, 1895-6, 2,230*l.*—There is also a Branch Institution for the education of the daughters of Clergy, of which the Hon. Sec. is Rev. F. W. Willis, Rect., Warrington.

CHICHESTER.

Fund for the Relief of Distressed Clergymen and their families within the Archdeaconry of Chichester. Sec., Rev. H. W. Beverley, St. Bartholomew's Vic., Chichester. Income, 1895, 151*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.*—Amount granted, 90*l.*

Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergymen within the Archdeaconry of Lewes, A.D. 1788. Sec., Rev. Preb. Sutton, Winkenhurst, Hawkhurst. Income, 1895, 333*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.*—Amount granted, 316*l.*

DURHAM.

Durham Diocesan Sons of the Clergy Society. For the relief of Clergymen's widows, and families of necessitous Clergymen. Sec., Rev. H. Robertson, St. Margaret's Rect., Durham. Income, 1895, 652*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.*—Amount granted, 623*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

ELY.

Society for the Relief of Necessitous Clergymen, their widows and orphans, within the Archdeaconry of Bedford. Annual grants, and, in urgent cases, donations. Sec., Rev. A. Orlebar, Willington Vic., Bedford. Income, 1895, 165*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*—Thirteen grants, 145*l.*

Society for the Relief of Poor Widows and Orphans of Clergymen in the county of Cambridge and Isle of Ely. Temporary relief or grants made to widows and orphans of Clergymen who within twelve months of their death were Incumbents, Curates, or Lecturers in the County or Isle; or, having held office for two years, have been compelled to resign through ill-health any time previous to their decease. Sec., Rev. J. Watkins, Willingham R.S.O., Cambs. Income, 1895, 176*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.* Eight grants, 180*l.*

Society for the Relief of Poor Widows and Orphans of Clergymen in Suffolk. (See Norwich.) Partly in Ely Diocese.

Charity for the Relief of Poor Widows and Children of Clergymen in the county of Huntingdon. Sec., Mr. Alf. Wood, High Street, Huntingdon. Income, 1895, 604*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*—Amount granted, 360*l.*

EXETER.

Clergy Widow and Orphan Fund for the Archdeaconry of Barnstaple. Treas., Rev. W. B. Vere-Staad, Huntshaw Rect., Torrington. Income, 1895, 139*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*—Amount granted, 145*l.*

Fund for Support of Clergy Widows and Orphans within the Archdeaconry of Totnes. To relieve widows (so remaining) and unmarried orphans of the Clergy, and to assist Incumbents and Curates in necessitous circumstances. Hon. Sec., Rev. E. Chatterton-Orpen, Exleigh, Starcross, Exeter. Income, 1895, 232*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*—Amount granted, 225*l.*

Fund for the Support of Clergymen's Widows and Orphans within the Arch-

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deaconry of Exeter. Treas., A. Mackey, Esq., The Close, Exeter. Sec., Rev. T. J. Ponting, St. Matthew's, Exeter. Income, 1894-5, 323*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.*—Amount granted, 1894-5, 310*l.*

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Clergy Charity. For widows and orphans of Clergy, for necessitous Clergy. Sec., Rev. Canon Stanton, Hasleton Rect., Cheltenham. Income, 1895, 1224*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* (This Charity administers the Edwards and Cam Charities.)

Bristol Clergy Society, for necessitous Clergy and their families. Confined to the Deaneries of Bristol, Cricklade, Malmesbury, Stapleton, and Chippenham. Hon. Sec., Rev. J. E. Brennan, Avenue, Clifton, Bristol. Income, 1892, 473*l.* 1*s.*—Grants made, 438*l.*

Warneford Clerical Trust, for the relief of Clergy and their families in the ancient Diocese of Gloucester. Secs., Messrs. E. C. Sewell, solicitors, Cirencester. (The Trustees are averse to giving particulars of income.)

HEREFORD.

Hereford Clerical Charity. For the relief of widows and orphans of Clergymen, and, in some cases, necessitous Clergy, within the Archdeaconry of Hereford. Treas., Rev. T. West, Fownhope Vic., Hereford. Income, 1895, 391*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.*—Thirteen grants, 350*l.*

Clerical Charity, for the relief of necessitous widows and orphans, and in some cases necessitous Clergymen, within the Archdeaconry of Ludlow. Sec., Ven. Archdeacon Bather, Meole Brace Vic., Shrewsbury. Income, 1895, 262*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.*—Amount granted, 250*l.*

Music Meeting Fund. Sec., Ven. Archdeacon Bather, as above. Income, 1895, 140*l.*—Amount granted, 144*l.*

Gibbons' Charity. For the benefit of widows and children of Clergy, Incumbents, or Curates in Salop, common to the Dioceses of Hereford, Lichfield, and St. Asaph. Sec., G. M. Salt, Esq., Shrewsbury. Income, 1894, 443*l.* 10*s.* 11*d.*

Hon. Miss F. Harley's Charity. For maintenance and support of widows of Clergymen who have resided or been benefited in the counties of Hereford, Brecon, or Radnor: failing these, Monmouth or Carmarthen. Applications should be made to C. & S. Harrison & Co., 19 Bedford Row, W.C. Thirteen grants of 20*l.* each.

¹ **Webb's Trust Fund,** for building or enlarging or restoring churches and schools, augmenting the income of benefices, and aiding poor Clergymen, and the like purposes. Income, 1895, 209*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Rev. Canon Palmer, Eardisley R.S.O.

Bishop Croft's Charity. (1) To pay 14*l.* per annum to the Incumbent of Yarpole: (2) to pay 8*l.* per annum to six poor widows of Ministers who have been benefited or served cures within the county of Hereford; and the residue to be kept until it amounts to 10*l.*, and then some poor Minister's son shall be bound apprentice therewith. Income, 1895, 60*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.* Application to be made to E. M. Underwood, Esq., Chapter Clerk, Hereford.

LICHFIELD.

The Clergy Widow and Orphan Charity. For the relief of widows and orphans of poor Clergy, the relief of necessitous Clergymen, and, under special circumstances, children of necessitous Clergy, within the old Archdeaconry of Stafford. Secs., Rev. S. W. Jones, Salt Vic., Stafford, and Rev. A. H. Talbot, Church Eaton Rect., Stafford. Income, 1895, 488*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.*—Twenty-eight grants, 546*l.*

Charity for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergy within the Archdeaconry of Salop. Sec., Rev. H. Harvey, Hinstock Rect., Market Drayton. Income, 1895, 208*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*—Expenditure, 200*l.* 11*s.*

Gibbons' Charity. (See Hereford.)

LINCOLN.

Lincoln Diocesan Clerical Fund. For the relief of disabled Clergy, and widows and orphans of Clergy, Incumbents or licensed Curates, in the county. Treas., Rev. Canon Harvey, Navenby, Lincoln. Income, 1895, 955*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*

¹ This fund is not confined to the Diocese of Hereford.

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h's Charity. (See Peterborough.)

ingham and Manlake Clerical Charity. For the relief of the widows and of poor Clergymen in the Deaneries of Corringham and Manlake. Treasurer, Gurnhill, East Stockwith Vic., Gainsborough. Income, 1895-6, 100*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.* grants, 100*l.*

DOL.

(Chester.)

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ty for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of necessitous Clergymen in that Glamorganshire which is in this Diocese. Treas., Lord Aberdare, Longwood, ster. Income, 1895, 450*l.*—Twenty-one grants, 455*l.*

ty for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergymen in the Arch-
y of Monmouth. Sec., J. C. Llewellyn, Esq., 10 Stow Hill, Newport. Income,
8*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*—Amount granted, 144*l.*

ty for the Relief of Clergymen and the widows and children of Clergymen
he Diocese of London. It embraces the cities of London and Westminster,
county of Middlesex. Sec., Rev. Main Walrond, Charterhouse, E.C.
1894, 1,548*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.*—Amount granted, 545*l.* 16*s.*

op Porteus' Fund. For necessitous Clergy in the *old* Diocese (*i.e.* as in
Grants of 10*l.*, only two (of 20*l.*) made in the same year.

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esan Society for the Relief of Necessitous Disabled Clergymen, and of
and unmarried daughters of deceased Clergymen. Sec., H. Cooke, Esq.,
n Chambers, Grainger Street, Newcastle. Income, 1895, 492*l.*—Twenty-six

castle Diocesan Clerical Assurance Fund. For assisting to assure lives of
married clergy of the Diocese of Newcastle. H. Cooke, 29 Union Chambers,
Street, Newcastle. Income, 141*l.*—Grants, 1895, 140*l.*

op Chandler's Charity—Newcastle Branch. The invested capital consists of
dland Railway 4 per cent. Preference Stock, vested in 'The Official Trustees
table Funds.' The income is to be applied by the Governors (who are the
nd Archdeacons) 'for the benefit of poor widows of deceased Clergymen who
ided in the Diocese of Newcastle, and for putting out poor children of such
en to some trade or employment in the discretion of the Governors.

ington Fund to Assist Poor Clergy. The Barrington Trustees pay to the
of Durham 150*l.* a year for assisting poor Clergy, the distribution of which is
en by the Bishops of both Dioceses.

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ity for the Relief of Poor Widows and Children of Clergymen of Norfolk
wich. Hon. Treas., Rev. Canon Medley, Postwick Rec., Norwich. Income,
57*l.* 17*s.*—Sixty-nine grants, 1802*l.* 10*s.*

ity for the Relief of Poor Widows and Children of Clergymen of Suffolk.
part of Ely Diocese. Secs., Rev. John Longe, Sternfield, Saxmundham ;
i. Holden, Lackford, Bury St. Edmunds. Income, 1895, 1183*l.* 17*s.* 0*d.*

ity for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergymen in the Arch-
and County of Oxford. Any surplus may be given to the relief of
us Clergy in the same area. Sec., Ven. Archdeacon of Oxford. Income,
5*l.* 2*s.* 0*d.*—Fifteen grants, 340*l.*

deacon Clerke's Fund, for the benefit of poor Incumbents of poor benefices
rchdeaconry of Oxford. Sec., Ven. Archdeacon of Oxford. Income, 1896,
iree grants, 45*l.*

CLERGY CHARITIES—continued.

Charity for the Relief of Widows and Orphans in the Archdeaconry of Berks. For the widows and orphans of Berkshire Clergy. Sec., Rev. Sir J. L. Hoskyns, Bart., Aston Tirrold, Wallingford. Income, 1895, 474*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*—Amount granted, 490*l.*

Bishop Burgess' Fund, for relief of aged and infirm Incumbents in Berkshire. Sec., Rev. Sir J. L. Hoskyns (as above). Income, 1895, 108*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.*—Outgranted, 65*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*

Charity for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergy in the Archdeaconry of Buckingham. Sec., E. R. Mayor, Esq., Bucks and Oxon Union Bank, Aylesbury. Income, 1895, 143*l.* 14*s.* 1*d.*—Eight grants, 145*l.*

The Jodrell Curates' Fund. For the augmentation of the stipends (not less than 80*l.* a year) of Curates who have held their curacies for at least two years in the Rural Deanery of Aston. Sec., Ven. Archdeacon of Oxford. Income, 281*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.*—No grantee qualified in 1896.

PETERBOROUGH.

Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of necessitous Clergymen within the Archdeaconries of Northampton and Oakham. Sec., H. Lamb, Esq., Kettering. Income, 1895, 454*l.*—Seventeen grants, 430*l.*

Charity for Necessitous Clergymen, their widows and orphans, in the Deaneries of Framland and Goscote, Leicestershire. Sec., Rev. C. A. Hulbert, Nether Broughton Rect., Melton Mowbray. Income, 1895, 421*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*—Six grants, 417*l.*

Gartree Society, for the relief of widows, orphans, and necessitous families of the Clergy residing within the Deanery of Gartree (Arch. of Leicester). Sec., Rev. F. Thorp, Burton Overy Rect., Leicester. Income, 1894, 371*l.* 14*s.*—Six grants, 40*l.*

Smith's Charity, for Clergy Widows. For the widows of four Clergy who have died benefited or licensed in the Dioceses of Lincoln or Peterborough. The widows must be over fifty years of age, and they must not have an income exceeding 50*l.* yearly from other sources. Two widows reside in the Home, and receive 40*l.* per annum, and two widows are out-pensioners, and receive 30*l.* per annum. In consequence of loss of income from depreciations of land and reduced interest from Consols, the Trustees will have to make a permanent reduction in the Pensions. Sec., Rev. Canon de Mowbray, Knossington Rect., Oakham. Income, 1895, 160*l.*—Amount granted, about 140*l.*

Mrs. Alice Hammond's Charity. The interest on 3,000*l.* is divided yearly among four widows of Clergymen who have officiated in Warwickshire and two in Northamptonshire. Income, 1895, 178*l.* 18*s.*—Six grants, 178*l.* 18*s.*

Apply, Messrs. Lloyd, Warwick.

Allsopp's Charity. For providing a pension of 17*l.* per annum, with a cottage and garden (rent-free), for a Clergyman's widow at Osgathorpe, Leicestershire. Sec., W. Edward Woolley, Esq., F.S.I., land agent and surveyor, Loughborough.

Sir Edward Nicholl's Charity. For augmenting the livings of Incumbents within the old Diocese of Peterborough 'who require institution'—first giving 30*l.* per annum to the livings of Oundle, Northampton (All Saints'), Moulton, Spratton, Guilborough, Hardwicke, Rothwell, Kettering. Sec., Wm. Tomalin, Esq., 44 Guildhall Road, Northampton.

Tobias Rustatt's Charity. For the augmentation of small benefices in the county of Leicester. Sec., W. J. Freer, Esq., 10 New Street, Leicester. Income, 360*l.*—Twenty-four grants, 1895, 320*l.*

Henry Medbury's Charity. For widows of Clergymen benefited within twenty miles of Islip 'who shall, in the opinion of the trustees, be deserving and in need of assistance from the funds of the Charity.' Two 'poor' widows live rent free in cottages belonging to the Charity, and receive 5*s.* weekly. Sec., Rev. W. M. Croome, Islip Rectory, Thrapston. Income, 115*l.*—Four grants, 1894, 80*l.*

Harley's Charity provides pensions for six widows of Clergymen of 70*l.* per annum each, three of whom have residence and garden at Osgathorpe, Leicestershire, rent free. There is also a free grammar school on this foundation at Osgathorpe. Sec., W. E. Woolley, Esq., F.S.I., land agent and surveyor, Loughborough.

Mrs. Frances Byrd's Charity. For distressed Clergymen, their widows, and children. Treasurer, H. W. Gates, Esq., Munster Precincts, Peterborough. Income, 449*l.*—Thirteen grants, 1894, 390*l.*

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iding Charitable Society. (See York and Carlisle.)

Boroughbridge Ancient Deanery Clerical Fund (1785). To aid Clergymen in the Deaneries of Boroughbridge and Knaresborough who become infirm by age, sickness, or unavoidable misfortune, their widows and children. Hon. Sec., W. Valentine, Whixley Vic., York. Income, 1893, 57*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.*—Three grants, 120*l.*

2. Fund for the Relief of Indigent Clergymen, their widows and orphans, within the Deanery of Rochester. Aid is given to Clergymen of limited means to support their families, or to purchase deferred annuities. Treas., Rev. H. Bingham Stevens, Rochester, Kent. Income, 1895, 145*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.*—Ten grants, 120*l.*

3. Hertford and Herts Clergy Charity. For the relief of poor Clergymen beneficed in the counties of Essex and Hertford, their widows and children; it also assists Clergymen in educating their sons at a University or public school. Hon. Sec., W. Allen, St. Mary's Lodge, Loughton. Income, 1895, 1192*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*—Sixty grants, 120*l.*

4. Charity for the Widows and Orphans of Clergymen. Hon. Treas., H. A. Bingham, St. Asaph. Income, 1895, 690*l.*—Amount granted, 685*l.*

5. Clergy Charity. (See Hereford.)

Bouchery's Charity. For the poor beneficed Clergy of the Diocese.—A grant of 1*l.* per annum is made.

Carey's Fund makes grants, amongst other objects, to assist decayed and indigent Clergymen and their widows and orphans in the Diocese. Grants in 1894 to 34*l.* Ven. Archdeacon Jones, Rect., Llaurwst.

6. Brecon and Breconshire Clerical Charity. Hon. Sec., Rev. T. Williams, Brecon, Hay R.S.O. Income, 1895, 98*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.*—Eleven grants, 78*l.*

7. Wiltshire Sons of the Clergy Charity, for the relief of necessitous Clergymen, their widows and orphans. Sec., Rev. J. Morris, Narberth Rect., R.S.O. Income, 1895, 10*s.* 8*d.*—Amount granted, 72*l.*

8. Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of poor Clergymen in the Archdeaconry of Sarum and Wilts. Treas., Rev. Canon Thynne, Seend, Melksham. Income, 1895, 395*l.* 237*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* Grants, 230*l.*

9. Fund for the Benefit of Widows and Orphans (unmarried daughters) of Clergymen in Dorset. Income does not exceed 50*l.*, in the county of Dorset. Treas., Rev. R. R. Burpaine Vic., Blandford. Income, 1895, 334*l.*—Eighteen grants, 330*l.*

D MAN.

Catherine Halsall's Charity for the support of Clergymen's poor widows. Income, 1895, 214*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*—Grants, 105*l.* Fixed payments, 92*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.*

10. Canon Mason's Fund and Miss Stevenson's Charity for Clergy widows and education of Clergymen's children. Income, 1895, 125*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*—Grants, 125*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*

11. Isle of Man Appropriate Fund, for augmentation of poor benefices. Sec., Rev. J. Kewley, c., Isle of Man. Income, 1895, 840*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*—Grants, 849*l.*

12. Lord's Money for Clergy Widows and Orphans. Income, 1895, 81*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*—Grants, 77*l.* 10*s.*

13. William's Money for Poor Clergymen. Income, 1895, 84*l.* 10*s.*—Grants, 32*l.* Hon. Sec., Rev. J. Kewley, Arbury Vic., Isle of Man.

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14. Clergy Charity (1772), for widows of Clergy (so remaining) and orphans of necessitous Clergy, with help for children occasionally, when the annual income

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does not reach 100*l.* Sec., Rev. R. H. Whitworth, Bliidworth Vic., Mansfield. Income, 1894, 300*l.*—Grants, 277*l.*

North and East Derbyshire Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society. Widows and orphans eligible of the Clergy who have worked in the district. Sec., Rev. J. B. Nodder, Ashover Rect., Chesterfield. Income, 1895, 164*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*—Twelve grants, 177*l.* 10*s.*

South Derbyshire Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Charity. Sec., Rev. J. S. Holden, Aston Rect., Derby. Income, 1895, 155*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.*—Ten grants, 140*l.*

TRURO.

Cornwall Clergy Fund. For widows and unmarried children (not having 1,000*l.* nor certain income of 50*l.*) of Clergy beneficed or licensed in the Diocese; Clergy with livings below 130*l.* in value, and incapable of duty; children of necessitous Clergy (educational), and aiding life assurance. Sec., Rev. E. H. Glencross, Morval, Sandplace, R.S.O. (applications to be made in June). Income, 1895-6, 306*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.*—Amount granted, 260*l.*

WINCHESTER.

The Charitable Institution for relief of distressed families of Clergymen in the county of Southampton and the Isle of Wight. For widows of Clergy beneficed or holding Curacies in the county at the time of their death, or who have continued to subscribe after leaving the county, provided they have not refused to become matrons, if qualified, in Bishop Morley's College; for necessitous orphans of such Clergy; for children of poor Clergymen; for Clergymen necessitous through age, sickness, or unavoidable misfortune. Hon. Sec., Rev. H. B. Byrne, Milford House, Winchester. Income, 1895, 372*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.* (from all sources).—Twenty-five grants, 370*l.*

Surrey Clergy Relief Society. Primarily for widows of Clergy and their unmarried daughters in the Archdeaonries of Surrey (Winton) and Southwark, and Kingston-on-Thames (Rochester). Hon. Sec., Rev. J. W. Dunn, Pirbright Vic., Woking. Income, 1895, 424*l.* 18*s.*—Twenty-three grants, 431*l.*

Bishop Morley's College, Winchester. For necessitous widows of Clergymen of Winton or Worcester or Taunton Deanery, Somerset. Chaplain, Rev. F. T. Madge.

Dr. Hoadley's Fund. For apprenticing sons or daughters of the Clergy. Trustees, the Dean and Chapter of Winchester.

WORCESTER.

Society for the Relief of Clergymen's Widows and Orphans, and of necessitous Clergymen, in the Archdeaonry of Worcester. Hon. Sec., Rev. J. B. Wilson, Knightwick Rect., Worcester. Income, 1895, 965*l.* 17*s.* 5*d.*—Amount granted, 1,007*l.* 7*s.*

Clergy Aid Society, for the Archdeaonry of Coventry. For relief of necessitous Clergy beneficed or licensed in the Archdeaonry, their widows and children. Sec., Rev. Canon Thorn, Stoneleigh Vic. Income, 1895, 281*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*—Amount granted, 315*l.*

YORK.

West Riding Charitable Society. For relief of indigent Clergy, their widows, orphans, and families, in the West Riding and City of York. Sec. for the York branch, Rev. Canon Faber, Sprothorough Rect., Doncaster. Income, 1895, 649*l.* 8*s.* 1*d.*—Twenty-two grants, 485*l.*

North Riding Clergy Charity. Embraces the district of the North Riding. Grants annual pensions to the widows of Clergy so continuing, and to the sons and daughters of Clergymen; assists necessitous Clergymen, aids in the education of Clergymen's children, gives donations to widows under temporary difficulties. Secs., Rev. H. Clayforth, Feliskirk Vic., Thirsk (for York Dioc.), Rev. Canon Ellison, Melsonby Rect., Darlington (for Ripon Dioc.). Available income, 1895, 405*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*—Twenty-four grants, 355*l.*

CLERGY CHARITIES—*continued.*

The Churton Memorial Exhibiton Fund. To assist the education of a son of a Clergyman in the Archdeaconry of Cleveland, either at a public school or at one of the universities. Annual income, about 13*l.* No grant made in 1895. Grants are made occasionally as funds permit. Names of candidates are to be sent to one of the hon. secretaries at least one week before the annual meeting. A preference will be given to those sons of Clergymen who are purposing to enter Holy Orders. Hon. Sec., Rev. H. Clayforth, Feliskirk Vic., Thirsk.

East Riding Charitable Society. For relief of necessitous Clergy, their widows, orphans, and families, in the Archdeaconry of the East Riding, and the East Riding of the county. It also assists the poorer Clergy towards Life Insurance. Hon. Sec., Rev. R. Fisher, Sewerby Vic., Hull. Income, 1895, 335*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.*—Twenty-three grants, 310*l.*

'Edmund Smith' Fund. For Clergymen necessitous through age, sickness, or unavoidable misfortune only. Sec., same as North Riding Charity. Income, 1895, 85*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*—Five grants, 120*l.*

Lady Conyngham's Charity. Instituted 1814, for poor Clergy and their widows. Ten Clergymen receive 20*l.* each, 12 Clergy widows 20*l.* each, 6 poor women of the city of York 10*l.* each, yearly. Inmates of four hospitals in York and other poor people have claims on this charity. Sec., T. S. Noble, Esq., Precentor's Court, York.

Mrs. Turner's Trust. Founded May 27, 1889, by deed, by Mrs. Anne Turner, of Dingle Head, Liverpool, widow, whereby the interest of a capital sum of 20,000*l.* was directed to be paid to any retired Clergyman of the Church of England selected by the said Governors, who shall have served for ten years or upwards in the Diocese of York, and be incapable from illness or age of the performance of clerical duty, and shall at the time of his retirement be beneficed in the Diocese of York; such annual sum not to exceed 200*l.* to each or any Clergyman, as the Governors shall think fit. Clergymen in receipt of pensions under the 'Incumbents Resignation Acts, 1871 & 1887,' are not eligible for pensions under this Trust. There are now six retired Clergymen of the Diocese of York having annuities amounting to 700*l.* per annum. Sec., T. S. Noble, Esq., Precentor's Court, York.

York Emanuel. Founded 1781. This charity gives annuities to disabled Ministers in any part of the kingdom, and their wives, widows, and children, labouring under blindness or idiocy. It assisted during the years 1895-6 thirty-five cases, at a cost of 515*l.* Income, 497*l.* Sec., J. E. Jones, Esq., 1 Market St., York.

Mrs. Wandesford's Hospital, Bootham, York. Founded under the will of Mary Wandesford, spinster, dated November 4, 1725, 'for the use and benefit of ten poor gentlewomen who were never married, and who shall be of the religion which is taught and practised in the Church of England as by law established, who shall retire from the hurry and noise of the world into a religious house which shall be provided for them.' In consequence of the agricultural depression and loss of income two of the stipends paid to the inmates have been suppressed and the stipends to other inmates reduced. Two receive 32*l.* per annum, six 25*l.*, and two have no income. Sec., T. S. Noble, Esq., Precentor's Court, York.

CHAPTER XI.

SECTION I.—CHURCH DEFENCE.

THE CHURCH COMMITTEE FOR CHURCH DEFENCE AND CHURCH INSTRUCTION.

It is well-known that the movement for the defence of the Church, and the more complete instruction of the people in Church History, has recently undergone considerable re-construction in the details of its practical organisation.

The Church Defence Institution and the Central Church Committee have been merged, and now become one body.

The year 1896 was principally occupied in the consideration of proposals for amalgamation between these two bodies. A Committee appointed by the late Archbishop of Canterbury, early in the year, investigated the proposals for amalgamation, and ultimately made its report. Several meetings were subsequently held, resulting in the final formation of the new amalgamation. The following statement of the objects of the present Church Committee will show that the intentions and work of the Church Defence Institution and the Central Church Committee have been completely embraced, and will be actively advanced by the new body.

‘(I.) The necessary instruction of the people in town and country, in all matters connected with the History of the Church, and with its spiritual interests and effectiveness. Especially, as has formerly been stated, to ‘encourage all to learn for themselves the truth and soundness of the position of the Church of England, and to diffuse a solid knowledge of what the Church has been in the past, and now is, what she has done, and is doing, under CHRIST Her Head.’

‘(II.) To combine as far as possible men and women of every shade of political and religious opinion in the maintenance and support of the Established Church, and its rights and privileges in relation to the State, particularly as regards all questions affecting its welfare likely to become the subject of legislative action; and generally to encourage the co-operation of Clergy and Laity in their several districts for the promotion of measures conducive to the welfare and efficiency of the Church.’

The main principle of the constitution of the Church Committee for Church Defence is, that it should recognise the authority and organisations of the Church as an essential basis of its operations. This Committee therefore will work mainly through Diocesan Committees embracing Associations representative of each Rural Deanery and Parish of the Diocese. These Diocesan Associations have already largely been formed, and have by means of systematic instruction, through meetings and lectures, achieved many good results. We have endeavoured to give an account as far as possible of such Associations, but this is more or less partial at present as the work is somewhat new.

The Church House will be the centre of operation for the Church Committee for Church Defence, and all communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Mr. T. Martin Tilby, Church House, Westminster.

THE CHURCH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The second year's work of the Church Historical Society has shown a decided advance upon that of the first year. There has been a considerable increase in the amount of correspondence dealt with; more lectures have been given; wider investigations have been entered upon; and a larger number of lectures, etc., have been published. The Committee has learned many lessons in method, and the despatch of business, by the teaching of experience. No doubt there is much to be learned still; but the work of the year has shown clearly the value of the Society's work, and the great need which it seeks to supply. It is confidently hoped that it may be found still more useful in the future. With this end in view, the Committee are taking steps to make known more widely their readiness to give information on historical subjects to English Church people who feel in need of it.

Corresponding Members. The Committee wish particularly to emphasise the great importance of the assistance which the corresponding members in the several dioceses do and can give. (a) A considerable part of the work of the Society depends for its value upon the regularity with which the corresponding members watch the local press,

and the promptness with which they send information to the Committee. (b) Whenever it is possible, a corresponding member would do well to send an answer at once, and in his own name, to an attack in a local paper; for editors are naturally unwilling to admit belated letters, and the signature of a name well known in the neighbourhood will often ensure the admission of a letter when room might not be found for a stranger. Cases will naturally occur where corresponding members themselves require information before replying, and they will of course in such cases at once communicate with the Committee. (c) The Committee look to the corresponding members to make the publications of the Society widely and promptly known.—*Associate Members.* The Committee have elected during the year as associate members several students of Church History, and others who are earnestly interested in such studies.

Turning now to the work of the Society in detail.

A. Correspondence. The Committee meet at Sion College each Monday morning, except in times of vacation, at 11.30. As has been already said, there has been a large increase, not only in the amount of correspondence dealt with, but also in the range and importance of the subjects. All parts of England have been covered, and communications have been received from the Continent of Europe, the Colonies, and America.—*B. Investigations.* In the autumn of 1895 the Chairman (Bp. of Stepney) made a preliminary examination of the Episcopal Registers of Canterbury, London, Rochester, Winchester, and Ely, with a view to ascertaining the facts as to re-ordinations in Queen Mary's reign. The results were sufficiently interesting to induce the Committee to intrust to one of their members, the Rev. W. H. Frere, the task of searching the Registers of all the dioceses in existence in Queen Mary's reign. Mr. Frere has performed this task in a most careful manner, and the Committee are on the point of issuing a book on the subject, in which Mr. Frere has stated and examined the evidence. The book will be of great and permanent value. Other investigations have been made, and some are still in progress.—*C. Lectures.* During the year, the Committee have provided courses of lectures at the following Churches:—St. Peter, Eaton Square; St. Leonard, Shoreditch; St. Pancras; St. John, Wimbledon. Arrangements have also been made for a course of lectures at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, and also at Ilford.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. Sadler Phillips, Sion College, London, E.C.

CHURCH REFORM LEAGUE.

This League, inaugurated at the Church House, Westminster, November 27, 1895, is actively endeavouring to direct the minds of Churchmen to the consideration of pressing questions of Church Reform. The League has held several meetings in London and the provinces, and has undoubtedly already accomplished some useful work. The following brief description of the chief features of the Reform desired, indicates the judgment and moderation of the promoters of the League:—(1) *Self-Government of the Church.* That, saving the supremacy of the Crown according to law, and, in respect to legislation, subject to the veto of Parliament, the Church have freedom for self-government, by means of reformed Houses of Convocation (which shall be thoroughly representative, with power for the Canterbury and York Convocations to sit together if desired), together with a representative body or bodies of the Laity. (2) *Position of the Laity.* That the Laity have the principal share in the administration of finance, and, within the fixed limits of Church order, a real control in the appointing of their Pastors, and in all matters of ecclesiastical organisation and administration, a concurrent voice with the Clergy. That the Communicants of every Parish have a recognised power to prevent the arbitrary alteration of lawful customs in ritual. (3) *Discipline.* That all Ministers and Church officers be removable by disciplinary process, benefices being made tenable only during the adequate performance of the duties, and that a 'Godly discipline' for the Laity be established. (4) *Patronage.* That all transfers by sale of next presentations and advowsons be made illegal, but that where patronage is transferred to a Diocesan Trust (as defined in 5), reasonable compensation may be given. (5) *Finance.* That in each Diocese a Diocesan Trust be formed to receive and administer Diocesan and Parochial endowments on lines similar to those on which the Ecclesiastical Commissioners administer their Trust.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretaries, Rev. L. G. Fry, St. James's Vicarage, Upper Edmonton; Rev. F. E. Powell, Over Vicarage, Winsford, Cheshire; and Rev. W. A. Edwards, The Vicarage, Bunbury, Cheshire.

DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS FOR THE DEFENCE OF THE CHURCH

THE following may be regarded as a general description of the practical efforts being made to defend the position of the Church by giving instruction as to history, and her general work for the welfare of the people.

Description and Limits of the Organisation	Number of Parochial Committees	Meetings held in 1895, and General Methods of Instruction	Name and Address Secretary
Canterbury. Diocesan Church Committee	268	The Diocesan Committee have secured the services of an Organising Lecturer, who gives an illustrated lecture in every parish applying for one at a nominal charge. Several courses of illustrated Lectures have also been given in town and country	J. W. Gardiner, Esq., land Road, Norwood
York. Diocesan Church Committee	125	Church History Lectures.	D. S. Mackay, Esq., York; H. V. Scott 3 Blake Street, York
London. Diocesan Committee for Church Defence	212	A Meeting held in several Rural Deaneries for the Clergy. Considerable number of Parochial Meetings. Lectures given. Literature circulated.	G. H. F. Nye, Esq. Church House, West
Durham. Church Defence General Committee	125	Twelve illustrated Lectures by Rev. C. A. Lane at Gateshead, Stockton-on-Tees, and Hartlepool. Twenty illustrated Lectures by Diocesan Lecturers at various places. Meetings for instruction in Church History and the Prayer-Book. Church History taught in 25 schools. Total lectures and meetings about 300. Leaflets and magazines. Penny Church History extensively distributed. An Excursion to Holy Island, 100 persons. Visit to Wycliffe Church, 100 persons. Visit to Jarrow Monastery, 100 persons. Visit to Monkwearmouth Church, 100 persons	J. W. Eastwood, M.D. dale Park, near Darl
Winchester. Diocesan Church Committee (for Church Defence and Instruction)	400	Fifty-one Public Meetings were held. Magic Lantern Lectures given. Debating Societies. Systematic instruction of Leaders in Parish Magazines	Lady Sophia Palmer, moor, Petersfield
Bath and Wells. Diocesan Church Defence League. Spread of information on Historical position of the Church	240	Meetings at various centres. Lectures on Church History. Voluntary Lectures illustrated by Lantern Slides. Professor of Church Literature	The Rev. Prebendary son, The Vicarage, Cl
Banger. (1) Diocesan Church Defence Institute (2) Church Central Committee	140	Parochial Committees generally visited by Diocesan Secretaries. Lectures given. Literature widely circulated	(1) Rev. D. B. Price, celvain Rectory, Cl (2) Rev. E. Hughes, B Barnmouth

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Location and Limits of Organisation	Number of Parochial Committees	Meetings held in 1895, and General Methods of Instruction	Name and Address of Secretary
Carlisle. Church Defence Committee	188	Church History Lectures with Lantern. Distribution of leaflets and <i>ld.</i> Church History	Rev. Canon Bower, St. Cuthbert's Vicarage, Carlisle; G. F. Saul, Esq., Brunstock, Carlisle
Chester. Church Defence Committee	103	Public Meetings at Crewe. Lectures at Northwich and Chester. Parish and Ruridecennial Magazines used for instruction.	Rev. F. C. Royds, Rectory, Coddington, Chester
Lancaster. Church Defence Committee	161	Lectures for instruction in Church History. Lantern slides largely used. Literature circulated	—
Wiltshire. Church Defence Committee	217	Lectures on Church History given. The Diocesan Committee met bi-monthly at Bedford, Bury, Cambridge, Huntingdon, Luton, and March	Arthur M. Ellis, Esq., Bryntirion, Newmarket
Exeter. Church Defence Committee	101	Meetings at important centres. Illustrated Lectures in 46 Parishes, 22 Rural Deaneries affiliated	Rev. W. H. Gibbon, Upton Pyne Rectory, Exeter; E. L. Hitchins, Esq., St. Leonards, Exeter; A. Burch, Esq., Exeter
Gloucester & Bristol. Church Defence Committee	87	The arrangements for definite Diocesan work have only been recently completed. Instruction in Church History has been given in many Parishes	Rev. Canon H. Leach, Rectory, Ashchurch, Tewkesbury
Hereford. Church Defence Committee	73	Many Parochial meetings. Systematic Lantern Lectures in 7 Deaneries	The Rev. Prebendary Ash'ey, Stretton Rectory, Hereford
Leicester. Branch of the Church Defence Institute	90	Public and Parochial Meetings throughout the Diocese. Sermons. Church History Lectures. Rural Deanery Conferences	Rev. G. T. Royds, Haughton Rectory, Stafford
Lincoln. Committees for spreading knowledge of Church History	209	Meeting in Chapter House, Lincoln, November 24. Church History Lectures. Loan of Books on Church History. Much assistance given by Voluntary Lecturers	J. Goulton Constable, Esq., Walcot, Doncaster
Liverpool. Church Defence Committee	97	Lectures in certain Centres in Liverpool. Church History Lectures in School-rooms. Considerable circulation of Church Defence Literature	The Ven. Archdeacon Madden, St. Luke's Vicarage, Liverpool; Wilfred H. Loraine, Esq., Commerce Chambers, Lord Street, Liverpool

DIOCESAN ORGANISATIONS—continued.

Description and Limits of the Organisation	Number of Parochial Committees	Meetings held in 1895, and General Methods of Instruction	Name and Address of Secretary
Llandaff. Diocesan Church Defence Organisation. Formation of Committees in every Parish	123	251 Public Meetings held. Lectures on Church History illustrated by Lantern slides	Rev. D. Davies, Newsa Vicarage, Bridgend; R. Dell, Esq., 40 Stacey Rd Cardiff
Manchester. Diocesan Committee for the Defence of the Church	349	Church History Lectures given in most of the parishes of the Diocese. In the summer out-door parties are organised to visit places of interest	Rev. Canon Elvy and Rev Swinburne, The Cathedral Manchester
Newcastle. Diocesan Church Defence Committee	53	Lectures on Church History throughout the Diocese and examinations following	W. V. Mulcaster, Esq., Sandhill, Newcastle Tyne
Norwich. Diocesan Church Defence Association, working in connection with Central Church Committee	83	Annual Meeting held. Lectures on Church History given in Norwich and Rural Parishes	Rev. C. B. Penrice, Plumstead Rectory, Norwich
Oxford. Diocesan Church Defence Committee	322	Drawing Room Meeting. Circulation of Literature. Lectures. Systematic work has been done in the Deanery of Bradfield, and elsewhere	Archdeaconry of Oxford, J. Mrs. Lytleton-Gell, Lyle Lodge, Oxford; Archdeaconry of Bucks, J. A. E. Hubbard, Abbing Manor, Winslow; Archdeaconry of Berks, J. Benyon, Englefield Ho Reading.
Peterborough. Diocesan Church Defence Committee	137	Circulation of Leaflets. Meetings at Melton Mowbray, Oakham, and Loughborough. Examinations in Church History. Prizes given. Literature distributed	Rev. Canon De Mowbray, Knossington Rectory, Oakham; E. P. Monckton, Esq., M.P., Laundner Ho Oundle
Ripon. Diocesan Committee for Church Defence and Instruction	261	Public Meetings. Church History Lectures. Distribution of Literature	The Chaplain, The Palace Ripon
Rochester. Diocesan Church Defence League and Church Committee	140	Parochial Lectures on Church History and Church in Wales. Literature distributed with great advantage	Morton W. Smith, Esq., Essex Court, E.C.; Rev. E. Jennings, St. Clements Parsonage, Barry Rd S.E.
St. Albans. Diocesan Church Defence Committee	104	Church History Lectures in Rural Deaneries of Braintree, Witham, Ardleigh, Dedham, Barstable, Dunbury, Rochford, and elsewhere	Archdeaconry of St. Albans. Hon. Baron Dimsdale, Essendon Place, Hertford; Archdeaconry of Essex, Gregson, Esq., South-on-Sea; Archdeaconry of Colchester, Rev. C. A. J. Dedham, Essex.

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Designation and Limits of the Organisation	Number of Parochial Committees	Meetings held in 1895, and General Methods of Instruction	Name and Address of Secretary
St. Asaph. An Committee for Church Defence	150	Numerous Meetings. Lectures	Vacant
St. Davids. An Conference Committee for Church Defence	518	Lantern Lectures given at Parochial Meetings. Large issue of Church Notes and reprints. Distribution of Leaflets	The Ven. Archdeacon Hilbers, St. Thomas Rectory, Haverfordwest
Salisbury. An Board of Clergy Laity. Ladies' Committee	234	Lectures on Church History. Articles in Diocesan Gazette	Rev. A. B. Thynne, Seend Vicarage, Melkham; Rev. H. W. Carpenter, The Cloose, Salisbury; Miss Birkbeck, Salisbury
Southwell. An Church Defence Committee for each deanery	335	(1) Archdeaconry of Notts. Parochial Lectures on Church History. Distribution of Church Literature. (2) Archdeaconry of Derby. Considerable number of Parochial Meetings held. Literature widely circulated	(1) S. A. Byron, Esq., Farnsfield Hall, Southwell (2) W. G. Turbutt, Esq., Ogston Hall, Alfreton
Truro. An Committee	180	Lantern Lectures in several Deaneries. Many Parochial Meetings. Six courses of Church History Lectures. Prizes given for knowledge of Church History	Ven. Archdeacon Cornish, Kenwyn Vicarage, Truro
Wakefield. An Committee for Church Defence and Education	80	A large number of Lectures have been given, and a complete system of instruction in Church History established for the Diocese	The Rev. Canon Lowther Clarke, The Vicarage, Dewsbury
Worcester. An Church Defence Committee	38	Many local Meetings. Lectures and Lantern Entertainments given. Pamphlets distributed	The Rev. T. B. Harvey Brooks, The Rectory, Solihull; G. F. Burr, Esq., Hill Orchard Court, Meriden, Coventry

WELSH COMMITTEE FOR THE DEFENCE OF THE CHURCH IN WALES AND THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH.

This Committee was first formed in April 1893, in response to an appeal issued by the Rev. Canon Lowther Clarke, Secretary, with a view to holding a London Welsh Congress of protest against the Suspensory Bill. This meeting was held in the Holborn Hall on Wednesday, May 3, under the presidency of the Earl of Powis. In view of the great success of this great gathering, and of the enthusiasm which the movement evoked, both amongst the Welsh community in London and amongst Churchmen generally, it was determined to constitute the Committee a *permanent body* for the purpose of watching over and furthering in London the interests of the Church

in Wales and in the county of Monmouth. On Wednesday, April 3, 1895, another largely-attended Welsh meeting was held under the Committee's auspices at the same place, to protest against the Welsh Disestablishment Bill. The Viscount Emlyn presided. Before the General Election much good work was done by members of the Committee both as speakers and canvassers on the Church question, and there is no doubt but that, owing to their *personal* connection with, and actual knowledge of, the Church in Wales, they exercised great influence with very many electors in their respective divisions. A large number of leading Churchmen connected with both the Principality and the Metropolis are members. One of the functions of the organisation is to provide speakers on the Disestablishment Question, and especially on that part of the subject which relates to the Church in Wales and Monmouthshire.

Communications regarding the Committee and its work should be addressed to Charles J. Davies, Esq., M.A., North Gate House, Regent's Park, N.W.

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

This Society, in the hope of assisting the Clergy in their endeavour to instruct the people upon the history of the Church, has made arrangements for granting the loan of magic lanterns and appropriate slides upon conditions, the terms of which may be obtained by application to the Secretaries. The extreme value and usefulness of this provision have already been proved by the large number of applications the Society has received.

The Society has recently published a most valuable set of diagrams illustrative of Church history for use at lectures or for school work.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND WORKING-MEN'S SOCIETY.

This Society is composed of Working Men and Women of the Church of England, and seeks by its agency to spread a knowledge of the principles of the Church of England among people of their own class. The present year is the twenty-first of its existence. On all matters in which the interests of the Church are concerned, it takes an intelligent interest, and is vigorous in its efforts. The Education Question, Defence of the Church Laws relating to Marriage, the Deceased Wife's Sister's Bill, and other matters occupy much of its attention. Parochial Missions are supported by the Society by outdoor work, district visiting, etc.

The kind of work undertaken by the members is of a most varied nature, as bell-ringing, Sunday-school teaching, visiting the sick, the care of boys' clubs, acting as Church sidemen, temperance work.

Branches are established in nearly one hundred parishes in London and provinces. Information can be obtained of the General Secretary, C. Powell, Esq., 4 Stanhope Gardens, Harringay, N., or of F. T. Hanbury, Esq., Hon. Treasurer, 37 Lombard Street, E.C.

TITHE RENT-CHARGE OWNERS' UNION.

The Tithe Rent-charge Owners' Union was established in November 1890, to protect the interests of tithe-owners. Stated shortly, its objects are to give advice and practical assistance on all questions relating to tithe, its rating and taxation; to defend the interests of tithe-owners from all attacks upon their property, whether by individuals or by means of legislation; and to undertake the collection of tithe rent-charge. Recent examples of cases where active and valuable assistance has been rendered to tithe-owners are: cases of refusal to pay tithes, cases of demands for remission of tithe rent-charge when exceeding two-thirds of the value of the land; cases of claims for deductions, cases of excessive rating and taxation.

All communications should be made to the Secretary, Mr. E. W. I. Peterson, 20 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.

THE SOCIETY OF THE TREASURY OF GOD.

This Society was formed in 1886 in order to awaken in the minds of Churchmen the fact that a tenth of all income or increase is due to God, not as a matter of gift, but as

of debt. It strives to carry out this purpose by (1) banding together those who practise setting apart one-tenth of their income to charitable uses, or who desire to do so; and (2) by bringing the subject before Church people by means especially of sermons and publications upon the subject. The roll now contains 237 members and 24 Clerical and Lay Associates. These include 7 Bishops and 98 Clergy.

Communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. S. E. Gunyon, 7 Ickburgh Road, Upper Clapton, N.E.

HOME REUNION SOCIETY.

The purpose of this Society is to present the Church of England in a conciliatory attitude towards those who regard themselves as outside her pale, so as to lead towards the corporate reunion of all Christians holding the doctrines of the Ever Blessed Trinity and the Incarnation and Atonement of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Society, though it cannot support any scheme of comprehension compromising the three Creeds, or the Episcopal constitution of the Church, will be prepared to advocate all reasonable liberty in matters not contravening the Church's Faith, Order, or Discipline.

The action of the Society comprehends—(1) Special private prayer for unity as the first duty of all who desire reunion. (2) Special public services with sermons on Christian Unity, and the frequent use of the 'Prayer for Unity' from the Office for the Accession in the Prayer Book. (3) The removal of all defects and abuses in the practical working of the Church's system which may justly give offence to Nonconformists. (4) Lectures on the history, doctrines, and formularies of the Church of England, and the circulation of books and papers likely to advance the purpose of the Society. (5) The promotion of freer social intercourse between Churchmen and Nonconformists. (6) The appointment of committees to arrange for conferences with Nonconformists, in furtherance of the purpose of the Society. This Society was founded some ten years ago, and has endeavoured to keep the importance of Home Reunion before the eyes of Churchmen and Dissenters continually. The management of the Society is vested in a Council, the Chairman of which is the Right Hon. Earl Nelson. The minimum subscription or membership is 2s. 6d.

Further information may be obtained from the Secretary, the Rev. R. Milburn Lakiston, 7 Deah's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

THE ENGLISH CHURCH UNION.

The object of the Union, as expressed in its authorised publications, is as follows—

'For the purpose of uniting Clergy and laity in defence of the doctrine and discipline of the Church of England, and of the rights and liberties of her faithful children; to defend and maintain unimpaired the doctrine, discipline, and ritual of the Church of England against Erastianism, Rationalism, and Puritanism; to afford counsel and protection to all persons, lay or clerical, suffering unjust aggression and hindrance in spiritual matters, and in general to promote the interests of religion so as to be by God's help a lasting witness for the advancement of His glory and the good of His Church.'

THE CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

The object of this Association, as expressed in its authorised publications, is as follows—

'To maintain the principles and doctrines established at the English Reformation, and to preserve the purity of Protestant worship in the Church of England. To effect these ends by publicity through lectures, meetings, and the use of the press, by appeals to the courts of law in order to obtain a clear decision what the law is, and by appeals to Parliament to pass such measures as may be needed to restrain Clergymen from violating the order of their Church, and obtruding on their parishioners practices and doctrines repugnant to the formularies and Articles of our Reformed Church.'

CHAPTER XII.

CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD.

ADVENT 1895 TO ADVENT 1896.

DECEMBER 1895.

2. Consecration of new church at St. Fagan's, Aberdare, by Bishop of Llandaff.
3. Dedication of new reredos at Upton-on-Severn Parish Church.
4. Spitalfields Church Conference, the Bishop of London presiding.
5. Dedication of windows at Little Gaddesden, sermon by the Dean of York.
- Re-opening of chancel of Lowdham Church, by Bishop of Southwell.
6. Dedication of new church at Aberavon by Bishop of Llandaff.
7. Consecration of new chancel at Rangemore, near Burton-on-Trent, by Bishop of Lichfield.
9. Opening of new Mission Hall and Institute at Trinity College Mission, Camberwell.
- Unveiling of memorial to late Bishop Blomfield in St. Albans' Abbey.
- Unveiling of stained-glass window in memory of late Bishop of Bath and Wells in Parish Church, Ansford.
10. Re-opening of Parish Church, Shaldon.
- Celebration of the late Archdeacon Denison's jubilee at East Brent.
- Unveiling of East window at St. Leonard's Church, Newark, by Bishop of Lincoln.
14. Duchess of York gave birth to a son.
16. Lord Northbourne laid foundation stone at Christ Church, Gateshead.
17. Re-opening of St. John's Church, Little Leighs, by Bishop of Colchester.
19. Dedication of new organ at Barham, near Ipswich.
- 19-20. Head Masters' Conference at Eton.
21. Bishop of Norwich consecrated new church of St. Bartholomew, Ipswich.
- Dedication of new porch at Chalfont St. Giles' Parish Church.
- Opening of mission church at Knowley, by Bishop Cramer-Roberts.
- Dedication of memorial windows in St. John's Church, Middlesborough, by Archbishop of York.
- Dedication of bells at Hooton Pagnall Church, by Archbishop of York.
- Dedication, by Bishop of Lincoln, of new organ-chamber and vestry at St. Michael's, Louth.
24. Dedication of bells at Maiden-Brawley, Wilts.
28. Special services for children in York Minster and Westminster Abbey.
- Bishop of Wakefield dedicated new schools at South Ossett.

JANUARY 1896.

- 1-6. Students' Missionary Conference at Liverpool, the Bishop of Liverpool presiding.
4. Dedication of new schools at St. Mary's, Somers Town, by Bishop of London.
- Bishop of Southwark dedicated new reredos in Emmanuel Church, Lambeth.
- Bishop of Truro laid foundation stone of new church at Par, Cornwall.
6. Opening of new schools at Wednesbury, by Bishop of Lichfield.
- Re-opening of Holy Trinity, Stockton-on-Tees, by Archbishop of York.
8. Re-dedication of bells at St. Mary, Chester, by the Bishop of Chester.
- Re-opening of St. Paul's, Macclesfield, by Bishop of Chester.
10. Opening of new mission room at Harpurhey, near Manchester.
- Death of the Archbishop of Armagh.
14. Islington Clerical Meeting.
15. Opening of mission room at Ashby-de-la-Zouche, by Bishop of Peterborough.
16. Re-opening of Parish Church, Little Strickland, Westmoreland, by Bishop of Carlisle.

JANUARY.

19. Re-opening of St. Lawrence's, York, by the Archbishop of York.
22. Death of Prince Henry of Battenberg.
23. Bishop of Peterborough dedicated new tower at All Saints', Pilton, Northants.
24. Bishop of Coventry dedicated memorial window at St. Margaret's, Birmingham.
- Dedication by Bishop of Beverley of new reredos at St. Edward's, Dringhouses, near York.
- Consecration of new aisle to Holy Trinity, Shoreditch, by the Bishop of Stepney.
25. Consecration of Bishop of Newcastle at York Minster.
- Dedication of new church of St. Peter's, Eastbourne.
- Death of Lord Leighton, P.R.A.
28. Bishop of Southampton dedicated new mission church at Chilworth.
- Enthronement of Dr. Wilberforce as Bishop of Chichester, in Chichester Cathedral.
30. Bishop of Lichfield laid foundation stone of new schools at Burslem.
- Bishop of Salisbury re-opened parish church of Imber, Salisbury Plain.
- Opening of new church of Westham, by Bishop of Salisbury.
- Bishop of Bath and Wells dedicated new church at Hestecombe, near Taunton.
- Bishop of Richmond dedicated new vestry of the Parish Church, Idle.

FEBRUARY.

1. Dedication of reredos, pulpit, and other gifts, in the Parish Church, Chigwell, by the Bishop of St. Albans.
- Opening of mission room at Enfield.
- Consecration of new church of St. Birinus at Morgan St. Sale, near Downton, by the Bishop of Salisbury.
3. Opening of new church schools for Coston and Gunton, by Bishop of Norwich.
4. Dedication of window at Petrockstowe, North Devon.
- Consecration of new church at Daybrook, by Bishop of Southwell.
5. Funeral of Prince Henry of Battenberg at Whippingham Church.
6. Consecration of new churchyard at Minster-in-Sheppey, by the Bishop of Dover.
1. Opening of Parliament.
- Opening of the Great Hall at the Church House, by the Duke of York.
- Enthronement of Dr. Jacob as Bishop of Newcastle, in the Cathedral, Newcastle.
2. Meeting of the Convocations of Canterbury and York.
5. Dedication of east window in Aldrington Parish Church, Sussex.
- Bishop of Hereford laid the corner-stone of the new Cathedral Library at Hereford.
- Bishop of London consecrated the new church of St. Anselm, Berkeley Square.
7. Opening of new Church schools at Kirkdale, by the Bishop of Liverpool.
- Annual Festival of the Association of Lay-Helpers at St. Paul's Cathedral.
2. Opening of mission church at St. Peter's, Streatham, by the Bishop of Rochester.
5. Consecration of SS. Simon and Jude, Anfield, by the Bishop of Liverpool.
9. Welsh Festival at St. Paul's Cathedral; preacher, the Bishop of Swansea.
- Re-opening of Parish Church of Llansantffraed-in-Elvel, Radnor.
- Re-opening of St. James's Church, Whitfield, Glossop, by the Bishop of Southwell.
- Unveiling of new reredos at St. James's, Upper Edmonton.

MARCH.

2. Great meeting in favour of Voluntary Schools in the Albert Hall, Leeds.
3. Consecration of new churchyard at Wentworth, by the Archbishop of York.
- Lady Alice Fitzwilliam unveiled memorial bust of late Archdeacon Blakeney, in Sheffield Parish Church.
6. Mass meeting at Nottingham in support of Voluntary Schools.
8. Informal re-opening of the Lady Chapel at St. Saviour's, Southwark.
9. Dedication of new porch and choir-stalls at St. Matthew's, St. Leonards-on-Sea.
- Opening of mission hall and schools at St. Andrew, Newington.
0. Great Meeting at Exeter Hall to protest against system of divorce and re-marriage.
- Dedication of new spire at Coton Church, near Cambridge.
1. Re-opening of Olton Church by the Bishop of Worcester.
- Church Benefices Bill passed second reading in House of Commons.
4. Bishop of Stepney opened new mission room at St. Stephen's, Spitalfields.
6. Foundation stone laid of new chapel at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford.
- Archbishop of York dedicated new bells in parish church, Darrington.
- Annual Meeting of the East London Church Fund at the Mansion House.
7. Unveiling of the memorial to the late Archbishop Magee in York Minster.
9. Duke of Fife unveiled a tablet in All Saints' Schools, Buxton Street, Mile End.
1. Death of Archdeacon Denison.

MARCH.

23. Whitgift Tercentenary Celebration at Croydon Parish Church, sermon by Archbishop of Canterbury.
- Bishop of Chichester dedicated new Church House at Christ Church, St. Leonards-on-Sea.
24. New Church schools opened at Coalville, by Lord Hugh Cecil, M.P.
- Enthronement of the Archbishop of Armagh, in the Cathedral, Armagh.
25. Consecration of Dr. Fisher as Bishop of Southampton, in Lambeth Parish Church.
- Bishop of Liverpool opened new schools at Parr Flatt, St. Helens.
29. Unveiling of windows at St. Mary's, Wolverhampton.
30. Archbishop of York dedicated gifts at St. Matthew, Naburn, near York.
31. Dedication of new tower and bells at St. Bartholomew's, Bolton, by the Bishop of Manchester.

APRIL.

4. Dedication of altar gifts at Ripon Cathedral.
- Dedication of new reredos at St. Giles' Church, Reading.
- Dedication of mosaics at St. Paul's Cathedral.
- Unveiling of memorial window to the late Lord Ebury, in Rickmansworth Parish Church.
5. Dedication of new organ at All Saints' Church, Mountfield.
- Re-opening of organ at St. Michael's Church, Framlingham.
- First opening of South Kensington Museum on Sunday.
6. Dedication of new mission room at Northwood, Middlesex.
8. Archbishop of York preached at re-opening of Tickhill Church.
- Opening of St. Cuthbert's College, Worksop, by Archbishop of York.
- Re-opening of Parish Church, Grinton, by Bishop of Ripon.
- Re-opening of Parish Church, Shepton Montague, by the Bishop of Bath and Wells.
9. Meeting of Convocation of York.
- Opening of Church House at Leyburn, by Bishop of Ripon.
- 9-10. Norwich Diocesan Conference at Ipswich.
13. Re-opening of nave of St. Andrew's, Barningham, Norfolk, by Bishop of Thetford.
14. Special Meeting of Exeter Diocesan Conference.
15. Consecration of St. Andrew, Limpefield Chart, by Bishop of Rochester.
- Bishop of Wakefield re-opened Parish Church of Tolleshunt Knights, Essex.
- 15-16. Salisbury Diocesan Synod.
18. Duchess of Teck laid foundation stone of new church at Roehampton.
19. Dedication of new pulpit at St. James's, Handsworth, by Bishop of Shrewsbury.
- Appointment of Dr. Awdry as Bishop of Osaka, Japan.
- 21-22. London Diocesan Conference at King's College.
22. Consecration of St. Clement's, Chorlton, by Bishop of Manchester.
23. Foundation stone laid of new mission hall schools at Eccleshall.
- Unveiling of American window to Shakespeare in Parish Church, Stratford-on-Avon.
- 23-24. Annual sittings of Central Council of Diocesan Conferences.
25. Bishop of London opened new Church schools at St. Stephen's, Twickenham.
- Unveiling of memorial to the late Dean Butler in Lincoln Cathedral.
26. Unveiling of reredos in Ivinghoe Church.
27. Annual Conference of Bishop of London's Fund.
28. Meeting of Convocation of Canterbury.
29. Festival of the Sons of the Clergy, at St. Paul's Cathedral.
30. Special Meeting of the Manchester Diocesan Conference.
- Festival Service of Bishop of London's Fund, in St. Paul's Cathedral.
- Opening of new mission church at Neville's Cross, Durham.

MAY.

1. Meeting of Convocation of Canterbury.
- Opening of new schools at Holy Trinity, Darlington, by Bishop of Durham.
2. Consecration of St. Christopher's Church, Ellistown, by Bishop of Peterborough.
3. Dedication of reredos in Wakefield Cathedral, by the Bishop.
- Bishop of Shrewsbury dedicated pulpit at Christ Church, Wellington, Salop.
4. Foundation stone laid of new church of St. John's, Cambridge.
- Bishop of Southwell commenced his third visitation in Southwell Cathedral.
5. Bishop of Oxford began his third visitation at Christ Church.
- Annual Meeting of Church Missionary Society.
6. Bishop of Lincoln opened Church Institute at Gainsborough.
- Annual Meetings of British and Foreign Bible Society, and Colonial and Continental Society.

MAY.

7. 196th Anniversary Meeting of the S.P.G. at St. James's Hall, the Archbishop of Canterbury in the chair.
- Re-opening of Parish Church, Laughton, by Bishop of Lincoln.
- Consecration of Lady Chapel and vestries at Christ Church, Watney Street, by Bishop of Stepney.
9. Bishop of Ely consecrated St. Martin's, Bedford.
12. New church St. John's, Cowley, dedicated by Bishop of Oxford.
- Bishop of Liverpool consecrated new church of Holy Trinity, Formby, near Southport.
14. Dedication of memorial window in Holy Trinity Church, Swansea.
- Bishop of Derby re-opened St. Giles' Church, Killamarsh.
15. Duchess of Fife opened new Church House for the parish of All Souls, Langham Place.
- Bishop of Exeter laid foundation stone of new Church at Exmouth.
16. Bishop of Rochester consecrated new church for St. George's, Battersea.
19. Foundation of new Parish Church, Swansea, laid by Lord Windsor.
22. Bishop of Chichester laid foundation stone of new national schools at Lewes, Sussex.
23. Dedication of organ at St. Jude's, South Kensington; preacher, the Bishop of London.
- Opening of St. Matthew's Church, West Ham.
25. Opening of new schools at Horton Green, Bradford.
26. Dedication of new clock at Parish Church, Ashby-de-la-Zouche, by Bishop Mitchinson.
- Duke and Duchess of Portland laid foundation stone of new church at Mansfield.
- Opening of Claughton Convalescent Home at Walton-on-the-Naze.
28. Manx Convocation held at Bishops court, Isle of Man.

JUNE.

1. Consecration of St. David's, Beaufort, by the Bishop of Llandaff.
2. Special Session of the Convocation of York.
- Cuddesdon College Festival, sermon by Bishop of Oxford.
- 2-3. Annual Conference of Western Clerical and Lay Associations at Cheltenham.
- Southport Conference.
3. Consecration of chancel of Christ Church, Richmond, by Bishop of Southwark.
- Foundation stone of new chancel of Souldern St. Mary, Oxon, laid by Bishop of Reading.
4. Consecration of new burial-ground at St. John's, Walmsley, by Bishop of Worcester.
- Festival of London Gregorian Choral Association at St. Paul's Cathedral.
- Dedication of new spire and bells of Parish Church, Rugby.
6. Duchess of Albany laid foundation stone of new chancel of St. Anne's, Wandsworth.
- 10-13. Bishop of Truro's visitation.
11. Bishop of Colchester opened Parish Hall at St. Mary, Plaistow.
- Rochester Diocesan Conference.
- Dedication of new iron church at Watford, by Bishop of St. Albans.
13. Bishop of Dover consecrated new church of St. Barnabas, Boughton, Kent.
14. Bishop of Oxford dedicated organ and bells of Mortimer Parish Church.
16. Countess of Crawford laid foundation stone of church of St. John, New Springs, Aspall, near Wigan.
- 16-17. Ely Diocesan Conference.
17. Foundation laid of new chancel of St. Stephen's, Bournemouth.
18. Bishop of Wakefield consecrated new church of St. Saviour's, Heckmondwike.
19. Foundation stone laid of church-room in memory of Elsie Marshall.
- Bishop of Truro consecrated new church at Par, Cornwall.
20. Consecration of nave of St. Clement's, Ilford, by Bishop of Colchester.
- Opening of new church at Llanegwad, near Carmarthen.
22. Withdrawal of Education Bill announced.
- Annual Conference of Missionary Associations.
- 25-6. Yorkshire Evangelical Union held Conferences at York.
- Bishop of Llandaff dedicated new church at Bryncethin, Glamorgan.
26. Archbishop of Canterbury opened the Bishop of Rochester's new residence and dedicated the chapel.
- Addition to National Schools at Northallerton, opened by the Bishop of Beverley.
27. Duchess of Albany laid foundation stone of St. Stephen's National Schools, Westbourne Park.
29. Consecration of new church of St. John, Hendon, by Bishop of London.
- Consecration of Bishops of Hokkaido, Japan, and Likoma, at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, N.
- Bishop of Llandaff consecrated new church at Treharris, Merthyr Tydvil.
- Bishop of Chichester consecrated new church of St. Peter's, Eastbourne.

JUNE.

30. Unveiling of memorial to late Bishop Pelham in Norwich Cathedral.
— Unveiling of memorial window in Lichfield Cathedral.

JULY.

- 1-2-5. Celebration of 800th Anniversary of the Cathedral at Norwich.
2. Annual Festival of Exeter Diocesan Choral Association in the Cathedral, Exeter.
— Meeting of Diocesan Synod at York.
— Bishop of Manchester laid foundation stone of new church at Moss Side.
— Re-opening of Parish Church, Westerdale, by Bishop of Beverley.
3. York Diocesan Synod held in York Minster.
— Foundation stone of new church of All Saints', Streattham, laid by Archbishop Burney.
5. Re-opening of Bruera Church, Cheshire, and consecration of churchyard by Bishop of Chester.
6. Consecration of new church at Pontygwaith, Ynyshir, by Bishop of Llandaff.
— Festival at Hertingfordbury, Herts, on behalf of mission of St. John's and Pembroke Colleges, Cambridge.
7-8. Meeting of Convocation of Canterbury.
— Foundation stone laid of new church at Northwich.
11. Bishop of Manchester consecrated new church of Christ Church, Heaton.
— Re-opening of St. John's Church, Wednesbury.
14. Rochester Diocesan Mission Festival at Richmond.
14-15. Diocesan Conference at Canterbury.
15. Unveiling of bust of late Dr. Arnold in Westminster Abbey.
21. Bishop of Bangor opened Clergy House of Rest at Llanfairfechan.
— Opening of new organ at St. Albans, Holborn.
— Bishop of Worcester laid foundation stone of additions to St. Phillip's, Torrington.
22. Bishop of Manchester laid foundation stone of new schools at Monsall.
— Marriage of Princess Maud of Wales and Prince Charles of Denmark in Buckingham Palace Chapel.
— Re-opening of Thirby St. Mary's Church by Bishop of Norwich.
23. Opening of new Diocesan House of Mercy at Newcastle by the Bishop.
— Foundation stone laid of church hall and schools at St. John's, West Bromwich.
— Re-opening by Bishop of St. David's of Parish Church of Llanfihangel-y-Beguildy.
25. Bishop of Liverpool dedicated a peal of bells at St. James's, Wigan.
— Re-opening of Parish Church, Ocle-Pychard, by Bishop of Hereford.
— Countess Spencer laid foundation stone of new church at St. Albans, Herts.
— Bishop of Coventry laid foundation stone of mission hall at St. James's, Ashted.
26. Re-opening of Holy Trinity Church, Wakefield.
— Dedication of memorial window at Harting Church, Sussex, by Bishop of Chichester.
— Re-opening of chancel of Christ Church, Shooter's Hill.
— Bishop of Chichester dedicated new mission church at Bognor.
28. Dedication of new chapel of the Leeds Clergy School, sermon by Bishop of Truro.
— Dedication of new organ in Worcester Cathedral.
— Bishop of Ripon dedicated new spire of St. Andrew, Dakershaw, near Bradford.
29. Bishop of Manchester consecrated new Church of St. Lawrence, Barton, near Preston.
— Re-opening of St. Mark's Church, Rosherville, by Bishop of Rochester.
31. Consecration of new Church of St. Albans, Teddington, by the Bishop of London.

AUGUST.

4. Re-opening of Church Schools of Holy Trinity, Bath, by Bishop of Bath and Wells.
6. Bishop of Winchester consecrated new Church of St. Mary, Laverstoke.
10. Bishop of Truro dedicated new schools at St. Paul's, Truro.
11. Re-opening of St. John's, Wimborne, by Bishop of Salisbury.
12. Opening of new Sunday Schools at Walker, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
— Bishop of Winchester opened new schools at Ampfield, Hursley.
15. Installation of the Marquis of Salisbury as Warden of the Cinque Ports.
16. Dedication of mission church at Stratfield Mortimer by Bishop of Reading.
— Foundation stone laid of St. Peter's, Bocking.
17. Bishop of Ripon dedicated new mosaics at Patrick-Brompton Church.
— Unveiling of new reredos at St. John's Church, Sparkhill.
20. Dedication of bells at Ufford Church by Bishop of Leicester.
23-24. Consecration of new churchyards at Hilton and Dewlish by Bishop of Salisbury.
26. Dedication of bells at Parish Church, Barstaple.
28. Dedication of screen in High Wycombe Parish Church.
31. Dedication of memorial window in Worcester Cathedral.

SEPTEMBER.

2. Dedication of east window at St. Bartholomew's, Green's Norton.
3. Re-opening of St. Michael's Old Church, Honiton.
5. Unveiling of statue of late Bishop Philpott in Worcester Cathedral.
6. Worcester Musical Festival commenced.
- Dedication of east window in St. Andrew's, Narberth, by Bishop of Llandaff.
- Opening of new Church Schools at Embleton.
12. Re-opening of St. Stephen's, Birmingham.
13. Dedication of new organ in Parish Church, Didsbury.
14. Bishop of Southwell opened new schools at Newark.
15. Foundation stone laid of new Mission Church at Staincross, near Barnsley.
- Re-opening of Syerston Church, Notts, by Bishop of Southwell.
16. Annual meeting of the British Association at Liverpool.
17. Consecration of Holy Trinity, Torquay, by Bishop of Exeter.
19. Bishop of Rochester dedicated the Elsie Marshall Parish Room, Blackheath.
21. Lichfield Diocesan Conference.
- Bishop of Llandaff opened new parish room at All Saints', Penarth.
22. Re-opening of Ardsley Parish Church.
- Bishop of Chester consecrated new church of All Saints', Saughall.
- Consecration of extension to churchyard of Lytham Parish Church, by Bishop of Manchester.
- 22-23. Carlisle Diocesan Conference held at Kendal.
23. Consecration of new church of All Saints', Lach Dennis, near Northwich.
- Bishop of Derby dedicated new schools at Measham.
- 23-24. St. Davids Diocesan Conference held at Brecon.
25. Bishop of Southwell dedicated new church at Whittington.
- Dedication of the Garrison Church, Canterbury.
28. Bishop of Beverley opened new mission church at Featherstone.
- Opening of Church Institute at St. Paul's, Bethnal Green, by Bishop of Stepney.
29. Archbishop of York dedicated memorial window in St. Michael's Church, York.
- Bishop of Ballarat laid foundation stone of new church at Cloughton.
- Bishop of Southwark consecrated new chancel at St. Anne's, Wandsworth.
- Dedication of window and reredos at Sutton St. Andrew by Bishop of Ely.
- Re-opening of St. Stephen's, South Shields, by Bishop of Durham.
30. Worcester Diocesan Conference at Birmingham.
- Peterborough Diocesan Conference held at Northampton.

OCTOBER.

- 1-2. Oxford Diocesan Conference.
2. Bishop of Bath and Wells dedicated reredos and other gifts at St. Decuman's Church, Bridgwater.
3. Bishop of Marlborough laid foundation stone of new church of St. Margaret's, Isleworth.
5. Opening of new church schools at Yoxall, Staffs.
- 6-8. Musical Festival at Norwich.
- 6-9. Church Congress at Shrewsbury.
7. Dedication of new organ at Holy Trinity, Southall, by Bishop of Marlborough.
8. Dedication of new tower of Parish Church, Walton-on-the-Naze, by Bishop of St. Albans.
9. Re-opening of church of St. Mary, Whitechurch, Stratford.
10. Opening of Lady Chapel of St. Bartholomew's, West Smithfield.
11. Death of the Archbishop of Canterbury in Hawarden Church.
12. Archbishop of York consecrated new church of St. John's, Bilsdale.
13. Bishop of Liverpool delivered his sixth charge in St. Peter's Cathedral, Liverpool.
- Dedication of new chapel at Cheltenham College.
- Lincoln Diocesan Conference.
- Dedication of the new chapel at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, by Bishop of Oxford.
- 14-15. Llandaff Diocesan Conference.
- Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Conference.
- 14-16. Bristol Musical Festival.
15. Dedication of new reredos in Farsley Parish Church, by Bishop of Wakefield.
- Meeting at the Church House on Anglican Orders.
16. Bishop of Beverley consecrated new church at Carlton Miniott, Thirsk.
- Funeral of the late Archbishop Benson in Canterbury Cathedral.
17. Foundation stone laid of new church of St. Augustine's, Derby.
19. Armenian meeting in St. James's Hall.

OCTOBER.

20. Re-opening of St. Andrew's, Bemerton, by Bishop of Salisbury.
 20-21. Diocesan Conference at Newcastle.
 — Bishop of Carlisle dedicated new peal of bells at Aspatria.
 — Southwell Diocesan Conference.
 21. Bishop of Durham began his visitation.
 — Wakefield Diocesan Conference at Halifax.
 21-22. Chichester Diocesan Conference at Brighton.
 — Manchester Diocesan Conference.
 — St. Albans Diocesan Conference.
 22. Re-opening of Llancillo Parish Church by Bishop of Hereford.
 — Archbishop of York consecrated new church of Bentley, near Doncaster.
 22-23. Ripon Diocesan Conference.
 — Exeter Diocesan Conference.
 24. Foundation stone laid of a new Welsh Church at Paddington.
 — Bishop of Chichester consecrated new church of St. Augustine, Preston Park, Brighton.
 — Dedication of reredos at St. James's Church, Aston Park, by Bishop of Coventry.
 25. Re-opening of St. Bride's, Liverpool.
 26. Announcement of appointment of Bishop of London to the See of Canterbury.
 — Re-opening of Charminster Church by Bishop of Salisbury.
 28. Archbishop of York consecrated new church of St. Augustine's, Hull.
 — Archbishop-designate of Canterbury dedicated new mission buildings of All Saints', Cambridge Heath.
 — Bishop of Hull re-opened Parish Church at Stokesley.
 29. Bishop of Chester's visitation.
 29-30. Truro Diocesan Conference.
 31. Opening new schools at Hackney, erected at cost of 10,000*l*.
 — Bishop of Ripon dedicated new church at Frizinghall.

NOVEMBER.

1. Dedication of reredos at St. Stephen's, Ealing.
 — Dedication of new peal of bells at Parish Church, Merthyr Tydfil.
 — Bishop of Winchester dedicated chapel at Epsom College.
 2. Opening of parish room at Wigginton, near Tring, by Bishop of St. Albans.
 — Announcement of translation of Bishop of Peterborough to See of London.
 — Bishop of Coventry consecrated St. Mark's Church, Flecknoe.
 3. Liverpool Diocesan Conference.
 — Re-opening of Shoreham Parish Church by Bishop of Chichester.
 — Opening of Church Schools at Stepney by Lord George Hamilton.
 — Re-opening of Wheatley Parish Church by Bishop of Southwell.
 5-6. Great Educational Conference at the Church House.
 7. Commencement of general mission at Derby.
 8. Dedication of new porch at Christ Church, Victoria Road, Kensington.
 9. Foundation stone laid of new church of Silverdale, near Carnforth.
 10. Meeting in the Guildhall, Cambridge, in support of a Cambridge House in South London.
 10-11. Winchester Diocesan Conference.
 12. Opening of new schools for St. Michael's, Langley, Birmingham.
 — New peal of bells dedicated at Stansfield, Suffolk.
 — Opening of mission room for Holy Trinity, Louth, by Bishop of Lincoln.
 18. Opening of St. Patrick's, Birmingham, by Bishop of Worcester.
 — Bishop of Southwell consecrated new church at Pleasley Hill, Mansfield.
 19. Bishop of Lincoln re-opened Parish Church, Great Hale.
 21. Re-opening of Oxford Parish Church by Bishop of Norwich.
 — Bishop of Marlborough laid foundation stone of new church of St. Gabriel, Willesden Green.
 23. Consecration of churchyard at Yapton by Bishop of Chichester.
 27. Bishop of Southwark opened new Parochial Hall of St. Stephen, Putney.
 — Bishop of Rochester opened Parish Hall at Holy Trinity, Upper Tooting.
 29. Diocesan Conference at Ripon.
 — Dedication of new reredos in Colebrooke Church.
 30. Bishop of Bath and Wells consecrated the Church of the Good Shepherd, Chard.

CHAPTER XIII.

THE CHURCH AND SOCIAL QUESTIONS.

THE prominence given to social questions is a striking and hopeful characteristic of the present age, and the evident earnestness with which men of every class and degree are searching for practical solutions to problems of manifest difficulty, touching the possession and responsibilities of wealth, the relations of capital and labour, the housing and the recreations of the poor, and the general condition, moral and sanitary, under which the masses of the people live.

The problems that surround the aspirations and claims of Socialism, as generally understood, are so intricate and varied that it becomes practically impossible to cast into one mould any workable schemes for modifying the social inequalities which give rise to a widespread misunderstanding and discontent. Though the progress of remedial measures must of necessity be slow, the Church should not find in this an excuse for neglect or timidity, but boldly strive to place itself in close sympathetic relationship with the struggles and conditions of commercial labouring life, learning to understand more clearly the mind of the employer and employed, and to bring them to recognise in the principles and teaching of Christianity the only true guarantee for that righteousness and justice which will ensure the permanent elevation and betterment of life.

For the present, therefore, our work must be mainly educational, the Church learning to know the mind of the people, and the people the mind of the Church. The following records are illustrative of efforts wisely made in this direction, and while they should not by any means be regarded as comprehensive of all such movements, they will suffice to show the lines upon which some have been working, and afford instruction and encouragement to others who may contemplate similar efforts.

THE CHRISTIAN SOCIAL UNION.

Oxford Branch.

THIS Society was founded in 1889. The Bishop of Durham is the President. The Union consists of members of the Church of England who have the following objects at heart:—

- (i.) To claim for the Christian law the ultimate authority to rule social practice.
- (ii.) To study in common how to apply the moral truths and principles of Christianity to the social and economic difficulties of the present time.
- (iii.) To present Christ in practical life as the living Master and King, the enemy of wrong and selfishness, the power of righteousness and love.

The Union during the past year has been steadily advancing its work in the education of public opinion touching the social problems of the day. There are now

twenty-seven branches of the Union formed, principally at the large centres of population, as, for instance, at Bristol, Brighton, Leicester, Blackburn, Leeds, Bradford, Manchester, and Cardiff. A branch has also been formed for the Cambridge University, where conferences have been held during the past year, following much the same methods as those adopted at the sister University. The members of these several branches number at least 2,600.

In 1892 a branch of the Society was formed in America under the title of 'The Christian Social Union in the United States and Canada.' This Society numbers about one thousand members, including Dr. Huntingdon, Bishop of Central New York, Dr. Potter, Bishop of New York, and several other American Bishops. The American Secretary is Professor Richard T. Ely, Ph.D., of the University of Wisconsin.

For the present the main work of the Union is educational.

Lectures are also given by members of the Christian Social Union at Ruri-decanal Conferences, Working-men's Clubs, &c., as opportunities occur.

The Oxford University Branch endeavours from time to time to collect information on special subjects from men with the requisite practical experience. Thus, for instance, in regard to two subjects, viz. 'Working-men's Clubs' and 'Commercial Morality,' papers of questions were sent out to a considerable number of people interested in these questions, and reports based on the answers returned have already been published in the *Economic Review*. It is satisfactory to know that good results have already accrued from this friendly intercourse between academic students and practical men, and it is hoped that many more opportunities will offer themselves as time goes on.

The *Economic Review* is published quarterly by Messrs. Rivington, Percival & Co., for the Oxford University Branch, the subscription to which is ten shillings per annum.

It only remains to add that the General Secretary of the Christian Social Union is the Rev. J. Carter, Pusey House, Oxford, from whom the papers of the Society and all other information may be obtained.

London Branch.

The work of this Branch is directed upon precisely the same principles as at Oxford.

The annual meeting of the Union was held at Clifford's Inn Hall in October last. Canon Scott-Holland presided, and in alluding to the annual report he said it was encouraging to think of the multiplied efforts that had been made during the year to further the aims they had in view. He dwelt upon the necessity of promoting a better understanding of social questions and difficulties upon the basis of Christian principles. The Rev. R. R. Dolling gave an address upon 'Municipal Ethics,' showing the practical service the Clergy might render by serving upon Boards and Councils.

During the past year the Union has taken its part in the organisation of Conferences and Lectures in many parts of the Metropolis, with a view to bringing the Church and representatives of labour into mutual counsel upon matters affecting the material prosperity of the working-classes. As a further aid to the educational work of the Branch, a Library has been formed with the proceeds of the sale of 'Lombard Street in Lent.' A set of twelve copies of some of the most instructive works upon social and economic problems may for a limited period be borrowed for the use of 'Reading circles.' A considerable number of well-selected works have been acquired for general study and reference. The penny monthly magazine for the people, *Good Will*, has had an encouraging circulation.

Local Branches.—Several of these have been formed in various districts of the Metropolis, and by their means practical steps have been taken to organise, principally in the winter months, meetings of working men and women for the general discussion of questions connected with the social problems of the day. Such efforts were, for instance, successfully made in Marylebone, Chelsea, Fulham, St. Pancras, Clerkenwell, West Ham, Blackheath, Southwark, Kensington, and Croydon. The Rev. Canon Scott-Holland is chairman of the Executive Committee.

Communications should be addressed to Rev. Percy Dearmer, Hon. Secretary, 59 South Lambeth Road, London.

Lectures to the Clergy upon Sanitary Questions.

A most useful movement has been inaugurated and successfully carried out in London, in connection with the work of the National Health Society.

A course of practical lectures by scientific men was delivered to a considerable number of the Clergy of the Diocese during the past year. The attendance was such to encourage the hope that the Clergy recognised the importance and value of the instruction given them, and that it will prove of real service to them in their Parochial work.

Information with regard to this movement may be obtained from the Rev. C. J. McGway, Vicar of Christ Church, Lancaster Gate.

Social Services, Lectures, and Conferences.

As we do not possess the facilities, we are unable to indicate the efforts that have been made to quicken the public conscience, and to promote a more intelligent understanding as to the Christian and moral obligations binding upon all who should realise their responsibility in promoting the happiness and health of the great masses of the people, and through this channel the more perfect civilisation of the country. It will be remembered that prominence was given to this subject in one of its particular aspects at the recent Church Congress at Shrewsbury, when 'The duty of the Church regard to the industrial problems of the day' was thoughtfully discussed.

Again, in the month of January last year, a most important and interesting meeting was held at Leicester, attended by Churchmen, Nonconformists, and members of the dependent Labour Party. The Bishop of Peterborough presided. A practical address was given by Rev. J. Carter of the Pusey House, Oxford, and a discussion followed, in which the Hon. and Rev. J. G. Adderley and Rev. F. L. Donaldson took part.

It must be understood that our allusions to such efforts as have been made during the past year should not be regarded as in any measure comprehensive of the practical sympathy of the Church with Labour movements, and endeavours to solve modern social problems.

SOCIAL QUESTIONS.—LITERATURE.

At the request of many who seek for such information, we have given in the Appendix to this volume a short descriptive list of the principal current literature relating to such questions as are directly connected with the study of Socialism in its most prominent aspects. It will be understood that in doing this we are in no way committed to the particular views which the several authors may represent. It is obvious that those who seek to obtain an intelligent acquaintance with the Social controversy must study the question from every point of view, and cannot, therefore, confine their inquiry to the writings of those who are in communion with the Church of England.

THE GUILD OF ST. MATTHEW.

Diocese of London.

This Guild was established in the year 1877. It owed its origin to a few communicants of the Church of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, from which it took its name.

Its objects are as follow: To get rid, by every possible means, of the existing prejudices, especially on the part of 'Secularists,' against the Church—her Sacraments and doctrines; and to endeavour 'to justify God to the people.' 'To promote frequent and

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reverent worship in the Holy Communion, and a better observance of the teaching of the Church of England as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer.' 'To promote the study of social and political questions in the light of the Incarnation.'

At the date of its last Annual Report the Guild had 343 members, of whom 92 were in Holy Orders. There are local groups at work in various districts of London, in Bristol, Newcastle, &c., and a branch in the University of Oxford. Quarterly services and monthly meetings are held in connection with these local groups. Lectures are also delivered in working men's clubs and elsewhere in furtherance of the objects of the Guild. A monthly report of its work is published in the *Occasional Paper*.

Address : Secretary of the Guild, Mr. Frederick Verinder, 376 Strand, London, W.C.

LONDON DIOCESAN COUNCIL FOR THE WELFARE OF YOUNG MEN.

(Appointed by the Bishop of London in pursuance of a resolution of the London Diocesan Conference of 1884.)

THE objects of the Council are—

1. To maintain a seaside camp for London working boys, to which they can go for a holiday of a week or a fortnight at a small payment. The rest is provided by subscriptions, which are gratefully received by the Secretary. Last year (8th season) the camp received 1,500 boys.

2. To maintain a Boys' Brigade on Church lines in the Diocese to give continuity to the seaside camp influences during the winter, and to promote in boys all that tends towards Christian manliness. One hundred companies have been formed since the commencement in December 1890.

3. To promote the development of, and to foster whatever tends to, the welfare of young men and lads.

Young men and lads arriving in London are cordially invited to apply, personally or by letter, to the Secretary, who will endeavour to help them in any way in his power. The Council does not, however, give pecuniary assistance.

Clergy and others in the country interested in young men or lads coming to the Metropolis are also invited to communicate about them with the Secretary.

Communications should be addressed to the Secretary, F. Abel Bloxam, Esq., Northumberland Chambers, Charing Cross, S. W.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND YOUNG MEN'S SOCIETY.

THIS Society was established in 1843 to promote the welfare of young men spiritually, socially, and intellectually, with especial view to their consistent life as members of the Church of England, and their active personal labours for the good of others.

The Central Institution (The Leopold Rooms), 3 St. Bride Street, Ludgate Circus, E. C., is a memorial to the late Duke of Albany. It consists of reading, writing, and class rooms and studies; library (circulating and reference), containing 4,000 vols.; lecture hall, seating about 200 persons; committee rooms, gymnasium, bath room, lavatories, club and amusement rooms, and restaurant, where dinners and teas are provided at moderate prices.

In addition, a number of bedrooms have been comfortably furnished for accommodating a few resident members, and especially with a view to provide a respectable place to which Clergymen can recommend young men coming up to London.

Bible, educational, and other classes are held. Entertainments, concerts, lectures, &c., are given, and Advent, Lent, and other special courses of Sermons to young men are arranged; while athletic, cricket, swimming, football and other clubs provide for the physical well-being of the members.

A similar work is being carried on in the different Branches.

In the Central Society the members consist chiefly of clerks in banks, warehouses, and offices in the City; but in the Branches, though a very large proportion are clerks, the class of members depends considerably upon the locality in which they may be situated.

Each Branch has control of its own funds and management, and has representatives on the General Council of the whole Society.

Young men leaving a Branch for the Metropolis, or removing to any part of the country, receive letters of introduction to the Clergy or Secretaries of Branches, and are thus not lost sight of.

Communications should be addressed to the General Secretary, Mr. Morton P. Betts, 3 St. Bride Street, Ludgate Circus, E.C.

THE CHURCH SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF KINDNESS TO ANIMALS, THE CHURCH SANITARY ASSOCIATION, AND THE FUNERAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.

THE Church of England has three organisations—worked by the same Staff and at the same office—founded for the purposes of aiding the Clergy, teachers, and Church workers in every parish in (1) promoting kindness to animals; (2) inculcating a sense of the paramount importance, for all classes, of pure air, pure water, abundant light, and wholesome surroundings, thus helping to secure a greater immunity from sickness and disease; and (3) providing for the burial of the dead in a simple yet reverent manner, by striving to modify the tendency to elaborate trappings and costly accessories.

By the diffusion of suitable literature and by other means the Societies endeavour to show that it is the duty of all Christian ministers to teach—(1) how the conditions of animal life can be improved; (2) how human life can be elevated, disease prevented, and the lifetime on earth prolonged; and (3) how, when at last death comes, the body can be buried Christianly and innocuously.

The Society for the Promotion of Kindness to Animals was founded with a view of making instruction in man's duty to animals an integral part of the Church's teaching, and extending the influence of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to every parish.

The aim of the Church Sanitary Association is to induce the Clergy to take up the teaching of hygiene as part of their professional work; the contention of the Association being that if there could be brought about amongst the people the practice of cleanliness and the possession of wholesome surroundings, with unadulterated and wholesome food, the English race would be stronger and healthier, and capable of greater intellectual and spiritual development.

The aim of the Funeral Reform Association is to promote burial, funeral, and mourning reform by giving prominence to the Christian principles of Faith, Hope, and Love; by encouraging the simple and sanitary mode of burial indicated by the words of committal: 'earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust;' and by striving to render the burial as little trying and as inexpensive as possible to the bereaved.

During the past year sermons have been preached in connection with the three Societies in various parts of the kingdom; and conferences and meetings held in the Church House, Westminster, and elsewhere, for the reading and discussion of papers.

Communications should be addressed to the Rev. F. Lawrence, Hon. Sec., Westow Vicarage, York.

CHAPTER XIV.

RECENT CHURCH LITERATURE.

THIS short record of Church Literature published during the past year has been compiled with a twofold object: first, as showing upon what subjects the minds of thoughtful men within the Church have been bent, and placing the results of their intellectual thoughts and labour in some such permanent form as that it may be found useful for reference; secondly, as serving to illustrate to some extent the ability and power of the Church to deal with the subjects which are stirring the minds of men who are yearning after a higher range in the knowledge of the things of God, and for growth in the spiritual life.

As the importance of theological study is more than ever urged upon the Clergy by the development of intellectual thought and culture among the people, it is felt that this Section may be especially useful, as furnishing a guide to modern Theological Literature, and many have already assured us that it has proved serviceable to that end.

In compiling this list the Editor has referred to all published records of Church literature, and has endeavoured to secure completeness in this report. It is quite possible, however, that some omissions may have unintentionally been made. For this an apology alone can be offered. It should be borne in mind that this Section deals only with such literature as may be said fairly to come within the character of works indicated by definitions which follow.

SERMONS AND ADDRESSES.

Name of Work	Short Description of Scope and Contents
<p>The Sermon on the Mount. By Canon GORE. <i>John Murray.</i> 3s. 6d.</p>	<p>The author has written this exposition of our Lord's Sermon on the Mount, basing it upon a careful study of the original text. It is designed to assist practical reflection rather than intellectual study. There are three interesting appendices, treating of (1) the Text of the Sermon, with parallel passages in St. Luke's Gospel; (2) the 'Ten Commandments for Christians;' (3) 'The Duty of the Church with regard to Divorce.' The work exhibits the author's clear perception of our Lord's moral teaching, and its practical bearing upon the conditions of modern life.</p>

RECENT CHURCH LITERATURE—*continued.*

Name of Work	Short Description of Scope and Contents
Church Sermons. By E. F. SAMPSON, Student Tutor, Church, Ox- ford. Longmans & Co.	A selection of sermons preached to college audiences at distant intervals during a period of twenty-five years. They are scholarly and practical interpretations of the teaching of Christianity upon certain aspects of faith and religion in daily life. An interesting introduction traces and illustrates the various phases of the growth of religious thought in the University of Oxford.
Garden. By W. J. FOXELL, London & Co. 3s.	To this volume of sermons to boys, Dean Farrar has written an introduction. Some of the subjects chosen are 'Taking Sides,' 'Clean Hands,' 'The Unseen Hand,' 'Faults, Others and Our Own,' 'The Wonderful Lamp.'
Wotten Gospel. By the Rev. H. MURPHY, St. John's, Belfast. Gorton & Son. 5s.	A series of sermons written with the expressed purpose of defining and enforcing the teaching of the Church upon the following subjects, among others: 'The Catholic Church,' 'Church Government,' 'Baptism,' 'Confirmation,' 'Holy Communion,' 'Fasting,' 'Almsgiving,' 'Conversion,' 'Witness of the Spirit,' 'Communion of Saints,' 'The Sin of Schism.'
Sermons on the Pen- tateuch. By Very Rev. PAYNE-SMITH. London. 2s. 6d.	The eleven sermons on the Pentateuch are preceded by a brief but interesting sketch of the life of the late Dean, especially relating to the years passed at Canterbury.
Happy Warrior. By BROOKE HUNT. London. Gardner, Dar- ton & Co. 1s. 6d.	The Rev. and Hon. J. Adderley in a preface expresses the object of these addresses to be 'to call out from men the wish to come to Christ.' They were prepared by the author for Sunday afternoons at a working-man's club, and are suitable for classes or similar gatherings.
Addresses of the Waiting. By R. E. SAN- TON, D.D. Wells & Co., Darton & Co.	These addresses 'are an attempt to explain what can be known about the Intermediate Life,' and they are printed at the urgent request of many who heard them in Chichester Cathedral and at Hastings.
Sermons to Crucify Christ. By A. F. W. IN- GLESBY, Wells. Gard- ner, Darton & Co. 1s.	These six sermons were preached during Lent last year at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, and at the earnest request of many who heard them they are now published. Judas, Pilate, Herod, Caiaphas, and the People form the subjects of the addresses.
Sketches. By W. F. SHAW, of St. An- drew's, Huddersfield. Gorton & Son. 3s.	These sketches, which are designedly suggestive of fuller treatment, deal with subjects of Christian doctrine, following closely the order of the teaching of the Church services. They are practical, and each subject is illustrated by the fullest reference to Holy Scripture.
Instructions for Spirits: Spiritual, Moral, and Prac- tical. By Canon INGLESBY, Rector of Misperton. Gorton & Son. 5s.	These short instructions will be found of practical service in guiding the thoughtful study of thinking men upon such subjects as these: 'Universalism,' 'The Christian's Relationship to the Church,' 'Biblical Study, with reference to Mystical Interpretation,' 'Systematic Almsgiving,' 'Sponsors,' 'Brotherhoods,' 'Eschatology,' 'Special Preachers,' 'Parochial Missions.'
Sermons on the Forgiveness of Sins. By Rev. J. INGLESBY, Vicar of Misperton. Skeffing- ton & Son. 2s.	Seven sermons, chiefly designed for use in the Lenten season, treating of the prominent aspects of sin and its forgiveness.

RECENT CHURCH LITERATURE—continued.

Name of Work	Short Description of Scope and Contents
<p>Doctrine and Duty. By A. B. W. WHATTON. <i>Stoughton & Son, So. Gl.</i></p>	<p>The sermons contained in this volume follow the Church's seasons, and have been selected with a view to show the connection between the teaching of religion and the guidance of conduct in daily life. Doctrine, Christian cause of Duty, and Duty the prerogative of Doctrine.</p>
<p>Concerning the Church. By Rev. J. HAMMOND, Vicar of St. Austell. <i>Stoughton & Son, So.</i></p>	<p>It is too true that Churchmen generally have very little understanding of what they profess to believe. The foundation, teaching, and ordinances of the Church with the definite aim of removing this ignorance. The author in this volume of practical sermons discusses subjects as these: 'The Strength, Life, and Order of the Church'; 'The Laver, Confirmation, Supper, and Faith of the Church'; 'Why we are Churchmen union.'</p>
<p>Short Sermons for the Seasons. By the late W. HOWELL EVANS, Chaplain of St. Asaph. <i>Stoughton & Son, So.</i></p>	<p>A second selection from the original notes of sermons; six of the sermons (for Lent) are upon less common subjects—Pride, Avarice, Worldliness, Fear of man, Frivolity, Indifference—each subject being exemplified by a text in Holy Scriptures.</p>
<p>Sunday Lessons for Family Use. By Rev. J. HAMMOND. <i>Stoughton & Son, So.</i></p>	<p>Two volumes, containing two hundred and twenty lessons, giving a practical interpretation of some of the chief lessons prominent in the teaching of the Scriptures for each Sunday of the year. The lessons are arranged in groups in simple language.</p>
<p>The Shadow of Heaven. By Rev. J. HAMMOND. <i>Stoughton & Son, So.</i></p>	<p>These sermons were preached at the request of the All Saints' Brotherhood, and are intended to be used as the preparation of youth. The primary purpose of them is to assist in the preparation of youth in a better life.</p>
<p>Practical Christianity. By Rev. J. HAMMOND. <i>Stoughton & Son, So.</i></p>	<p>None of the sermons in this volume were preached in the Church, and are upon subjects which are not usually treated in the Bible. The volume consists of six sermons, each of which is a practical treatise on some of the chief principles of Christianity, and is intended to be used as a guide to the Christian life.</p>
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Thoughts on Subjects. By CHESTER TEN. <i>John</i>	In 1870 Mr. Chester Macnughten took charge of the Rajkumar College at Rajkat, established for the Kathiawar Chiefs, and thus became among them the pioneer of Public School education. This volume, previously printed in India and translated into two native languages, is now reproduced for English readers, and contains a series of addresses, marked by great directness and simplicity, delivered to the princes and nobles of Kathiawar, upon such subjects as these: 'Faith,' 'Prayer,' 'Duty,' 'Truth,' 'Purity,' 'Gentleness,' 'Time,' 'Money,' &c.
of the Church <i>John</i> 3s. 6d.	This volume contains five lectures delivered in the Church of St. James, Piccadilly, in the months of June and July 1890. They were preached by the Bishops of London, Mt. Albans, Southwark, Marlborough, and Stepney, with a view to draw the attention of Churchmen to the greatness and complexity of the Problems with which the Church has to deal, in ministering to the religious and social needs of the great masses of the Metropolis. No better explanation could be found of the existing necessities, and of what has been and should be done to meet them.
Education.	Four addresses delivered in Worcester Cathedral dealing with the principles of education under the following aspects: 1) 'The ideal of education.' 2) 'The intellectual reason.' 3) 'The moral reason.' 4) 'The two chief conditions of efficient education.' These addresses were designed to assist a right understanding of the present controversy.
By	This is a useful series on the same lines as the <i>Inner Law</i> , and consists of six addresses, being ten lessons from some of the most important treatises on the Holy Scriptures. The subjects of the addresses are: <i>Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, and Psalms.</i>
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The Life of Communion. By Rev. J. BRETT. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 1s.	This volume contains eighteen addresses upon various aspects of the Holy Communion, the Sacramental Life, and kindred subjects, specially prepared for communicants.
The Seven Last Words. By Rev. A. G. MORTIMER, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's, Philadelphia. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 5s.	These meditations were given in Lent 1895, in St. Mark's, Philadelphia. A few scenes in the Passion have been considered in relation to the individual soul. The teaching of 'The Seven Last Words' is brought out with great force and clearness.
Services and Service Books before the Reformation. By Professor SWETE, D.D. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 4s.	This work is based upon a course of lectures delivered to candidates for Ordination. The author speaks in the first chapter of the Book of Common Prayer and the Old Service-books, maintaining that as a whole the Prayer-book is a remodelling—a revision and not a substitution—of new offices. In the following chapters the history and contents of each great liturgical collection is examined and compared with the corresponding services in the Book of Common Prayer. Thus are treated, the Breviary, the Missal, the Manual, the Processional, and the Pontifical. For the use of theological students, notes and quotations are added in the original languages.
Looking Upward. By Rev. and Hon. J. ADDERLEY. <i>Wells Gardner, Darton & Co.</i> 3s. 6d.	These papers on various subjects are introductory to the study of social questions from a religious point of view; amongst them are 'Slumming,' 'Christ and Social Reform,' 'Is there a Social Gospel?' 'Thoughts for the Thoughtful Rich,' and 'The Social Aspect of the Holy Eucharist.'
The Story of the Gospels. <i>Monbray.</i> 3s. 6d.	This work, by the author of 'Charles Lowder,' is intended for the use of children. The 'Story' is divided into seven parts, each treating of the various incidents and teaching in our Lord's life, in chronological order. The language and divisions of the subject are very clear and simple. After each short chapter questions are given, and illustrations add much to the teaching power for children.
The Image of God. By J. M. GIBSON. <i>Elliot Stock.</i> 4s. 6d.	This volume contains six sermons on various subjects, four expositions, and seven sermons to children. Amongst other subjects chosen are—'Forget-me-not,' 'A Bad Memory,' 'A Queer Excuse,' 'The Royal House,' 'The Beauty of God.'
The Gospel of the Kingdom. <i>Elliot Stock.</i>	This volume contains five Advent sermons preached at Holy Trinity, Sloane Square, on behalf of the Christian Social Union, their object being to make it clear that we hold the Faith as a social, no less than as an individual gospel. The preachers were Rev. Canon Wilberforce, Rev. T. C. Fry, D.D., Rev. Canon Scott-Holland, Very Rev. the Dean of Ely, and Rev. Prebendary Eyton.
Three Hours at the Cross. By Rev. W. J. HOCKING. <i>Wells Gardner, Darton & Co.</i> 1s. 6d.	This manual for Good Friday is intended especially for those who, wishing to keep 'The Three Hours,' are prevented from doing so in church. It is arranged with prayers, meditations, addresses, and suggested hymns.

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<p>Unity in Christ. Ven. Archdeacon LAIR. <i>A. Con-</i> <i>le.</i></p>	<p>These sermons, preached for the most part in St. Paul's Cathedral, present an earnest and thoughtful treatment of some leading features of Christian doctrine and life, and illustrate their practical relations to modern thought and habits. They embrace the consideration of the following amongst other subjects: 'What are we doing for Unity?' 'The Duty and Spirit of Controversy,' 'Christ and Infallibility,' 'Christ and Penance,' 'The Reasonable Spirit in Public and Private Life,' 'The Absoluteness of the Moral Law.'</p>
<p>Sermons. By ARD, Bishop of ester. <i>Kirington,</i> <i>ival & Co. 5s.</i></p>	<p>These sermons were with one exception preached at Leeds; they are original in thought and earnest in practical teaching, they are published for the Leeds people, who best know how to value them. With some general subjects are included short courses on 'From Egypt to Canaan,' and 'The Power of the Resurrection.'</p>
<p>on in Common <i>Elliot Stock.</i></p>	<p>A course of sermons preached in St. Martin-in-the-Fields for three consecutive months, by well-known clergymen, on 'Topics of the Day from a Christian Stand-point.' Among other subjects are 'Problems of the Poor,' by the Dean of Bristol; 'Noblesse Oblige,' Archdeacon Sinclair; 'Religion and Politics,' Prebendary Wace; 'Fairness,' Canon Browne; 'Social Amelioration,' Archdeacon Farrar. This is a new and cheap edition.</p>
<p>our Last Things. Rev. F. H. CAR- e. <i>Elliot Stock.</i></p>	<p>These sermons were preached in Advent 1895; they are intended, the author tells in the preface, 'to manifest in the light of the Perfect Christ, the Christian religion as a religion of universal culture, universal goodness, and universal glory.'</p>
<p>shop Benson in nd. Edited by BERNARD, D.D., ow of Trinity lege, Dublin. <i>Millan & Co.</i></p>	<p>This work is one of deepest and widest interest as a record of the memorable visit of the late Archbishop to Ireland. The editor has described at length all the incidents of the visit, and has given the sermons and addresses by which the Archbishop did so much to stimulate devotion, and to knit the Irish and English Churches in closer bonds of common fellowship and service.</p>
<p>iscences of Utters from the Pul- By H. G. J. KENTS. <i>A. & D.</i> <i>s. 3s. 6d.</i></p>	<p>This volume of sermons is published by request of several members of the congregation of Sidmouth Parish Church. Five of the sermons are upon our Lord's third appearance to His disciples, as described in the 21st chapter of St. John. Amongst the other selected subjects are 'The Educational Problem,' 'A Plea for the Animal World,' 'The Great Physician,' and 'Righteous Indifference.'</p>
<p>starts in Life. he late BISHOP LIPS BROOK, D.D. <i>Millan & Co.</i></p>	<p>A volume of twenty hitherto unpublished sermons of characteristic breadth and earnestness of thought. The subjects treated of, among others, are—'Unseen Spiritual Helpers,' 'The Duties of Privilege,' 'The Glory of Simplicity,' 'The Law of the Spirit of Life,' and 'The Pre-eminence of Christianity.'</p>
<p><u>DEVOTIONAL.</u></p>	
<p>Principles and ctices of the tual Life. By B. W. MATUHIN. <i>mans & Co. 4s. 6d.</i></p>	<p>Devout and practical studies upon the following obligations of the Christian life and character: 'The Christian Aim,' 'Con- trition,' 'Mortification,' 'The Christian Motive,' 'Self- oblation,' 'Prayers,' 'The Presence of God,' 'The Hidden Life,' 'Two Chief Acts of the Soul,' 'Perseverance.'</p>

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A Treasury of Meditation. By Canon KNOX-LITTLE. <i>Skeffington & Son.</i> 3s. 6d.	The difficulties of forming and maintaining habits of Meditation are generally admitted; the compiler has endeavoured to deal with these hindrances by the suggestions and helps contained in this volume. Short Meditations, with questions for self-examination, and Prayers are given upon the following among other subjects: 'Sin,' 'The World,' 'Daily Life,' 'On the Perfect Life,' 'The Life of Christ,' 'The Cross,' 'The Holy Ghost.'
A Book for the Disheartened. By J. E. YOUNG. <i>Skeffington & Son.</i> 2s. 6d.	In meditation upon some aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven, the author considers in what way the character, teaching, and practical life of the Kingdom will present themselves to the mind of the average man, discouraged by the commonplace order of his character.
Pastor in Parochia. By the BISHOP OF WAKEFIELD. <i>Wells Gardner, Darton & Co.</i> 3s. 6d.	A new and revised edition of this work, so well known and valued by the Clergy as a practical guide in Pastoral Visitation.
The Voice of the Bridegroom and the Voice of the Bride. Edited by Rev. N. KEYMER. <i>Mowbray.</i>	This work contains a collection of carefully-selected passages from about 220 writers, most of them canonised Saints, each quotation being verified and the name of the author given in the margin. Each subject is introduced by some words of our Lord; amongst them are—'Humility,' 'Devotion,' 'Suffering,' and 'Obedience.'
The Beatitudes as Learned by the Cross. By Rev. F. W. ISAACS. <i>Mowbray.</i>	These Meditations for Good Friday are based upon the 'Words' from the Cross, compared in each case with one of the Beatitudes, showing how the latter here finds its fulfilment.
The Sanctuary of Suffering. By ELEANOR TEE. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 7s. 6d.	The author, accepting the mystery of pain and sorrow, and the inequalities of life, dwells in the spirit of quiet and practical meditation upon the various forms of suffering and their purposes in the complete manifestations of God's love. The general subject is treated under the following aspects: (1) 'Entering the Sanctuary,' (2) 'The Approach to the Ideal,' (3) 'Jesus Hominum Salvator,' (4) 'Called to be Saints,' (5) 'The Endless Life,' (6) 'Things New and Old,' (7) 'The Great Unveiling.'
Supplications, Intercessions, and Thanksgivings. <i>Mowbray.</i>	In an introduction, Canon Keymer explains the object of this work to be a systematic aid to Intercession for the use of Church-watchers and Church-workers. It was compiled by a 'Religious' for private use. The various subjects and objects are placed under headings for each day in the week, with Biblical references in the margin.
The Following of Christ. By C. L. MARSON, Curate of St. Mary's, Somers Town. <i>Elliot Stock.</i>	A new and cheap edition of a valuable little work, previously noticed at length. The thoughts of some of the deepest thinkers of modern times have been carefully selected and arranged, with a view to aid the devotional study of our Blessed Lord's life.
The Feast of Divine Love. By BISHOP OF EXETER. <i>Simpson Low, Marston & Co.</i>	This is a third and revised edition of the author's Manual of Devotion, for use before and after partaking of the Lord's Supper. The office for the Holy Communion is taken in several parts, and each explained. Meditations and hymns follow.

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Prayers and Promises. By H. C. G. MOULE, D.D. Seeley & Co.	The first series of studies in this little book is upon 'Inter-course with God,' each example being taken from the Old Testament; the second is, 'I Come'—(1) The 'I-come of Incarnation,' (2) 'of Glorification,' (3) 'of Indwelling,' (4) 'of Return.'
The Cloud of Witness. By Hon. Mrs. LYT- TELTON GELL. Oxford Press. 7s. 6d.	This being a large-type edition will be most valuable to those advancing in years. The object of the book is, to emphasise some cardinal point of Christian teaching from the Epistle or Gospel for each Sunday and Holy-day, and to present it for daily meditation under its different aspects by short quotations from various authors. Each week the special topic selected is given, and a prayer referring to it. In Part IV. the Epochs in the Christian Life—Baptism, Confirmation, Birth-day, Betrothal, Matrimony, Sicknes, Death—have each selected prayers, thoughts, and quotations. A copious index is added, and pages for manuscript personal records.
The Devotions of Bishop Andrewes. By Rev. H. VEALE, of University College, Durham. Elliot Stock. 8s. 6d.	This work, edited with such conscientious care, is a worthy addition to Devotional literature. The 'Devotions,' given in Greek and Latin, are arranged in sectional paragraphs. New Scripture references are added, illustrative notes, and glossaries of selected Greek and Latin words. An interesting introduction illustrates Bishop Andrewes' life and character.
Meditations on Faith and Practice. By C. LANGTON. Elliot Stock. 1s. 6d.	Brief thoughts for devotional use, suggesting and enforcing the mutual relations and obligations of Faith and Practice.
Hints for Meditations on the Seven Words. By Rev. C. W. A. BROOKE. Skeffington & Son. 2s.	This book is intended primarily for the use of those who conduct the 'Three Hours' Service.' Collects are given, hymns selected, notes for each address, with space for additional MS. By permission of the Bishop of Derry, the beautiful poem is given 'How many words since speech began.'
Before the Throne. By W. BELLARS, M.A. Swan Sonnen- schein & Co.	This Manual of Private Devotion has been previously noticed; the present issue is the 'Red-line Edition.' In the Preface, Canon Mason says the book is 'intended for the use of the ordinary fairly-educated sons and daughters of the Church.'
COMMENTARIES AND AIDS TO THE STUDY OF THE BIBLE.	
Concordance to the Septuagint. Part V. ΜΥΡΕΨΙΟΝ-ΠΡΟ- ΠΗΛΑΟΝ. By the late EDWIN HATCH, D.D., and H. RED- PATH, M.A. Imp. 4to. Clarendon Press. 21s.	The previous volumes of this work have been noticed; the sixth and last is already in the press. The work is designed to be a complete Concordance to the Septuagint Version of the Old Testament, and the Greek Text of the Apocryphal Books, and to the remains of the other versions which formed part of Origen's Hexapla; as far as possible also the Hebrew equivalent of every Greek word in each passage in which it occurs is given. The Texts of the Septuagint Version on which it is based are—(1) Codex Alexandrinus A; (2) Codex Vaticanus B; (3) Codex Sinaiticus S; (4) the Sixtine Edition of 1587 R.
Studia Biblica et Eccle- siastica. Vol. IV. Clarendon Press. 12s. 6d.	This volume contains the following Essays in Biblical and Patristic criticism—(1) 'St. Paul and Hellenism,' by E. L. Hicks; (2) 'The Galatia of St. Paul and the Galatic Territory of Acts,' by W. M. Ramsay, D.C.L., LL.D.; (3) 'Acta Pilati,' by F. C. Conybeare; (4) 'The Purpose of the World-process and the Problem of Evil as explained in the Clementine and Lactantian writings in a System of Sub-ordinate Dualism,' by F. W. Russell; 'The Style and Language of St. Cyprian,' by E. W. Watson. The first of these papers was delivered as one of the Oxford Long-Vacation Lectures for the Clergy.

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<p><i>Collatio Codicis Lewisiani rescripti evangeliorum sacrorum Syriacorum cum Codice Curetoniano</i> (Mus. Brit. Add. 14,451), Cui adiectae sunt lectiones e Peshitto desumptae. The three versions are printed in parallel columns, with the chapter and verse of the English version in the margin.</p>	<p>Collatio Codicis Lewisiani rescripti evangeliorum sacrorum Syriacorum cum Codice Curetoniano (Mus. Brit. Add. 14,451), Cui adiectae sunt lectiones e Peshitto desumptae. The three versions are printed in parallel columns, with the chapter and verse of the English version in the margin.</p>
<p><i>Devotional Reflections on the Minor Prophets</i>. By a Clergyman. Longmans & Co. 2s. 6d.</p>	<p>The Bishop of Lincoln, in a thoughtful preface, pointedly commends this book as a valuable aid to meditation and devotion. The writer's aim is not mere critical interpretation, but to make the voices of the Prophets living influences, in helping those who are harassed by perplexities of modern times, to discern more clearly the mind and will of God. The book presents a devotional exposition of each verse of the text.</p>
<p><i>Holy Places</i>. By Canon THURHAM, D.D., F.R.S. S.P.C.K. 3s.</p>	<p>This topography of the Holy Land gives 'an account of all the places, rivers and mountains of the land of Israel mentioned in the Bible, so far as they have been identified, together with their modern names and historical references.' This, the longer title of the work, seems to give a succinct account of the purpose of the writer. This is a new edition revised and brought up to date; the numerous illustrations much enhance the value of the work, and simplify the instruction given.</p>
<p><i>Jerusalem, the Holy City</i>. (New edition.) By Mrs. OLIPHANT. Macmillan & Co. 10s. 6d.</p>	<p>This is not a book of travel, but, as the author herself describes it, 'is addressed to those for whom the soil of Palestine is peopled with the known and loved, the poets and sages and kings with whom we are familiar as with the records of our own lives, and consecrated to all time by One—the climax and divine completion of the old world, the divine leader, teacher, and Lord of the new.' The work is illustrated from drawings by Hamilton Aidē, and photographs by F. M. Good.</p>
<p><i>The Bible in the Light of To-day</i>. By C. CHESLEIGH, D.D. S.P.C.K. 6s.</p>	<p>The author endeavours in these pages 'to indicate the lines on which it is possible to hold the Bible to be Divine, and at the same time to accept without misgiving whatever light the increase of human knowledge may be able to throw upon it.' He divides his subject into three main divisions: (1) 'The growth of the Bible: Historical Sketch; (2) Review of the evidence showing the Bible to be from God; (3) Answers to Objections.' The last division goes very fully into the various difficulties most generally felt, and endeavours to meet them. As a 'Christian Evidence Manual' this book is invaluable.</p>
<p><i>Christ in the Old Testament</i>. By Rev. H. LUNNON, Vicar of Hockleyhead. Elliot Stock.</p>	<p>A new edition of this work, the object of which is to trace the Messiah in the Old Testament writings under four divisions: 'Types of His Person and work,' 'Predictions of His advent and suffering,' 'Sacrificial illustrations of His salvation,' 'In Person as the Angel of the Covenant.' Under each of these headings references are given, and full explanations.</p>
<p><i>The Arch of Titus</i>. By the late Canon KNIGHT, Rector of St. Michael's, Bristol. R.P.S. 2s. 6d.</p>	<p>This volume forms the 22nd of the series known as 'By-paths of Bible Knowledge.' The Bishop of Durham, in a commendatory preface, dwells upon the momentous consequences involved in the destruction of the Temple. The writer treats first of the Fall of Jerusalem, then of the triumph of Titus, the Arch of Titus, and the Jewish sacred vessels. Illustrations of the various sculptures and coins add much to the interest.</p>

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<p>An Introduction to the History of Religion. By F. B. JEVONS, Litt.D., Classical Tutor in University of Durham. <i>Methuen & Co.</i> 10s. 6d.</p>	<p>This work is the result of the application of the Comparative method to the history of early Religion from its social side in the lights of recent anthropology. The religious institutions and customs of early Peoples are carefully examined and compared, the whole woven into a connected history. Assuming the supernatural to be innate in man, the writer proceeds to show that it is natural that man should wish to establish relations with supernatural powers, especially as a connection with the souls of the departed was habitual and customary. The existence of good and evil spirits leads to the subject of 'Taboo,' and 'Totemism,' to that of Sacrifice. Tribal and family cults, Ancestor-worship and Fetichism, form the next group. The author then returns to public worship, and deals with 'Tree and Plant Worship,' 'Nature Worship,' 'Syncretism and Polytheism' 'Mythology,' 'The Next Life,' 'Mysteries;' and concludes with an examination of the origin of Monotheism, and a chapter upon the 'Evolution of Belief.'</p>
<p>History of the Jewish Nation. By Rev. A. ЕДИСНИКЪ, D.D. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 18s.</p>	<p>Professor Sanday, in his preface, commends this third and revised edition to the thoughtful study of Biblical students. The learned author bases his work as a whole upon the conviction that the Gospels, the Book of the Acts, and subsequent ecclesiastical records, should be read in the light of the history of the Jewish nation. The history dates from the destruction of Jerusalem under Titus; it is not confined to an account of facts alone, but describes the state of society, trade, commerce, agriculture, arts, sciences during the first centuries of our era. The work has been revised within the last year by the Rev. H. A. White, Fellow of New College, Oxford.</p>
<p>The Apocalypse of Baruch. Edited by R. H. CHARLES, M.P., Trin. Coll., Dublin. <i>Adam & Charles Black.</i> 7s. 6d.</p>	<p>Translated from the Syriac. In a lengthened introduction, the editor has explained the aim and scope of his work. The text is illustrated by copious notes. Chapters i.—lxxvii. from the sixth century MS. in the Ambrosian Library of Milan, and Chapters lxxviii.—lxxxvii., the Epistle of Baruch, from a new and critical text based on ten MSS.</p>
<p>The Life of Christ. By Very Rev. F. W. FARRAR, D.D. <i>Cassell & Co.</i> 3s. 6d.</p>	<p>This is an edition in much cheaper form, with 16 full-page illustrations, of this well-known work. It is printed in good readable type, and is now brought within the reach of the poorer classes. It would be most suitable for a Sunday-school prize for older children.</p>
<p>The Holy Land and the Bible. By Rev. CUNNINGHAM GEIKIE, D.D. <i>Cassell & Co.</i> 12s. 6d.</p>	<p>This is a special quarto-edition of this work, in one vol., with original illustrations by H. A. Harper. There are 24 full-page plates, and 440 smaller pictures of places or people. As is well known, the purpose of the writer was 'to gather at every step contributions towards the illustration of the inspired text from every local source.' The whole of Palestine, that is from Beersheba to Damascus, Baalbek and Beirut, is thus treated, and the many and various illustrations enable the reader who cannot himself visit the places described, to realise very vividly the Holy Land of the Bible. The Clergy might profitably place a book like this in the parochial library, for reference.</p>

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<p>Christ in Art. By Very Rev. F. W. FARRAR, D.D. <i>A. & C. Black.</i> 10s. 6d.</p>	<p>This is a new and cheaper edition of the Dean's work on 'The Life of Christ as represented in Art.' The illustrations are mainly drawn from the Italian school of the 14th and 15th centuries, though others are referred to, Dutch, German, Flemish, and Spanish. The purpose of the author is to enhance 'an intelligent appreciation of great works of art, and to show how they express and illustrate the thoughts of generations on the greatest and holiest subject which can occupy the mind of man.'</p>
<p>Studies in Hebrew Proper Names. By C. B. GRAY, M.A., SEB. KENNICOTT Scholar, Pem. <i>Adam & Charles Black.</i> 7s. 6d.</p>	<p>A most useful aid to Old Testament textual criticism. The chief classes of names are examined in detail, the historical characters of the names in the Chronicles and the Pentateuch are also considered. The character of the data for the author's conclusions may be tested in detail by valuable appendices, giving classified lists of names.</p>
<p>The Traditional Text of the Holy Gospels. Edited by E. MILLER, Prebendary of Chichester. <i>George Bell & Sons.</i> 10s. 6d.</p>	<p>This work, commenced by Dean Burgon, but left imperfect by his death, has been completed and arranged by the editor. It is a learned and exhaustive enquiry into the true text of the Holy Gospels. By tracing it back to the earliest ages of which there is any record, the <i>Traditional Text</i> is maintained, and the result of such examination cannot fail to assist a clearer understanding of the true expressions used in the genuine word of God.</p>
<p>The Parallel History of the Jewish Monarchy (Part II.). By R. SOMERVILLE, Bursar of Hartow School. <i>Cambridge Press.</i></p>	<p>This work has been prepared principally for the use of students, and embraces the period of 'the Divided Monarchy.' The corresponding passages in the Book of the Kings and the Book of Chronicles are printed in parallel columns to facilitate comparison. A Chronological Table is given of the two kingdoms, the kings and the principal events, also printed in parallel divisions.</p>
<p>DOCTRINAL AND CONTROVERSIAL.</p>	
<p>Reason and Religion. By Professor MONRELY, D.D. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 4s. 6d.</p>	<p>The mutual interdependence of reason and religion is thoughtfully argued in these pages. Its careful study will help to correct some of the tendencies of the day, as it maintains and proves that the perception of truth can be but very partially reached by purely intellectual processes.</p>
<p>The Conditions of our Lord's Life on Earth. By Canon MASON, D.D. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 5s.</p>	<p>The author explains that he has not sought in these Lectures 'to put forward a complete theory of the position assumed by our Lord upon earth, but only to bring together the material out of which any Scriptural theory of it must be formed.' The whole subject is viewed under the following aspects:—(1) The Historical method of studying our Lord's earthly life; (2) the Development of His moral character as Man; (3) His power upon earth; (4) His knowledge upon earth—appearance of limitations; (5) its transcendence.</p>
<p>The Testimony of Science to the Deluge. By W. B. GALLOWAY. <i>Sampson Low, Marston & Co.</i></p>	<p>The author discusses at length the general belief in the historic fact of the great Universal Deluge, in connection with the modern attempt to set aside this belief by the glacial theory of a Great Ice Age of enormous extent, depth, and duration. The decision is sought by contrasting the Boulder Drift and the facts of Terrestrial Magnetism with the Historic Deluge, in reciprocal evidence.</p>

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The Philosophy of Belief. By the Duke of ARGYLL. <i>John Murray.</i> 16s.	This volume is published in sequence to two other well-known works—'The Reign of Law,' and 'The Unity of Nature.' The conclusions arrived at in these two works are applied in the present volume to the consideration of the relation in which the great conception of Natural Law, when rightly understood, stands to religion in general, and to Christian theology in particular.
Where is the True Church? By Rev. W. H. HESLOP. <i>Skeffington & Son.</i> 1s. 6d.	In eight brief chapters, the author treats of a subject too often forgotten and misunderstood. He endeavours to gather from Scripture the mind and purpose of Christ in reference to the founding of 'a Visible Church,' and shows the bearing of His teaching upon modern controversy.
Education and Modern Secularism. By Rev. C. W. FORMBY. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 3s.	The author, assuming the widespread influence of Secularism, attributes this mainly to the failings and omissions of contemporary education on its religious side. The correction of this evil will be found in the more systematic cultivation of the spiritual faculties—the rational faculties should work on the side of intelligent religious belief. The author treats of the culture of Scepticism, its cause and effect; the use and training of the Rational faculties; the schools.
Lectures on Religion. By L. PULLAN, Fellow of St. John's, Oxford. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 6s.	The book will be found of great service in defence of the Christian Faith. The author's main intention is to give a few simple reasons for preferring historical Christianity to some modern academical traditions. In representing the tenets of Greek or Roman Catholics, of orthodox or Unitarian Protestants, in reference to the subjects that are dealt with, the author has based his assertions upon the writings of accepted representatives of such schools of thought.
Traces of Greek Philosophy and Roman Law in the New Testament. By E. HICKS, D.D. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 3s.	This Essay is an attempt to show the influence, according to the weight which evidence and historic fact offer, of Greek Philosophy and Roman Law, upon the minds of the writers of the New Testament, and the assistance thus rendered in the proclamation of the Gospel to the world.
The Natural Religion. By Rev. VERNON STALEY. <i>Mowbray.</i> 2s.	In an explanatory preface, the Rev. J. R. Illingworth dwells upon the 'Science of Religions,' and explains the object of the writer to be, to present in popular form a reasonable view of religious history, upon the general principle 'that the true nature of a thing is whatsoever it becomes when its development is complete.' The author endeavours to show that the truths of the Christian religion are 'as fixed, settled, and ordered by the will of God as are the laws of heat, light, or electricity.' The work will be useful to those whose faith has been shaken, and also to those who desire to know the foundation upon which the Christian revelation primarily rests.
Church Difficulties. By Rev. A. F. W. INGRAM. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 1s.	These papers were originally written for Working-men, in the <i>Oxford House Chronicle</i> . They treat of many subjects, amongst them 'Creeds,' 'Forms of Prayer,' 'the Athanasian Creed,' 'the Tone of the Prayer-book,' 'Bishops and their Incomes,' 'the Church and Hospitals.'
The New Life in Christ Jesus. Edited by JULIAN FIELD. <i>A. D. Innes & Co.</i>	This work has been translated and edited from the writings of a French Protestant, holding the form of religious belief known as Qui-tism and Mysticism. Dean Farrar, in an introduction, highly commends the central thoughts of the work, while deprecating the extremes to which some of the Quietists carried their views.

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Readings from Genesis. By Rev. T. W. FEILE, Rector of Ashmore. <i>Bemrose. 6s.</i>	One hundred and ten Bible Readings compiled and prepared for use in schools and class-rooms, and also in aid of private devotion and family prayer. To these are added a brief but definite and practical interpretation of the first book of the Pentateuch.
Lessons on Old Testament Characters. By A CLERGYMAN. <i>Simpkin, Marshall & Co. 2s.</i>	These notes for fifty-two lessons have been written as a help to teachers in their preparation; they are not intended to be given as lessons or taken into school. References are given to practical applications of the subject of the lesson.
Sermon Preparation. <i>Seeley & Co. 3s. 6d.</i>	These papers, containing the recollections and suggestions of some of the best-known living preachers in the Church of England, originally appeared in <i>The Record</i> . The selected authors are the Rev. A. B. Buckland, the Bishop of Ripon, the Dean of Norwich, the Dean of Canterbury, the Archdeacon of London, Rev. Canon Tristram, D.D., Rev. H. C. G. Moule, D.D., Rev. F. J. Chavasse, Rev. Prebendary Webb-Peploe, Rev. W. H. M. H. Aitken, Rev. A. J. Harrison, B.D., and Rev. H. Sutton. Of these the Rev. W. Hay Aitken has dealt with the preparation of a mission sermon; the Rev. A. J. Harrison with the evidential sermon; Canon Tristram and the Rev. H. Sutton with the sermon of a missionary deputation.
The Three Creeds. By Rev. J. B. LESLIE. <i>Elliot Stock.</i>	As Principal of the Episcopal Training College in Edinburgh, the author had to instruct the students in the three Creeds compared one with another, and with Holy Scripture, this volume is the outcome of notes in the first instance prepared for his class.
De Catechisandis Rudibus. Edited by Rev. W. Y. FAUSSET. <i>Methuen. 3s. 6d.</i>	The editor chooses this as an introduction for the modern reader to the study of St. Augustine. The text is mainly that of Wolfhard. References to Holy Scripture are given at the foot of the page, and in copious notes the author illustrates the thought of St. Augustine from various sources, endeavouring to solve any real difficulties of translation. The hope is that the publication of this work may help to foster an interest as keen in the best works of the Fathers as in the Greek and Latin classics.
The Thirty-nine Articles. By Rev. E. T. GREEN, Lecturer St. Davids Coll., Lampeter. <i>Wells Gardner, Darton & Co. 10s. 6d.</i>	Lectures given at St. Davids College, Lampeter, based upon independent thought and study of their teaching, and the conviction that the position taken by the English Church at the Reformation can only be clearly understood by careful comparison of the Thirty-nine Articles with other Formularies or Confessions of Faith issued in various parts of Christendom during the 16th century. A clear analysis of the contents of each article is given, with a short exposition.
The Intermediate State. By G. S. BARRETT. <i>Elliot Stock. 5s.</i>	By examination of the teaching of Holy Scripture, and the witness of the Church as embodied in her historic Creeds, the author has formulated his views upon the Intermediate State.
The Doctrine of the Eucharist. By WATERLAND. <i>Clarendon Press.</i>	A new edition, reprinted from the collected works of Dr. Waterland, with the view of placing it within the reach of those to whom the whole works may not be accessible, especially for the use of Candidates for Holy Orders.

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<p>The Principle of the Incarnation. By H. C. POWELL, Rector of Wylce. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 16s.</p>	<p>This most thoughtful and exhaustive treatise has been written by desire of the Bishop of Salisbury, and suggested by the controversy arising from the essay in <i>Lux Mundi</i> upon the 'Holy Spirit and Inspiration.' It is impossible in a brief notice to trace the author's conceptions, but these may be inferred in a measure from his general method of dealing with the subject. The introduction reviews some present aspects of thought on the Continent and in England concerning the principle of the Incarnation. Then follows Book I., 'The Psychological point of view;' 'the law of human consciousness;' 'the understanding, the imagination, and the spirit;' 'Comparison between human knowing and Divine knowing;' 'the relation between our Lord's human consciousness and His omniscience considered.' Book II., 'The Theological point of view.' Book III., 'The evidence of the gospel.' The study of this treatise must be found most helpful in guiding to right thoughts and judgment upon a subject of great difficulty.</p>
<p>BIOGRAPHY.</p>	
<p>Memorials: Family and Personal. By ROUNDSELL, Earl of SELBORNE. 2 vols. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i> 25s.</p>	<p>The study of a life of such deep love and loyalty to his Church cannot fail to be of the deepest interest to all devout Churchmen. These two volumes represent but a part of the whole. They trace the history of Lord Selborne's family, especially of those of his own time or immediately before it, and furnish the records of his own life for the first fifty-three years. In further volumes the narratives will be continued from 1865, when Sir Roundell Palmer was Attorney-General, to the close of his public life. These will be of peculiar value, as furnishing a lasting monument to his life of exceptional nobility, not only in his personal influence upon every phase of private, social, and public life, but specially to the great services rendered by Lord Selborne in his persistent and courageous defence of the Church. It may be truly said of him, that he never lived for himself nor in himself. In writing these memorials, therefore, he naturally sought from an accumulation of family letters, which he studied in retirement, to exhibit and magnify the lives of those that made him; consequently these memorials are records of his parents, his home, and of the circle of relations and friends who so greatly influenced the formation of his character and future life.</p>
<p>Life and Letters of Fenton John Anthony Hort, D.D., D.C.L. By A. F. HORT. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i> 17s.</p>	<p>This Memoir, written by a son, will be read with interest by all thoughtful Cambridge men. The story of this life is told with impartial faithfulness and simplicity. The letters of the late Professor are very freely used, as they illustrate so completely the man in his character and habits of thought. The work is most valuable for the insight it gives into the University-life of the period.</p>
<p>Arthur Penrhyn Stanley: His Letters and Verses. Edited by R. S. PROTHERO, late Fellow of All Souls' Col., Oxford. <i>John Murray.</i> 18s.</p>	<p>This selection of the letters of the late Dean has been confined by the editor to such correspondence as would be of general interest, as throwing light upon the character, taste, and habits of mind of the late Dean, and as illustrating his wide moral and intellectual influence. The letters belong chiefly to the early or middle period of Stanley's life, and have not been hitherto published. The Oxford Prize Poem, <i>The Gipsie</i>, is added, and various minor pieces of verse. Several letters have been inserted by permission of the Queen. This work is one of peculiar interest.</p>

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Samuel Taylor Coleridge. By JAMES DYKE CAMPBELL. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i>	Leslie Stephen, in a brief Memoir, emphasises the service the author has rendered to English Literature by the laborious collection and publication of facts depicting the personal history of a great life, which would in many respects have been otherwise left in singular obscurity. The circumstances which led to the undertaking and completion of this work are detailed, and add greatly to the interest and value of this work as a whole.
John Ellerton. By H. HOUSMAN, B.D. <i>S.P.C.K.</i>	This volume contains a Biographical Sketch and a collection of John Ellerton's writings on Hymnology; various papers on Hymns and Hymn-books; his correspondence regarding the compiling of <i>Church Hymns</i> ; Mrs. Carey Brock's <i>Children's Hymn-book</i> , as well as <i>Hymns Ancient and Modern</i> in its later editions. Several hymns not hitherto printed are given.
Memoir of Professor S. Lee. By his DAUGHTER. <i>Seeley & Co.</i>	This scholar of a past generation was Regius Professor of Hebrew at Cambridge, Canon of Bristol, and one of the greatest Oriental scholars in England. The author describes his early life, then as student, professor, and divine, but the book is in the main an Autobiography, as his letters tell the work of his life.
For His Sake. <i>R.T.S.</i> 2s.	This book consists principally of extracts from the letters of Elsie Marshall, during her Missionary life in China, full of interest, and the real joy she felt in her work. A short Memoir is given of the life so willingly laid down on August 1st, 1895.
Harvey Goodwin, Bishop of Carlisle. By CANON RAWNSLEY. <i>John Murray.</i> 16s.	The Memoir of such a faithful son and servant of the Church as the late Bishop of Carlisle must be a possession of lasting value. With all the advantages of close personal intimacy, the biographer has well depicted this life in its most interesting and prominent features. The Bishop's home life and early training is carefully traced, as showing the influence it had in forming his ideals of duty, and the gradual development of his mind. Much attention is given to the active life the Bishop led at Cambridge, and the religious influence he exerted upon the undergraduates. His work as Dean of Ely is carefully chronicled in its leading features. It is, perhaps, to his wider and grander work as Bishop of Carlisle that the writer of this book chiefly turns our thoughts, and the records given reveal in the most striking and interesting way the power that he wielded not only in his Diocese, but over the whole Church. The influence of the Bishop is also shown to have been very great in his grasp of scientific discoveries and social problems.
The Life and Work of Bishop Thorold. By Rev. C. H. SIMPKINSON, Rector of Farnham. <i>Ishister.</i> 21s.	The story of this life is told with singular impartiality and judgment by one who was well in possession of the material for such a memoir, and has skilfully used it. By a large use of his correspondence, the Bishop is made to reveal his own life. Enough is said of early days and training to show its influence upon after life. It was in charge of the See of Rochester that the greatest work of the Bishop's life was done, and it is to the records of this work, therefore, that this memoir is chiefly confined. It is a perfect revelation of the work and obligations of the Church in the great metropolis.

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Edward Hoare. An Autobiography. Edited by Rev. J. H. TOWNSEND, Vicar of Broadwater. <i>Hodder & Stoughton.</i> 5s.	In this interesting Memoir great care has been taken to exhibit the far-reaching influence of good parents, especially evident and powerful in the moulding of Canon Hoare's character and life. By special desire of the family, the records of this life are given in condensed form. Letters hitherto unpublished are given, as showing how deeply and honestly Edward Hoare felt and expressed his convictions upon burning Church questions. The work at Tonbridge Wells occupies naturally a prominent place.
Life of Sir F. A. G. Ouseley. By F. W. JOYCE, Rector of Burford. <i>Methuen.</i> 7s. 6d.	This Memoir will be welcomed by the many who felt for the subject of it the keenest affection and appreciation. The author has had special opportunities of obtaining the necessary information for the work, inasmuch as his father was the most intimate friend of Sir F. Gore-Ouseley, and it is from his letters to him that the reader gains the insight into the troubles in his first curacy at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, and his subsequent travels on the continent. His musical talents in early and later life are discussed, and some chapters by Mr. Sinclair, the organist of Hereford Cathedral, criticise his skill as a composer and musician. The main work of his life, the foundation and carrying on of St. Michael's College, is fully described.
Henry Callaway, M.D., D.D., First Bishop for Kaffraria. By MARIAN S. BENHAM. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i> 6s.	The life of the Bishop is told from his own journals, his letters, and notices of his work in publications of the S.P.G. and other Societies, also from local South African papers. Canon Benham, as editor of his daughter's work, writes an introduction. Dr. Callaway's life, as a missionary in South Africa for more than thirty years, is full of interest.
CHURCH HISTORY.	
The Conversion of the Heptarchy. By Rt. Rev. G. F. BROWNE, B.D. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 3s.	These seven Lectures were delivered by the Bishop in St. Paul's last winter, and form in this volume a concise but most interesting history of the Church during the period considered. The six kingdoms are separately treated, the concluding lecture being devoted to the various crosses and monuments remaining, and of these several illustrations are added.
Church History in Queen Victoria's Reign. By Rev. MONTAGUE FOWLER. <i>S.P.C.K.</i>	The author, in describing the wonderful expansion of the Church of England during the long reign of the Queen, treats first of the Tractarian movement from the historian's point of view; then of Convocation, its suppression and revival; of 'Essays and Reviews;' the Colenso Controversy; the Lambeth Conference; the Extension of the Episcopate; the Disestablishment of the Irish Church; the Progress of Religious Education and the use of Lay-help, Conferences, &c.
The Roman See in the Early Church. By Professor BRIGHT, D.D. <i>Longmans & Co.</i> 7s. 6d.	The wide and accurate knowledge of the author renders this work a valuable aid to a more complete study of Church History. In six Papers the following subjects are severally dealt with: 'The Roman See in the Early Church,' 'St. Ambrose and the Empire,' 'Alexandra and Chalcedon,' 'the Church and the "Barbarian" Invaders,' 'the Celtic Churches in the British Isles,' 'the English Church in the reign of Elizabeth.'

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Simple Sketches of England and her Churchmen in the Middle Ages. By L. G. <i>Wells Gardner</i> , <i>Darton & Co.</i> 2s. 6d.	The author first gives a brief sketch of the foundation and growth of our Church, and then, principally by short biographies of the most prominent Churchmen of the time, carries on the history from the Norman Conquest to the Reformation. Among others thus given are Anselm, Theobald, Thomas à Becket, Langton, William of Wykeham, Wickliffe, and Tyndale.
Boniface. By Rev. S. GREGORY SMITH. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 1s. 6d.	This volume forms an addition to the series of 'The Fathers for English Readers,' several of which have already appeared. This sketch of the life of Boniface treats of his early life, then as a missionary, and his work in Thuringia and Francia until his death. A selection of his letters is added.
Erasmus and the Reformation. By Rev. S. H. GEM. <i>Skeffington & Son.</i> 1s. 6d.	A Lecture delivered before the Tonbridge Church Defence Society, in which the author carefully discusses the chief points of connection between Erasmus and the Reformation, and conclusively proves that he would never have encouraged any advance towards re-union with Rome.
Monasticism. By Rev. F. C. WOODHOUSE. <i>Wells Gardner, Darton & Co.</i> 7s. 6d.	The author endeavours in this volume to give not only an account of the rise, progress, and decay of Monasticism, but to investigate its principles and the causes of its abandonment. A chapter is devoted to Monasticism in Britain, another to the corruptions of Monasticism, and concludes with an enquiry as to the possibility of its revival, giving in detail the various forms attempted in England and America.
Leaders of Thought in the English Church. By Ven. W. M. SINCLAIR. <i>Holder & Stoughton.</i> 6s.	The Archdeacon has selected for these biographical studies twelve that he thinks typical of the various aspects of the Church of England since the Reformation, in each case endeavouring to give 'a faithful picture of the man, and to show his place in the history of the Church.' The first selected is 'Cranmer, the restorer of Primitive truth;' then follow 'Latimer, the preacher of the Reformation;' 'Laud and the mediæval reaction;' 'Hooker, the wise Theologian;' 'Butler, the Christian Philosopher;' 'Waterland, the expounder of the Lord's Supper;' 'John Wesley, the Evangelist of the Masses;' 'Simeon, the teacher of vital religion;' 'Newman, the founder of Tractarianism;' 'Pusey, the guide of the Oxford Movement;' 'Arnold, the advocate of liberal theology;' 'Tait, the wise ruler.'
Venerabilis Bedæ Opera Historica. By CAROLUS PLUMMER. 2 vols. <i>Clarendon Press.</i> 21s.	The editor has carefully collated, and published in the original text, the four oldest known MSS., and he has, he tells us, brought together what he could, 'from other sources, to illustrate the historical, social and ecclesiastical bearings of Bede's Text,' especially does he do this from the other writings of Bede. The first part of the lengthy and learned Introduction treats of Bede's life and works, the second of the manuscripts. Volume II. commences with a full Chronological Table, treating the various events chronicled under the heads of the Saxon kingdoms. Then follow the elaborate notes on the Ecclesiastical History. The whole work is much simplified for use as a book of reference, by copious indices and marginal divisions of subjects.

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<u>HYMNOLOGY.</u>	
<p>Poems. By CECIL FRANCES ALEXANDER. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i> 7s. 6d.</p>	<p>The Archbishop of Armagh has edited this volume of his wife's Poems. From various sources he has collected the Hymns, and selected the Poems, first those upon sacred subjects, then those of a narrative or imaginative character. The Archbishop in a biographical preface sketches some of the features of the life of Mrs. Alexander, and the circumstances and friendships which influenced her.</p>
<p>The Light of the World; or, the Great Consummation. By SIR EDWIN ARNOLD, C.C.I.E. <i>Longmans & Co.</i></p>	<p>A new edition, dedicated to the Queen. This well-known Poem, which has been previously referred to, is constructed upon the following plan—Book I., <i>Mary Magdalene</i>; II., <i>The Magus</i>; III., <i>The Alabaster Box</i>; IV., <i>The Parables at Tyre</i>; V., <i>The Love of God and Man</i>; VI., <i>The Great Consummation</i>. Illustrations from <i>Holman Hunt</i>.</p>
<p>The Rossetti Birth-day Book. Edited by OLIVIA ROSSETTI. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i> 2s. 6d.</p>	<p>This is arranged as books similar in character, the verses for each day being selected from Miss Rossetti's poems.</p>
<p>Poems. By CHRISTINA ROSSETTI. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i> 7s. 6d.</p>	<p>A new and enlarged edition of Miss Rossetti's Poems, Christmas Carols, some Hymns, and 'Later Life,' a double sonnet of sonnets, are included in this collection.</p>
<p>Christ made known through the Church. By Rev. H. A. OLIVIER. <i>Oxford Press.</i> 3s. 6d.</p>	<p>This volume contains Sacred Poems for each Sunday and Festival of our Lord from Advent to Trinity. They are founded upon some one of the appointed Lessons or Epistle and Gospel, the aim of the author being to enforce the teaching of the Church, in keeping before us the Person of our Lord in His work of redemption.</p>
<p>In the House of the Pilgrimage. By H. C. G. MOULF, D.D. <i>Seeley & Co.</i></p>	<p>Of these Hymns and Sacred Poems some few have been presented before, but many appear for the first time. Various subjects are chosen, beginning with 'The Church Militant.' There are in all about fifty. Some are for sacred seasons, several touching upon death and the future life, and also hymns of praise.</p>
<p>Festival and other Hymns. By S. CHILDS CLARKE, Vicar of Thorverton. <i>Skeffington & Son.</i></p>	<p>Several of these hymns have been written for and sung upon special occasions, Festival services of the London Gregorian Choral Association, Exeter Choir Festivals, Children's Festival services; besides, there are a number of hymns for the Church's seasons, for flower services and harvest-time, carols for Christmas, Easter, Ascension-tide, and Harvest; litanies and hymns for children's services and missionary meetings. In addition to the hymns are given some secular odes and poems, written principally in honour of, or to record some event of public interest.</p>
<u>MANUALS.</u>	
<p>A Manual on the Means of Grace. By T. P. GARNIER. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 1s. 6d.</p>	<p>The headings of the divisions of this work will perhaps best explain its scope. Man's Fall and Redemption; the Forgiveness of Sin and the New Nature; Grace, Sacraments; the Sacramental Principle; Means of Grace, their order and relation; Means of Grace and Conversion; the Laws of Grace; Validity of Means of Grace; and the Life of Reception. The aim of the author seems to be to carry on in a systematic manner the teaching begun before Confirmation.</p>

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<p>Principles and Practices of Teaching in Sunday Schools. By Rev. E. HOBSON, Principal of St. Katharine's Training College. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 1s.</p>	<p>These papers are intended for the use of young Clergymen and teachers who have not had much experience in teaching, and who are anxious to gain the technical knowledge of the art. They treat of Preparation, Questioning, Attention, Discipline, and other subjects.</p>
<p>Notes for Teachers. By Rev. D. ELSDALE and Rev. N. KEYMER. <i>Mowbray.</i> 1s.</p>	<p>These plain instructions on the Prayer-book Offices of Holy Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion, were prepared by the authors in the hope of assisting both Clergy and Laity in teaching, especially those who have to instruct pupil teachers.</p>
<p>A Companion to the Daily Services. <i>Mowbray.</i> 3s. 6d.</p>	<p>An exhaustive explanation of the sources and history of the Church of England daily services, and the various rubrics, including the Office for Holy Communion and the Lectionary. The instruction is conveyed in the form of question and answer.</p>
<p>Brief Notes on Collects, Epistles, and Gospels. By ANNE P. CRAKE. <i>Mowbray.</i> 1s. 6d.</p>	<p>For each Sunday and Festival the special teaching and connection of the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel is given in a lucid manner. The origin of the Collect is first stated, and Bible references given to explain or enforce the invocation and petitions; then follow the 'leading ideas' of the Gospel and Epistle.</p>
<p>Just Confirmed. By E. M. BLUNT. <i>Mowbray.</i> 1s.</p>	<p>A very simple explanation of the Office for Holy Communion, originally prepared for a class of young girls recently confirmed. This little book would be useful for similar classes, or as a gift at Confirmation.</p>
<p>The Golden Gate. By Rev. S. BAHING-GOULD. <i>Skiffington & Son.</i> 3s. 6d.</p>	<p>A new and revised edition of a useful Manual, containing: Part I., Brief Introduction on the Creeds, Ten Commandments, the Sacraments, and some of the turning points of Church History; Part II., Litanies for general use, and a brief selection of prayers for private devotions; Part III., Preparations and devotions for Holy Communion, Confirmation, and for personal and general use in times of sickness.</p>
<p>Confirmation. By Rev. H. HOLLINGWORTH. <i>Mowbray.</i> 1s.</p>	<p>This is a new edition of 'Waiting for the Gift.' The purpose of the writer is to furnish a simple book on the subject, which can be placed in the hands of the unlearned. It is printed in large clear type.</p>
<p>The Doctrine of the Incarnation. By R. L. OTTLEY, Principal of Pusey House, Oxford. 2 vols. <i>Methuen.</i> 15s.</p>	<p>The author has written this book chiefly for theological students, from a desire to furnish a compendious and plain introduction to the doctrine of the Incarnation, giving a connected outline of the theology and doctrinal history, which may be studied with greater completeness in larger works. The treatment of the subject may be gathered from the contents and general arrangement. Vol. I. to the Council of Nicaea—(1) the fact and purpose of the Incarnation stated, and the evidence of it summarised; (2) Scriptural presentation; (3) Age of Apologetics; (4) the beginning of Polemics. Vol. II. to the present day—(5) the defence of the Nicene symbol; (6) the problem of the Incarnation; (7) Monophysitism; (8) the doctrine of the Incarnation in the Scholastic period; (9) Christology during the Reformation period; (10) final systematic form of the doctrine of the Incarnation.</p>

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<p>Christian Ethics. By Rev. T. B. STRONG, M.A., Student of Christ Church. Longmans & Co. 15s.</p>	<p>The Bampton Lectures for 1895. The author's aim may be best understood from his own words. The position maintained in these lectures is briefly this—'That the Christian theory of moral life is not merely a new formulation of the old experience, nor a re-statement of old truths with certain new virtues added, but it is a view of life based upon a radically different experience of facts. The reconciliation of the Finite and Infinite, of man and God, which the Incarnation achieved, was at most a dream of the most enlightened Greek philosophy and a hope of the most enlightened Jews. When it happened, man was admitted, in proportion to the certainty of his faith in it, into a clear and decisive knowledge of the Spiritual Divine Order.' This general thought is unfolded at length in eight lectures, treating of (1) Greek and Jew; (2) Christ and the Apostles; (3) the theological virtues; (4) the cardinal virtues; (5) the ethical meaning of sin; (6) morality and reason; (7) ethics and the Reformation; (8) Church discipline. Each lecture is accompanied by careful explanatory notes.</p>
<p>Studies on Butler. By Right Hon. W. E. GLADSTONE. Clarendon Press. 4s. 6d.</p>	<p>This work, so full of peculiar interest, is not less than a public service to the Church and this age. It is the result of patient life-long study, of devout thought, and bears the mark of the most accomplished theologian. This book will prove of inestimable value, if in days of prevalent unbelief it should lead educated men to find in the careful study of Butler the solution of many of their doubts, and if it tends to impress the Clergy, who are so responsible for the guiding of religious thought, to urge more strongly than they do the awful seriousness and responsibility of life.</p>
<p>Church Teaching on Foundation Truths. By Rev. H. W. DEARDEN, late Vicar of Southborough. Elliot Stock. 2s. 6d.</p>	<p>The purpose of the author is to enable the general reader to gain 'a more complete knowledge of revealed doctrine than can be assured from casual sermons,' by briefly, but in proportion and order setting forth the truths of the Christian Faith in their positive aspect; in order that this form of teaching should not be broken into, controversial subjects are dealt with in a lengthy appendix. 'The theological standpoint is that of the Prayer-book' verified by quotations from the Fathers.</p>

BIBLES, BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, AND LITURGIES.

<p>The New Testament in the Original Greek. Macmillan & Co.</p>	<p>This edition of the Greek Text, revised by Brooke Foss Westcott, D.D., Bishop of Durham, and Fenton J. Anthony Hort, D.D., is reproduced from the second and corrected impressions of the text issued in December 1881. The principles of criticism followed by the Revisers are carefully stated, and this explanation is followed by a summary of documentary evidence, a brief treatise on orthography, notation, suspected and rejected readings, and quotations from the Old Testament.</p>
<p>The Books of Nahum, Habakkuk, and Zephaniah. By A. B. DAVIDSON, D.D. Cambridge Press.</p>	<p>These volumes are added to those already published of the Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges under the editorship of Professor Kirkpatrick. Each of these books is treated in a similar manner—a full and descriptive introduction, and the text translated with footnotes to every sentence.</p>

RECENT CHURCH LITERATURE—*continued.*

Name of Work	Short Description of Scope and Contents
Isaiah. By Rev. J. SKINNER, D.D. <i>Cambridge Press.</i>	This volume embraces the first thirty-nine chapters of the Book of Isaiah. The text is that of Dr. Scrivener's Cambridge Paragraph Bible. The general introduction treats of the condition of life in Israel and Assyria in the time of Isaiah, of his prophetic conceptions, his character and genius. Copious notes are given to the text, and a full index.
The Epistle of St. James. By Rev. A. CARR. <i>Cambridge Press.</i>	This is another volume of the Cambridge Greek Testament for Schools and Colleges, prepared under the editorship of Rev. J. Armitage Robinson, B.D. A lengthy introduction discusses the authorship, date, and canonicity of the Epistle, the Twelve Tribes in dispersion, the leading thoughts, and the poetical element. The Greek text without comment follows, then full, critical and exegetical notes.
Liturgies: Eastern and Western. (Vol. I.) By F. E. BRIGHTMAN, Librarian. <i>Clarendon Press.</i> 21s.	This work is in a measure based upon that of Mr. C. E. Hammond. The author has in each case presented the original text and authorised edition, and the translations are new, or considerably revised, and wherever possible the whole Liturgy as celebrated on some particular day is given <i>in extenso</i> . This volume treats of the Eastern Liturgies, grouping them in four divisions: the Syrian Rite, the Egyptian Rite, the Persian Rite, and the Byzantine Rite. Appendices, Biblical references, and a glossary of technical terms form valuable helps to the student.
The Modern Reader's Bible Proverbs. By R. G. MOULTON.	The purpose of the author is 'to put forward Biblical works as portions of the World's Literature.' With this aim in view, the books are published in separate volumes, each book has a lengthy historical and explanatory introduction, and the text (that of the Revised Version) is printed as perhaps originally written in monologues, sonnets, and epigrams.
Ecclesiastics.	Another volume of the above series, treated in a similar manner, the divisions being principally essays.
The Book of Job. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i> 2s. 6d. each vol.	A third volume of 'The Wisdom Series.' Copious notes are given at the end of each book.
Cambridge Bible for Students. <i>Cambridge Press.</i> 10s. 6d.	This new edition of the Holy Bible for Students will be found most useful. This small 4to, printed in Minion type, has a margin four inches wide, so that MS. notes can be written for each verse; references are given but no notes. Some of the books are published separately in cloth limp, for School purposes. The whole Bible may be had in three editions, varying in size and price.
The Book of Common Prayer. Super-royal 8vo. <i>Cambridge Press.</i>	This edition has been recently prepared by a Committee appointed by the Syndics of the Cambridge University Press. It received the approval of the late Archbishop Benson. It is large octavo, printed in bold type, with red rubrics; it is adapted for private use, but is especially intended for use in the Prayer-desk, care having been taken to keep each Prayer complete in one opening.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A Parish on Wheels.
By Rev. J. H. SWINSTEAD. *Wells Gardner, Darton & Co.*

This book is written by an itinerant Missioner in the Diocese of Salisbury, whose special care were the people living in vans, frequenting fairs, &c.; he himself travelled from place to place in a Mission-van, which was dedicated by the Bishop on Wilton fair-ground. He describes at some length the customs and habits of the people, and the efforts that are being made for their welfare. The book is illustrated from photographs.

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<p>The Light of Melanesia. By the Rt. Rev. H. H. MONTGOMERY, D.D., Bishop of Tasmania. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 3s. 6d.</p>	<p>The author, by the wish of Bishop John Selwyn, visited the Islands during his illness. These pages record not only his own impressions, but as he has laboriously studied every Report and published work relating to the Mission from 1857 to the present time, he is able to make it a record of thirty-five years of Mission-work in the South Seas. Each island is taken by itself, and its history as a mission-centre given from the earliest days. The illustrations from photographs, taken during the Bishop's tour, add much to the interest of the work.</p>
<p>Among the Menabe. By Rev. C. H. SMITH. <i>S.P.C.K.</i> 1s. 6d.</p>	<p>This little work tells the story of a year's work as a Missionary on the West Coast of Madagascar, and though the hope of establishing a Mission there was disappointed, the writer trusts that mission-work may in the future be begun among the Sakalava.</p>
<p>The Voice of the People. By Rev. F. BOURDILLON. <i>R.T.S.</i> 2s.</p>	<p>The aim of this book is to treat of a few of the commonest proverbs, such as 'Slow and sure,' 'Waste not, want not,' in a twofold manner—first, so to explain them as to prevent people being misled by them; and secondly, to give to them a higher meaning and to convey a deeper truth.</p>
<p>The Child: its Spiritual Nature. By H. R. LEWIS. <i>Macmillan & Co.</i></p>	<p>The general subject is thus treated of—'The Human Mind in Infancy and Childhood,' 'The Seamy side of Childhood,' 'The Childhood of Heathendom,' 'Art of Israel, of Christendom,' 'The Voice of the Church through its Children's Hymns,' 'The Child as portrayed by Jesus.'</p>
<p>Six Months in Jerusalem. By Rev. C. BIGGS. <i>Mowbray.</i> 7s. 6d.</p>	<p>The author's special object is to give his impressions of 'the work of England in and for the Holy City.' As Chaplain to the Bishop, he had many opportunities of intercourse with travellers of various nationalities, as well as personal observation of the many places of interest. After alluding to the first connection during the Crusades, the author treats of the formation of the Bishopric, its re-constitution and present scope; then follow descriptions of the various places and customs of the different peoples and churches in the Holy Land. The work is well illustrated.</p>
<p>The Conversion of Armenia to the Christian Faith. By W. St. CLAIR-TISDALL. <i>R.T.S.</i></p>	<p>The author is a Missionary residing near Isfahan; he has therefore been able to consult the works of Armenian historians. After slightly sketching the history of the country previous to the Christian era, he proceeds to dwell at length upon the introduction of Christianity, its spread and triumph, and the characteristics of Christianity as introduced by Gregory, carrying on the history until the translation of the Armenian Bible in A.D. 436.</p>
<p>How to Study Wild Flowers. By Rev. G. HENSLOW, F.L.S., F.G.S. <i>R.T.S.</i></p>	<p>The author's purpose in this work is to make the study of Botany from the very beginning more <i>accurate</i> than is often the case when taught in schools, to furnish the student with the means of acquiring some knowledge of this science without other assistance, and to familiarise him with the majority of our commonest wild-flowers. Fifty-seven illustrations are given, thus simplifying very much the classification of the plants.</p>
<p>The Pilgrim's Progress. By JOHN BUNYAN. <i>Oxford Press.</i></p>	<p>This tiny 'thumb edition' is only made possible by the improvements in modern printing. The type is clear and easily read. Indian paper is used, and though there are 416 pages, it is not more than half-an-inch in thickness.</p>

RECENT CHURCH LITERATURE—*continued.*

Name of Work	Short Description of Scope and Contents
Ten Years in a Portsmouth Slum. By Rev. R. R. DOLLING. <i>Swan Sonnenschein & Co.</i>	In this work the author describes the various phases of work in the district under his charge, amongst women, children, sailors, and men. He then treats of 'Battles civil' and 'Battles ecclesiastical,' 'Our Method of Service and our Method of Religion.'
Report of the Church Congress, 1896. <i>Bemrose & Sons.</i>	The Rev. C. Dunkley has, as in former years, edited the Report of the Thirty-sixth Annual Congress, held this year at Shrewsbury. It commences with the addresses of welcome, then follow <i>in extenso</i> the sermons delivered at the opening services, the President's inaugural address, and the papers read at each meeting, as well as the speeches and discussions. The women's meetings are also reported in full.
The Church Quarterly Review. <i>Spottiswoode & Co.</i>	The aim of this Review is to furnish an intelligent discussion of questions affecting the history, work, literature, and theology of the Church of England. Current literature of a theological and general character is reviewed. Of the articles which have appeared during the year 1896 the following seem, perhaps, of special interest: January—'Anglican Orders;' 'The Incarnation and the Eucharist,' a lengthy and careful review of Canon Gore; 'Dissertations,' 'Deuteronomy and the Higher Criticism,' with reference to Professor Driver's work. April—'The Life of Cardinal Manning,' 'The Constitutional History of the Church of England,' by Dr. Makower; 'Bishop Ellicott on the Studies of the Clergy,' and 'Education.' July—'The Constitution of the Churches in the days of the Apostles,' 'The Seventh Ecumenical Council,' 'The Present Tendencies of Presbyterianism,' 'The Education Bill.' October—Mr. Gladstone's 'Studies on Butler,' Mr. Ottley's 'Doctrine of the Incarnation,' 'Types of the Anglican Episcopate' (Bishop Harvey Goodwin and Bishop Thorold), 'The Father of English History' (Mr. Plummer's edition of Bede), 'Christian Ethics' (Strong).
The Churchman. <i>Elliot Stock.</i>	This monthly Review, under the editorship of Archdeacon Sinclair, has during the past year presented many useful and interesting articles. Amongst them we may name the following: 'The Authorship of the Pentateuch,' Rev. Chancellor Lias; 'Concerning the Lord's Supper,' Right Hon. Mr. Justice Warren; 'Russia and the English Church,' the Bishop of Ballarat; 'What is meant by an Established Church,' the Archdeacon of London; 'The Gift of the Ministry,' Canon Bardsley; 'Cardinal Manning,' Canon Meyrick; 'The Church and the State,' Chancellor P. V. Smith; 'The Influence and Effect of Modern Science on Christianity,' Canon Macnamara; 'Strongholds of the Church in Britain,' the Dean of Canterbury; 'How can we bring the Men to Christ?' the Archdeacon of London.
Parochial Handbooks. <i>Beason & Sons.</i>	This firm has recently revised some of its Registers to assist the Clergy and Churchwardens in the keeping of their Parochial accounts. 'The Clergyman's Ready Reference Register,' 'The Churchwarden's Account Book,' and 'The Preacher's Book.'

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<u>SUPPLEMENTAL.</u>	
<p>he Life of Archbishop Magee. By J. C. MACDONNELL, D.D., Canon of Peterborough, late Dean of Cashel. <i>Isbister.</i> 2 vols.</p>	<p>The Memorials of this life, unique in so many phases of its power, and of exceptional interest to the Church, have been vividly and completely drawn by the oldest of personal friends. The writer uses the private correspondence of a period of nearly fifty years to tell the story of the Archbishop's life and work; he does this in the confident belief that, notwithstanding the dangers attending the publication of letters of a confidential nature, this is nevertheless the truest portrayal of a man's character and doings. Above and beyond its personal interest, this memoir will be found invaluable for the light that it throws upon the movements and anxieties of the Church, especially in connection with the Disestablishment of the Church of Ireland.</p>

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STATISTICAL SECTION.

GENERAL EXPLANATION.

IN furnishing these statistics many difficulties have naturally been found in securing that exact measure of completeness which is desired; at the same time the great importance of accuracy has been steadily kept in view.

To give confidence in making use of these figures, it is thought well to give some short explanation of the circumstances under which each tabular statement has been constructed.

Ordinations.—This statement represents the number of Deacons ordained in the several Dioceses within the Provinces of Canterbury and York during the years 1872–1896, showing the totals both for each year and for the whole period, together with statistical details of the educational antecedents of the candidates.

These returns have in each case been obtained by reference to the official records in the custody of the Bishops' Secretaries.

Confirmations.—A ten years' table is given, pointing out the number of male and female candidates confirmed in each year, together with the number of Centres at which Confirmations have been held. A comparative table for twenty years is also furnished. This table also represents the annual totals, and for the whole period.

These returns have been furnished directly by the Bishops themselves.

Grants of Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Queen Anne's Bounty.—In compiling these tables the Committee has felt their great importance, and the interest that must attach to them, as showing to how large an extent these grants are continually drawing out the self-sacrifice and liberality of those who are anxious to widen the work of the Church, and to give it greater permanency. The statistical results as here given have never been presented in a similar form before, and their compilation has involved a most laborious and minute manipulation of the Official Reports. It will be observed that the form into which these gathered results have been thrown exhibits for every individual Diocese for each year, and throughout the whole period, what sum has been granted, and the corresponding amount of private benefaction which the grants have induced,

ORDINATIONS OF DEACONS

TABULAR STATEMENT FOR THE PROVINCES OF CANTERBURY AND YORK.

Diocese	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	Total		Oxford	Can-bridge	Dublin	Durham	Other Colleges	Lito-rates	Total
	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	Total	Total							
Canterbury	20	11	13	16	13	15	13	16	19	8	14	13	11	17	399	150	176	10	8	46	9	399	
York	33	24	32	37	36	33	39	31	32	25	22	23	23	16	731	146	273	36	88	176	12	731	
London	68	71	64	68	59	66	75	61	43	74	68	65	85	89	1,475	476	454	42	39	379	85	1,475	
Durham	26	22	36	31	29	31	32	34	27	28	25	35	35	35	751	136	234	30	212	129	10	751	
Winchester	24	24	29	21	21	22	24	29	24	23	18	22	28	23	749	263	277	37	14	91	67	749	
Bangor	13	8	5	7	9	6	12	10	7	6	7	10	17	5	247	52	7	13	8	150	6	247	
Bath and Wells	10	16	16	17	13	10	15	13	14	15	11	7	11	13	322	126	103	16	23	38	16	322	
Carlisle	12	22	10	13	9	12	11	16	13	16	18	15	15	17	310	50	96	14	35	92	23	310	
Chester	14	13	23	13	21	15	29	16	16	17	18	16	20	12	565	166	193	35	27	138	6	565	
Chichester	16	11	17	17	13	15	22	20	23	19	17	14	11	11	390	144	105	13	13	113	2	390	
Ely	25	18	28	26	19	15	15	20	18	20	9	10	12	13	457	114	296	15	15	14	8	457	
Exeter	14	15	13	34	21	16	20	18	25	21	28	18	22	22	506	163	170	24	23	44	82	506	
Gloucester and Bristol	22	22	29	27	30	27	29	28	34	17	23	14	21	17	626	192	170	22	15	217	10	626	
Hereford	13	16	5	5	1	11	—	6	7	8	7	4	13	8	193	66	74	8	12	32	1	193	
Lichfield	59	37	33	31	27	36	31	28	27	41	23	26	21	22	920	243	230	14	32	399	2	920	
Lincoln	35	20	20	23	23	9	13	13	21	18	23	16	15	14	528	132	134	16	23	198	25	528	
Liverpool	30	26	40	35	32	29	27	24	35	25	30	32	28	20	488	91	108	22	17	185	15	488	
Llandaff	9	16	23	26	21	31	30	29	32	24	46	41	26	35	510	82	49	12	20	295	52	510	
Manchester	31	33	33	27	49	42	38	42	49	42	33	40	39	31	805	170	241	54	86	221	37	805	
Newcastle	12	7	15	12	15	8	18	7	6	13	6	5	10	15	152	33	37	7	41	30	4	152	
Norwich	16	16	14	14	20	15	13	11	16	20	12	15	17	13	385	84	172	4	13	85	27	385	
Oxford	30	39	38	30	34	31	27	22	29	23	25	22	16	28	809	539	168	21	7	60	5	809	
Peterborough	14	22	11	25	20	14	20	14	17	23	20	17	14	18	394	136	165	4	14	57	18	394	
Ripon	66	48	40	43	37	38	22	38	21	25	26	17	24	21	974	219	232	76	133	223	41	974	
Rochester	42	47	47	59	47	57	41	50	38	34	41	40	46	39	950	311	302	46	27	198	8	950	
St. Albans	22	26	24	27	28	29	24	22	31	25	34	28	25	25	406	140	101	12	16	112	25	406	
St. Asaph	9	9	6	5	4	6	4	10	10	6	20	7	6	12	214	58	29	3	10	110	4	214	
St. Davids	19	19	13	19	12	8	11	14	6	19	11	11	13	14	319	55	36	3	13	186	26	319	
Salisbury	14	24	22	23	25	16	21	19	22	13	15	9	14	15	448	157	135	11	11	136	8	448	
Sodor and Man	4	6	7	5	2	8	5	8	8	11	5	8	5	6	116	7	24	1	6	65	14	116	
Southwell	—	24	21	28	24	21	23	15	16	24	23	21	13	23	253	66	66	8	41	70	2	253	
Turo	10	21	11	14	16	13	13	13	11	14	9	10	12	12	244	61	60	7	5	90	21	244	

TABULAR STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CENTRES, AND MALE AND FEMALE CANDIDATES, 1886-1889.

Diocese	1886				1887				1888				1889			
	Centres		Total		Centres		Total		Centres		Total		Centres		Total	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Total	
Canterbury	98	4,527	7,528	96	3,040	4,770	7,810	104	3,295	4,747	8,042	107	3,507	4,933	8,460	
York	63	3,362	4,366	77	3,475	5,188	3,664	71	3,765	5,459	3,254	68	2,586	3,478	9,043	
London	—	12,453	19,639	188	6,311	12,008	13,310	(6)	6,866	13,201	20,097	—	7,188	12,950	20,108	
Batham	58	3,188	7,363	48	2,472	3,342	5,814	53	2,698	3,813	6,311	49	2,777	3,281	5,356	
Winchester	160	4,032	5,192	101	4,137	5,073	9,210	190	4,868	5,941	10,869	122	4,322	5,382	10,654	
Bangor	31	692	833	27	646	692	1,388	16	903	311	614	31	698	804	1,502	
Bath and Wells	42	2,032	2,955	41	1,630	2,445	4,073	36	1,545	2,213	3,758	43	2,247	2,948	5,195	
Carlisle	48	1,743	2,396	24	1,294	1,678	2,972	35	1,784	2,256	4,040	48	1,766	2,564	4,360	
Cheshire	34	1,544	2,648	4	1,102	832	6,250	50	2,127	3,117	5,244	61	2,079	3,640	6,319	
Chichester	85	3,078	4,692	77	1,667	2,825	4,392	82	2,168	4,274	7,442	86	2,833	4,148	6,981	
Ely	77	3,790	5,445	86	2,960	3,980	6,940	61	2,138	2,881	5,019	63	1,944	2,760	4,704	
Exeter	116	2,909	3,475	6,384	122	2,903	3,431	6,334	110	2,897	3,421	113	2,549	3,143	5,692	
Gloucester & Bristol	81	3,227	4,596	7,793	70	2,280	3,700	5,980	70	2,462	3,718	6,180	85	3,218	4,306	7,524
Hereford	51	1,416	1,701	3,117	54	1,403	1,848	3,251	49	1,841	1,558	2,899	54	1,332	1,717	3,049
Lichfield	137	4,453	6,590	16,983	133	4,334	6,040	10,374	166	4,678	6,535	11,213	164	4,443	6,357	10,800
Lincoln	57	2,199	3,040	5,289	53	1,708	2,769	4,412	57	2,237	2,743	4,980	57	1,626	2,511	4,137
Liverpool	63	2,447	3,010	6,357	69	2,547	4,078	6,625	64	2,890	4,690	7,580	65	2,894	4,294	7,188
Liandaf	54	1,643	2,481	4,124	49	1,607	2,096	3,768	53	1,998	2,566	4,254	54	1,479	2,344	3,823
Manchester	55	4,394	6,822	11,216	78	6,578	10,177	16,750	85	6,139	9,507	15,646	94	6,487	10,426	16,913
Newcastle	47	1,230	1,927	3,157	52	1,105	1,906	3,011	51	1,233	1,755	2,988	47	1,344	2,149	3,493
Norwich	41	1,851	2,865	4,716	52	1,957	3,083	5,040	64	2,353	3,517	5,750	53	1,899	3,198	5,037
Oxford	93	3,279	4,246	7,325	95	3,735	4,254	7,989	85	3,448	3,788	7,231	108	3,765	4,649	8,414
Peterborough	76	2,725	3,731	6,456	80	2,497	3,437	5,984	83	2,762	3,720	6,482	88	2,725	3,829	6,554
Ripon	69	3,425	5,839	9,264	60	2,991	5,348	8,339	64	2,750	5,023	7,773	64	2,741	4,025	6,766
Rochester	84	4,107	7,311	12,018	88	4,117	7,790	11,907	98	4,639	8,192	12,831	104	4,578	8,342	12,920
St. Albans	100	3,190	4,161	7,351	93	2,908	4,044	7,057	117	3,817	4,954	8,771	100	3,780	4,948	8,678
St. Asaph	4	94	147	50	1,095	2,237	3,932	17	277	401	678	50	1,559	2,218	3,777	
St. Davids	43	1,032	1,507	2,539	45	1,264	1,740	3,004	47	1,267	1,735	3,002	52	1,378	1,828	3,206
Salisbury	87	2,750	2,958	5,708	118	3,126	3,307	6,483	131	1,199	1,442	2,941	90	2,893	3,007	5,960
Sodor and Man	21	222	378	9	85	156	241	23	807	669	870	7	71	181	252	
Southwell	97	2,540	3,748	6,288	106	2,910	4,246	7,250	107	2,858	4,092	6,656	103	2,656	3,952	6,908
Truro	49	898	1,036	1,984	15	400	551	1,011	27	1,163	1,608	45	577	863	1,440	
Wakefield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Worcester	46	2,463	4,000	6,553	78	3,899	5,792	9,901	74	4,271	6,068	10,339	42	2,532	3,575	6,107
Totals	2,116	84,212	209,633	2,359	86,144	127,804	213,948	2,245	89,856	131,008	221,464	2,373	91,240	133,818	225,058	

(c) Number of centres not given, but they range from 175-190.

Confirmations, 1890-92.

CONFIRMATIONS.—TABULAR STATEMENT (continued), 1890-1892.

Diocese	1890				1891				1892			
	Centres	Males	Females	Total	Centres	Males	Females	Total	Centres	Males	Females	Total
	Canterbury	162	8,172	4,473	7,648	82	2,586	4,254	7,690	66	5,042	4,705	7,747
York	70	5,088	4,862	7,980	62	3,221	4,086	8,207	161	5,658	7,042	13,660
London	166	6,711	12,765	19,417	185	6,685	13,297	19,942	185	6,761	13,445	20,206
Durham	28	1,159	1,705	2,894	91	2,782	4,431	7,213	71	2,182	8,471	5,663
Winchester	126	8,862	5,298	9,100	136	4,733	6,027	10,760	126	4,103	5,022	9,725
Bangor	4	56	76	132	21	335	382	667	45	670	796	1,460
Bath and Wells	41	1,569	2,401	4,000	40	1,424	2,207	3,631	60	1,686	2,498	4,179
Carlisle	30	1,320	1,861	3,181	41	1,642	2,426	4,068	58	1,771	2,379	4,150
Cheshire	64	2,417	8,481	5,898	66	2,344	8,701	6,045	57	2,232	8,152	5,884
Chichester	60	1,795	3,341	5,136	83	2,675	8,228	6,503	68	2,837	4,461	7,298
Ely	173	2,326	3,144	5,470	77	2,091	3,104	5,195	80	2,905	3,810	6,015
Exeter	11	2,858	3,141	5,999	116	2,407	3,068	5,475	121	3,120	3,285	6,305
Gloucester and Bristol	71	2,293	3,463	5,726	80	2,237	3,847	6,084	90	2,937	4,271	7,208
Hereford	144	1,208	1,519	2,727	46	1,051	1,336	2,387	48	1,208	1,581	2,789
Leicester	73	3,871	5,499	9,370	163	3,976	5,976	9,952	134	8,959	5,678	9,667
Lincoln	68	2,169	2,970	5,079	58	1,566	2,344	3,910	64	2,059	3,108	5,167
Litchfield	57	2,534	4,327	7,072	65	2,744	5,354	8,098	78	2,794	4,314	7,108
Liverpool	59	1,700	2,427	4,127	45	1,334	2,039	3,373	59	1,784	2,672	4,456
Manchester	81	5,296	8,298	13,264	97	6,359	10,028	16,387	82	5,488	8,009	14,097
Northampton	40	993	1,504	2,497	45	1,185	1,890	3,075	45	1,090	1,654	2,750
Northwich	47	1,786	2,772	4,508	65	2,429	3,687	6,107	48	1,620	2,099	3,719
Oxford	103	3,999	4,154	7,753	121	3,490	4,177	7,667	114	3,256	4,159	7,315
Peterborough	91	2,462	3,238	5,700	74	2,072	3,155	5,227	80	2,511	3,609	6,080
Ripon	60	1,888	3,292	5,180	52	2,175	3,602	5,827	75	2,925	4,439	6,964
Rocheater	160	4,340	7,421	11,761	109	3,999	6,905	10,934	111	4,408	7,713	12,181
St. Asaph	13	193	3,792	6,451	139	4,053	5,483	9,536	115	3,213	4,182	7,395
St. David's	12	193	291	424	53	1,092	3,053	3,650	40	326	521	857
St. Davydd	12	193	291	424	53	1,092	3,053	3,650	40	326	521	857

CONFIRMATIONS.

TABULAR STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CENTRES, AND MALE AND FEMALE CANDIDATES, 1886-1889.

Diocese	1886				1887				1888				1889			
	Centres		Total		Centres		Total		Centres		Total		Centres		Total	
	Males	Females	Total	Centres	Males	Females	Total	Centres	Males	Females	Total	Centres	Males	Females	Total	
Canterbury	8,001	4,327	7,528	96	8,040	4,770	7,810	104	8,295	4,747	8,042	107	8,507	4,053	8,460	
London	3,302	4,966	8,928	77	3,476	5,188	5,644	71	3,736	5,459	9,254	—	5,565	5,478	9,043	
York	6,236	12,453	18,689	188	6,311	12,008	18,319	(6)	6,896	13,201	20,097	—	7,188	12,920	20,108	
Durham	3,188	4,315	7,603	48	2,472	3,814	3,813	33	2,698	3,813	6,511	49	2,277	3,281	5,558	
Winchester	4,032	5,192	9,224	101	4,137	5,073	9,210	130	4,868	5,941	10,809	122	4,522	5,532	10,054	
Bangor	692	1,543	2,235	27	646	692	1,338	16	303	311	614	31	698	894	1,562	
Bath and Wells	2,052	2,655	5,007	41	1,680	2,445	4,075	36	1,645	2,213	3,758	43	2,247	2,948	5,165	
Carlisle	1,743	2,336	4,079	24	1,294	1,678	2,972	35	1,784	2,290	4,040	48	1,796	2,564	4,360	
Cheshire	1,544	2,048	4,192	55	2,427	3,823	6,250	50	2,127	3,117	5,244	61	2,679	3,640	6,319	
Chichester	8,078	4,692	7,770	47	1,567	2,825	4,392	82	3,168	4,274	7,442	63	2,833	4,148	6,981	
Ely	2,760	3,445	6,235	86	2,660	3,080	6,940	61	2,138	2,881	5,019	63	1,944	2,760	4,704	
Exeter	2,909	3,475	6,384	122	2,903	3,431	6,334	110	2,897	3,421	6,318	113	2,549	3,143	5,692	
Gloucester & Bristol	5,227	4,536	7,763	70	2,280	3,700	5,980	70	2,462	3,718	6,180	85	3,218	4,360	7,524	
Hereford	1,416	1,701	3,117	54	1,408	1,848	3,251	49	1,841	1,558	2,899	54	1,332	1,717	3,049	
Lichfield	4,458	6,580	10,983	133	4,354	6,040	10,374	166	4,678	6,535	11,213	164	4,443	6,357	10,800	
Lincoln	2,447	3,010	5,239	53	1,708	2,709	4,412	57	2,237	2,743	4,980	57	1,626	2,511	4,137	
Liverpool	1,643	2,481	4,124	49	1,697	2,096	3,793	53	1,698	2,566	4,264	54	1,479	2,344	3,823	
Landaff	3,279	4,465	7,744	78	6,573	10,177	16,750	85	6,189	9,507	15,646	94	6,487	10,425	16,913	
Manchester	2,447	3,010	5,239	53	1,708	2,709	4,412	57	2,237	2,743	4,980	57	1,626	2,511	4,137	
Newcastle	1,851	2,805	4,656	52	1,105	1,906	3,011	51	1,233	1,755	2,988	47	1,844	2,149	3,493	
Norwich	3,279	4,465	7,744	78	6,573	10,177	16,750	85	6,189	9,507	15,646	94	6,487	10,425	16,913	
Oxford	2,725	3,731	6,456	60	2,991	3,948	6,939	64	2,750	5,023	7,773	64	2,741	4,025	6,766	
Peterborough	8,425	5,889	9,264	60	2,991	3,948	6,939	64	2,750	5,023	7,773	64	2,741	4,025	6,766	
Rochester	4,107	7,911	12,018	88	4,117	7,790	11,907	98	4,039	8,192	12,831	104	4,578	8,342	12,920	
St. Albans	3,190	4,161	7,351	93	2,998	4,044	7,037	117	3,817	4,954	8,771	100	3,730	4,948	8,678	
St. Asaph	94	147	241	50	1,095	3,932	17	277	401	678	50	1,559	2,218	3,777		
St. Davids	1,032	1,507	2,539	55	1,264	3,307	6,433	51	1,199	1,442	2,641	90	2,893	3,067	5,960	
Salisbury	2,750	2,658	5,708	118	3,126	3,307	6,433	51	1,199	1,442	2,641	90	2,893	3,067	5,960	
Sodor and Man	222	378	600	9	85	156	241	23	307	569	876	7	71	181	252	
Southwell	2,540	3,748	6,288	106	2,910	4,346	7,256	107	2,858	4,092	6,950	103	2,656	3,952	6,608	
Truro	898	1,086	1,934	15	460	551	1,011	27	1,658	1,050	1,608	45	577	863	1,440	
Wakefield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Worcester	2,463	4,090	6,553	78	3,899	5,792	9,901	74	4,271	6,068	10,339	42	2,532	3,575	6,107	
Totals	2,116	84,212	299,633	2,359	86,144	127,804	213,948	2,245	89,856	131,008	221,464	2,373	91,240	133,818	225,058	

(c) Number of centres not given, but they range from 175-180.

Confirmations, 1893-96.

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Diocese	1894				1895			
	Centres	Males	Females	Total	Centres	Males	Females	Total
Canterbury	104	3,154	4,907	8,061	90	3,125	4,774	7,899
York	164	4,384	6,491	10,875	178	4,127	5,988	10,065
London	187	12,994	19,888	32,882	191	13,165	18,165	31,330
Durham	81	2,823	3,544	6,367	69	1,811	2,881	4,692
Winchester	124	4,350	6,013	10,363	104	4,080	5,873	9,953
Bangor	30	411	548	959	24	803	873	1,676
Bath and Wells	55	1,744	2,567	4,311	43	1,415	2,208	3,623
Carlisle	50	1,975	2,585	4,560	61	1,678	2,406	4,084
Cheshire	61	2,692	3,709	6,401	62	2,595	3,584	6,179
Chester	54	1,539	2,658	4,197	87	2,879	4,305	7,184
Gloucester	73	2,042	2,874	4,916	78	2,976	3,040	6,016
Exeter	115	3,253	3,280	6,533	122	3,313	3,157	6,470
Gloucester and Bristol	88	2,534	3,779	6,313	84	2,391	3,854	6,245
Hereford	40	1,282	1,441	2,723	35	1,255	1,596	2,851
Leicester	188	3,688	5,445	9,133	150	3,316	5,315	8,631
Lichfield	68	1,784	2,703	4,487	65	2,048	2,834	4,882
Lincoln	88	3,085	4,900	7,985	85	3,242	5,623	8,865
Liverpool	55	1,594	2,590	4,184	64	1,719	2,531	4,250
Llandaff	90	6,067	11,410	17,477	88	6,397	10,950	17,347
Manchester	44	1,060	1,805	2,865	32	1,078	1,506	2,584
Newcastle	61	2,004	3,478	5,482	60	2,293	3,318	5,611
Norwich	108	3,691	5,415	9,106	113	3,640	4,986	8,626
Oxford	73	2,418	3,465	5,883	66	2,016	3,060	5,076
Peterborough	67	2,368	2,620	4,988	68	2,111	2,450	4,561
Ripon	120	4,282	7,077	11,359	112	4,168	7,331	11,499
Rochester	38	3,885	4,973	8,858	33	3,382	4,491	7,873
St. Asaph	59	1,520	2,105	3,625	53	1,678	2,076	3,754
St. Albans	63	1,165	1,677	2,842	53	1,398	2,076	3,474
St. Davids	102	2,788	2,856	5,644	33	1,542	1,546	3,088
Salisbury	14	128	219	347	14	194	272	466
Sodor and Man	124	2,882	4,078	6,960	119	2,769	4,055	6,824
Southwell	38	742	1,025	1,767	43	890	1,227	2,117
Truro	57	1,842	2,428	4,270	50	1,307	2,271	3,578
Wakefield	97	3,723	5,269	8,992	92	3,339	5,069	8,408
Worcester	2,837	89,423	133,692	223,115	2,740	87,010	127,474	214,484
Totals								
		87,690	129,329	217,019	3,203	87,690	129,329	217,019

Confirmations, 1875-95.

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF CONFIRMATIONS FOR THE LAST TWENTY YEARS, AND FOR 1896.

Diocese	Total for 10 years, 1876-1885				Total for 10 years, 1886-1895				Confirmations, 1896			
	Centres	Males	Females	Totals	Centres	Males	Females	Totals	Centres	Males	Females	Totals
	Canterbury	907	24,999	39,076	64,075	983	31,097	46,610	77,707	98	3,168	4,969	8,077
York	510	31,326	46,195	77,521	1,076	38,560	57,289	95,799	158	4,011	5,714	9,725
London	1,383	54,030	112,024	166,054	1,302	67,632	128,569	196,191	290	7,143	12,685	19,828
Durham	413	22,693	32,725	55,418	624	23,085	34,126	57,211	81	2,283	3,884	6,097
Windsor	1,045	35,823	50,214	86,037	1,182	42,934	56,045	98,979	138	5,106	6,012	11,118
Bath and Wells	182	3,383	4,084	7,467	258	4,610	5,579	10,189	33	540	726	1,272
Bangor	377	17,768	25,184	42,952	591	17,574	25,895	43,469	210	2,319	3,559	5,878
Carlisle	289	14,217	17,773	31,990	489	17,178	23,358	40,536	80	1,743	2,328	4,060
Cheshire	584	22,060	33,725	55,785	567	23,188	34,125	57,313	56	2,479	3,658	6,182
Chichester	474	19,740	28,942	48,682	778	34,754	38,234	72,988	65	2,118	3,540	5,658
Ely	1,022	25,699	29,990	55,689	1,172	29,056	32,388	61,444	131	3,564	3,451	7,045
Exeter	681	23,775	36,997	60,772	801	29,395	39,587	68,982	88	2,539	3,859	6,398
Gloucester and Bristol	456	12,522	15,954	28,476	474	12,399	15,346	27,745	58	1,564	1,952	3,516
Hereford	1,090	44,250	62,651	106,901	1,513	40,825	58,250	99,075	148	4,123	5,629	9,752
Lichfield	766	23,516	33,887	57,403	610	18,934	27,408	46,322	100	2,534	3,393	5,947
Lincoln	231	11,918	17,696	29,614	721	28,313	45,794	74,107	92	3,523	4,890	8,419
Liverpool	125	4,556	6,908	11,464	561	16,516	24,182	40,702	64	1,642	2,424	4,066
Landaff	658	48,095	78,112	126,207	847	60,000	94,792	154,792	84	6,718	10,354	17,072
Manchester	142	4,061	6,145	10,206	461	11,431	17,878	29,309	55	1,383	1,966	3,389
Newcastle	503	19,682	30,492	50,174	613	19,884	31,744	51,628	127	2,391	3,756	6,147
Norwich	920	33,965	58,487	92,452	1,060	35,037	42,168	77,205	120	3,803	4,967	8,770
Oxford	553	22,326	31,551	53,877	790	25,127	35,281	60,408	77	2,069	3,555	5,624
Peterborough	594	28,679	40,928	69,607	653	25,213	37,481	62,694	65	2,368	3,265	5,633
Ripon	687	29,083	54,388	83,471	1,045	49,983	77,095	119,988	120	4,286	7,996	12,282
Rochester	668	25,277	38,483	63,760	1,165	35,539	46,378	81,917	166	4,247	5,494	9,741
St. Albans	232	7,519	10,179	17,698	422	9,050	12,312	21,362	32	811	1,162	1,973
St. Asaph	553	10,297	14,225	24,522	554	12,256	16,984	29,240	62	1,319	1,785	3,104
St. Davids	584	26,708	21,156	47,864	151	1,684	2,188	3,872	166	2,569	2,685	5,254
Salisbury	122	2,616	4,344	6,960	191	1,684	2,188	3,872	19	182	338	520
Sodor and Man	169	4,441	6,061	11,022	1,145	27,064	40,693	67,757	117	3,018	4,317	7,335
Southwell	396	6,093	9,144	15,237	483	6,003	9,189	15,192	43	631	981	1,612
Truro	601	30,643	45,071	75,714	789	36,094	52,941	89,035	98	3,347	5,242	8,589
Worcester	691	30,643	45,071	75,714	789	36,094	52,941	89,035	98	3,347	5,242	8,589
Totals	18,484	764,862	1,054,560	1,760,862	25,752	607,140	1,090,567	2,104,740	3,333	98,661	134,341	228,002

Voluntary Offerings for Endowments. 541

VOLUNTARY OFFERINGS FOR THE ENDOWMENT OF BENEFICES AND THE BUILDING OF PARSONAGE HOUSES, 1860-84.

Diocese	Benefactions		Grants to meet Benefactions		
	Paid through Ecclesiastical Commissioners	Paid through Queen Anne's Bounty	From Ecclesiastical Commissioners		From Queen Anne's Bounty
			In Capital Sum.	In Perpetual Annuity	
	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£
terbury	72,211	22,037	26,654	1,252 12 0	12,700
k	210,618	11,465	58,618	4,617 0 6	7,700
don	128,296	10,968	71,090	1,397 0 0	8,450
ham	108,297	10,377	20,024	2,411 13 6	5,600
chester	228,462	31,979	66,376	4,278 15 6	20,550
gor	27,962	9,979	10,285	464 9 4	7,850
and Wells	72,816	24,034	16,911	1,013 1 4	13,800
isle	165,516	48,929	40,538	3,561 5 4	33,200
ster	189,034	35,115	49,543	3,912 4 8	25,450
hester	102,430	11,068	20,778	2,001 19 4	9,650
.	60,348	16,445	15,246	948 10 8	14,500
ter	66,209	30,131	22,070	1,347 0 0	22,450
cester and Bristol	108,046	22,082	33,614	1,947 9 4	12,100
ford	46,889	12,628	15,285	771 11 4	8,650
field	314,309	26,961	91,387	6,182 8 0	19,013
oln	77,203	33,481	18,589	1,575 15 8	24,250
pool	24,650	601	7,015	568 15 4	600
daff	22,838	10,826	12,058	260 10 8	8,050
chester	261,228	23,293	77,866	4,655 11 6	15,200
castle	9,580	200	—	219 6 8	200
sich	51,846	10,504	13,968	1,116 5 0	8,550
rd	202,686	35,309	59,315	3,871 12 0	24,100
rborough	56,097	10,291	18,101	1,136 16 8	7,350
n	288,753	39,990	90,251	5,607 15 2	29,790
ester	126,376	25,898	38,355	2,258 16 4	15,850
lbans	49,369	9,089	10,279	1,134 4 0	5,400
asaph	28,111	16,649	7,935	545 10 0	10,350
avids	62,689	23,700	26,193	1,081 14 0	17,950
lury	45,789	15,400	9,885	1,226 6 0	11,600
hwell	8,985	820	3,175	159 8 8	600
o	9,095	3,800	1,270	264 3 4	2,900
ester	120,710	16,584	34,344	2,475 16 4	12,000
Total	3,350,068	601,323	987,918	64,265 8 2	416,403

ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS' GRANTS

I. For Assistant Curates in Mining Populations										II. For Endowment and Parsonage Expenses									
Summary for { 10 Years ending Nov. 1, 1894						1895				10 Years ending Nov. 1, 1894.									
Diocese	No. of Grants	Benefactions	Grants	No. of Grants	Benefactions	Grants	No. of Grants	Benefactions, estimated value	Commissioners' Grants			No. of Grants	Benefactions, estimated value						
									Capital Sum	Perpetual Annuity	Grants								
		£	£		£	£		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.						
Canterbury	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	7,100 0 0	3,900 0 0	56 13 4	4	—	—						
York	344	21,490	21,290	36	2,160	2,160	50	31,407 7 10	13,983 0 0	341 13 4	5	7,000 0 0	—						
London	—	—	—	—	—	—	51	54,722 15 2	21,466 0 0	865 0 0	6	4,352 0 0	—						
Durham	141	8,910	8,910	13	780	780	12	5,863 10 0	4,001 0 0	60 9 4	2	860 0 0	—						
Winchester	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	18,537 8 9	8,847 2 2	105 1 10	2	1,000 0 0	—						
Bangor	113	7,200	7,140	12	720	720	11	18,190 0 0	4,815 0 0	145 0 0	—	—	—						
Bath & Wells	3	180	180	—	—	—	7	3,018 16 8	2,500 0 0	12 10 0	3	3,000 0 0	—						
Carlisle	145	9,240	9,240	15	900	900	30	14,346 14 4	11,147 0 0	77 13 4	—	—	—						
Chester	40	2,400	2,400	4	240	240	52	39,536 3 6	16,947 0 0	498 2 8	3	3,000 0 0	—						
Chichester	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	85,028 14 9	13,230 0 0	451 16 0	2	1,000 0 0	—						
Ely	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	5,292 0 0	4,550 0 0	20 8 0	—	—	—						
Exeter	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	8,790 1 8	5,764 0 0	95 0 0	—	—	—						
Gloucester & Bristol	83	4,980	4,980	9	540	540	28	18,215 15 0	11,110 0 0	167 10 0	1	700 0 0	—						
Hereford	19	1,140	1,140	2	120	120	11	5,275 0 0	4,235 0 0	13 6 8	—	—	—						
Lichfield	707	43,605	43,605	73	4,380	4,380	52	32,028 12 4	17,570 0 0	374 17 8	0	6,373 18 0	—						
Lincoln	3	180	180	—	—	—	16	9,721 3 4	2,404 0 0	234 2 0	—	—	—						
Liverpool	282	18,180	18,180	31	1,860	1,860	60	48,791 0 4	31,146 0 0	266 6 8	3	750 0 0	—						
Llandaff	721	48,560	47,840	81	4,800	4,860	16	16,841 0 0	8,905 0 0	178 13 4	1	900 0 0	—						
Manchester	318	19,620	19,620	32	1,920	1,920	71	62,148 15 1	34,011 0 0	573 8 10	7	4,327 13 0	—						
Newcastle	193	11,940	11,940	21	1,260	1,260	20	24,347 1 8	9,132 0 0	214 3 0	4	2,000 0 0	—						
Norwich	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	4,187 0 0	3,417 0 0	10 4 0	3	5,560 13 0	—						
Oxford	—	—	—	—	—	—	21	11,939 0 0	4,829 0 0	222 0 0	2	583 10 4	—						
Peterborough	9	660	660	—	—	—	50	26,261 0 0	12,971 0 0	404 2 0	3	400 0 0	—						
Ripon	226	13,890	13,890	17	1,020	1,020	56	34,121 10 2	19,760 0 0	332 17 8	3	1,450 0 0	—						
Rochester	—	—	—	—	—	—	40	35,462 0 0	21,888 0 0	303 0 0	4	9,900 0 0	—						
St. Albans	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	18,830 0 0	10,055 0 0	128 14 6	4	3,700 0 0	—						
St. Asaph	136	8,460	8,520	14	840	840	2	435 3 0	250 0 0	6 4 0	—	—	—						
St. Davids	373	24,000	24,000	40	2,400	2,400	36	16,714 13 4	9,723 0 0	129 0 0	3	1,000 0 0	—						
Salisbury	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	12,370 8 9	3,520 8 9	223 0 0	1	500 0 0	—						
Southwell	286	17,520	17,520	28	1,680	1,680	34	27,355 11 11	14,860 0 0	231 0 0	3	2,100 0 0	—						
Truro	45	2,700	2,700	4	240	240	11	5,030 0 0	4,470 0 0	15 13 0	1	700 0 0	—						
Wakefield	161	9,740	9,640	23	1,380	1,380	36	24,039 7 4	16,486 0 0	120 0 0	4	2,630 17 0	—						
Worcester	116	7,140	7,140	12	720	720	26	24,157 3 6	9,231 15 6	261 10 8	—	—	—						
Totals	4464	281,735	280,713	467	28,020	28,020	936	701,913 18 0	360,164 6 5	7,138 18 4	83	62,567 15 0	—						

Queen Anne's Bounty Grants.

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												QUEEN ANNE'S BOUNTY GRANTS								
Benefices with Local Claims and Pop. under 4,000												For Endowment of Benefices								
ending Nov. 1, 1894												1895			10 Years to Nov. 1894			1895		
Commissioners' Grants		No. of Grants	Commissioners' Grants		No. of Benefices augmented	Benefaction		Grant	No. of Benefices augmented	Benefaction		Grant								
Sum	Perpetual Annuity		Capital Sum	Perpetual Annuity		£	s. d.			£	£		£	s. d.	£					
s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£		£ s. d.	£										
0 0	1,272 0 0	3	—	144 0 0	15	4,818 1 10	3,800	6	1,200 0 0	1,200										
0 0	1,279 0 0	2	—	130 0 0	36	16,329 18 11	9,600	3	2,650 0 0	1,400										
0 0	8,057 0 0	9	2,250 0 0	490 0 0	11	4,550 0 0	3,200	3	900 0 0	800										
5 4	5,773 0 0	4	500 0 0	650 0 0	—	—	—	—	—	—										
17 2	984 0 0	1	—	25 0 0	19	7,202 0 10	5,000	—	—	—										
13 10	144 0 0	—	—	—	15	4,150 0 0	3,800	2	400 0 0	400										
16 1	526 0 0	—	—	—	40	13,250 13 5	10,400	3	1,070 9 1	600										
	743 0 0	1	40 0 0	—	70	22,951 3 6	19,200	15	4,050 0 0	3,600										
18 0	1,068 0 0	1	—	20 0 0	45	11,193 0 0	10,200	7	2,006 0 0	1,800										
12 11	1,333 0 0	—	—	—	18	6,013 6 8	4,600	3	1,209 15 10	800										
8 2	557 0 0	1	—	150 0 0	14	4,146 5 0	3,400	1	200 0 0	200										
14 7	1,221 0 0	—	—	—	45	12,748 10 0	10,800	4	1,000 0 0	1,000										
0 0	1,440 0 0	2	750 0 0	60 0 0	32	13,452 13 4	8,200	6	2,013 14 8	1,600										
1 5	206 0 0	—	—	—	28	10,596 13 4	8,400	3	615 17 11	600										
0 0	2,344 0 0	1	—	150 0 0	37	12,810 0 0	9,000	3	600 0 0	600										
17 2	1,498 0 0	2	1,500 0 0	91 0 0	38	9,833 14 0	8,400	6	1,400 0 0	1,400										
0 0	2,802 0 0	10	—	255 0 0	10	2,798 11 8	2,400	—	—	—										
15 4	2,415 0 0	3	1,000 0 0	120 0 0	13	5,218 0 0	3,800	3	800 0 0	800										
0 0	3,708 0 0	4	—	98 0 0	45	13,989 4 7	11,400	8	3,325 0 0	3,200										
0 0	930 0 0	—	—	—	11	4,171 0 0	3,000	6	1,700 0 0	1,600										
8 0	1,402 0 0	2	—	90 0 0	20	5,889 0 7	5,000	6	2,344 10 0	2,200										
7 1	931 0 0	—	—	—	36	17,086 19 0	9,800	6	2,050 0 0	1,600										
12 10	1,322 0 0	—	—	—	20	5,258 0 0	4,400	1	200 0 0	200										
	1,600 0 0	—	—	—	57	17,896 19 8	13,400	12	4,130 16 0	2,800										
4 9	4,273 0 0	4	—	420 0 0	26	13,255 0 0	8,800	3	700 0 0	600										
12 0	1,722 0 0	—	—	—	22	7,406 11 3	5,400	3	700 0 0	600										
4 0	768 0 0	2	60 0 0	25 0 0	6	1,800 17 4	1,900	—	—	—										
0 7	2,003 13 4	—	—	—	112	27,542 0 0	25,900	11	2,850 0 0	2,800										
19 8	1,337 0 0	1	—	8 0 0	23	5,630 12 10	5,000	—	—	—										
5 3	1,673 0 0	2	—	110 0 0	19	5,354 6 5	4,400	3	1,109 17 4	800										
18 10	712 0 0	1	750 0 0	—	32	7,616 2 8	7,000	5	1,100 0 0	1,000										
	200 0 0	—	—	—	16	3,800 0 0	3,800	2	425 0 0	400										
19 0	1,402 0 0	—	—	—	17	5,831 0 0	4,800	4	1,340 0 0	1,200										
12 0	57,895 13 4	50	0,850 0 0	3,036 0 0	654	304,746 0 10	237,600	138	42,151 0 10	35,800										

Diocese	Territory	Population	
Canterbury . . .	Entire county of Kent, parts of Surrey and Sussex . . .	745,149	1
York	York City, entire East Riding, part of North and West Riding . . .	1,447,449	2
London	Entire county of Middlesex, part of Hertford	3,245,533	3
Durham	Entire county of Durham	1,017,047	4
Winchester . . .	Entire county of Hants, the Channel Islands, part of Surrey, and small portions of adjacent counties	976,385	5
Bangor	Entire counties of Anglesey, Carnarvon, and Merioneth, with part of Montgomery	215,956	6
Bath and Wells . .	Entire county of Somerset, except Bedminster	429,698	7
Carlisle	Entire counties of Cumberland and Westmoreland, and part of Lancashire	424,913	8
Chester	Entire county of Chester and portions of counties adjacent . . .	739,682	9
Chichester	Entire county of Sussex, with small part of Surrey	549,472	10
Ely	Entire counties of Bedford, Cambridge, and Huntingdon, greater part of Suffolk, and portions of counties adjacent	534,112	11
Exeter	County of Devon, except five parishes	629,009	12
Gloucester & Bristol	Entire county of Gloucester, parts of Somerset and Wilts, and portions of counties adjacent, city and county of Bristol	744,757	13
Hereford	Entire county of Hereford, parts of Salop, Worcester, Radnor, and Montgomery, and portions of counties adjacent	217,099	14
Lichfield	Entire county of Stafford and parts of Salop	1,196,095	15
Lincoln	Entire county of Lincoln and part of Norfolk	472,495	16
Liverpool	Part of Lancashire	1,207,557	17
Llandaff	Entire county of Monmouth, parts of Brecknock, Hereford, and Glamorgan	799,376	18
Manchester	Part of Lancashire, with portions of Chester and York	2,644,424	19
Newcastle	Entire county of Northumberland, the town and county of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and part of Cumberland	509,514	20
Norwich	Entire county of Norfolk, and eastern part of Suffolk	710,364	21
Oxford	Entire counties of Berks, Bucks, and Oxford, with portions of counties adjacent	613,528	22
Peterborough . . .	Entire counties of Leicester, Northampton, and Rutland, with portions of counties adjacent	692,969	23
Ripon	Parts of Lancaster and parts of the North and West Riding of Yorks.	1,020,110	24
Rochester	Parts of Kent and Surrey and portion of Sussex	1,938,787	25
St. Albans	Entire counties of Essex and Hertford, portions of counties adjacent	1,006,648	26
St. Asaph	Entire counties of Flint and Denbigh, with portions of those of Carnarvon, Merioneth, Montgomery, and Salop	270,180	27
St. Davids	Entire counties of Brecon, Cardigan, Carmarthen, Pembroke, with part of Glamorgan, and Radnor	486,069	28
Salisbury	The entire county of Dorset, and the greater portion of Wilts . . .	369,996	29
Southwell	Entire counties of Derby and Nottingham	975,969	30
Truro	Entire county of Cornwall and part of Devon	325,031	31
Wakefield	South-west portion of the county of York	719,734	32
Worcester	Entire counties of Warwick and Worcester, part of Stafford, and portions of adjacent counties	1,228,363	33
Sodor and Man . . .	Isle of Man	55,698	34

NOTE.—Any discrepancy between the number of Benefices and Resident and Non-Resident Clergy is accounted for by a few instances of Plurality and Benefices vacant at the time of this return being made.

Clergy—Resident and Non-Resident. 545

	Inhabited Houses	No. of Benefices ¹	No. of Deaneries	Incumbents			No. of Curates in sole Charge	No. of Assistant Curates
				Resident	Non-resident,			
					but living in the immediate Neighbourhood, and serving their Cures	and serving their Cures by Deputy		
1	142,040	432	21	396	17	12	2	243
2	293,362	635	32	588	37	10	8	273
3	422,922	520	25	425	34	22	9	733 ²
4	161,645	244	13	236	5	1	2	234
5	182,378	555	29	467	26	21	8	254
6	49,391	143	14	143	—	—	—	69
7	90,104	494	26	462	12	12	4	133
8	10,925	295	19	288	5	1	1	93
9	145,516	289	12	255	13	—	1	160
10	100,428	384	25	383	—	1	1	200
11	115,755	550	38	496	16	9	3	135
12	112,617	510	23	488	21	1	3	188
13	144,148	489	20	448	19	22	7	195
14	47,092	426	21	395	29	2	2	78
15	234,037	463	31	428	20	2	4	243
16	103,600	582	39	512	59	11	11	113
17	215,988	204	11	183	8	1	1	201
18	141,262	245	20	214	30	1	1	219
19	537,673	524	22	497	26	1	3	335
20	89,797	179	11	170	11	1	1	93
21	159,122	896	50	792	15	12	17	169
22	129,134	649	32	613	33	3	3	228
23	146,451	581	41	527	22	13	9	173
24	218,363	356	18	284	57	8	8	185
25	291,030	343	19	288	18	11	2	339
26	191,698	608	45	531	32	6	6	226
27	57,562	207	16	206	—	1	1	84
28	103,244	412	29	321	53	12	2	120
29	80,207	491	31	444	36	10	10	146
30	201,268	474	31	419	53	2	23	176
31	71,069	237 ³	12	225	7	—	5	98
32	156,183	171	6	150	20	1	2	131
33	252,374	400	33	420	48	8	6	233
34	16,167	32	4	26	5	—	1	14

¹ Including Districts, Proprietary Chapels, and other Churches.

² Including Curates, Lecturers, Chaplains, &c. ³ Including sinecures.

NOTE.—The Parliamentary Return giving these figures is so imperfectly responded to by the Clergy that the Editor will not be responsible for any literal interpretation.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE, 1895.

* Signifies Mission Buildings.

These figures have been taken, with but few exceptions, from the returns made by the Parochial Clergy at the request of the Bishop of the Diocese, in agreement with the recommendations of the Convocations of Canterbury and York that a systematic method should be adopted in obtaining returns of Parochial Work and Finance.

Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
CANTERBURY.	£	£	CANTERBURY—cont.	£	£
Ash	866	33	Wye	256	175
Beckenham	2,914	—	Sums under 100L	449	897
Bethersden	341	—			
Wexley (St. John)	25	250			
Bexley Heath	220	—			
Boughton under Blean	—	128			
Bromley	—	884			
Canterbury (St. Alphege)	—	126			
" (St. George)	—	116			
" (St. Margaret)	142	—			
Cheriton	—	160			
Cheriton Street	4,325	306			
Crayford	—	208			
Croydon	—	1,000			
" (St. Matthew)	565	—			
" (St. Michael)	800	—			
" (St. Peter)	800	—			
Dover (St. Mary)	1,100	256			
* Folkestone	1,000	—			
" (St. John)	2,002	180			
" (St. Saviour)	1,350	78			
Great Mongeham	—	120			
Hackington	—	177			
Hawkhurst	534	—			
Headcorn	110	235			
Leeds	—	162			
Maldstone (Holy Trinity)	195	—			
* Margate (St. John)	580	—			
" (Holy Trinity)	—	300			
Milton	150	40			
Minster	—	133			
Molash	555	250			
Norwood (St. John)	1,075	500			
Patricbourne	—	180			
Pembury	749	561			
Queenborough	—	102			
Ramsgate (St. George)	400	—			
" (St. Mary)	150	—			
Rolvenden	342	—			
St. Mary Cray	173	32			
Sandwich (St. Peter)	120	167			
Sevenoaks	—	614			
South Norwood (St. Mark)	10,024	807			
Tustin	—	200			
Tusley	150	—			
Turnbridge Wells (St. John)	273	50			
Upchurch	—	158			
Upper Norwood (All Saints)	1,580	97			
Upper Walsley	220	—			
Walsley St. Saviour	107	—			
Westbrook	270	124			
	Continued.				
			TOTAL	35,163	9,528
			SUMMARY.		
			Church Building	44,571	
			Endowments	12,580	
			Parsonage Houses	1,959	
			Burial Grounds	1,992	
			Total	60,912	
			YORK.	£	£
			* Aston	125	—
			Badsworth	—	105
			Barby	778	176
			Bubwith	492	40
			Burythorpe	100	—
			Cantley	—	124
			Darrington	825	519
			Doncaster	—	1,432
			" (St. James)	500	—
			Driffield	141	67
			Easington	—	200
			Eastington	180	—
			Eskdaleside	—	500
			Eston or Normanby	4,000	1,000
			Flamborough	150	5
			* Ferry Fryston	200	120
			Goatland	—	200
			Hensall	700	350
			Hockleton	250	100
			Hinderwell	867	230
			Hull (St. Thomas)	—	275
			" (St. James)	400	—
			" (St. John)	—	190
			" (St. Luke)	—	110
			" (St. Matthew)	—	102
			Hutton Buscel	—	255
			* Kirk Ella	220	41
			Middlesborough (St. Paul)	275	90
			" (St. Peter)	1,300	5
			Netherthorpe	—	50
			Newport	133	120
			Normanby	1,515	—
			Continued.		

Church Building and Restoration, 1895. 547

CHURCH EXTENSION. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE, 1895—continued.

Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
YORK—cont.			LONDON—cont.		
Norton juxta Malton	257	118	Isle of Dogs (St. John)	7,900	183
Over Silton	590	1,100	Islington (St. Andrew)	193	100
Pontefract (St. Giles)	600	130	" (Christ Church)	600	7
Rotherham	5,000	1,000	" (St. John Bapt.)	800	—
Rufforth	—	453	" (St. Mary)	586	138
Scarborough (All Saints)	—	206	" (St. Mary Magd.)	1,030	200
" (St. Martin)	702	—	" (St. Philip)	243	—
Sheffield (Brightside)	—	350	" (St. Stephen)	892	—
" (St. Thomas, Crookes)	900	195	Kensington	8,943	221
" (St. Paul)	—	200	"	—	875
South Kirkby	—	120	" (St. Barnabas)	—	—
Thorpe Hesley	987	—	" (St. John, Holland	—	390
Thryburgh	215	—	Road)	—	—
Wales	—	212	Kilburn (St. John)	885	—
York (St. Thomas)	—	870	Lancaster Gate (Christ	—	—
" (St. Lawrence)	744	1,742	Church)	250	—
Sums under 100£	—	—	Limehouse (St. John)	143	89
Total	22,776	13,525	Maida Hill (St. Matthew)	—	164
			New Brentford	—	686
			Norlands (St. James)	—	834
			North Finchley (Christ Church)	800	—
			Notting Hill (St. Mark)	105	—
			Northwood	1,200	—
			Oakley Square (St. Matthew)	—	238
			Paddington (All Saints)	1,785	—
			" (St. John)	—	918
			Pinner	4,500	400
			Portland Town (St. Stephen)	49	268
			Ruislip	118	—
			St. Bartholomew the Great	—	—
			(City)	586	—
			St. George's in the East	—	—
			(Christ Church)	500	—
			St. George, Hanover Square	—	304
			St. Giles in the Fields	900	—
			St. Marylebone (All Saints)	4,000	580
			" (Holy Trinity)	563	560
			St. Pancras	—	446
			" Old	206	70
			St. Peter, Gt. Windmill Street	—	175
			St. Saviour, Oxford Street	—	140
			Shoreditch (Holy Trinity)	2,000	1,200
			South Acton (All Saints)	740	204
			South Kensington (St. Jude)	—	1,561
			Spitalfields (Christ Church)	128	—
			Staines	—	150
			Stoke Newington	30	20
			" (All Saints)	27	273
			" (St. Andrew)	—	350
			" (St. Olave)	—	1,200
			Stonebridge (St. Michael)	2,640	100
			Teddington	30,240	10,320
			Tottenham (All Hallows)	—	250
			" (St. Mary)	85	114
			" (St. Paul)	—	157
			Tottenham Green (Christ Church)	1,331	10
			Upper Chelsea	230	—
			" (St. Saviour)	351	15
			Uxbridge Road (St. Luke)	30	150
			Willoden (St. Matthew)	1,178	132
			Sums under 100£	525	1,035
			Total	101,907	40,876

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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
LONDON—cont.			WINCHESTER—cont.		
SUMMARY.			£		
Church Building	142,843	—	Deane	295	170
Endowments	4,800	—	East Dean	350	—
Parsonage Houses	11,555	—	Elson	—	114
Burial Grounds	763	—	Fawley	184	—
Total	159,961		Freshwater	—	612
			*Guernsey (St. Michael) (St. Pierre)	500	105
			Hambledon	125	105
			Hadley	—	160
			Higheiff	—	130
			Holnwood	—	450
			Hythe	—	200
			Jersey (All Saints)	410	—
			" (St. Brehede)	2,000	—
			" (St. Mark)	70	187
			" (St. Paul)	242	—
			Landport (St. Agatha)	9,500	1,277
			Leatherhead	1,567	—
			*Northam	520	—
			Odham	270	28
			Petersfield	—	350
			Portsea	216	—
			" (St. Stephen)	2,040	—
			Rowner	145	—
			Ryde	597	—
			Sark	—	200
			Shamley Green	—	150
			Southampton (St. Barnabas) (St. Peter)	2,082	147
			Southsea (St. Bartholomew). (St. Michael)	272	—
			Ventnor	135	—
			Walton-on-Hill	901	—
			Winchester (Christ Church). (St. Thomas and St. Clement)	—	333
			" (Holy Trinity)	120	150
			" (St. Peter)	550	30
			Woking (Christ Church)	3,000	117
			York Town	—	900
			Sums under 1000	577	1,139
			Total	54,796	8,806
			SUMMARY.		
			£		
Church Building	15,330	—	Church Building	63,632	—
Endowments	500	—	Endowments	1,388	—
Parsonage Houses	103	—	Parsonage Houses	5,712	—
Burial Grounds	1,801	—	Burial Grounds	1,233	—
Total	17,434		Total	71,965	
			WINCHESTER.		
			£		
Albury	831	87	Albury	430	712
Alton	—	201	Eastleigh	900	—
Bembridge	—	210	Hamble	402	480
Binsted	—	206	Itchen	215	17
Bassacomb (St. John)	17,000	—	Langley	—	200
*Bournemouth	630	52	Longstock	114	91
" (St. Clement)	1,300	150			
" (St. John)	800	44			
Bosham	217	—			
Bramley	882	—			
Canford	780	170			

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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
BANGOR—cont.			CARLISLE.		
Pennachno	£ 300	£ 200	Brampton	£ 4,200	£ 185
Sums under 100£	157	165	Camerton	—	308
Total	2,518	1,795	Cockermouth	975	—
SUMMARY.			Dalston	120	80
Church Building	£ 4,313		Egremont	250	—
Endowments	400		Finsthwaite	—	100
Parsonage Houses	454		Grasmere	—	150
Total	5,167		Hutton in the Forest	183	—
BATH & WELLS.			Kendal	—	760
Wells Cathedral	—	£ 450	Kirkbride	440	20
Axbridge	—	280	Killington	525	59
Barrington	—	251	Little Strickland	200	—
Bath (Christ Church)	26	117	Moreaby	300	—
" (St. James)	100	—	Natland	—	160
" (St. Michael)	155	—	Rosley	—	116
" (St. Paul)	615	—	Stanwick	—	100
Blackford	—	400	Upperby	700	200
Blagdon	1,000	—	Sums under 100£	272	526
Brislington	274	75	Total	8,165	2,714
Brompton Regis	147	32	SUMMARY.		
Butleigh	—	100	Church Building	£ 10,879	
Camerton	150	—	Endowments	3,516	
Chard	415	—	Parsonage Houses	1,006	
Cheldar	538	—	Burial Grounds	864	
Chilthorne Domer	—	132	Total	16,265	
Clutton	—	105	CHESTER.		
Curry Rivel	150	25	The Cathedral	£ 862	£ 127
East Coker	—	217	Birkenhead (St. Anne)	—	308
East Quantoxhead	—	102	" (St. John)	—	400
Exton	100	—	" (St. Peter)	145	—
Flax Bowton	208	195	" (St. Winifred)	1,750	250
Incrocombe	1,270	65	Bunbury	540	—
North Curry	—	150	Chadkirk	—	120
Norton-sub-Hamdon	1,500	—	Chester (St. John)	—	213
Shepton Montague	350	—	" (St. Oswald)	2,603	120
South Clevedon	385	—	Crewe (Christ Church)	2,500	—
Spaxton	600	120	Dunham Massey	1,527	445
Tatworth	—	180	Eastham	—	130
Taunton (St. Andrew)	—	220	Liscard	—	450
(Holy Trinity)	—	219	Lower Tranmere	641	—
Trull	263	24	Macclesfield (St. John)	135	—
Wembdon	100	—	" (St. Peter)	140	—
Weston	226	—	Marple	—	450
Weston-in-Gordano	—	120	Micklehurst	4,500	500
Wineanton	—	107	Middlewick	250	381
Sums under 100£	524	1,052	Mottram in Longdendale	780	—
Total	9,126	4,738	Norbury	180	—
SUMMARY.			Oxton	—	150
Church Building	£ 13,864		Portwood	—	412
Endowments	3,500		Stockport (St. Thomas)	285	—
Parsonage Houses	4,036		Sums under 100£	224	829
Burial Grounds	222		Total	16,562	5,285
Total	22,222		<i>Continued.</i>		

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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
EXETER—cont.			GLOUCESTER AND		
Devonport (St. Aubyn)	£ 155	£ 3	BRISTOL—cont.		
" (St. John)	206	—	Bristol (St. Stephen)	£ —	£ 500
Ditlisham	—	102	Charlton Kings	108	—
Dodbrooke	150	—	Cheltenham (All Saints)	—	344
East Budleigh	—	400	" (Christ Church)	—	1,100
East Teignmouth	—	325	Cheltenham (Holy Trinity)	—	313
Exminster	805	55	" (St. Luke)	86	210
High Bray	—	217	Chippenham	—	400
Kenton	—	130	Gloucester	—	1,559
Kilminster	150	—	Clearwell	—	215
Mary Tavy	—	313	Clifton (St. Andrew)	—	253
Morthoe	374	108	" (Emmanuel)	—	500
Ottery St. Mary	681	—	" (St. John)	—	1,046
Paignton	1,576	—	Coates	—	250
Petrockstowe	—	145	Cranham	3,000	300
Plymouth (All Saints)	—	100	Down Aunpney	—	1,000
" (Christ Church)	—	108	Eastleach Martin	150	—
" (St. Jude)	547	—	Elkstone	330	130
Plympton (St. Mary)	—	210	Gloucester (All Saints)	—	200
Plymptree	303	139	" (St. Michael)	—	162
Seaton	367	80	Hinton-on-the-Green	513	64
Shute	—	113	Leckhampton (SS. Philip & James)	—	395
South Molton	—	200	Lower Cam	—	227
Starcross	35	210	Lower Slaughter	—	134
Tamerton Foliot	1,800	445	Mangotsfield	250	17
Thurlestone	615	—	Newland	—	100
Topsham	530	—	Newnham	—	844
Totnes	—	254	Quedgeley	—	122
West Teignmouth	—	198	Rendcombe	1,200	—
Witheridge	110	5	Southrop	268	—
Sums under 100l.	572	1,075	The Lea	55	220
			Sums under 100l.	412	1,090
Total	10,985	8,854	Total	18,798	13,822
SUMMARY.			SUMMARY.		
Church Building	£ 19,840		Church Building	£ 32,620	
Endowments	1,017		Endowments	1,960	
Parsonage Houses	1,700		Parsonage Houses	1,744	
Burial Grounds	2,239		Burial Grounds	441	
Total	24,796		Total	36,765	
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.			HEREFORD.		
Bristol Cathedral	£ 555	£ —	Bacton	£ —	£ 104
Alderton	—	480	Burghill	—	160
Ashleworth	—	154	Clungunford	3,106	1,052
Avening	—	150	Dorstone	220	15
Bedminster	200	—	Evancoyd	—	100
Bishopston	1,360	—	Garway	100	30
Bishopworth (St. Agnes)	—	140	Hereford (St. Martin)	485	—
Bristol (Christ Church)	206	—	Holdgate	800	—
" (Holy Trinity)	—	412	Holme Lacy	—	110
" (St. George)	—	104	Ross	—	300
" (St. Lawrence)	—	230	Storridge	199	9
" (St. Mary's Redcliffe)	10,000	—	Ullingswick	160	—
" (St. Nicholas)	211	51	Walterstone	200	—
" (St. Saviour)	—	200	Willey	1,282	—
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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
HEREFORD—cont.					
Winforton	£ 1,489	£ 21			
Wistanstow	305	105			
Sums under 100l.	605	1,140			
Total	8,051	8,146			
SUMMARY.					
Church Building	£ 12,097				
Endowments	610				
Parsonage Houses	1,145				
Burial Grounds	245				
Total	14,095				
LICHFIELD.					
The Cathedral	£ 700	£ 331			
Acton Trussell	—	200			
*Anslow	700	35			
Biddulph	920	702			
Blakenhall Heath	100	—			
Blithfield	—	150			
Borwich	—	234			
Burton-on-Trent (St. Paul)	—	5,864			
Childs Ercall	—	151			
Clifton Campville	—	144			
Condover	—	106			
Darlaston (All Saints)	550	100			
Donnington Wood	138	—			
Dunstall	144	10			
Handsworth	77	1,133			
Heath Town	259	—			
Hilderstone	120	15			
Hodnet	67	450			
Horningslow	—	640			
Leek (All Saints)	—	609			
Lichfield (St. Chad)	152	260			
Newcastle	—	175			
Oulton	825	31			
Perry Barr	—	278			
Rangemoor	2,231	2,018			
Ruyton XI. Towns	100	40			
Shelton	170	130			
*Shifnal	510	56			
—	—	409			
Shrewsbury (St. Alkmund)	828	—			
" (St. Giles)	1,002	264			
" (St. Mary)	6,800	200			
Smethwick (St. Matthew)	—	1,005			
Sneyd	360	—			
—	640	—			
Stoke-on-Trent	—	566			
Stonnall	593	40			
Tamworth	545	—			
Tipton (Tividale)	—	234			
Walsall (St. Matthew)	—	107			
Wellington (Christ Church)	—	110			
Wolverhampton (St. Jude)	—	130			
" (St. Peter)	280	—			
Wrockwardine	100	—			
Sums under 100l.	292	869			
Total	19,481	17,518			
<i>Continued.</i>					
			LICHFIELD—cont.		
			SUMMARY.		
			Church Building	£ 30,999	
			Endowments	8,365	
			Parsonage Houses	7,332	
			Burial Grounds	721	
			Total	58,417	
			LINCOLN.		
			Alford	£ 145	£ —
			Aslackby	750	—
			Billingborough	—	196
			Billinghay	105	8
			Boston	—	288
			Bracebridge	516	—
			Carrington	167	—
			Claypole	2,000	235
			Croyland	2,681	—
			Frodingham	339	89
			Horkstow	518	—
			Horncastle	—	300
			*Kirkby, East	500	30
			Laceby	—	155
			Lincoln St. Mary-le-Wigford	5,055	650
			Long Sutton	107	—
			Manby	386	63
			Navenby	—	195
			Rippingale	188	—
			Rothwell	—	101
			Stenton	120	83
			Syston	—	100
			Uffington	127	—
			Wainfleet	800	—
			Weston	214	85
			Willingham-by-Stow	—	116
			Sums under 100l.	448	1,149
			Total	15,166	3,779
			SUMMARY.		
			Church Building	£ 18,945	
			Endowments	1,863	
			Parsonage Houses	2,366	
			Burial Grounds	374	
			Total	23,548	
			LIVERPOOL.		
			Ashton-in-Makerfield (St. John)	£ 450	£ —
			Bickerstaffe	530	—
			Everton (St. Augustine)	—	4,004
			" (St. Timothy)	250	—
			Fairfield	—	182
			Farnworth	4,000	1,000
			Fornby (St. Luke)	—	102
			Great Crosby	330	40
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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
LIVERPOOL—cont.			MANCHESTER.		
Liverpool (St. Aidan)	—	248	The Cathedral	500	—
" (St. Catherine)	269	264	Accrington (Christ Church)	—	360
" (St. Cleopas)	—	160	" (St. James)	400	—
" (St. David)	—	150	Adlington	—	156
" (Holy Innocents)	—	187	Ashworth	—	290
Newburgh	—	104	Bacup (Christ Church)	—	400
Prescot	—	150	" (St. John)	—	495
Rainhill	—	150	Balderstone	350	—
Sefton	—	140	Batnber Bridge	5,200	—
Southport (Holy Trinity)	3,500	—	Barton-upon-Irwell	—	850
Toxteth Park (St. Andrew)	181	—	Birch (St. Agnes)	1,428	—
" (St. Bede)	14	391	Blackpool (Christ Church)	800	—
" (St. Philemon)	179	—	Bolton (All Saints)	—	149
*Warrington (St. Peter)	150	—	" (St. George)	100	—
Sums under 100/.	298	388	" (St. John)	—	350
			Bradshaw	—	128
			Burnley (St. Andrew)	—	200
Total	10,151	7,660	" (St. Stephen)	—	101
			Bury	—	620
SUMMARY.		£	Chadderton (St. John)	—	1,100
Church Building		17,811	Cheetham (St. John)	260	—
Endowments		1,287	Cloughfold	—	300
Parsonage Houses		1,502	Croston	—	182
Burial Grounds		2,152	Crumsall (St. Thomas)	—	165
			Davyhulme	—	270
Total		22,752	Deane	600	50
			"	225	—
			"	3,000	—
LLANDAFF.		£	Dearnley	—	140
Aberavon		1,050	Denton	—	312
Aberdare (St. Fagan)		1,150	Eccles	—	900
Bedwelty		—	Elton (All Saints)	—	142
Bonvilston		285	Falinge	—	234
Canton (St. Catherine)		—	Fleetwood	—	102
Cardiff (St. Dyfrig)		—	Gannow	—	428
Christchurch		—	Garstang (St. Thomas)	—	—
Cymmer		—	Goosnargh	1,030	—
Llangenor		109	*Habersham Eaves	900	50
*Llangynwyd		375	*Halliwell (St. Peter)	170	—
Llantrisant		1,450	Hastlingden Grange	128	—
Llwynypia		3,500	Harwood	—	378
Mountain Ash		1,239	Heaton Mersey	140	150
Neath		1,500	Heyhouses	—	136
Newport (St. Peter)		1,300	Heywood	204	353
Panteg		500	Hulme (St. Gabriel)	110	65
Penarth (All Saints)		490	Lancaster (Christ Church)	600	130
Pendoylan		58	" (St. John)	—	220
Penmaen		350	Lever Bridge	—	549
Pontypridd		807	Lytham	—	185
St. Brides Major		136	Manchester (St. Barnabas)	—	210
Shirenewton		140	" (St. Michael)	—	315
Skewen		239	" (St. Paul)	—	700
Sully		1,500	Mossley Common	4,498	160
*Ystradyfodwg		408	*Newton Heath (St. Augustine)	500	—
Sums under 100/.		408	Oldham	—	292
			Paddington	665	—
			Patricroft	170	910
Total	17,191	2,720	Pendlebury (St. John)	—	380
			Preston (Christ Church)	—	198
			" (St. George)	—	400
SUMMARY.		£	Prestwich	—	838
Church Building		19,911	Ribby	160	—
Endowments		2,390	Salesbury	176	—
Parsonage Houses		796	Salford (Sacred Trinity)	—	130
Burial Grounds		148	" (St. Philip)	900	155
			" (St. Simon)	—	180
Total		23,155	Tonge	—	120

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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
MANCHESTER—cont.			Norwich—cont.		
Warton	—	549	Bringham	£ 110	50
Waterfoot	175	80	Burnham Thorpe	4,069	120
Westhoughton	1,150	200	Chediston	700	—
Winnarleigh	—	110	Eye	—	214
Worsthorne	5	211	Felixstowe (St. John)	4,340	600
Sums under 100l.	502	2,154	Felmingham	163	—
Total	25,056	18,587	Gaywood	315	40
SUMMARY.			Grimston	954	11
Church Building	£ 43,643	—	Haughley	—	100
Endowments	9,225	—	Helmingham	—	199
Parsonage Houses	10,187	—	Henley	200	—
Burial Grounds	2,687	—	Heydon	850	—
Total	65,692	—	Hockering	125	—
NEWCASTLE.			Hockwold	182	—
Bamburgh	£ 688	£ —	Holme Hale	150	—
Benwell	2,000	—	Ingworth	200	—
Blanchland	400	—	Ipswich (St. Bartholomew)	6,200	200
Cramlington	—	103	" (St. Matthew)	500	400
Delaval	125	26	" (St. Mary-le-Tower)	—	600
Greyshead	335	50	King's Lynn (St. Mary)	—	1,325
High Elswick (St. Paul)	—	818	" (St. Peter)	—	120
Horsley	77	121	Kirkley	—	1,100
Morpeth	—	137	Knoddishall	208	25
Newcastle (St. Andrew)	693	1,239	Little Melton	410	75
" (St. Anne)	145	—	North Creake	—	450
" (St. Luke)	—	510	Norwich (St. Michael)	200	—
" (St. Matthew)	2,500	1,180	" (St. Peter)	1,200	—
" (St. Peter)	—	100	Ormesby	155	—
Rothbury	455	140	Shipdham	150	—
Ulgham	185	82	Southrepps	695	—
Warden	—	145	Swilland	—	136
Whitfield	280	—	Thorpe (St. Andrew)	137	—
Woodhorn	500	—	Wendling	—	104
Sums under 100l.	107	467	Wheatacre	117	—
Total	8,490	5,259	Wroxham	—	220
SUMMARY.			Sums under 100l.	884	1,494
Church Building	£ 18,749	—	Total	26,018	8,866
Endowments	4,970	—	SUMMARY.		
Parsonage Houses	863	—	Church Building	£ 84,884	—
Burial Grounds	723	—	Endowments	7,500	—
Total	20,805	—	Parsonage Houses	5,706	—
NORWICH.			Burial Grounds	326	—
Acle	£ 104	£ —	Total	48,476	—
Barking	234	27	OXFORD.		
Billingford	348	7	Aldermaston	£ —	£ 280
Boston	1,028	—	Ashampstead	280	80
Boulge	600	311	Aylesbury	2,593	—
Bramford	456	300	Basildon	800	—
<i>Continued.</i>			Binfield	—	184
			Bucklebury	103	—
			Burnham	—	256
			Chalfont St. Giles	268	—
			Charlbury	240	80
			Charlton-on-Otmoor	351	62
			Chieveley	628	—
			Chinnor	—	116
			Cholesbury	300	—
			Cold Ash	—	281
			<i>Continued.</i>		

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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
OXFORD—cont.			PETERBOROUGH—cont.		
	£	£		£	£
Cranbourne	—	151	Kettering	—	110
Crownmarsh Gifford	—	195	Langham	—	468
Cuxham	507	16	* Leicester (St. Andrew)	108	—
Easthamstead	173	—	" (St. Leonard)	380	—
East Ilsley	—	340	" (St. Margaret)	560	—
Ellesborough	—	152	Leicester (Knighton)	200	123
Enstone	145	12	* Little Bowden	450	—
Eton	—	214	Lutterworth	—	100
Eynsham	100	240	Marholm	—	126
Fenny Stratford	150	—	Melton Mowbray	212	—
Fyfield	—	128	Northampton (St. Giles)	—	409
Garsington	—	170	" (St. Matthew)	—	6,000
Henley-on-Thames	—	700	" (St. Peter)	100	21
High Wycombe	—	338	Oakhain	45	413
Holwell	3,000	260	Peterborough (St. John)	—	650
Hungerford	—	205	Pitton	280	—
Iver	—	942	Quorn	280	—
Long Crendon	414	—	Ramds	182	44
Moulsoe	—	118	* Rushden	1,292	70
Newbury (St. John)	—	143	Sheepy Magna	158	—
Newport Pagnell	—	267	Smeeton Westerby	190	10
Northmarston	—	120	South Croxton	735	75
Oxford (All Saints)	—	2,598	South Wigston	—	500
" (SS. Philip & James)	384	—	Staverton	—	120
"	750	—	Swinford	1,000	425
"	430	235	Thorpe Achurch	180	—
Reading (Greyfriars)	—	122	* Towcester	191	—
Stanford-in-the-Vale	—	120	Uppingham	—	328
Sunninghill	—	120	Wakerley	124	—
Swallowfield	—	255	West Haddon	800	10
Synpson	—	130	Witherley	459	—
Wantage	1,047	—	Woodhouse	250	6
Wokingham (All Saints)	—	750	Woodhouse Eaves	260	—
Woodlands	100	—	Wootton	—	190
Sums under 100f.	609	1,394	Yardley Hastings	70	168
	—	—	Sums under 100f.	1,122	1,277
Total	13,402	11,345	Total	16,204	13,558
SUMMARY.			SUMMARY.		
	£			£	
Church Building	24,747		Church Building	29,762	
Endowments	6,608		Endowments	823	
Parsonage Houses	3,787		Parsonage Houses	2,980	
Burial Grounds	954		Burial Grounds	443	
Total	36,091		Total	34,008	
PETERBOROUGH.			RIPON.		
	£	£		£	£
Ashby-de-la-Zouch	—	383	Armley	350	895
Aldwincle	—	300	Bradford (Christ Church)	640	350
Ashby St. Ledgers	380	—	" (Holy Trinity)	179	63
Bampton Ash	—	204	Calverley	—	120
Boddington	—	110	Clayton	136	—
Branstone	—	500	Cowling	—	—
Coalville	2,000	—	Cullingworth	200	—
Cranford	—	100	Eastwood	—	165
Easton Magna	417	—	Esholt	369	—
Garthorpe	865	80	Gilling	120	—
Great Doddington	173	—	Grinton	658	150
Great Wigston	518	—	Harewood	—	150
Hambledon	—	250	* Headingley	300	—
Hinckley (St. Mary)	1,500	90	Hornby	200	—
Hose	140	—			
Husbands Bosworth	383	—			

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CHURCH EXTENSION. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE, 1895—continued.

Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
Ripon—cont.	£	£	Rochester—cont.	£	£
Hunslet	250	—	Longfield	—	100
" (St. Jude)	153	120	Merstham	122	—
" (St. Peter)	—	200	Mitcham (Christ Church)	—	100
Killinghall	—	274	Mottingham (St. Andrew)	112	—
Laister Dyke	269	—	Newington (St. Mary)	407	—
Leeds (All Hallows)	—	100	*Oxsted	750	245
" (All Souls)	408	30	*Petersham	293	80
" (St. Aidan)	—	1,000	Plumstead (All Saints)	200	—
" (Holy Trinity)	—	300	Redhill (St. John)	—	569
Oulton	—	300	Reigate (St. Mark)	140	1,170
Patrick Brompton	—	140	Streatham (Immanuel)	185	—
Sedburgh	—	840	" (St. Peter)	1,727	120
Silsden	610	570	" (St. Anselm)	2,600	400
Stainburn	710	—	South Streatham (St. Andrew)	—	537
Stanningley	—	182	Southwark (Christ Church)	215	—
Startforth	—	222	" (St. Saviour)	3,000	—
Woodlesford	—	115	Sutton	—	150
*Yeadon	2,000	500	Swancombe (All Saints)	6,250	700
Sums under 100l.	172	1,056	Sydenham (St. Philip)	—	102
Total	8,224	7,402	Tooting Graveney	2,200	117
			Warringham	—	280
			Westcombe Park (St. George)	—	755
			Sums under 100l.	376	637
			Total	33,955	11,082
SUMMARY.		£	SUMMARY.		£
Church Building		15,626	Church Buildings		45,037
Endowments		5,373	Endowments		7,810
Parsonage Houses		3,935	Parsonage Houses		8,079
Burial Grounds		3,152	Burial Grounds		24
Total		28,086	Total		60,950
ROCHESTER.	£	£	ST. ALBANS.	£	£
Battersea	480	300	Ardleigh	—	115
" (Christ Church)	—	353	Ashdon	237	—
" (St. Mark)	—	122	*Barking (Holy Trinity)	250	—
*Bernoldsey (St. Augustine)	120	—	Bengeo (Christ Church)	—	163
Camberwell (Christ Church)	700	—	Brentwood	340	1,000
" (Emmanuel)	950	—	Bushey	—	160
" (St. George)	2,511	—	" (St. Peter)	—	203
Carshalton	—	725	Chadwell Heath	170	—
Chaldon	—	215	Chigwell Row	220	—
Chipstead	100	—	Codicote	825	—
Clapham	5,000	300	Colchester (All Saints)	—	126
" (St. Paul)	700	50	Dagenham	130	—
*Coulston	203	—	Elstree	—	139
Dulwich Common (St. Peter)	—	200	Epping	—	1,800
Felbridge	110	—	Fingringhoe	214	—
Gipsy Hill	—	630	Ford End	110	35
Gravesend (St. George)	209	—	Forest Gate (St. Mark)	3,720	225
Greenwich (St. Peter)	—	130	Great Braxted	45	100
Hatcham (All Saints)	1,480	11	Great Wigborough	272	—
" (St. James)	—	430	Harlow (St. Mary Magd.)	683	—
Herne Hill (St. Saviour)	—	100	Hertford (All Saints)	10,336	—
Hoo (All Hallows)	125	14	Ickleford	—	160
Horley	300	—	Kelvedon Hatch	1,500	400
"	763	—	King's Langley	630	370
Kennington (St. John)	—	764	Langford	—	109
Kingston-on-Thames (St. Luke)	755	380	Leavesden	—	324
Kingston Hill	131	—	Leystonstone (St. Andrews)	—	310
Lambeth (Emmanuel)	107	161			
Lee (Christ Church)	424	75			
Lewisham	120	—			

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CHURCH EXTENSION. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE, 1895—*continued.*

Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
ST. ALBANS—<i>cont.</i>			ST. DAVIDS.		
Little Berkhamstead	£ 476	£ 30	Aberedw	162	—
Little Leighs	1,400	400	Bishopston	—	110
Loughton (St. Mary)	293	500	Brecon	1,473	382
Mountnessing	37	139	Brynamman	250	200
Northaw	—	657	Capel Colman	61	351
Peldon	106	—	Carmarthen (St. Peter)	200	—
Pirton	—	110	Disserth	1,620	—
Plaislow (St. Andrew)	223	—	Felinfol	—	286
*Runwell	304	—	Langhorne	1,000	—
St. Albans (Christ Church)	216	—	Llanbadarne Fywyd	1,032	94
" (St. Michael)	1,000	—	Llandrindod	386	—
" (St. Peter)	—	776	Llanerchaeron	1,179	146
Sawbridgeworth	—	175	Llansadwrn	650	—
Stanstead	1,586	—	Marros	100	—
*Stanway	303	44	Newchurch	965	130
Stratford (St. John)	120	—	Old Llandridod	2,168	146
Toppefield	291	8	Pembroke Dock	143	14
Upton Park (St. Stephen)	—	500	Pencarreg	961	—
*Victoria Docks (St. Luke)	1,200	214	Penderyn	—	150
Walthamstow (St. Peter)	120	74	Penmaen	—	400
" (St. Saviour)	1,027	268	St. John-Juxta-Swansea	—	343
Watford	—	270	Swansea (St. Mark)	560	—
*West Ham	176	—	" (St. Mary)	495	624
Woodford	247	—			
Woodham Ferrers	106	—			
Sums under 100l.	301	921			
Total	29,214	10,925	Total	14,209	3,376
SUMMARY.			SUMMARY.		
Church Building	£ 40,139		Church Building	£ 17,585	
Endowments	3,300		Endowments	4,413	
Parsonage Houses	4,795		Parsonage Houses	2,210	
Burial Grounds	702		Burial Grounds	467	
Total	48,936		Total	24,675	
ST. ASAPH.			SALISBURY.		
Abercely	—	200	Alderbury	£ 500	£ 240
Bagillt	—	500	Calne	750	—
Brymbo (Brynteg)	1,000	300	Charlton Marshall	396	300
Colwyn Bay	3,800	—	Chicklade	—	700
"	500	—	Chilton Foliat	120	—
Denbigh	6,066	670	Coombe Bissett	—	500
Eglwysrhos	7,000	300	Dorchester (Holy Trinity)	925	70
Exclusham	—	183	" (St. Peter)	151	4
Llanfair Caereinion	—	450	Gussage (All Saints)	928	12
Llanfairwlwryn Clwyd	—	448	Imber	1,620	95
Llangerniew	200	—	Kinson	50	288
Minera	3,340	552	Maiden Bradley	850	—
Rhyl	1,206	200	Melcombe Horsey	—	115
Welshpool	160	36	Mintern Magna	112	—
Sums under 100l.	258	169	Monkton Wyld	256	—
Total	23,530	4,068	Netherbury	160	—
SUMMARY.			Redlynch	150	—
Church Building	£ 27,538		Salisbury (St. Martin)	—	135
Endowments	1,150		Spetsbury	150	—
Parsonage Houses	847		Tarrant Crawford	561	152
Burial Grounds	353		Toller Porcorum	—	103
Total	29,888		Winborne Minster	284	104
			Winterbourne (St. Martins)	303	1,033
			Sums under 100l.	—	—
			<i>continued.</i>		
			Total	8,266	3,851

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Name of Parish	Church Extension		Name of Parish	Church Extension	
	Fabric	Fittings		Fabric	Fittings
WORCESTER.			Worcester—cont.		
The Cathedral	£	£	Nechells (St. Clement)	£	£
Atherstone	—	3,500	Pershore (St. Andrew)	761	—
Bidford	—	102	Sparkhill	813	—
Birmingham (Immanuel)	—	209	Stoke	2,530	—
" (St. Lawrence)	250	—	Stoke Prior	168	42
" (St. Stephen)	150	11	The Lickey	3,751	713
Boldmere	1,500	—	Warwick St. Mary	610	90
Broadwas	—	120	Wick	2,000	1,245
Bromsgrove (All Saints)	—	108	Worcester (Holy Trinity)	—	500
* Buddbrooke	—	192	Wythall	120	—
Claines (St. George)	440	15	Sums under 100l.	—	120
Coventry (St. Mark)	7,987	400		284	991
Curdworth	102	88	Total	24,010	9,444
Duddeston (St. Andrew)	120	80			
Exhall	150	—	SUMMARY.		
Feckenham	—	183	Church Building	£	
Great Witley	450	—	Endowments	33,454	
Halesowen	800	50	Parsonage Houses	3,860	
* Hartlebury	—	189	Burial Grounds	5,926	
King's Norton	225	100	Total	48,500	
Madresfield	323	—			
Malvern (Christ Church)	120	—			
Malvern Wells	175	232			
	182	14			

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JANUARY TO DECEMBER 1895: SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATEMENT.

Of Voluntary Offerings devoted to the Building, Restoration, and Furnishing of Churches, the Endowment of Benefices, the Building of Parsonage Houses, and the Enlargement of Burial Grounds.

NOTE.—Grants received from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Queen Anne's Bounty have been carefully excluded from this return.

Diocese	Amount	Diocese	Amount	Diocese	Amount
	£		£		£
Canterbury	60,912	Gloucester		Ripon	28,086
York	52,703	and Bristol	36,765	Rochester	60,950
London	159,961	Hereford	14,095	St. Albans	48,936
Durham	17,494	Lichfield	53,417	St. Asaph	29,888
Winchester	71,965	Lincoln	23,548	St. Davids	24,675
Bangor	5,167	Liverpool	22,752	Salisbury	14,452
Bath and Wells	22,222	Llandaff	23,155	Sodor and Man	421
Carlisle	16,265	Manchester	65,692	Southwell	36,688
Chester	31,426	Newcastle	20,305	Truro	12,658
Chichester	53,663	Norwich	48,476	Wakefield	37,739
Ely	25,829	Oxford	36,091	Worcester	43,590
Exeter	24,796	Peterborough	34,008	Total	1,259,790

DETAILS OF SUMMARY.

Church Building and Restoration	£ 990,412	Endowment of Benefices	£ 126,299
Burial Grounds	26,904	Parsonage Houses	116,175
		Total	£1,259,790

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION.

AMOUNT SPENT BY THE CHURCH DURING THE YEAR 1894.

For General Maintenance	£ 707,312 10 7	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
For Building, <i>i. e.</i> for Additional School Accommodation, and for the Enlarging and Improving of existing Premises	472,132 6 8		1,179,444 17 3
Income arising from Endowments for the purposes of General Maintenance			112,904 3 10
Total			1,292,349 1 1

Note.—To this may be added the following items:

(1) Cost of the Maintenance of Church Training Colleges	14,000 0 0
(2) Cost of the Diocesan Inspection of Schools	15,000 0 0

CHURCH EXTENSION.

TABLE SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEVOTED TO THIS WORK FOR THE TEN YEARS 1884-1893.

NOTE.—This table represents purely voluntary offerings, all Grants from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Queen ANNE's Bounty, and such sources, being omitted.

Diocese	Church Building	Endowments	Burial Grounds	Parsonage Houses	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Canterbury	424,793	22,212	7,315	25,781	480,106
York	353,072	14,126	10,652	24,040	441,890
London... ..	1,244,036	87,309	2,892	125,240	1,459,477
Durham	202,174	7,549	5,872	8,126	223,721
Winchester	457,435	34,838	5,535	31,752	529,590
Bangor	86,563	24,019	2,904	4,422	117,908
Bath and Wells	191,271	21,118	4,423	26,156	242,968
Carlisle	184,464	50,746	9,994	27,842	273,046
Chester	358,877	39,021	9,927	29,864	487,689
Chichester	307,333	87,529	5,542	49,635	450,039
Ely	172,965	13,302	5,505	22,113	214,385
Exeter	291,148	23,214	5,538	10,391	330,291
Gloucester and Bristol	269,229	40,439	6,978	30,295	346,941
Hereford	146,112	22,425	3,469	17,640	189,646
Lichfield	461,192	76,703	12,588	36,291	586,772
Lincoln... ..	207,558	24,233	3,629	14,553	249,973
Liverpool	388,069	60,511	5,714	21,672	475,966
Llandaff	314,712	28,854	1,666	11,551	356,783
Manchester	676,006	121,088	27,536	49,616	874,246
Newcastle	219,436	46,269	4,894	14,896	285,515
Norwich	226,610	10,229	2,772	19,572	259,183
Oxford	324,691	52,658	13,550	30,219	421,118
Peterborough	377,220	35,046	5,766	26,901	444,933
Ripon	420,495	93,060	16,442	53,179	583,176
Rochester	565,666	54,666	3,615	55,349	679,296
St. Albans	422,787	28,912	8,069	32,214	491,982
St. Asaph	112,021	4,711	4,945	10,863	132,540
St. Davids	191,840	48,177	3,031	23,529	266,577
Salisbury	189,898	25,687	7,174	24,794	247,553
Southwell	364,808	47,743	10,371	38,415	461,337
Sodor and Man	5,411	405	39	352	6,207
Truro	196,922	17,436	2,549	3,704	220,611
Wakefield	110,131	38,970	2,925	14,053	166,379
Worcester	451,529	47,007	5,644	25,060	559,240
Gross Total	10,916,509	1,440,732	229,463	940,080	13,526,784

Total amount of Voluntary Contributions for ten years, £13,526,784.

NEW CHURCHES BUILT OR REBUILT AND CONSECRATED.

TEN YEARS' TABULAR STATEMENT, 1886-1895.

Diocese	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	Total
Canterbury	1	3	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	16
York	—	1	2	—	2	—	4	2	3	2	16
London	6	6	9	10	3	6	3	4	1	4	52
Durham	3	5	3	1	5	2	1	—	3	—	23
Winchester	2	4	3	1	3	3	3	4	1	4	28
Bangor	1	—	1	2	—	—	1	1	—	1	7
Bath and Wells	2	—	2	2	2	—	1	1	—	—	10
Carlisle	2	2	2	—	4	2	2	2	1	—	17
Chester	—	3	—	—	4	3	1	4	—	2	17
Chichester	—	2	—	—	1	4	3	3	—	1	14
Ely	2	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	6
Exeter	2	2	1	2	1	—	—	3	1	—	12
Gloucester and Bristol	4	2	—	1	1	—	—	3	2	—	13
Hereford	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2
Lichfield	3	12	2	3	2	2	3	1	1	—	29
Lincoln	2	1	1	—	1	4	1	—	—	1	11
Liverpool	2	6	—	1	4	2	1	4	2	—	22
Llandaff	8	11	9	6	8	5	3	7	6	4	67
Manchester	6	5	5	6	5	1	5	4	2	2	41
Newcastle	5	4	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	13
Norwich	1	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	7
Oxford	2	—	3	3	1	3	—	1	—	1	14
Peterborough	1	2	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	9
Ripon	6	6	1	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	28
Rochester	3	1	4	5	3	3	4	5	5	—	33
St. Albans	3	4	1	—	1	1	1	5	3	3	22
St. Asaph	1	1	—	2	2	—	1	2	—	3	12
St. Davids	2	5	3	2	3	2	1	3	1	3	25
Salisbury	2	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	6
Sodor and Man	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Southwell	4	5	2	1	1	2	3	2	1	—	21
Truro	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	4
Wakefield	—	—	—	2	1	1	—	2	—	1	7
Worcester	1	—	4	2	1	1	1	3	—	1	14
Totals	77	97	64	63	69	54	48	73	36	38	619

CHURCHES RESTORED OR ENLARGED.

TEN YEARS' TABULAR STATEMENT, 1886-1895.

Diocese	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	Total
terbury	11	10	10	4	9	11	11	10	15	10	101
κ	10	3	7	7	2	11	8	11	23	13	95
don	15	15	18	8	20	16	15	11	19	16	153
ham	3	1	3	4	12	4	3	3	6	6	45
chester	6	3	7	10	9	11	13	11	7	9	86
r and Wells	4	10	5	8	8	6	4	5	2	7	59
gor	1	—	—	2	4	6	2	4	2	4	25
isle	6	2	5	4	5	9	5	5	4	3	48
ster	—	2	—	—	3	7	5	7	11	5	40
chester	—	1	—	5	9	5	9	11	10	7	57
.	4	7	1	4	6	10	7	8	10	6	63
ter	9	5	10	9	4	8	11	9	10	11	86
cester and Bristol	4	2	3	5	5	6	8	11	12	8	64
eford	9	7	7	5	6	8	4	5	4	5	60
ffield	13	15	13	9	5	12	16	6	9	10	108
rpool	6	2	5	2	2	4	4	8	5	4	42
ohn	6	14	9	9	9	8	11	10	5	6	87
idaff	—	7	9	5	7	10	5	8	12	4	67
chester	1	8	11	6	13	7	7	11	20	10	94
castle	2	6	2	3	3	4	2	4	5	6	37
wich	8	11	4	8	13	12	9	9	12	10	96
ord	10	12	9	3	8	11	15	15	8	8	99
rborough	8	13	13	5	10	9	10	15	9	9	101
on	8	13	7	4	5	7	12	7	8	6	77
hester	3	3	14	1	7	11	10	14	17	7	87
Albans	1	3	6	9	16	10	9	7	11	9	81
Asaph	1	2	—	2	5	2	4	1	7	1	25
Davids	5	12	12	3	5	8	10	1	5	7	68
isbury	6	5	—	3	6	6	8	12	7	7	60
or and Man	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	3
hwell	12	8	9	9	14	4	9	9	10	8	92
o	4	3	4	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	18
efield	—	—	5	5	3	2	2	3	7	4	31
cester	9	9	7	5	7	5	6	12	8	8	76
Totals	185	214	215	169	245	250	254	264	301	234	2,331

CHURCH WORK IN WALES.

The following Statistical Records have been compiled with great care under the direction of the Bishop of St. Asaph, to whom we are indebted for the permission to insert them here.

LANGUAGE CENSUS.

WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE.

Registration County and District	Enu- merated Population, 1891	Language spoken by persons above two years of age					Infants under two years of age
		English	Welsh	Both- English and Welsh	Other Lan- guages	No State- ment	
Anglesey	34,219	2,659	28,200	7,201	11	365	1,332
Brecon	52,872	81,086	5,228	18,699	15	307	2,337
Cardigan	86,383	3,979	61,024	17,111	10	256	3,404
Carmarthen	118,624	41,751	68,345	36,937	69	583	3,929
Carmarvon	125,585	13,604	78,780	28,330	55	545	5,371
Denbigh	116,698	88,810	37,195	35,030	50	606	3,507
Flint	42,565	12,892	19,484	16,879	78	298	1,604
Glamorgan	693,072	326,481	142,346	177,736	2,355	4,981	30,133
Merioneth	64,736	3,621	45,856	12,023	85	308	2,823
Montgomery	67,297	31,770	16,414	15,846	17	312	2,938
Pembroke	82,603	51,959	13,673	10,804	48	1,684	3,540
Radnor	17,119	15,270	75	924	3	54	733
Monmouth	276,342	217,664	9,816	29,743	335	2,475	15,399
Wales and Monmouthshire	1,776,405	759,416	508,036	402,253	3,076	12,833	90,791

NOTE.—The above figures are taken from the 'Census of England and Wales, 1891,' Vol. III. pp. 561-62.

'PROFIT AND LOSS.'

TABLES SHOWING SCHOOL-BOARD ATTENDANCE AND EXPENDITURE IN WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE, AND THE ATTENDANCE AT THE NATIONAL SCHOOLS, TOGETHER WITH THE GROSS AND NET VALUE OF THE TITHE RENT-CHARGE.

County	No. in Average Attendance in Board Schools. B.B. 1894	School Board Rate B.B. 1894	Liabilities of School Boards. B.B. 1894	No. in Average Attendance in National Schools. B.B. 1894	Gross present Value of Tithe Rent- charge	Net present Value of Tithe Rent- charge
		£	£		£	£
Anglesey	3,487	3,118	14,960	1,821	10,375	8,220
Brecon	4,389	5,462	32,858	2,546	9,556	7,645
Cardigan	5,307	5,970	39,405	1,926	5,109	4,087
Carmarthen	10,611	13,689	79,092	5,346	6,317	5,053
Carmarvon	8,156	8,583	41,979	6,695	9,446	7,557
Denbigh	7,207	7,713	49,473	7,179	16,709	13,397
Flint	2,244	4,652	25,687	7,491	10,921	8,737
Glamorgan	73,720	107,108	613,548	18,697	14,400	11,520
Merioneth	5,160	7,992	26,758	1,360	5,864	4,692
Montgomery	1,788	2,900	17,314	4,139	12,995	10,386
Pembroke	6,069	5,538	34,998	4,994	12,947	10,303
Radnor	345	891	5,585	2,132	6,021	4,816
Monmouth	23,604	32,175	201,454	9,049	14,376	11,509
Totals	152,177	£205,791	£1,183,201	73,875	£134,986	£107,948

Authorities (1) *For School-Board Attendance, Expenditure, &c.*—'Report of the Committee of Council on Education, England and Wales, 1894,' pp. 688-705; also 1040-1067. (2) *For Tithe Rent-charge.*—Parliamentary Returns, July 27, 1894.

For present net value 25 per cent. must (as Mr. Asquith stated in introducing the Bill) be deducted, but in the above table only 20 per cent. has been deducted for rates and taxes and cost of collection. It must be remembered if the Tithe Rent-charge were confiscated as proposed a much larger sum than 20 per cent. would be swallowed by officials, commissioners, &c.

N.B.—It costs the ratepayers at present 205,791*l.* to educate 152,177 children in Board Schools. It would cost them an additional 99,902*l.* to educate in Board Schools the 73,875 children that are now educated in National Schools, and this will practically absorb the whole net income from the Tithe Rent-charge, even supposing the Rent-charge were at once transferred to the ratepayers, which could not take place for at least a period of forty years.

SUPPORT OF INFIRMARIES, HOSPITALS, &c.

In the following Tables the Voluntary Contributions of Churchmen during the last fifty years to Hospitals, Infirmarys, and similar Institutions are given.

Every possible care has been taken to make these tables as accurate as possible. The contributions have been arranged in two groups, viz. :—

TABLE I.—Contributions to the Founding and Building of such Institutions.

TABLE II.—Contributions for their Annual Maintenance, Under the heading 'Not Classified' have been put Contributions from Works and Companies, Bazaars and Entertainments.

TABLE I.—SUMMARY OF DONATIONS AND BENEFACTIONS GIVEN DURING THE FIFTY YEARS, 1843 TO 1893.

Name of Diocese	Total Dona- tions and Benefactions	Given by Churchmen	Given by Nonconformists	Not Classified
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
St. Davids	127,753 15 7½	105,361 19 0	5,766 14 1½	16,625 2 6
Llandaff	88,282 0 11	51,145 5 4	16,430 7 1	20,706 8 6
St. Asaph	67,711 10 5½	61,545 10 10½	741 14 3	5,424 5 4
Bangor	35,211 12 11	33,806 1 9	1,067 16 0	837 15 2
	318,958 19 11	251,858 16 11½	24,006 11 5½	43,098 11 6

TABLE II.—SUMMARY OF SUBSCRIPTIONS, DONATIONS, AND COLLECTIONS GIVEN DURING THE YEAR 1892.

Name of Diocese	Total Subscrip- tions, Donations, and Collections	Given by Churchmen	Given by Nonconformists	Not Classified
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
St. Davids	4,442 14 11	2,861 15 3	678 10 0	907 9 8
Llandaff	6,280 1 3	3,190 18 2	1,275 9 3	1,798 13 10
St. Asaph	2,983 1 7½	2,041 16 1½	287 9 8	653 15 10
Bangor	4,365 8 11	3,480 2 1	742 9 2	142 17 8
	18,051 6 8½	11,574 11 7½	2,978 18 1	3,497 17 0

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REVENUES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The following is Part I.—containing sections 1, 2, 4, 5, and the first half of section 3—of the return moved for by Mr. Hubbard on June 20, 1887, entitled:

'Return of the Property and Revenues of—(1) the Archiepiscopal and Episcopal Sees of England and Wales; (2) the Cathedral and Collegiate Churches of England and Wales, including the property of the Minor Canons, Vicars-Choral, and others; (3) Ecclesiastical Benefices, including Donatives, Perpetual Curacies, and Chapels; (4) the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England; (5) the Corporation of Queen Anne's Bounty. The return to classify the property and sources of revenue, giving gross annual value of lands, tithes, house property, mineral property, manorial, and other receipts and income derived from stock and other securities. The property to be shown in counties where practicable, and the source from which the property was derived, whether from ancient endowment or from private benefactions, since the year 1703.' Part II.—this is now incorporated.

1. THE ARCHIEPISCOPAL AND EPISCOPAL SEES.

SEES AND COUNTIES WHEREIN PROPERTY IS SITUATE	Gross Income derived from the following Sources						Rateable Value of Episcopal Residence and Grounds
	Lands	Tithe Rent- charges	House Pro- perty	Manorial Property	Miscel- laneous Receipts, includ- ing timber	Dividends and Interest	
CANTERBURY ARCHBISHOPRIC (a)							
Kent	£ s. d. 7,223 19 5	£ s. d. 7,777 14 3	£ s. d. 107 0 0	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 190 0 0	£ s. d. 115 18 4	£ s. d. ..
Surrey	526 11 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
	7,760 10 5	7,777 14 3	107 0 0	..	190 0 0	115 18 4	* 2,173 0 0
YORK ARCHBISHOPRIC (a)							
York	8,947 14 0	336 11 0	269 11 0	7 12 7	10 0 0	486 3 4	344 0 0
LONDON BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	11,465 0 0
DURHAM BISHOPRIC (a)							
Durham	6,638 10 10	..	118 0 0	..	130 15 5	234 5 2	231 5 0
Northumberland .....	..	1,019 1 5	..	..	..	..	..
	6,638 10 10	1,019 1 5	118 0 0	..	130 15 5	234 5 2	..
WINCHESTER BISHOPRIC (a)							
Hants	1,536 0 2	3,088 6 4	..	..	80 0 0	..	..
Surrey	187 14 0	..	..	..	..	..	970 15 0
Sussex	1,460 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
	3,173 14 2	3,088 6 4	..	..	80 0 0	..	..
BANGOR BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	227 0 0
BATH AND WELLS BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	224 10 0
CARLISLE BISHOPRIC (a)							
Cumberland	1,256 12 5	424 3 2	..	..	..	..	8 0 0
Lincoln	1,149 14 6	..	..	..	10 13 0	..	..
	2,406 6 11	424 3 2	..	..	10 13 0	..	..
CHESTER BISHOPRIC (a)							
Chester .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	170 0 0
York	3,502 3 9	..	319 2 6	..	..	2 19 0	..
CHICHESTER BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	267 5 0
ELY BISHOPRIC (a)							
Cambridge	3,942 14 3	757 1 0	..	..	14 10 0	35 3 10	1,630 18 0
EXETER BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	360 0 0
GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL BISHOPRIC (a)							
Berks .....	..	287 17 8	..	..	..	..	..
Gloucester	2,971 15 4	..	..	..	61 10 6	..	255 0 0
Hereford	700 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
	3,671 15 4	287 17 8	..	..	61 10 6	..	..
HEREFORD BISHOPRIC (a)							
Hereford	3,224 15 5	1,403 3 7	..	..	14 11 3	..	187 0 0
LICHFIELD BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	144 10 0

* Addington and Lambeth (including the Library and Morton and Lollards' Towers).
 † St. James's Square and Fulham. ‡ Ely and Dover Street.

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THE ARCHIEPISCOPAL AND EPISCOPAL SEES—continued.

SEES AND COUNTIES WHEREIN PROPERTY IS SITUATE	Gross Income derived from the following Sources						Ratable Value of Episcopal Residues and Grosses
	Lands	Tithe Rent-charges	House Property	National Property	Miscellaneous Receipts, including timber	Dividends and Interest	
LINCOLN BISHOPRIC (a) Lincoln	£ s. d. 3,920 19 9	£ s. d. 84 5 8	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 6 13 20	250
LLANDAFF BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	300
MANCHESTER BISHOPRIC* .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	250
NORWICH BISHOPRIC (a) Norfolk	3,792 2 4	264 15 6	..	..	..	..	300
OXFORD BISHOPRIC (a) Berks .....	..	2,014 14 4	..	..	..	..	..
Bucks	1,495 1 0	892 15 6	..	..	..	..	..
Oxford	1,052 0 0	301 12 6	..	..	..	..	127
	2,547 1 0	3,099 2 4	..	..	..	..	..
PETERBOROUGH BISHOPRIC (a) Hunts	1,682 9 9	..	..	22 4 8	0 5 0	192 7 6	..
Lincoln	154 0 0	..	..	..	22 3 0	..	..
Northampton	1,282 4 8	..	550 14 4	42 14 4	61 18 5	..	223
	8,418 14 5	..	656 14 4	64 18 0	84 4 8	192 7 6	..
RIPON BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	200
ROCHESTER BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	114
ST. ASAPH BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	178
ST. DAVID'S BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	184
SALISBURY BISHOPRIC	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	230
WORCESTER BISHOPRIC (a) Worcester	3,409 11 10	745 9 7	182 18 8	..	152 9 8	178 16 0	173
Sodor and Man BISHOPRIC Isle of Man	1,161 11 1	1,518 0 0	..	..	5 0 0	..	161

* This see was founded under the Acts 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, and 10 and 11 Vict. c. 108, and had no estates.
 † Danbury Palace, occupied by Bishop Cloughton for his life.
 (a) The management of the estates forming the permanent endowment of these sees has been undertaken by Ecclesiastical Commissioners under section 11 of the Act 23 and 24 Vict. c. 124.
 (b) The estates of these sees are vested in the Ecclesiastical Commissioners under section 2 of the Act 23 and 24 Vict. c. 124, and the income derived therefrom is included in the rental, &c., of the Commissioners' estates, above part 4.

Newly-founded Sees.

Income arising from Investment of Funds and Property derived from Private Benefactions, with the exception of a Portion of the Emolument of the See of St. Albans (shown separately below).

	Tithe Rent-charge	Rent-charge	Annual Dividends and Interest	Ratable Value of Episcopal Residues
LIVERPOOL BISHOPRIC—Reduced Annuities	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Liverpool Corporation Bonds	64 16 6	} 200 0
Mersey Docks and Harbour Board Bonds	962 15 0	
London & North-Western Railway Preference Stock	1,208 10 0	
	249 11 2	
	3,945 12 8	
NEWCASTLE BISHOPRIC—County Northumberland	400 0 0	..	76 18 4	} 200 0
Consols	2,291 19 2	
Tyne Improvement Commissioners' Bonds	2,368 17 6	
	400 0 0	..	2,368 17 6	
ST. ALBANS BISHOPRIC—Consols (a)	3 19 10	
Railway Debenture Stock (a)	504 0 0	
	507 19 10	
Consols (b)	1 4 2	
Railway Debenture Stock (b)	1,672 0 0	
	1,673 4 2	

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	Tithe Rent-charge	Rent-charge	Annual Dividends and Interest	Rateable Value of Episcopal Residence
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WELL BISHOPRIC—Consols.....	351 14 0	..
Metropolitan Three per Cent. Stock.....	216 9 8	..
Edway Debenture Stock.....	1,672 0 0	..
	2,239 3 8	..
WINDSOR BISHOPRIC—County Devon.....	..	99 0 0	..	..
Edway Debenture Stock.....	2,397 9 6	..
WINDSOR BISHOPRIC—Reduced Annuities (c).....	2 1 4

derived from private benefactions.
 derived from proceeds of the sale of Winchester House, St. James's Square, formerly the town residence of the
 Winchester.
 The remainder of the funds making up the endowment of this See (2,719l. 7s. 8d. per annum) were not provided
 for the period to which this return relates.

2. CATHEDRAL AND COLLEGIATE CHURCHES.

FEDERAL AND DIOCESE WITHIN THE PROPERTY OF THE CATHEDRAL	Gross Income derived from the following Sources, based upon Returns from the Chapters for the Years 1884, 1885, and 1886							Rateable Value of Residence Houses
	Lands	Tithe Rent- charges, Computed Amount	House Property	Mineral Property	Manorial Property	Rents Reserved under Beneficial Leases	Dividends and Interest	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
ARMS CHAP.— Arlington.....	..	1,615 5 6	..	..	..	..	15 13 6	170 0 0
ARMS CHAP.— London.....	..	..	35 0 0	..	..	..	125 0 0	..
ARMS CHAP.— London.....	See Note (b)	..	35 0 0	..	..	0 8 0	50 6 7	266 0 0
ARMS CHAP.— Kent.....	12,071 0 0	4,495 18 10	1,424 18 8	..	..	15 3 1	13 12 8	1,569 10 0
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	3,387 14 6	2,904 17 10	128 7 0	153 2 3	117 8 8	..	6 18 3	206 0 0
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	..	799 17 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	£,614 14 10	..	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	..	968 1 2	..	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	4,633 3 10	9 4 10	65 0 0	..	..	50 14 8	210 13 2	225 0 0
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	1,122 12 0	..	1,037 14 6	..	..	..	266 0 0	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	3,272 3 4	2,382 17 6	267 14 0	..	..	..	..	148 0 0
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	..	..	..	..	..	16 17 7	60 0 0	57 15 0
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	14,354 6 2	552 12 0	870 16 4	268 7 11	..	..	131 9 0	660 15 0
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	842 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	15,196 16 2	..	..	..	..	..	146 11 8	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	2,051 0 0	1,291 4 3	80 19 8	..	..	1 1 0	..	879 1 0
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	1,081 15 0	1,448 10 4	..	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	675 9 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	564 10 0	224 4 6	..	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	..	..	Ground Rents, 267 0 0	..	..	..	..	..
ARMS CHAP.— Northampton.....	4,572 5 0	3,333 19 1	847 19 8	..	..	..	..	..
	See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

* The incomes of the Dean and four Canons are provided by Ecclesiastical Commissioners.
 † These estates are chargeable with a payment of 1000l. a year to the King's School Endowment Fund.
 ‡ The Dean and Chapter pay 3,000l. annually for the maintenance of Durham Grammar School.

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CATHEDRAL AND COLLEGIATE CHURCHES—continued.

CATHEDRAL AND COUNTIES WITHIN WHICH PROPERTY IS SITUATE	Gross Income derived from the following Sources, based upon Returns from the Chapters for the Years 1884, 1885, and 1886							Est Val Res Re He
	Lands	Tithe Rent- charges, Commuted Amount	House Property	Mineral Property	Manorial Property	Rents Reserved under Beneficial Leases	Dividends and Interest	
EXETER CHAP.— Co. Devon	£ s. d. See Note (b)	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 294 0 0	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 19 19 2	£ 877
Vicars Choral: Co. Devon	See Note (b)	1,072 14 2	..	..	..	77 17 11	..	54
GLOUCESTER CHAP.— Co. Berks.	16 0 0	..	389 0 0	..	..	..	4 9 10	389
Co. Gloucester	5,353 0 0	389 0 0	382 0 0	..	..	28 10 10	..	..
Co. Wilts. ....	..	1,353 14 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
	5,369 0 0	1,742 14 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
HEREFORD CHAP.— Co. Gloucester .....	..	299 2 0	..	..	..	1628 18 4 ^a	130 6 4	408
Co. Hereford	347 13 4	5,171 11 6	197 10 0	..	178 19 7	1219 12 9 ^b	..	..
Co. Salop.	289 5 0	640 0 10	..	..	..	..	..	..
	606 18 4	6,020 14 4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Vicars Choral: Co. Gloucester	33 2 0	628 0 0	4 0 0	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Hereford.	1,003 7 6	..	102 10 0	..	44 14 8	135 8 1	250 3 8	250
	1,036 9 6	..	106 10 0	..	..	..	..	..
LICHFIELD CHAP.— Co. Stafford	45 16 4 See Note (b)	..	51 10 0	..	..	7 14 8	350 0 0	405
Vicars Choral: Co. Stafford	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	128
LINCOLN CHAP.— Co. Lincoln.	1,657 0 0	..	90 10 0	..	..	33 3 8	129 18 0	344
Co. Nottingham ..	139 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	1,797 0 0 See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
MINOR CANONS: Co. Lincoln.	32 2 8	..	13 2 7	..	..	16 6 6 Pensions, 32 14 6	30 0 0	380
LANCASTER CHAP.— Co. Lancashire ..	49 16 1 See Note (b)	..	7 0 0 85 0 0	..	..	..	38 8 8	362
MANCHESTER CHAP.— Co. Lancashire	517 5 2	3,021 11 1	363 15 6 18,109 3 6 42,350 0 0	471 1 3	..	..	4,183 7 4 341 13 0	..
NORWICH CHAP.— Co. Essex. ....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Norfolk	6,513 14 3	2,344 15 7	372 1 0	0 13 6	..	82 8 3	1887 205 0 0	671
Co. Suffolk .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fabric Fund .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	252 0 11	..
PETERBORO' CHAP.— Co. Northampton.	6,350 11 8	..	139 0 0	10 0 0	261 7 2	386 7 7	162 2 6	462
RIPON CHAPTER— Co. York	See Note (b)	..	40 0 0	..	..	..	..	347
MINOR CANONS AND ORGANIST: Co. York	32 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ROCHESTER CHAP.— Co. Kent	7,478 0 0	4,336 6 4	372 10 0	..	..	7 13 8	508 4 5	647
ST. ASAPH CHAP.— Co. Flint .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Denbigh	21 1 0	324 2 0	..	..	..	..	..	380
Co. Montgomery ..	..	1,045 13 6	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	1,369 15 6	..	..	..	..	..	..

* Fines on renewals, &c.
 † Reserved rents
 ‡ The surplus capitular revenues are appropriated to the benefices in the parish of Manchester, under the provisions of the Act 13 and 14 Vict. c. 41.
 § Rents, &c. derived from sale and letting of former residences of the Dean and Canons.
 ¶ Pensions, fees, farm-rents, &c.
 • The incomes of the Dean and four Canons are provided by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

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CATHEDRAL AND COLLEGIATE CHURCHES—continued.

CATHEDRAL AND COUNTIES WITHIN WHICH PROPERTY IS SITUATE	Gross Income derived from the following Sources, based upon Returns from the Chapters for the Years 1884, 1885, and 1886							Rateable Value of Residence Houses
	Lands	Tithe Rent-charges, Commuted Amount	House Property	Mineral Property	Manorial Property	Rents Reserved under Beneficial Leases	Dividends and Interest	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
S. DAVIDS CHAP.— Co. Pembroke.....	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	76 12 0
Vicar Choral	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
S. PAUL'S CHAP.— Co. Middlesex.....	See Note (b)	..	120 0 0	..	..	4 11 8	35 8 0	*2,586 0 0
Fabric Fund:								
Co. Essex	1,705 1 9	665 0 0	50 0 0	..	..	..	180 0 0	..
Trusts for Payment of Prebends:								
Co. Hereford	120 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	103 5 2	..
Co. Essex	50 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
170 0 0								
Minor Canonries	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Vicars Choral	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ALISBURY CHAP.— Co. Wilts	3,883 11 3	1,299 3 9	559 12 0	..	..	69 6 11	..	734 0 0
Choristers' Est. ....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,000 0 0	..
Vicars Choral:								
Co. Wilts	See Note (b)	..	34 15 0	..	..	34 10 0	..	106 0 0
SOUTHWELL MANS.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
WELLS CHAPTER— Co. Somerset	See Note (b)	..	61 2 0	..	..	5 7 10	..	473 0 0
Vicars Choral:								
Co. Somerset	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	193 15 0
WESTMINST. CH.— Co. Gloucester	296 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Hereford	540 16 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Hertford	186 0 0	1,182 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Middlesex	664 18 0	417 9 6	5,110 0 0	..	..	..	..	2,536 0 0
Co. Oxford	1,281 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Wilts	1,728 3 8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Worcester.....	4,098 17 8	1,569 19 6	..	..	..	..	..	..
See Note (b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VINCHESTER CH.— Co. Berks	916 13 4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. Hants	7,047 4 4	1,609 3 6	289 6 5	..	11,872 19 8	..	813 14 8	674 16 0
Co. Wilts	800 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8,763 17 3								
VINDSOR, S. GEO.— Co. Berks	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	58 0 0	974 0 0
Trust Funds .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	239 7 0	..
WORCESTER CH.— Co. Worcester.....	See Note (b)	..	180 0 0	..	..	..	86 17 4	483 5 0
YORK CHAPTER— Co. York	3,571 0 0	..	13 12 10	..	..	..	4 8 8	320 0 0
St. Peter & Fabric Estates:								
Co. Notts	342 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Co. York	419 0 0	1,281 14 0	1,000 0 0	..	..	..	401 8 8	..
752 0 0								
Vicars Choral	See Note (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

* Including Choristers' School and Chapter House.
 † The estates of this Chapter are vested in the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, by whom the funds for the maintenance of the fabric and services are provided.
 ‡ All these lands, &c., have since been transferred to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners by an Order in Council, dated November 25, 1898, under the Westminster Abbey Act, 1898.
 § Copyhold rent-charges.
 Note (a).—The estates of these corporations have been transferred to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in exchange for annual payments under the provisions of various Acts of Parliament, and the income derived therefrom is included in the rental, &c., of the Commissioners' estates shown in Part I.
 Note (b).—The remaining estates of these corporations have been transferred to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in exchange for annual payments under the provisions of various Acts of Parliament, and the income derived therefrom is included in the rental, &c., of the Commissioners' estates shown in Part I.

3. ECCLESIASTICAL BENEFICES IN THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTIES.

Total Gross Annual Value of Income derived from the following Sources:

County	1. Rent of Lands		2. Tithe Rents, Corn Rents, &c.		3. Rent of Houses and Grounds		4. Mineral &c.		5. Manors	6. Payments by Private Commissioners		7. Payments by Queen Anne's Bounty		8. Dividends on				9. Rents, Charges, and Receipts not otherwise defined	10. Rateable Value of Parsonages Houses	
	£	s	£	s	£	s	£	s		£	s	£	s	£	s	£	s			£	s
130 Bedford	17,275	217	16,112	..	449	..	..	..	..	216	544	237	66	265	108	..	265	..	1,094	4,869
131 Berks	8,728	190	80,234	081	556	5	69	..	..	1,085	1,243	567	248	689	1,640	242	..	33	2,450	9,368
212 Bucks	96,579	947	72,021	845	367	47	28	70	945	658	469	311	420	667	64	66	169	5,710	9,648	..
184 Cambridg	22,025	654	20,692	591	241	16	..	..	..	206	240	229	317	609	221	269	6	19	2,165	6,452
200 Chester	6,440	2,058	25,256	1,868	2,784	1,695	18	..	..	1,573	1,041	1,328	2,413	380	229	146	465	3,077	10,728	..
21 Cornwall	11,197	127	61,298	297	371	2	104	..	..	378	436	709	466	79	31	129	2	..	785	5,889
166 Cumberland	12,788	1,180	11,721	122	391	283	101	22	..	1,218	895	3,442	722	1,072	504	289	303	194	966	4,326
25 Derby	94,290	1,898	94,019	157	2,898	163	171	..	..	2,281	2,015	1,378	648	1,178	479	370	503	694	9,181	6,262
50 Devon	31,415	842	120,116	498	159	677	27	28	..	1,028	618	1,796	1,120	1,612	917	294	211	374	5,201	27,019
226 Dorset	11,040	693	61,605	1,554	425	169	42	33	439	688	484	268	297	146	120	47	85	1,265	8,666	..
241 Durham	10,197	677	29,766	752	4,426	43	1,201	15	692	2,294	379	270	793	970	419	870	33	2,137	9,037	..
44 Essex	17,131	778	166,264	1,896	669	305	31	19	..	1,803	1,282	668	1,141	1,209	967	603	100	2,685	17,098	..
64 Gloucester	36,737	2,060	56,122	1,349	1,279	961	16	..	..	2,261	2,076	1,213	1,135	1,263	926	61	226	4,266	15,273	..
213 Hereford	10,291	894	26,100	686	179	..	..	7	39	229	471	419	673	89	58	14	..	614	6,714	..
161 Hertford	7,689	622	36,626	880	1,119	125	..	..	..	1,066	105	247	342	431	454	96	..	267	1,262	2,654
84 Huntingdon	14,085	104	11,621	94	63	..	..	69	71	111	137	183	72	134	27	23	19	1248	2,989	..
621 Kent	9,577	869	102,277	713	2,201	391	1	..	..	1,460	1,409	1,019	2,289	1,269	668	113	146	813	4,169	25,206
78 Lancaster	16,285	4,771	40,562	2,122	27,693	6,010	517	88	..	6,368	2,270	3,263	2,699	4,496	2,676	9,079	2,236	4,431	9,694	..

4. THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS FOR ENGLAND

Gross Income derived from Estates in the following Counties vested in the Commissioners, according to Rental, for Year ending 31st March, 1886.

County	Lands	Tithe Rent-charges	House Property and Ground Rents	Mineral Property	Manorial Property	Rents Reserved under Beneficial Leases	Fee Paid and of Rents Redeemed by Tax, &c.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Anglesea	564 17 11	859 7 3	0 10 0	..	..	3 10 2	..
Bedford	2,054 9 2	629 15 11	..	45 0 0	30 0 0	144 14 0	61
Berks	1,955 15 4	7,677 19 4	195 0 0	6 8 0	112 19 3	323 13 7	119
Brecon	79 18 4	1,997 18 9	..	..	5 5 5	165 4 0	..
Bucks	1,340 16 0	1,671 13 2	..	..	196 18 7	7 15 8	37 1
Cambridge	8,668 9 0	3,834 4 4	..	95 0 0	1,773 14 3	496 2 8	146 1
Cardigan	2 0 0	1,048 9 8	..	..	1 14 6	28 13 5	13 1
Cardarvan	2,182 19 10	2,315 19 4	3 3 0	150 0 0	34 2 11	91 3 0	..
Carmarvon	67 14 6	729 3 2	46 0 0	..	..	4 18 0	0
Chester	894 13 1	896 5 1	343 17 10	..	..	287 11 0	492
Cornwall	3,510 2 1	8,481 16 3	..	131 7 7	6 0 0	331 18 8	77
Cumberland	1,771 6 6	2,314 10 8	190 18 6	..	94 12 1	61 2 1	78 1
Denbigh	817 16 6	6,086 6 10	..	198 9 0	1 10 3	50 0 0	7 1
Derby	394 6 6	1,634 3 2	..	0 13 0	33 15 6	168 1 8	295
Devon	13,395 12 10	19,151 12 1	1,677 3 9	1,928 15 4	5 9 0	683 17 5	242
Dorset	1,985 9 0	6,658 2 11	..	31 1 8	..	188 6 7	343
Durham	30,748 10 4	1,332 15 7	9,291 11 1	940,194 1 8	1,593 7 9	1,321 6 1	596
Essex	6,653 7 0	7,318 14 0	..	..	634 1 2	359 13 7	76 1
Flint	1,939 6 5	2,594 1 8	359 10 1	..	..	26 13 4	5
Glamorgan	2,964 12 11	3,796 9 11	1,155 1 6	413 4 7	2 8 7	7 13 4	11 1
Gloucester	3,420 4 3	5,857 16 10	785 17 1	76 11 9	..	363 8 5	82
Hants	942 15 4	8,436 8 11	..	10 2 0	1,936 15 5	416 3 0	1,130 1
Hereford	3,040 16 11	5,205 2 2	..	1 3 4	360 17 0	228 2 6	89
Herts	2,361 19 4	4,460 19 4	..	50 9 6	873 1 2	284 3 7	12
Huntingdon	4,896 13 9	475 10 6	167 12 6	..	225 2 3	190 4 0	45 1
Kent	13,422 16 4	37,974 10 3	746 7 1	1,224 8 9	361 16 7	567 13 9	297
Lancaster	644 10 0	2,719 15 10	14,208 12 8	2,055 15 0	1 8 9	28 2 0	17 1
Leicester	3,667 8 3	223 7 0	445 6 6	..	81 12 0	56 0 10	39 1
Merioneth	15,245 16 10	10,548 19 6	1,594 4 0	1,562 11 7	63 15 10	224 13 4	162
Middlesex	11,124 6 7	2,965 17 11	221,119 10 11	3,732 3 4	2,379 8 1	3,163 13 3	983 1
Monmouth	2,669 11 10	3,356 2 0	..	..	..	35 18 7	19
Montgomery	16 16 6	377 14 6	..	..	..	..	5 1
Norfolk	1,619 1 6	13,310 16 1	321 7 10	..	738 14 10	526 13 6	61
Northampton	4,431 13 8	542 16 11	732 15 3	330 0 0	60 7 1	44 7 3	396
Northumberland	329 17 11	8,352 9 4	108 9 0	5,049 8 10	2 0 0	397 14 6	2
Nottingham	4,839 16 9	2,327 8 11	444 11 0	..	530 1 10	280 13 2	29
Oxford	4,092 2 8	1,414 9 9	..	..	22 16 0	333 8 6	183 1
Pembroke	2,556 7 2	1,796 2 5	..	..	44 11 8	399 1 6	1
Radnor	59 0 9	2,216 12 11	..	..	..	135 11 8	..
Rutland	1,283 0 11	594 16 9	..	..	10 14 9	31 9 8	..
Salop	61 10 6	1,823 3 1	..	..	..	30 0 0	48
Somerset	17,635 1 3	14,969 0 4	860 8 0	1,628 9 10	27 13 0	964 10 0	223
Stafford	4,978 5 7	4,251 8 11	418 19 4	..	989 8 3	390 14 0	193 1
Suffolk	865 10 2	4,918 14 11	..	18 18 0	656 14 5	45 6 1	162 1
Surrey	8,596 4 8	1,569 9 2	79,728 9 8	198 3 9	3,685 11 8	2,625 9 0	108
Sussex	4,742 4 6	7,542 9 9	..	1 10 0	843 14 7	459 18 3	397
Warwick	1,342 2 4	2,341 13 8	..	..	..	..	54
Westmoreland	..	506 0 7	..	..	..	..	3
Wills	6,477 3 8	18,786 6 9	287 3 8	343 14 9	5 9 0	787 1 2	197
Worcester	11,897 13 10	8,386 7 5	1,647 17 9	125 9 10	191 6 9	251 0 0	158
York	11,697 8 0	19,549 0 10	794 17 5	3,313 15 8	1,347 6 2	792 5 1	1,132
Total	219,630 13 10	273,501 6 1	1,337,805 5 3	263,841 7 0	18,146 10 5	18,493 8 5	8,548 10 10

(a) A large portion of the amount shown in this column is payable by incumbents out of the benefices, which are shown in Part 3 of this return.
 DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST.—Dividends on Government securities and interest on mortgages (excluding trust funds, which are included in other parts of this return) for the year ending 31st 90,165.

NOTE.—The income of the common fund derived from the rental of the lands shown in the foregoing tables (after deducting the outgoings in respect thereof of dividends and interest, is subject to permanent charges in favour of Bishop, Archdeacons, and incumbents of benefices, amounting, with other liabilities, of 950,000. per annum.

CHURCH PROPERTY RETURN.

of this return which was not completed when the greater part was presented to Parliament 1850 has now been supplied, and the whole has been reprinted with the following

SUMMARY.

	Gross Income of Property derived from Ancient Endowments since 1703	Private Benefactions since 1703
BISHOPAL AND EPI-COPAL SEES		
Value of the newly founded sees	£61,508	—
Charges	21,103	£400
	1,583	—
	73	—
Gross receipts	604	90
and interest	2,866	10,591
	£87,827	£11,081

—rateable value, £11,151.

Only fourteen sees have been re-vested with real estates; the estates of the Bishops (Sodor and Man) are vested in the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, who pay the tithes out of their common fund.

CATHEDRAL AND COLLEGIATE CHURCHES.

Value	£98,027	—
Charges	44,384	—
Ground rents	34,586	—
	903	—
	2,475	—
Received under benefactions	1,612	—
and interest	10,473	—
	£192,460	—

houses—rateable value, £18,928.

Only sixteen Chapters are now in possession of estates from which the incomes of the Bishops and Canons are wholly derived. Those estates have been transferred to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in exchange for annual stipends and the income therefrom is included in the summary, &c. shown in Part IV.

ECCLIASTICAL BENEFICES (No. 13,979).

Value	£948,003	£43,209
Charges, corn &c.	2,592,281	36,593
Ground rents	109,869	21,580
Stipends, &c.	5,111	—
	1,177	—
By the Ecclesiastical Commissioners	—	60,882
On trust stocks	60,541	—
Queen Anne's Bounty	—	—
in respect of	48,271	—
in respect of	—	43,543
on stocks	42,075	—
on Government securities	28,813	18,461
on other securities	9,905	18,754
stipends, rents, and interest on estates, and not otherwise	95,011	29,673
	£3,941,057	£272,605

Gifts and tithes payable by the Bishops and Clergy are a deduction from their gross income; those payable by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in respect of vacant preferments are added upon their estates.

It has been too strongly accentuated that all the totals are 'gross,' and that the receipts from lands,

Personage houses: Number, 11,067; rateable value, 518,0547.

(More than two-thirds of the cost of the personage houses may be regarded as derived from private benefactions and from the payments of the Clergy out of their incomes.)

NOTE.—The annual payments made by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to Incumbents in respect of augmentation grants from their common fund (597,000*l.*) are not shown here, as they form a portion of the charge of 950,000*l.* upon the property of the Commissioners. See Part IV.

	Gross Income of Property derived from Ancient Endowments since 1703	Private Benefactions since 1703
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IV.—ECCLIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS:—		
Lands	£219,660	—
Tithe rent-charges, corn rents, &c.	278,591	—
Houses and ground rents	337,805	—
Minerals	268,841	—
Manors	18,146	—
Rents reserved under beneficial leases	18,193	—
Fee-farm and other fixed rents, redeemed land tax, &c.	8,549	—
Timber and miscellaneous receipts	8,577	—
Dividends on Government stocks and interest on mortgage and other securities	99,165	—
	£1,247,827	—

The income of the common fund, shown above, after deducting the outgoings in respect thereof, is subject to permanent charges in favour of Bishops, Chapters, Archdeacons, and incumbents of benefices amounting, with other liabilities, to upwards of 950,000*l.* per annum.

V.—QUEEN ANNE'S BOUNTY:—

Rent of lands (say)	£700
The capital held by the corporation on behalf of benefices is 4,456,124 <i>l.</i>	
The dividends, interest, &c., payable in respect thereof to the Incumbents of benefices are included in Part III.	

AGGREGATE SUMMARY OF REVENUES.

I. Archbishop and episcopal sees	£87,827	£11,081
II. Cathedral and collegiate churches	192,460	—
III. Ecclesiastical benefices	3,941,057	272,605
IV. Ecclesiastical Commissioners	1,247,827	—
V. Queen Anne's Bounty	—	700
Total gross income	£5,469,171	£284,386

By order of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England,

A. DE BOCK PORTER, Secretary.
10 Whitehall Place, S.W.: June 20, 1891.

Contributions to Foreign Missions.

houses, and title rent-charges are subject to all the liabilities—e. g. repairs, rates, land tax, &c.—which are incident to those classes of property, as well as to exceptional depreciation resulting from agricultural depression and the fall in the value of title rent-charge.

The dividends upon Government securities would be affected by the conversion which took place in 1888, except in the case of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, who converted their Government securities into local loans stock (a 3 per cent. stock redeemable until 1912) before the conversion of Consols was carried out.

**BRITISH CONTRIBUTIONS TO FOREIGN MISSIONS,
1895.**

Summarised and analysed by the REV. W. A. SCOTT-ROBERTSON, M.A., Hon. Canon
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Summary of British Contributions to Foreign Missions, 1895.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SOCIETIES	£544,232
JOINT SOCIETIES OF CHURCHMEN AND NONCONFORMISTS	184,219
ENGLISH AND WELSH NONCONFORMIST SOCIETIES	445,847
SCOTCH AND IRISH PRESBYTERIAN SOCIETIES	200,455
ROMAN CATHOLIC SOCIETIES	12,912

Total British Contributions for 1895 £1,387,665

N.B.—This Total does not include any funds derived from Rents, Dividends, or interest nor Balances in hand from the previous year; nor any Foreign contributions.

NOTE.—For want of space we are unable to give this year the details of this summary. They may be obtained from Canon Scott-Robertson.

SUMMARY FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

Total British Contributions in 1871 for Foreign Missions		£855,742
“ “ “ 1872 “ “		882,886
“ “ “ 1873 “ “		1,032,176
“ “ “ 1874 “ “		1,009,199
“ “ “ 1875 “ “		1,048,408
“ “ “ 1876 “ “		1,048,472
“ “ “ 1877 “ “		1,100,793
“ “ “ 1878 “ “		1,071,944
“ “ “ 1879 “ “		1,086,678
“ “ “ 1880 “ “		1,108,260
“ “ “ 1881 “ “		1,093,569
“ “ “ 1882 “ “		1,191,175
“ “ “ 1883 “ “		1,216,530
“ “ “ 1884 “ “		1,220,861
“ “ “ 1885 “ “		1,228,951
“ “ “ 1886 “ “		1,195,714
“ “ “ 1887 “ “		1,228,759
“ “ “ 1888 “ “		1,334,491
“ “ “ 1889 “ “		1,301,306
“ “ “ 1890 “ “		1,301,579
“ “ “ 1891 “ “		1,421,509
“ “ “ 1892 “ “		1,363,153
“ “ “ 1893 “ “		1,288,257
“ “ “ 1894 “ “		1,375,571
“ “ “ 1895 “ “		1,387,665

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VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE CHURCH FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, 1860-1884.

For a fuller explanation of this summary we would refer to the CHURCH YEAR-Book of 1889, p. xv.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
I. Theological Schools and Education of Candidates for Holy Orders	—			528,658	0	0
II. Church Building and Restoration, Endowments of Benefices, Building of Parsonage-houses, and Enlargement of Burial Grounds. (All Grants from Church Societies and Corporations being excluded)	—			35,175,000	0	0
III. Home Missions—						
Bishops' Funds for Church Extension	1,055,054	0	0			
Church Extension Societies	1,229,608	0	0			
Church Building Societies	817,436	0	0			
Societies for Employment of Additional Clergy	2,543,296	0	0			
General Home Mission Societies	888,623	0	0			
Scripture Readers' Societies	490,611	0	0			
Seamen's Missions	852,588	0	0			
Temperance Work	128,590	0	0			
Extension of Home Episcopate	420,677	0	0			
				7,426,478	0	0
IV. Foreign Missions—						
Contributions raised through the agency of Societies in England for the Promotion of Foreign Missions, including Missionary Colleges, Studentship Associations, &c. (Contributions locally raised abroad being excluded)	—			10,100,000	0	0
V. Elementary Education—						
1. Building and Enlargement—						
(a) Schools	8,370,294	0	0			
(b) Colleges	115,200	0	0			
2. Maintenance—						
(a) Schools	12,145,489	3	1			
(b) Colleges	367,317	14	8			
3. Diocesan Inspection—						
Organisation of Schools, &c.	363,740	17	3			
				21,362,041	0	0
Societies for the promotion of Education by circulation of Literature and other agencies	—			987,841	0	0
Church Institutes	—			71,660	0	0

(Continued)

Tithes Commutation.

VI. Charitable Work (distinctly Church of England)—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Nursing Institutions	198,752	0	0			
Deaconesses' Institutions	118,948	0	0			
Cottage Hospitals and Convalescent Homes	968,936	0	0			
Orphanages and Sisterhoods	982,223	0	0			
Reformatories	385,187	0	0			
Penitentiaries	549,129	0	0			
Hospital Sunday, Metropolitan and Provincial	610,025	0	0			
				3,618,200	0	0
VII. Clergy Charities—						
General and Diocesan				2,103,364	0	0
				<u>£81,573,237</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Explanatory Note to Division V.

I.—No account has been taken of a large voluntary contribution for the promotion of Higher Education in the building and maintaining of middle-class schools.

II.—The disbursements of the National Society during the period under consideration are included in the above total.

III.—The value of land given as school sites is not, as a rule, included in the above table. Various items of school and college income given in the returns from which the figures have been taken are also omitted, because it is doubtful how far such income has been derived from purely Church sources. The actual total expenditure of the Church on Elementary Education during the 25 years has probably considerably exceeded 22,000,000*l.*

TITHES COMMUTATION.

Return by the Land Commissioners for England to an Address of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated June 30, 1887, for 'Return of all Tithes Commuted and Apportioned under the Acts for the Commutation of Tithes, distinguishing between those assigned to Clerical Appropriators and their Lessees, Lay Impropriators, Parochial Incumbents, and Schools, Colleges, &c., embodying Parliamentary Returns No. 298, 1848; No. 293, 1856; No. 118, 1861 (Lords); No. 133, 1867 (Lords), and completing the Return up to the 30th day of June, 1887':—

Counties.	Payable to Clerical Appropriators and their Lessees.	Payable to Parochial Incumbents	Payable to Lay Impropriators	Payable to Schools, Colleges, &c.
England.				
	£	£	£	£
Bedford	3,598	12,509	3,429	4,223
Berks	18,977	46,725	18,762	4,011
Bucks	4,214	28,605	13,651	506
Cambridge	15,155	50,200	5,741	8,866
Chester	13,630	33,208	13,217	1,533
Cornwall	12,218	61,175	26,833	924
Cumberland	10,516	9,964	4,425	1,313

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Counties.	Payable to Clerical Appro- priators and their Lessees	Payable to Parochial Incumbents	Payable to Lay Impropriators	Payable to Schools, Colleges, &c.
England—continued.				
	£	£	£	£
Derby	7,193	21,000	10,095	122
Devon	30,910	115,691	28,365	6,402
Dorset	9,483	62,184	13,766	3,748
Durham	11,366	28,071	13,339	4,696
Essex	15,253	159,018	53,988	22,018
Gloucester	18,470	53,228	12,982	2,551
Hereford	20,017	47,601	6,312	1,769
Hertford	13,156	43,667	16,216	3,593
Huntingdon	1,065	10,285	2,108	1,051
Kent	71,048	143,880	35,216	7,728
Lancaster	13,121	36,179	20,649	4,039
Leicester	1,460	25,243	3,808	442
Lincoln	17,694	79,946	23,208	5,333
Middlesex	3,686	16,743	5,387	73
Monmouth	6,634	17,195	5,673	413
Norfolk	31,022	203,016	33,339	13,204
Northampton	1,671	27,028	2,473	831
Northumberland	17,186	24,633	27,881	7,835
Nottingham	10,004	20,516	6,642	3,165
Oxford	9,614	31,997	7,054	4,207
Rutland	739	6,890	606	—
Salop	3,495	66,427	34,938	3,831
Somerset	23,140	104,907	25,716	1,855
Southampton	21,309	103,467	26,163	21,916
Stafford	20,500	33,474	20,733	773
Suffolk	7,043	155,097	37,751	5,774
Surrey	7,465	48,286	19,247	1,300
Sussex	24,807	103,019	28,039	4,507
Warwick	2,811	29,654	10,544	7,806
Westmoreland	755	3,155	1,906	1,826
Wilts	40,722	76,879	18,490	7,262
Worcester	11,961	42,128	8,598	1,328
York City and University	1,099	2,163	570	—
" East Riding	10,024	17,615	11,579	568
" North Riding	26,574	36,421	17,292	7,073
" West Riding	19,548	35,495	28,284	7,400
Wales.				
Anglesey	2,667	12,064	2,139	1,534
Brecon	4,615	11,722	3,270	161
Cardigan	3,251	4,979	10,474	794
Carmarthen	6,640	7,419	14,706	468
Carnarvon	2,133	11,139	3,012	1,036
Denbigh	13,413	16,602	5,524	1,249
Flint	6,606	12,191	4,528	257
Glamorgan	7,114	16,853	5,592	40
Merioneth	2,034	6,888	542	—
Montgomery	7,688	14,990	3,823	1,586
Pembroke	4,778	15,242	7,205	741
Radnor	6,721	7,405	348	291
Total	680,039	2,412,103	766,205	196,056

THE TITHE RENT-CHARGE.

The following is a summary of the present division of Tithe Rent-charge according to the most recent return of the Tithe Commission:—

DIVISION I.

	£	s.	d.
Total Rent-charges payable to Clerical Appropriators and Lessees	680,039	0	11½
Parochial Incumbents	2,412,103	14	4½
	<u>£3,092,142</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4½</u>

DIVISION II.

Lay Impropriators	£766,205	18	2½
Schools, Colleges, &c.	196,056	15	0½
	<u>£962,262</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3½</u>

COMMUTATION OF TITHES.

TITHE COMMISSION.—Office, 3 St. James's Square, London, S. W.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1860	110	17	8½	1879	111	15	1½
1861	112	3	4½	1880	109	17	9½
1862	109	13	6	1881	107	2	10
1863	107	5	2	1882	102	16	2½
1864	103	3	10½	1883	100	4	9½
1865	98	15	10½	1884	98	6	2
1866	97	7	9½	1885	93	17	2½
1867	98	13	3	1886	90	10	3
1868	100	13	8	1887	87	8	10½
1869	103	5	8½	1888	84	2	9½
1870	104	1	0½	1889	80	19	9½
1871	104	15	1	1890	78	1	3½
1872	108	4	0½	1891	76	3	2½
1873	110	15	10½	1892	75	18	2½
1874	112	7	3	1893	74	15	2½
1875	112	15	6½	1894	74	3	9½
1876	110	14	11½	1895	73	13	9½
1877	109	16	11½	1896	71	9	9½
1878	112	7	5½	1897	69	17	1½

Average annual value since 1837 £97 19s. 4½d.

The payments for half-year ending January 1 are regulated by average for the preceding year.

In estimating Income-Tax Assessment, deduction may be claimed as to Tithes, Firstfruits, Fees on Presentation paid within the preceding year; Procurations and Synodals on the average of seven preceding years; repairs of Collegiate Churches and Chancels—the amount expended in the previous year being considered; Parochial Rates, Taxes, and Assessments, charged in the preceding year against Tithe Rent-charge and the Land-Tax; Life Assurance of self or wife, so that total premiums do not exceed one-sixth of Income; for compulsory Insurance of Chancel, &c.

¹ This represents the proportion of Tithes appropriate to the maintenance of the Clergy.

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SUMMARY OF NEW PARISHES

ESTABLISHED UNDER CHURCH BUILDING ACTS, FROM OCTOBER 31, 1868, TO OCTOBER 31, 1880.

Parish	Consolidated Chapelries		District Chapelries		Particular Districts		Under Manchester Act		Under New Parishes Act		Totals	
	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population
Abingdon	1	582	19	37,375	1	260	—	—	10	20,648	31	58,865
Abingdon	15	55,494	21	70,387	1	12,150	—	—	5	21,570	42	150,610
Abingdon	28	124,836	35	186,923	—	—	—	—	18	71,828	81	383,587
Abingdon	4	12,082	17	47,304	—	—	—	—	32	104,619	53	164,965
Abingdon	10	11,613	14	19,448	4	12,000	—	—	7	6,434	35	50,095
Abingdon	—	—	1	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1,000
Abingdon Wells	2	743	8	6,050	—	—	—	—	4	8,133	14	14,926
Abingdon	3	1,805	14	14,486	—	—	—	—	7	29,758	24	46,049
Abingdon	11	20,257	20	28,206	2	4,004	—	—	2	752	35	53,219
Abingdon	6	7,568	17	35,541	1	1,400	—	—	3	5,614	27	50,123
Abingdon	3	6,650	1	4,000	—	—	—	—	2	995	6	11,645
Abingdon	3	4,814	8	26,978	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	31,792
Abingdon and Bristol	5	11,667	10	29,550	1	3,050	—	—	2	4,534	18	48,801
Abingdon	2	685	1	2,200	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2,885
Abingdon	21	52,055	18	44,713	—	—	—	—	5	7,580	44	104,348
Abingdon	5	17,120	8	33,874	—	—	—	—	3	3,040	16	54,034
Abingdon	12	42,540	23	84,981	2	1,553	—	—	6	10,002	43	148,076
Abingdon	2	8,112	6	28,223	—	—	—	—	1	6,500	9	42,835
Abingdon	23	91,158	31	107,090	—	—	25	128,382	11	32,099	90	358,729
Abingdon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	7,682	3	7,682
Abingdon	4	4,290	10	16,887	1	252	—	—	2	4,192	17	25,021
Abingdon	10	42,120	4	11,277	—	—	—	—	2	4,392	16	57,789
Abingdon	14	50,280	47	148,562	1	3,500	—	—	6	9,186	68	211,528
Abingdon	14	58,682	24	117,814	9	25,884	—	—	14	74,450	61	276,830
Abingdon	9	19,545	8	20,072	—	—	—	—	5	7,154	22	46,771
Abingdon	5	7,759	4	4,208	—	—	—	—	1	1,400	10	13,367
Abingdon	2	8,706	4	17,936	—	—	—	—	1	560	7	27,202
Abingdon	1	450	4	2,434	1	180	—	—	2	2,760	8	5,824
Abingdon	—	—	4	13,872	—	—	—	—	1	2,870	5	16,742
Abingdon	6	23,688	20	72,803	—	—	—	—	7	22,940	33	119,431
Abingdon and Man.	—	—	4	13,466	1	4,724	—	—	—	—	5	18,190
Totals	221	680,181	405	1,247,726	25	69,567	25	128,382	162	480,701	838	2,612,541

NOTE.—For further details of this Summary see OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK, 1885, pp. 481-83.

METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL SUNDAY.

1886-1890.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE SEVERAL DENOMINATIONS, FROM 1886 TO 1890.

Denomination	1886			1887			1888			1889			1890			1891		
	No. of Col- lections ¹	£	s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£	s. d.
Church of England	806	28,203	12 3	908	28,505	15 3	945	29,080	9 9	957	30,030	17 1	978	30,009	5 5	979	28,964	7 5
Congregationalists	110	1,788	12 3	125	2,080	0 6	116	1,892	7 8	114	1,779	8 8	111	1,818	11 10	113	1,687	15 0
Anglicans	28	915	11 5	29	904	19 7	28	901	9 11	34	1,029	7 8	33	992	1 10	35	971	3 8
Baptists	83	1,096	12 5	88	1,028	15 7	80	963	4 5	88	1,040	7 9	88	1,043	1 3	88	969	16 1
Wesleyans	111	1,020	5 0	111	1,008	15 8	120	1,068	12 9	110	1,017	15 1	128	1,048	0 3	114	964	10 0
Presbyterians	35	828	14 11	36	800	13 9	30	807	17 2	40	941	5 1	40	1,000	0 0	45	1,053	10 0
Roman Catholics	74	574	17 5	75	478	4 0	70	528	5 1	64	469	8 8	85	630	1 0	92	475	14 8
Unitarians	12	269	17 0	13	305	13 11	11	309	10 11	13	315	16 7	13	350	0 5	14	269	7 10
Scottish Friends	12	147	4 2	14	175	0 0	14	163	14 7	14	175	19 7	13	157	13 1	16	139	11 2
Greek Church	1	87	15 7	1	84	0 0	1	95	19 0	1	90	7 0	1	102	0 0	1	50	4 3
Swedenborgians	8	74	15 7	7	64	19 8	6	71	7 7	7	61	17 6	7	61	17 6	7	50	5 2
Methodists	4	64	14 5	4	64	15 7	7	73	1 7	7	103	18 8	7	113	7 0	7	83	4 0
Methodists (United Free)	16	29	5 1	17	25	17 0	17	33	7 0	12	40	5 4	9	28	6 7	9	29	9 8
Church of Scotland	3	32	2 0	3	11	7 9	3	114	0 0	2	156	5 0	2	137	12 0	3	56	12 0
Methodists (Primitive)	0	12	7 8	13	22	3 6	16	16	1 11	11	17	2 0	12	18	17 5	11	18	11 9
Wesleyan Methodist	1	25	0 6	1	29	10 2	1	29	10 2	1	27	5 0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wesleyan Methodist (Me- thodists)	5	29	14 7	5	27	2 0	5	25	0 0	5	25	14 10	5	27	11 6	5	28	0 7
Episcopal	8	93	19 1	8	77	1 7	7	75	11 5	7	76	12 0	8	83	12 7	8	65	4 6
Free Church of England	1	6	13 4	1	5	18 7	1	5	12 2	2	9	12 0	2	8	11 0	1	8	10 0
Methodists (New Con- nexion)	2	2	0 0	1	0	10 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	5 0	2	2	0 7
Countess of Huntingdon's Connexion	2	10	18 0	1	4	2 9	1	3	11 0	2	7	15 0	1	3	8 0	1	3	5 0
Various	63	259	10 8	75	396	13 1	80	266	8 0	65	371	18 3	90	358	1 3	87	346	5 8
Totals	1,481	35,505	1 19	1,538	36,394	18 11	1,577	37,235	2 7	1,605	38,249	3 1	1,638	38,767	0 0	1,681	39,268	10 10

¹ The first column of figures represents the number of separate Collections made by each Denomination in each year. If there is any variation between the years—the sums and those recorded in the Hospital Sunday Fund Report, it may be accounted for, in the main, by different methods of arrangement.

Hospital Sunday—Metropolitan.

METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL SUNDAY—continued.

Denomination	1892		1893		1894		1895		1896		Total for 24 years ²	
	No. of Col- lections ¹	£ s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£ s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£ s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£ s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£ s. d.	No. of Col- lections	£ s. d.
Church of England	985	29,153 10 11	1,004	28,003 4 5	1,043	28,808 8 1	1,055	30,254 17 7	1,046	32,051 6 9	30,107	597,901 7 5
Congregationalists	115	1,694 0 4	115	1,668 5 10	115	1,999 6 5	116	1,680 6 10	109	1,524 5 9	2,635	45,145 8 7
Jews	42	660 10 9	39	1,069 19 1	42	1,135 8 10	42	1,147 2 6	42	1,322 18 8	739	23,905 18 1
Episcopal	92	945 8 3	97	895 12 4	95	978 13 10	94	915 18 1	97	945 19 5	2,022	34,060 19 8
Presbyterians	122	1,041 11 5	129	895 14 7	122	978 13 11	122	1,011 8 11	123	1,045 11 5	2,430	29,305 19 9
Presbyterians	44	1,020 9 1	44	1,123 10 8	46	1,064 9 2	41	1,231 11 9	43	1,186 10 2	1,829	19,425 11 1
Roman Catholics	94	493 5 11	111	526 11 7	96	484 0 7	101	505 18 0	83	422 9 11	1,953	12,210 11 3
Unitarians	12	254 13 5	12	324 19 5	12	277 12 2	14	433 12 2	14	381 5 3	364	5,089 0 7
Greek Church	17	126 16 9	16	121 19 4	15	126 6 1	16	130 11 11	11	119 19 5	324	3,543 16 10
Society of Friends	1	84 18 3	1	102 12 4	1	99 4 8	1	101 6 9	1	104 14 0	133	2,024 7 0
Swedishborgians	7	51 2 4	7	37 17 10	7	25 1 10	0	20 6 3	5	27 8 11	138	1,579 14 8
Methodists (United Free)	7	102 10 3	7	96 19 3	7	91 15 3	7	96 12 5	7	114 18 8	137	1,774 0 5
Methodists (Primitive)	6	29 16 6	13	25 16 10	9	20 18 3	7	31 18 1	12	29 16 9	402	983 6 1
Church of Scotland	3	106 1 10	3	95 10 0	3	84 10 0	3	114 12 0	3	135 4 0	59	1,726 1 5
Methodists (Primitive)	12	21 13 4	11	19 9 1	11	26 8 11	10	16 1 3	18	31 11 11	283	575 9 11
Calvinists											9	236 11 6
Welsh Calvinistic Me- thodists	5	28 17 2	5	29 4 9	7	39 19 3	5	43 7 5	3	18 13 0	117	613 3 5
Catholic Apostolic	9	71 6 4	9	66 4 7	9	65 0 9	10	77 10 3	10	83 16 11	121	1,107 10 5
Free Church of England	1	8 10 3	1	11 10 4	1	10 15 7	1	10 1 7	1	12 3 10	38	274 9 7
Methodists (New Con- nexion)	2	1 19 0	2	2 3 0	1	1 0 0	1	1 0 0	1	1 0 0	36	168 4 3
Countess of Huntingdon's Connexion	1	4 9 1	1	4 3 3	1	4 15 3	—	—	—	—	29	164 8 2
Various	92	415 16 2	98	445 4 8	134	560 14 0	141	638 17 5	89	449 11 1	1,586	7,741 9 3
Totals	1,669	39,592 14 2	1,725	35,905 16 3	1,779	35,802 19 10	1,793	38,295 1 0	1,724	40,472 8 5	34,331	774,371 15 2

¹ The first column of figures represents the number of separate Collections made by each Denomination in each year.

² Which includes 25,817 15s. 2d. raised in 1873, 28,102 2s. 4d. in 1874, 34,920 6s. 8d. in 1875, 25,048 3s. 2d. in 1877, 29,681 5s. 5d. in 1878, 25,285 11s. 4d. in 1879, 28,675 4s. 6d. in 1880, 30,147 1s. 11d. in 1881, 31,811 3s. 6d. in 1882, 31,686 13s. 9d. in 1883, 32,784 9s. 7d. in 1884, and 31,548 12s. 5d. in 1885, particulars of which were given in the YEAR-BOOKS for 1884-91.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY (PROVINCIAL COLLECTION), 1896.

	Church of England		Other Bodies	
	No. of Collections	Amount	No. of Collections	Amount
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Accrington	7	24 1 0	2	21 15 9
Bishop Auckland	5	12 4 0	4	5 0 2
Bishop Wearmouth	38	204 9 10	110	355 19 1
Bolton	31	216 15 7	23	121 3 9
Brighton	37	799 7 8	42	364 8 5
Bristol	128	968 11 7	53	340 12 10
Burton-on-Trent	23	202 16 2	28	113 2 1
Bury	20	154 9 7	30	140 3 3
Bury St. Edmunds	66	273 0 7	4	14 9 0
Canterbury	16	75 18 9	3	7 2 0
Cheltenham	50	526 14 3	29	119 3 3
Coventry	32	174 14 1	14	82 2 10
Crewe	9	39 10 5	15	26 12 2
Croydon	45	522 0 0	20	164 0 0
Cumberland and Westmoreland	147	538 3 1	38	108 16 0
Derby	117	640 8 7	113	239 7 2
Doncaster	31	129 10 7	6	67 6 10
Dover and District	31	216 5 1	11	39 4 1
Dudley and District	16	55 4 4	11	39 5 5
Durham	19	57 1 11	2	3 3 0
Eastbourne	20	247 9 11	17	124 14 9
Gloucester	18	119 8 6	7	34 1 10
Hastings	21	407 17 9	18	108 12 10
Huddersfield	57	347 16 5	108	443 10 2
Hull	35	331 3 5	81	404 4 5
Jersey	10	68 9 10	14	47 1 8
Kendal	24	129 5 7	7	23 8 7
Kidderminster	31	138 4 0	6	30 4 8
Leamington	54	343 1 4	9	13 0 5
Leeds	165	1,196 9 3	132	773 15 8
Lincoln	233	812 8 7	103	115 12 6
Liverpool	137	2,956 16 1	183	3,376 19 5
Lowestoft and District	23	188 0 0	3	22 12 11
Luton	14	53 16 9	26	75 5 1
Manchester	156	2,477 2 11	212	1,580 4 2
Maldstone	9	74 8 0	—	—
Newport	20	77 3 2	0	41 8 6
Norwich	133	486 17 6	31	153 4 6
Oxford	40	288 10 6	6	91 5 7
Portsmouth and District	69	609 13 1	54	223 17 6
Preston (Lancs.)	57	404 13 8	30	136 1 3
Ramsgate	7	90 16 4	4	33 12 10
Ripon	3	17 18 11	2	2 12 9
Rotherham	37	119 4 10	47	94 10 2
Ryde	6	171 15 1	12	35 0 10
Salisbury	159	687 10 10	26	67 15 2
Scarborough	15	94 8 8	11	54 19 4
Sheffield	66	1,210 13 10½	157	857 8 1
Shrewsbury and County	12	116 18 8	11	48 12 9
Southampton	45	551 13 4	42	166 8 9
Torquay	17	263 19 8	6	37 15 0
Wells	19	46 9 8	5	4 6 6
Weston-super-Mare	6	114 8 0	7	40 0 2
Wigan	43	191 1 8	49	98 19 7
Winchester	20	160 2 3	5	8 7 1
Worcester	70	316 3 3	10	33 13 10
	2,739	21,653 14 4	2,005	11,781 6 4

NOTE.—This is by no means an exhaustive list, but includes only those places of which the Editor has been able to obtain information.



PART III.

The Bishops, Diocesan Officers,
&c.

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Bishop Suffragan.

The Right Rev. George Rodney Eden, D.D.,
Bishop of Dover, The Precincts, Canter-
bury.

Dean and Chapter.

DEAN—Very Rev. F. W. Farrar, D.D., Deanery,
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Archdeacons.

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D.D., Bishop of Dover, Precincts, Canter-
bury.
(*Maidstone*)—B. F. Smith, Precincts, Canter-
bury.

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Canon Elwyn, Master of the Charterhouse.
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Amendment Act.

FOR THE DEAN AND CHAPTER :
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(*Maidstone*)—[Vacant.]

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Tithes Commutation.

THE TITHE RENT-CHARGE.

The following is a summary of the present division of Tithe Rent-charge according to the most recent return of the Tithe Commission :—

1 DIVISION I.

	£	s.	d.
Total Rent-charges payable to Clerical Appropriators and Lessees	680,039	0	11½
Parochial Incumbents	2,412,103	14	¼
	£3,092,142	15	4½

DIVISION II.

Lay Impropriators	£766,205	18	2½
Schools, Colleges, &c.	196,056	15	0½
	£962,262	13	3½

COMMUTATION OF TITHES.

TITHE COMMISSION.—Office, 3 St. James's Square, London, S.W.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1860	110	17	8½	1879	111	15	1½
1861	112	3	4½	1880	109	17	9½
1862	109	13	6	1881	107	2	10
1863	107	5	2	1882	102	16	2½
1864	103	3	10½	1883	100	4	9½
1865	98	15	10½	1884	98	6	2
1866	97	7	9½	1885	93	17	3½
1867	98	13	3	1886	90	10	3
1868	100	13	8	1887	87	8	10½
1869	103	5	8½	1888	84	2	6½
1870	104	1	0½	1889	80	19	6½
1871	104	15	1	1890	78	1	3½
1872	108	4	0½	1891	76	3	3½
1873	110	15	10½	1892	75	18	3½
1874	112	7	3	1893	74	15	2½
1875	112	15	6½	1894	74	3	9½
1876	110	14	11½	1895	73	13	0½
1877	109	16	11½	1896	71	9	6½
1878	112	7	5½	1897	69	17	11½

Average annual value since 1837 £97 19s. 4½d.

The payments for half-year ending January 1 are regulated by average for the preceding year.

In estimating Income-Tax Assessment, deduction may be claimed as to Tenths, Firstfruits, Fees on Presentation paid within the preceding year; Procurations and Synodals on the average of seven preceding years; repairs of Collegiate Churches and Chancels—the amount expended in the previous year being considered; Parochial Rates, Taxes, and Assessments, charged in the preceding year against Tithe Rent-charge, and the Land-Tax; Life Assurance of self or wife, so that total premiums do not exceed one-sixth of Income; for compulsory Insurance of Chancel, &c.

¹ This represents the proportion of Tithe appropriate to the maintenance of the Clergy.

Summary of New Parishes, 1868-80. 583

SUMMARY OF NEW PARISHES

STITUTED UNDER CHURCH BUILDING ACTS, FROM OCTOBER 31, 1868, TO OCTOBER 31, 1880.

Diocese	Consolidated Chapeltries		District Chapeltries		Particular Districts		Under Manchester Act		Under New Parishes Act		Totals	
	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population	No.	Population
ary	1	582	19	87,375	1	200	—	—	10	20,648	31	58,865
	15	55,494	21	70,387	1	12,150	—	—	5	21,579	42	159,610
	28	124,836	35	186,923	—	—	—	—	18	71,828	81	333,587
	4	12,982	17	47,304	—	—	—	—	32	104,619	53	164,965
ter	10	11,613	14	19,448	4	12,000	—	—	7	6,434	35	50,095
	—	—	1	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1,000
l Wells	2	743	8	6,050	—	—	—	—	4	8,133	14	14,926
	3	1,805	14	14,480	—	—	—	—	7	29,758	24	46,049
	11	20,257	20	28,206	2	4,004	—	—	2	752	35	53,219
er	6	7,568	17	35,541	1	1,400	—	—	3	5,614	27	50,123
	8	6,650	1	4,000	—	—	—	—	2	995	6	11,645
	3	4,814	8	26,978	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	31,792
er and Bristol	5	11,667	10	29,550	1	3,050	—	—	2	4,534	18	48,801
l	2	665	1	2,200	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2,865
l	21	52,055	18	44,713	—	—	—	—	5	7,580	44	104,348
	5	17,120	8	33,874	—	—	—	—	3	3,040	16	54,034
ol	12	42,540	23	84,981	2	1,553	—	—	6	19,002	43	148,076
	2	8,112	6	28,223	—	—	—	—	1	6,500	9	42,885
ter	23	91,158	31	107,090	—	—	25	128,382	11	32,099	90	358,729
l	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	7,682	3	7,682
	4	4,200	10	16,887	1	252	—	—	2	4,192	17	25,621
rough	10	42,120	4	11,277	—	—	—	—	2	4,392	16	57,789
	14	50,280	47	148,562	1	3,500	—	—	6	9,186	68	211,528
er.	14	58,682	24	117,814	9	25,884	—	—	14	74,450	61	276,830
uns	9	19,545	8	20,072	—	—	—	—	5	7,154	22	46,771
ph.	5	7,759	4	4,208	—	—	—	—	1	1,400	10	13,367
ids	2	8,706	4	17,938	—	—	—	—	1	560	7	27,202
y.	1	450	4	2,434	1	180	—	—	2	2,760	8	5,824
	—	—	4	13,872	—	—	—	—	1	2,870	5	16,742
er.	6	23,688	20	72,803	—	—	—	—	7	22,040	33	119,431
nd Man.	—	—	4	13,466	1	4,724	—	—	—	—	5	18,190
Totals	221	686,181	405	1,247,720	25	69,557	25	128,382	162	480,701	838	2,612,541

OTE.—For further details of this Summary see OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK, 1885, pp. 481-83.

Hospital Sunday—Metropolitan.

METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL SUNDAY.

1886-1896.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE SEVERAL DENOMINATIONS, FROM 1886 TO 1896.

Denomination	1886			1887			1888			1889			1890			1891			
	No. of Col-lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col-lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col-lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col-lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col-lections	£	s. d.	No. of Col-lections	£	s. d.	
Church of England	806	28,203	12 3	908	28,565	15 2	945	29,086	9 2	957	30,410	17 1	978	30,962	5 5	972	28,944	7 5	
Congregationalists	110	1,788	12 3	125	2,080	2 0	116	1,882	7 0	114	1,773	8 8	111	1,818	11 10	113	1,897	18 0	
Jews	28	915	11 5	29	964	19 7	28	941	9 11	34	1,040	7 9	33	962	1 10	35	971	8 9	
R. P.ists	83	1,094	12 2	88	1,038	18 7	89	990	4 5	84	1,040	7 9	88	964	1 3	88	999	18 1	
W. P.ists	111	1,020	5 0	111	1,098	15 8	120	1,096	12 0	110	1,017	15 1	128	1,048	0 3	114	964	16 1	
Presbyterians	35	888	18 11	36	960	12 9	30	897	17 2	40	991	5 1	47	1,000	1 0	45	1,023	4 8	
Roman Catholics	12	574	17 5	75	476	4 0	74	598	5 7	84	498	8 3	85	539	1 1	92	473	4 4	
Unitarian	12	390	17 11	12	265	13 11	11	298	10 11	13	315	16 7	13	347	0 5	14	269	1 10	
Society of Friends	12	17	9 2	11	175	1 0	11	162	14 7	14	175	19 7	13	157	13 1	16	189	11 2	
Greek Church	1	84	6 0	1	84	6 0	1	89	14 7	1	98	7 0	1	102	0 9	1	90	4 9	
Swedishborgians	1	74	15 6	1	64	10 3	1	77	7 7	1	89	14 7	1	61	17 6	1	50	5 2	
Methodists (United Free)	4	64	15 7	4	64	15 6	4	73	7 7	7	103	18 8	7	113	7 9	7	83	4 0	
Church of Scotland	16	29	2 0	17	35	7 3	17	33	7 6	12	40	5 4	9	23	6 7	8	29	9 8	
Methodists (Primitive)	3	93	7 8	13	111	7 3	8	114	0 0	2	156	5 0	2	137	12 0	3	96	12 0	
Calvinists	6	12	7 8	13	22	5 6	10	16	1 11	11	17	2 9	12	18	17 5	11	18	11 9	
Welsh Calvinistic Me- thodists	1	25	6 6	1	25	10 6	1	25	19 2	1	27	5 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Catholic Apostolic Free Church of England	5	26	14 7	5	27	2 0	5	29	10 0	5	25	14 10	5	27	11 6	5	28	9 7	
Methodists (New Con- nexion)	8	93	19 1	8	77	1 7	7	75	11 5	7	76	12 0	8	83	12 7	8	65	4 6	
Countess of Huntingdon's Connexion	1	0	13 4	1	5	18 7	1	5	12 2	2	9	12 0	2	8	11 6	1	8	19 0	
Various	2	2	0 0	1	0	16 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5 6	2	2	9 7	
Totals	63	10	18 0	1	4	2 0	1	8	11 0	2	7	15 0	1	3	8 6	1	3	5 0	
		250	10 8	75	396	13 1	80	266	8 9	95	371	18 3	90	353	1 3	87	346	5 8	
		1,481	35,565	1 10	1,538	36,301	18 11	1,577	37,285	2 7	1,605	38,240	8 1	1,688	88,707	0 0	1,681	86,288	10 10

The first column of figures represents the number of separate collections made by each denomination in each year. If there is any variation between the figures in some and those recorded in the Hospital Sunday Fund Report, it may be accounted for, in the main, by different methods of arrangement.

Hospital Sunday—Metropolitan.

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Denomination	1882		1888		1894		1895		1896		Total No. of Collections	Total for 24 years ²						
	No. of Collections	£	No. of Collections	£	No. of Collections	£	No. of Collections	£	No. of Collections	£								
Church of England	20,153	19 11	1,004	28,003	4 3	1,043	28,968	8 1	1,055	80,254	17 7	1,046	32,651	6 9	20,107	597,901	7 5	
Congregationalists	115	1,004	9 4	1,068	5 10	115	1,499	6 5	118	1,620	6 10	106	1,524	5 9	2,695	45,145	3 7	
Jews	42	980	19 9	89	19 1	44	1,135	3 10	42	1,147	2 6	42	1,232	18 3	729	23,905	18 1	
Baptists	92	945	8 1	885	12 4	95	885	14 10	94	915	18 1	97	942	19 8	2,022	24,030	19 8	
Wesleyans	122	994	11 5	1,229	14 7	122	978	14 11	122	1,011	8 11	123	1,005	11 5	2,480	23,205	19 9	
Presbyterians	44	1,020	9 1	1,132	10 8	46	1,064	9 2	41	1,121	11 9	43	1,186	0 2	829	19,425	1 11	
Roman Catholics	94	493	5 11	536	11 7	96	484	0 7	101	505	18 0	83	422	2 11	1,963	12,210	11 3	
Un-Litarians	12	254	13 5	304	19 3	13	277	12 2	14	433	12 3	14	381	5 3	264	5,689	0 7	
Society of Friends	17	126	16 9	121	19 9	15	126	6 1	16	136	11 11	17	116	19 5	324	3,845	16 10	
Greek Church	1	84	18 3	102	15 4	1	99	4 8	1	101	6 6	1	104	14 0	23	2,524	7 0	
Swedenborgians	7	51	2 4	37	17 10	6	25	1 10	6	26	6 3	5	27	8 11	138	1,579	14 8	
German Lutherans	7	102	10 3	96	19 3	7	91	15 3	7	96	12 5	7	114	18 8	137	1,774	0 5	
Methodists (United Free)	6	20	16 6	25	16 10	9	20	18 3	7	21	18 1	12	29	16 9	402	683	6 1	
Church of Scotland	3	106	1 10	95	10 0	3	84	10 0	3	114	12 0	3	135	4 0	59	1,726	1 5	
Methodists (Primitive)	12	21	13 4	19	9 1	11	20	8 11	10	16	1 3	18	31	11 11	283	575	9 11	
Calvinists	5	28	17 2	29	4 9	7	30	19 3	5	43	7 5	3	18	13 0	9	235	11 6	
Welsh Calvinistic Methodists	9	71	6 4	66	4 7	9	65	0 9	10	77	10 3	10	83	16 11	121	1,107	10 5	
Catholic Apostolic	1	8	10 3	1	11	10 4	1	10	15 7	1	10	1 7	1	12	3 10	38	274	9 7
Free Church of England	2	1	19 0	2	2 3 0	1	1	0 0	1	1	0 0	1	1	0 0	36	103	4 3	
Methodists (New Connexion)	1	4	9 1	4	3 3	1	4	15 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	29	164	8 2	
Connexes of Huntingdon's	92	415	16 2	445	4 8	134	569	14 0	141	638	17 5	89	440	11 1	1,586	7,741	9 3	
Various	1,669	86,592	14 2	85,605	16 3	1,779	85,802	19 10	1,793	86,295	1 0	1,724	40,472	8 5	84,381	774,271	15 2	
Totals																		

¹ The first column of figures represents the number of separate Collections made by each Denomination in each year.

² Which includes 25,817, 154, 24, raised in 1873, 28,102, 24, 44, in 1874, 24,920, 64, 84, in 1875, 25,648, 84, 64, in 1876, 25,045, 34, 24, in 1877, 23,081, 54, 54, in 1878, 25,285, 114, 44, in 1879, 26,675, 44, 64, in 1880, 30,147, 14, 114, in 1881, 31,811, 84, 64, in 1882, 31,886, 134, 84, in 1883, 32,784, 94, 74, in 1884, and 31,548, 124, 54, in 1885, particulars of which were given in the Year-Books for 1884-90.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY (PROVINCIAL COLLECTION), 1896.

	Church of England		Other Bodies	
	No. of Collections	Amount	No. of Collections	Amount
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Accrington	7	24 1 0	2	21 15 9
Bishop Auckland	5	12 4 0	4	5 0 2
Bishop Wearmouth	38	204 9 10	110	355 19 1
Bolton	31	216 15 7	23	121 3 9
Brighton	37	799 7 8	42	364 8 5
Bristol	128	958 11 7	53	340 12 10
Burton-on-Trent	23	202 16 2	28	115 2 1
Bury	20	154 9 7	30	140 3 3
Bury St. Edmunds	26	273 0 7	4	14 9 0
Canterbury	16	75 18 9	7	7 2 0
Cheltenham	50	526 14 3	26	119 3 8
Coventry	32	174 14 1	14	82 2 10
Crewe	9	39 10 5	15	26 12 2
Croydon	45	522 0 0	20	164 0 4
Cumberland and Westmoreland	147	538 3 1	38	108 16 6
Derby	117	640 8 7	113	239 7 2
Doncaster	31	129 16 7	6	67 6 10
Dover and District	31	216 5 1	11	39 4 1
Dudley and District	16	55 4 4	11	39 5 2
Durham	19	57 1 11	2	3 9 0
Eastbourne	20	247 9 11	17	124 14 3
Gloucester	18	119 8 6	7	34 1 10
Hastings	21	407 17 9	18	108 12 10
Huddersfield	57	347 16 5	108	443 10 2
Hull	35	331 3 5	81	404 4 2
Jersey	10	68 9 10	14	47 1 8
Kendal	24	129 5 7	7	28 8 7
Kidderminster	31	138 4 0	6	30 4 8
Leamington	54	343 1 4	9	13 0 3
Leeds	165	1,196 9 3	132	778 15 8
Lincoln	233	812 8 7	103	115 12 0
Liverpool	137	2,956 16 1	183	3,376 19 5
Lowestoft and District	23	188 0 0	3	22 12 11
Luton	14	53 16 9	26	75 5 1
Manchester	156	2,477 2 11	212	1,580 4 2
Maldstone	9	74 8 0	—	—
Newport	20	77 3 2	9	41 8 6
Norwich	133	486 17 6	31	153 4 6
Oxford	40	288 10 6	6	91 5 7
Portsmouth and District	69	609 13 1	54	223 17 6
Preston (Lancs.)	57	404 13 8	30	136 1 3
Ramsgate	7	90 16 4	4	33 12 10
Ripon	3	17 18 11	2	2 12 9
Rotherham	37	119 4 10	47	94 10 2
Ryde	6	171 15 1	12	35 0 10
Salisbury	159	687 10 10	26	67 15 2
Scarborough	15	94 8 8	11	54 19 4
Sheffield	66	1,210 13 10½	157	857 8 1
Shrewsbury and County	12	116 18 8	11	48 12 3
Southampton	45	531 13 4	42	166 8 8
Torquay	17	203 19 8	6	37 15 2
Wells	19	46 9 8	5	4 6 0
Weston-super-Mare	6	114 8 0	7	40 0 0
Wigan	43	161 1 8	49	38 12 2
Winchester	20	160 2 3	5	8 7 2
Worcester	70	316 3 3	10	3 13 1
	2,739	21,653 14 4	2,005	11,781 6 6

NOTE.—This is by no means an exhaustive list, but includes only those places of which the has been able to obtain information.



PART III.

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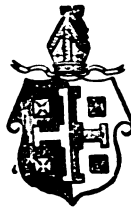
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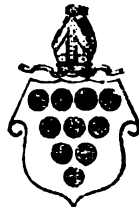
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Chaplaincy	Place of Worship	Chaplain	Source of Income	Patronage
Gibraltar	The Cathedral	The Ven. D. S. Govett, M.A., Civil Chaplain, Archdeacon of Gibraltar	Grant from H.M.'s Government, Colonial Office	H.M.'s Secretary of State for the Colonies
Austria. Trieste	English Church	C. F. Thorndike, Consular Chaplain	Grant from H.M.'s Government, Foreign Office, and the Congregation	H.M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
France and Corsica.				
Antibes	St. Anne's Church	D. Simpson, M.A.	"	Miss Close
Cannes	i. Christ Church, West Cannes ii. Holy Trinity, East Cannes	Canon H. Percy Smith, M.A. W. Brookes, B.D.	"	Bishop of Gibraltar C.C.C.S.
	iii. St. Paul's, Boulevard du Cannet iv. St. George's Church	Canon W. W. Wollaston, M.A. J. Aitken, M.A.	"	Lady Glass
Carabacel	Christ Church	H. Ash	"	H.R.H. Prince of Wales Bishop of Gibraltar
Grasse	Church of St. John	H. E. Gedge, M.A.	"	Miss Bowes
Hyères	Church of St. Paul	F. C. Littler, M.A.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Costebelle	Hotel	T. L. Papillon, M.A.	Congregation	Bishop of Gibraltar
Marseilles	English Church, 100 Rue Sylvabelle	T. C. Skeggs, M.A., Consular Chaplain	Grant from H.M.'s Government, S.P.G., and Congregation	H.M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

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Mentone . . .	i. Christ Church, East Bay	H. Grasott Baldwin, M.A.	Congregation . . .	C.C.
	ii. St. John's, West Bay	Canon Sidebotham, M.A.	" . . .	S.
Nice . . .	Holy Trinity Church, Rue de France	J. F. Langford, M.A.	" . . .	Bisho Lc
St. Raphael and Vales- cure	English Ch. Temp.	A. F. Dyer, M.A.	S.P.G. and Congre- gation	S.
Ajaccio in the Island of Corsica	Holy Trinity Church	Charles White	Congregation . . .	C.C.
Greece. Athens and the Piræus	St. Paul's Church, near the Palace	F. R. Elliot, M.A.	Grants from H.M.'s Government, Gib- raltar Mission to Seamen, and Con- gregation	H.M.' tary for Affa
Corfu . . .	Holy Trinity Church	J. S. Dawes, D.D.	Congregation, grants from Gibraltar Mission to Sea- men, and C.C.C.S.	Churc mil
Patras and Zante	St. Andrew's Church, at the east end of Patras	—	Congregation, and grant from Gib- raltar Mission to Seamen	S.I
Syra . . .	English Church . . .	—	Congregation, and grant from Gib- raltar Mission to Seamen	Bishop ral
Italy & Sicily. Alassio . . .	St. John's Church . . .	T. Hewitt, B.D.	Congregation . . .	.
Bordighera . . .	All Saints' Church . . .	A. T. Barnett, M.A.	" . . .	Mrs. V
Capri . . .	All Saints' Church, Via Tragara	E. H. Morton . . .	S.P.G. . . .	S.F
Castellamare	Hotel Belvedere . . .	A. Hoskyns, M.A.	Congregation . . .	C.C.
Florence . . .	i. Holy Trinity Chureh	R. B. Harrison, M.A.	" . . .	Bishop ral
	ii. St. Mark's Church	C. Tooth, M.A.	" . . .	Rev. C. M.
Genoa . . .	English Church in the Via Goito	J. T. Christie, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from the Gibraltar Dio- cesan Fund, and St. Andrew's Waterside Church Mission	Bishop ral
Leghorn . . .	St. George's Church	R. H. Irvine . . .	Congregation and S.P.G.	S.P
Milan . . .	English Church, 8 Via Andegari	C. J. C. Whittington- Ince, M.A.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C
Naples . . .	Christ Church, Strada S. Pasqual	H. T. Barff, M.A.	Congregation . . .	Bishop ral
Pallanza . . .	Grand Hotel . . .	C. A. C. Langdon . . .	" . . .	C.C.C
Pegli . . .	St. John's Chureh, near the Grand Hotel	H. J. Bodily . . .	S.P.G. . . .	S.P.C

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City	Place of Worship	Chaplain	Source of Income	Patronage
Lisbon	English Church at both places	J. N. Honiss . .	Congregation . .	Trustees
	i. All Saints' Church, near Porta del Popolo	F. N. Oxenham, M.A.	"	S.P.G.
Lima	ii. Holy Trinity Church, Piazza San Silvestro	A. C. Thistleton, M.A.	"	Trustees
	i. All Saints' Church	A. H. E. de Romestin, M.A.	"	Bishop of Gibraltar
	ii. St. John the Baptist Hotel Crocedi, Malta	H. Collings, M.A. . .	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S. S.P.G.	C.C.C.S. S.P.G.
	English Church . .	H. C. Lees, M.A.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S. Congregation . .	C.C.C.S. Bishop of Gibraltar
London	"	A. E. Carey, M.A.	"	C.C.C.S.
	"	A. Melliss, M.A. . .	Congregation, and Gibraltar Mission to Seamen	C.C.C.S.
Lyon	"	Thos. Dixon, D.D.	Congregation	J. Whitaker, Esq.
	"	F. Stewart, M.A. . .	Congregation, and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
Macao	St. Paul's Church . .	—	Grant from H.M.'s Government	H.M.'s Secretary of State for the Colonies
	Holy Trinity Church	—	Congregation, and Endowment held by S.P.G.	Bishop of Gibraltar
Manila	St. George's Church, Rua Nova da Estrella	T. Godfrey P. Pope, M.A., Canon of Gibraltar	Congregation . .	Residents
Mexico	English Church . .	Richard Addison . .	"	"
	St. James's Church.	T. S. Polchampton, M.A.	"	"
Norfolk	Mission Room . .	J. Muhlenbruch . .	Society for the Promotion of Christianity among the Jews	S.P.C.J.
Oporto	English Church, Sulina; H.M.'s Consulate, Galatz	[Vacant]	Congregation, and grants from the Gibraltar Mission to Seamen, and from S.P.G.	S.P.G.
	Church Room and Seamen's Institute	E. W. Ford, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from Gibraltar Mission to Seamen, and the Mersey Mission, Liverpl., & S.P.G.	Bishop of Gibraltar

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Chaplaincy	Place of Worship	Chaplain	Source of Income	Patrons
Spain. Barcelona	English Ch., Calle Cortes	G. F. Jackson, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from C.C.C.S. and Gibraltar Mission to Seamen	C.C.C.S.
Bilbao	English Church	A. Burnell, B.A.	Congregation, and grants from Gibraltar Mission to Seamen, and C.C.C.S.	"
Madrid	Room at the British Legation	R. H. Whereat, B.A., Legation Chaplain	Congregation, and grants from H.M.'s Government	H.M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Malaga	English Church	A. Evans, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from H.M.'s Government and Gibraltar Mission to Seamen	"
Seville	Church of the Ascension, Plaza Murillo	G. S. W. Kershaw, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from C.C.C.S. and Gibraltar Mission to Seamen	C.C.C.S.
Xeres	Church Room	Ashley Spencer	Congregation	Resident
Turkey. Constantinople	i. Embassy Chapel	H. K. Anketell, M.A.	H.M.'s Government	H.M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
	ii. Christ Church, Pera	—	S.P.G.	S.P.G.
	iii. English Church, Kadikuei	G. W. Paterson, B.A.	Congregation, and grant from Gibraltar Mission to Seamen	Resident
Ortakevy with Haskey	—	J. B. Crighton Ginsburg	S.P.C.J.	S.P.C.J.
Smyrna	i. St. John's Church at the British Consulate ii. English Church, Bournabat iii. All Saints' Church, Boudjah	R. Allen, M.A. C. F. Bellot, M.A.	Grant from H.M.'s Government, Congregation	H.M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Resident Bishop of Gibraltar
Africa. Algiers	Holy Trinity Church, Fort d'Ily	R. C. Cordiner	"	Bishop of Gibraltar
Biskra	Room in Hotel Victoria	—	S.P.G.	S.P.G.
Mogader and Canary I.	Mission Church	—	S.P.C.J.	S.P.C.J.
Tangier	Iron Church	E. T. Bird, M.A.	—	Church Committee
Tunis	English Church	C. F. Flad	Congregation, and S.P.C.J.	S.P.C.J.
Azores. St. Michael's	St. George's Church	—	S.P.G.	S.P.G.

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Chaplaincy	Place of Worship	Chaplain	Source of Income	Patronage
Paris.	Grand Hotel, Hungaria	J. F. Rowbotham, M.A.	S.P.G.	S.P.G.
Paris.	Church of the Resurrection	N. Andrewes	Congregation	"
Paris.	Embassy Church, Metternich Gasse, 6	W. H. Hechler, Chaplain to the Embassy	H.M.'s Government, Foreign Office	H.M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Paris.	English Church, Rue des Tanneurs	A. Stanley, LL.D.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Paris.	Chapel of the Theresian Convent, Rue d'Ostende	A.V. Hughes-Hallett, M.A.	Congregation, and grant from Belgian Government	Congregation, subject to Belgian Gov.
Paris.	i. Church of the Resurrection, Rue de Stassart	—	"	Congregation
Paris.	ii. Eng. Ch., Rue Belliard Quartier Léopold	A. K. Harlock, M.A.	"	"
Paris.	iii. Christ Church, Rue Crespel	W. R. Stephens, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from Belgian Government and C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Paris.	St. John's Church, Place St. Jacques	A. Leakey, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from Belgian Government and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
Paris.	English Church, Rue Longue	Joseph Last	Congregation, and grants from Belgian Government and S.P.G.	Congregation
Paris.	Church of SS. Peter and Paul	J. Harrison, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from Belgian Government and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
Paris.	St. Alban's Church, Grönningen Esplanade	M. E. Kennedy, M.A., Chaplain to Legation	Congregation, legacy, and grant from Foreign Office	H.M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Paris.	St. Thomas's Church, Ville d'Hiver	S. Radcliff, B.A.	Congregation	C.C.C.S.
Paris.	St. Michael's Church, Rue Bouillant	—	"	Congregation
Paris.	St. Andrew's English Church	W. G. Sharpin, M.A.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Paris.	French Church, rented, Cours du Pavé des Chartrons	J. W. L. Burke	"	"
Paris.	i. Holy Trinity English Church, Rue de la Lampe	James Wilson, M.A.	"	"
Paris.	ii. St. John's English Church, Rue des Vieillards	W. K. Ormsby, M.A.	Congregation	S.P.G.

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Chaplaincy	Place of Worship	Chaplain	Source of Income	Patronage
Caen . . .	St. Michael's Church	—	S.P.G.	S.P.G.
Calais: St. Pierre and Guines	i. Holy Trinity Church, Rue du Gaz, St. Pierre-lès-Calais	M. H. Umbers, B.A.	Congregations, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
	ii. English Church, Guines			
Chantilly . . .	St. Peter's Church	F. T. Mackmurdo, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from H. R. H. Duc d'Aumale and C.C.C.S.	—
Compiègne . . .	St. Andrew's Church, Boulevard des Avenues	J. Thomson, M.A. . .	Special endowment	Bishop London
Croix - Nord and Roubaix	English Church, Croix; French Church, Roubaix	C. Faulkner	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Dieppe . . .	i. All Saints' Church, Rue de la Barre	F. J. J. Smith, LL.D.	Congregation, and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
	ii. Christ Church, English Church, Rue Asseline	C. H. Merk, Ph.D.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Dinan	Christ Church	T. C. Stanley, LL.D. H. R. Barber, M.A. (Assist. Chap.)	Congregation	S.P.G.
Dinard	Church of St. Bartholomew	R. Peck, M.A.	"	Local Committee
Dunkirk	English Church, Place de la Prison	W. J. Drought, M.A.	Congregation, and grants from C.C.C.S. and Missions to Seamen's Society	C.C.C.S.
Havre	Holy Trinity Church, Rue Mexico	H. S. Chesshire, M.A.	Congregation	Local Committee
Lille and Armentières	Christ Church	J. S. Phillips, B.A.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Lyons	Holy Trinity Church, Quai de l'Est	H. Lister, M.A.	"	"
Paris	i. English Chapel, Rue d'Aguesseau	H. E. Noyes, D.D. J. MacLulich, M.A. (Assist. Chap.)	Congregation	"
	ii. St. George's (Victoria Jubilee) Church	G. Washington, M.A. E. E. Bradford, M.A. (Assist. Chap.)	Endowment, and Congregation	Foreign and Church and Educational Assoc. Ed. C.C.C.S.
	iii. Christ Church	W. J. Adams, D.C.L.	Congregation, and C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.
Pau	i. Christ Church, Rue Serviez	—	Congregation	Trustees
	ii. Holy Trinity Church, Rue des Temples	E. D. Lampen, M.A.	"	C.C.C.S.
	iii. St. Andrew's Church, Avenue du Grand Hôtel	R. H. D. Acland-Troyte, M.A.	"	S.P.G.
Rouen	All Saints' Church, Ile Lacroix	Thomas Campbell	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S.

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London	Church of the Holy Nativity	T. J. Cooper, B.D.	Congregation, and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
London	St. Paul's, St. Malo ; St. John's, Paramé	J. Dunn, M.A.	"	"
London	Holy Trinity Church, Rue Chapitre		Congregation . .	"
London	French Church, rented, Rue du Préfecture	[Vacant]	" . .	C.C.C.S.
London	St. Mark's English Church, Rue du Peintre Lebrun	J. W. Browne, M.A.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	"
London	Church in the Anna Strasse	B. B. Bayly	Congregation, and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
London	All Saints' English Church	T. A. S. White, M.A.	Congregation . .	"
London	St. George's Church Schloss Montbijou	F. Owen, M.A.	Congregation, and small endowment	The Bishop of London
London	University Chapel .	G. H. Weber . .	Congregation . .	Local Committee
London	St. Alban's Church	J. W. Thomas, M.A.	Congregation, and C.C.C.S. grant	C.C.C.S.
London	Chapel in the Imp. Palace	J. Bernard Smith, B.A.	Congregation, and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
London	Church - Room, 3 Bischofsgarten Strasse	J. B. Hardinge .	Congregation, and S.P.G. grant	"
London	The Schloss Chapel	J. P. Barnes, M.A.	Congregation, and H.R.H. the Grand Duke of Hesse	H.R.H. the Grand Duke of Hesse
London	All Saints' English Church, Wiener Strasse	C. A. Moore, M.A., B.C.L.	Congregation . .	Bishop of London
London	Church in Berger Strasse	G. H. Moxon, M.A.	Congregation, and C.C.C.S. grant	C.C.C.S.
London	SS. Peter and Paul English Church	H. J. Bodily . .	Congregation . .	S.P.G.
London	French Church, 7 Goethe Platz	G. W. Mackenzie .	Congregation, and S.P.G. grant	"
London	English Chapel, Kaiser Strasse 51	E. J. Treble . .	Congregation . .	"
London	A Room, Bruhl 17		" & S.P.G.	"
London	The English Church, Zeughausmarkt	C. E. Weidemann, M.A.	" . .	Local " Committee
London	Nicolai Capelle, Klarges Markt	N. G. Wilkins, M.A., LL.D.	" . .	"
London	English Church, 46 Plöck Strasse	W.A. Fenwick, M.A.	Congregation . .	S.P.G.
London	Christ Church, English Church	C. B. Brigstocke, M.A.	" . .	C.C.C.S.
London	Diaconissen Haus Chapel, Sophien Strasse	O. T. H. Flex . .	Congregation, and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
London	All Saints' Church, Sebastian Bach Strasse	H. M. De St. Croix, M.A.	Congregation, and grant S.P.G.	"
London	English Church, near the harbour	E.F. Schofield, B.A.	Congregation . .	C.C.C.S.
London	The Odeon . .	C. D. Blomefield, M.A.	Congregation, and grant from C.C.C.S.	"

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Chaplaincy	Place of Worship	Chaplain	Source of Income	Patron
Saxe-Weimar	Karl's Platz, Bürger- erschule	H. J. B. Walters	Congregation, and S.P.G.	S.P.G.
Stuttgart	St. Catherine's Church, Olga Strasse	A. L. A. Mason, M.A.	Congregation, and endowment held by S.P.G.	"
Wiesbaden	St. Augustine's Church, Frank- furter, Strasse	J. C. Hanbury, M.A.	Congregation	Bishop London
Holland. Amsterdam with Arnheim and Utrecht	The English Church, 200 years old, 42 Groene Burgwal, Beek Straat, Arn- hem. Munster- kerhof, Utrecht	J. Chambers	Congregation, and small grant C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.
Rotterdam	St. Mary's English Church	S. N. M. Atkinson	Congregation, and small grant C.C.C.S.	C.C.C.S. Trust
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For the present we have simply added a notice of a few of such works as have been brought to our attention during the past year.

Social England, Vol. V. Edited by H. D. TRAILL, D.C.L., Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford. *Cassell & Co.*—This volume treats of the time from the accession of George I. to the Battle of Waterloo. As in previous volumes, the many and varied divisions of the subjects have been intrusted to different writers, known to be thoroughly cognizant of the particular science, or art, or politics, as the case may be. The period is sub-divided into four—'The Age of Walpole' (1714-1742), 'An Era of New Departures' (1742-1784), 'Revolution and Re-action' (1784-1802), 'England's Struggle for Existence' (1802-1815). In each of these chapters much the same arrangement is followed, but the papers are not in each case contributed by the same author. 'English Scholarship' is discussed by Dr. Sandys, Fellow and Tutor of St. John's, Cambridge; 'Literature,' by Professor Saintsbury; 'Art,' by Reginald Hughes, D.C.L.; 'Political History,' by A. Hassell, Tutor of Christ Church, Oxford. The Army, the Navy, Medicine, Science, Manufactures, National Economy, Social Life, &c., are all treated of by writers equally well known.

The Labour Question in Britain. An English translation of a work by PAUL DE ROUSSEZ, the author of 'American Life.' *Macmillan & Co.* 12s.—The author treats of the modern evolution of industry and commerce, and in illustration gives an orderly exposition of the results of several months' personal inquiry in England and Scotland. Part I. discusses in three chapters the aspects of the Labour Question in Small Workshops. Part II., the Labour Question in Mines, illustrative of an industry organized on the modern system, and a worker of the ancient type. Part III., the Labour Question under the Factory System, the Iron Industry, Textile Industries, and Industries of Transport are given as typical of commercial evolution.

The Principles of Sociology. By F. H. GIDDINGS, Professor of Sociology in Columbia University, New York. *Macmillan & Co.* 12s. 6d.—An examination of the principles of Sociology upon the basis of association and social organization, which is explained to be a state of consciousness in which any being, whether low or high in the scale of life, recognizes another's conscious being as of like kind with itself. Book I. treats of the Elements of Social Theory. Book II., the Elements and Structure of Society. Book III., the Historical Evolution of Society. Book IV., Social Process, Law and Cause.

Christianity and the Labour Conflict. By C. F. ANDREWS, Pembroke College, Cambridge. *Methuen.* 2s. 6d.—The author endeavours to deal with the great principles and motives which during the Christian era have acted on the Labour struggle, and to show how these principles touch the social difficulties of the day. The essay treats first of 'the early Church as a power in the falling Empire, and traces its influence during the Middle Ages, the time of the Reformation, up to the Trades Union movement. In the second part the more direct personal influence of the Christ upon society and the nation.

Rich and Poor. By MRS. BERNARD BOSANQUET. *Macmillan & Co.*—In the first part of this book the author describes a London parish, the conditions under which social work must be carried on, the various institutions, the women of the east, and the pleasures of the people. In the second part various suggestions are given to would-be workers, as school-managers and guardians of the poor, and the methods of help and relief are discussed.

Life in West London. By ARTHUR SHREWELL. *Methuen*. 2s. 6d.—This contribution to 'Social Questions of the Day' treats of the life of the poorer classes in the district of Soho. Over-crowding is dwelt upon at some length, then the various trades of the district, especially tailoring. In an appendix several comparative statistical tables are given as to mortality, vagrants, &c.

The Problem of the Unemployed. By JOHN A. HOBSON. *Methuen*. 2s. 6d.—This is another volume of the same series, dealing with this difficult problem as 'an economic policy,' the central importance of 'under-consumption' being maintained throughout. The excess of producing power, the economic remedy, bimetallism, and trade depression and palliatives for unemployment, are discussed at length.

GUIDE-BOOKS BEARING UPON THE ADMINISTRATION OF PAROCHIAL BUSINESS.

As the Clergy have been so generally called to take their part in the practical administration of parochial business under the newly-formed Parish Councils, we have been asked to furnish for their guidance some information as to the books that have been recently published explaining what are the duties now imposed by the Local Government Act (1894), and the various methods of procedure in the discharge of such duties. The following description, therefore, of some such guide-books is given in response to this request.

Shaw's Parish Law. By J. F. ARCHBOLD (8th Edition, by J. THEODORE DODD). *Shaw & Sons*, Fetter Lane. 15s.—This is a revised edition of an exceedingly complete guide to parish officers in the execution of their duties. The book is so well arranged as to be very easy of use; it includes the complete text of the principal sections of the Local Government Act, and it is upon the basis of this Act that parochial obligations are chiefly regarded. Part I. treats of the parish, its origin, boundaries, and divisions. Part II. the parish in its ecclesiastical aspect, expounding the law with regard to the Clergy, churchwardens, parish clerk, and certain ecclesiastical duties. Part III. The vestry or parish meeting. Part IV. Having reference to the parish in its civil aspects explains in fullest detail the practical operation of the Local Government Act and all its obligations. Part V. embraces the subject of ecclesiastical and civil charities, and shows to what extent the administration of such charities is affected by the Local Government Act. To the parochial Clergy this book must be of great service.

The Law Relating to Parish Councils. By A. F. JENKINS, Barrister-at-Law. *Knight & Co.*—A very exhaustive treatise designed for the guidance of those who have practically to administer the provisions of the Local Government Act. The general arrangement is to set out the clauses of the Act in order, each clause being accompanied with a very full explanation of its meanings. The following table of contents will generally indicate the scope and methods: (I.) Parish Meeting and Parish Council; (II.) Guardians and District Councils; (III.) Areas and Boundaries; (IV.) Supplemental Parish Meetings and Elections, Parish and District Councils; (V.) Explains the transitory provisions of the Act. The book is rendered the more valuable by the addition of the text of the adoptive Acts with which the Parish Councils may deal. It is a clear and methodical guide to the working of the Act.

The Election of Parish Councils. By F. R. PARKER. *Knight & Co.*—This book furnishes an exposition of the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1894, with regard to the conditions and circumstances under which councils are elected, especially dealing with the subject of qualifications, of procedure in the case of contested elections, and of legal enactments affecting offences at such elections.

The Parish Councillor. By F. R. PARKER. *Knight & Co.* 6s.—This book is especially designed for the use of those who have accepted office as Parish Councillors under the Local Government Act (1894). Without entering needlessly into detail, every power, duty or liability, entrusted to a Parish Councillor is simply and carefully explained.

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There are now on the Society's list 769 ordained Missionaries (including eleven Bishops), and of these 250 are labouring in Asia, 178 in Africa, 30 in Australasia, 226 in North America, 45 in the West Indies and South America, and 40 (chaplains) in Europe, and 133 are natives of Asia, and 46 natives of Africa. In the Society's colleges there are about 3,200 students; and 2,900 lay teachers, mostly natives of the lands in which they work, are employed in the various Missions. 38,000 children are receiving instruction in the Mission Schools in Asia and Africa.

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- I.—The Promotion of Habits of Temperance.
- II.—The Reformation of the Intemperate.
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These Homes were the first to abandon the discredited barrack system, to secure Free Life for the boys.

Help is solicited from all who sympathise with **Homeless, Destitute, and Orphan Boys**. 500 such little ones enjoy Home Life on the family system in the cottages. Great care is exercised in their moral and religious training. In the Schools, Drill Halls, Gymnasium, Swimming Bath, and Workshops, they are mentally and physically developed for a useful life. The Committee earnestly appeal for Annual Subscriptions, Donations, Church and Sunday School Collections and Bequests, to enable them to carry on this Christian Work.

W. ROBSON, Secretary, 25 Holborn Viaduct, E.C.

British Orphan Asylum

SLOUGH.

For the Maintenance and Education of Destitute Orphans from all parts of the British Empire, of all denominations, whose parents were once in prosperous circumstances. Orphans are admitted by election and in some cases by purchase between the ages of 7 and 12, and are retained until 15.

The Committee earnestly appeal for increased support of an Institution which has been carrying on its work of usefulness 70 years, and which is dependent on *Voluntary* aid.

Subscriptions and Donations most thankfully received. Annual Subscription:—For One Vote, 10s. 6d.; for Two Votes, £1 1s. Life Subscription for One Vote, £5 5s.; for Two Votes, £10 10s. Life Presentation, £350.

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CHARLES T. HOSKINS, Secretary.

THE CLERGY ORPHAN CORPORATION

Under the Patronage of HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

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Treasurer: THE REV. CANON ELWYN, Master of the Charterhouse.

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'This Society is fulfilling a very great and rapidly increasing work of the utmost importance to the Church. . . . No better help to our distressed clergy could possibly be devised.'

THE LATE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

These Schools, founded in 1749, are for the absolutely free Maintenance, Clothing, and Education of the Orphan (fatherless) Children of the Clergy of the Established Church of England and Wales. The children are elected by vote, in May and November. Candidates for admission must be between the ages of Eight and Twelve (Boys under certain conditions to Thirteen) on the day of election. Forms of application for admission and all particulars to be obtained from the Secretary.

By means of Exhibitions at the Universities and an Apprenticing Fund, pupils on leaving are assisted to further education, or to make a start in life. 68 were helped and 170 expended in these ways last year.

3,042 children have been admitted to the benefits of these Schools, which now contain 1,000. At least £8,000 a year must be raised from voluntary sources alone. Subscriptions, Donations, and Offeratories are earnestly asked, to meet greatly increased needs.

A Life Donor of £10 10s., or an Annual Subscriber of £1 1s., is entitled to one Vote at the half-yearly Election.

The help of the Clergy is earnestly asked to assist in making the work of these Schools more widely known.

Bankers—Messrs. DRUMMONDS, Charing Cross, Westminster, S.W.

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Offices—35 Parliament Street, Westminster, S.W.

ST. THOMAS'S HOME, ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL, ALBERT EMBANKMENT, WESTMINSTER BRIDGE, S.E.

Treasurer—JAMES GADESSEN WAINWRIGHT, Esq.
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Steward—SYDNEY PHILLIPS, Esq., B.A.

This Home has been established for the reception of such persons as desire to avail themselves of the special advantages afforded by St. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL, and who are able and willing to bear the *whole expense* which the treatment of their case involves.

THE TERMS OF ADMISSION ARE AS FOLLOWS:—

1. The Minimum Charge for Board, Medicine, Nursing, and Medical Attendance in the Home is at the rate of Five Shillings a day, payable to the Steward of St. Thomas's Hospital weekly in advance. Patients will be charged only for the number of days they shall have remained in the Home; but the lowest total charge, however long a time the patient may remain, is *Two Guineas*.

2. The Treasurer and House Committee of St. Thomas's Hospital may determine the Patient's term in the Home by a week's notice, or less if necessary, upon a certificate by the Resident Medical Officer of the Home that the Patient is in a condition to be removed.

3. For ordinary Medical and Surgical Treatment the Patients are to be under the exclusive professional charge of the Resident Medical Officer of the Home; but they may, at their own expense, and subject to the sanction of the Establishment, employ any legally qualified Medical or Surgical Practitioner whom they may think proper as consultant with the said Resident Medical Officer, under the ordinary usages of consultation.

4. The Patients must in all respects conform to the Regulations from time to time prescribed by the Treasurer and House Committee of the Hospital, for the due government and management of the Home, and all matters incidental to their position as patients therein, and removal therefrom.

A Form of Application for Admission under these Regulations may be obtained on application, either personally or by letter, to the *Resident Medical Officer* of the Home, or can be seen daily at 12 o'clock, or to the *Steward*, St. Thomas's Hospital, Albert Embankment, S.E.

THE HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN

SOHO SQUARE, W.

Founded 1842.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1887.



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F. A. BEVAN, Esq.

The Committee are constrained to ask earnestly for increased support of this va-
neccitous Charity. Entirely without it
there is great difficulty in meeting the
yearly expenditure of £6,000 from
voluntary sources.

FORM of a BEQUEST or LEGACY

I bequeath to THE HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN
Square, London, the sum of £
Legacy duty, for the purposes of the said
and I declare that the receipt of the Trustee
the time being of such Hospital shall be
discharge for the same.

N.B.—The Hospital is entirely dependent upon Voluntary Contributions and LEGACIES.

Annual Subscriptions and Donations will be thankfully received and acknowledged by the Secretary
Hospital; or by the Bankers, Messrs. Barclay & Co., Limited, 54 Lombard Street, E.C., and 1 Pall Mall

DAVID CANNON, Secretary.

CITY OF LONDON TRUSS SOCIETY

For the Relief of the Ruptured Poor throughout the Kingdom,

35 FINSBURY SQUARE. Instituted 1790.

Patron : HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES.

The object of this Charity is to relieve such poor persons, recommended by Government, are afflicted with rupture and have not the pecuniary means of obtaining surgical assistance by providing, under surgical direction, trusses for every kind of rupture;—by furnishing bandages and necessary instruments for all cases of prolapsus;—by performing every necessary operation;—and by administering surgical aid promptly.

The patients (numbering 10,186 in 1895) are of both sexes and all ages, from children a month old to adults over 95.

Over half a million patients have been relieved since the formation of the Charity. ADDITIONAL FUNDS are GREATLY NEEDED to meet the increasing demand of the Charity. Premises recently enlarged, providing, *inter alia*, a separate entrance, waiting room, and female attendant for female patients.

When a pulpit is granted for the purpose of advocating the cause of the Charity, shall be collected amount to five guineas, exclusive of a donation of that amount or annual subscription, the Clergyman or Minister of the Church or Chapel, for the time being, shall be entitled to the privileges of a Governor for fifteen years, and be entitled to recommend two patients to the Charity for that period. Should the collection amount to ten guineas, exclusive of a donation of that amount, donations of five guineas or annual subscriptions, the Preacher shall be entitled to similar privileges.

An annual subscription of one guinea, or a donation of ten guineas, entitles to four guineas recommendation; a donation of five guineas, to two letters annually for life. Subscriptions and Donations will be thankfully received by the Society's Bankers, LLOYD'S BANK, 172 Lombard Street; and by the Secretary, at the Institution, 35 Finsbury Square.

JOHN NORBURY, Treasurer.

JOHN WHITTINGTON, Secretary.

SAMARITAN FREE HOSPITAL

For Women and Children,
MARYLEBONE ROAD, N.W.

FOUNDED 1847.

SUPPORTED ENTIRELY BY VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

THIS Hospital is for the Reception of Poor Women afflicted with diseases peculiar to their sex.

The Out-Patients' Department is for the treatment of Poor Women suffering from such diseases, and all diseases of Children.

* Women suffering from diseases not peculiar to their sex can only be admitted to this Department by a Card or Letter from a Governor.

Admission Free, without letter of recommendation.

Poverty and Sickness the only passport required.

Out-Patients' Department, 171 Marylebone Road, N.W.
OPEN FROM 12 TO 2.

This Hospital has obtained a world-wide reputation for its successful treatment of Abdominal Tumours.

GOVERNORS—SUBSCRIBERS OF £2 2s. ANNUALLY.
LIFE GOVERNORS—DONORS OF £21.

Contributions earnestly solicited. Cheques and P.O.O. to be drawn "Samaritan Free Hospital," and crossed "Sir S. SCOTT & Co.," and should be sent to

GEORGE SCUDAMORE, Secretary.

THE ST. MARYLEBONE FEMALE PROTECTION SOCIETY.
157-9 MARYLEBONE ROAD, LONDON, N.W.

THIS SOCIETY, founded in 1838, seeks to reclaim Young Women from all parts of the Country who have, by one false step, fallen from the path of virtue. They are cared for in their trouble, if expecting to become mothers; and, after suitable training, are placed in service, where needful help is given them in supporting their infants, lest, through want, they fall again into sin. This is the more necessary from the extreme youth of many of the applicants, which prevents their earning sufficient to maintain their infants.

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CONTRIBUTIONS EARNESTLY SOLICITED.

Drafts should be crossed "Messrs. Sir S. SCOTT, Bart., & Co.," payable to
GEORGE SCUDAMORE, Secretary.

NORTH LONDON HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION

AND

DISEASES OF THE CHEST, Mount Vernon, Hampstead, and Fitzroy Square, W.

FOUNDED 1860.

Established for the Reception of Patients from all parts of the Kingdom.

"The most beautiful Hospital in London."—*The Philanthropist.*

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There is no disease so prevalent and fatal as Consumption, and there is no institution possessing greater advantages for its treatment than the North London Hospital for Consumption.

250,000 Patients have been relieved since the foundation of the Charity.

The Charity has *No Endowment whatever*, and is entirely supported by *Voluntary Contributions*.

There is room in the Hospital for Eighty In-Patients, but the present income does not admit of more than Sixty Beds being thrown open.

Donors of £31 10s. and Annual Subscribers of £3 3s. are Governors, with the right to recommend One In-Patient and Four Out-Patients annually.

Life Nomination to a Bed, £315. Permanent Endowment of a Bed, £1,000.

Contributions will be thankfully received at the Office, 41 Fitzroy Square, W., by
W. G. FARRANCE BOSWORTH, Secretary.

EXTENSION

OF THE

HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE CHEST, BROMPTON.

The pressure for admission having rendered an Extension a long-felt necessity
A NEW BUILDING has been Erected (opposite the existing Hospital) containing

137 ADDITIONAL BEDS,

making a total of **321 Beds**, all of which are fully occupied. The ordinary expenditure of the parent Hospital is nearly £17,000 a year, and the maintenance of the New Building increases the expenses to over **£24,000 a year**. The Charity, being unendowed, is dependent on **Donations, Annual Subscriptions, and Legacies**.

CONTRIBUTIONS are therefore much NEEDED, and are earnestly solicited in aid of the funds.

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1837.

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1848.

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THIS SOCIETY combines the advantages of Mutual Assurance with Moderate Premiums.

PREMIUMS are so moderate that an Assurance of £1,200 or £1,250 may easily be secured from the first for the yearly payment which usually would be charged (with profits) for £1,000 only—equivalent to an immediate Bonus of 25 per cent.

THE WHOLE SURPLUS goes to the Policyholders, on a system at once safe and equitable—no share being given to those by whose early death there is a large addition have thus been, and will be, made to the Policies of those who participate, notwithstanding the lowness of the Premiums.

THE SURPLUS at the 7th Septennial Investigation with Division of Profits amounted to £1,423,018, or deducting amount paid as Intermediate Dividends, £1,362,186—of which £970,390 was divided among 13,220 Members entitled to participate, and £391,796 reserved for future accumulation and provision.

More than one half of the Members who died during the Septennium were entitled to Bonuses which, notwithstanding that the premiums do not as a rule exceed the non-profit rates of other Offices, were on the average equal to an amount of about 50 per cent. to the policies which participated.

SAMPLES OF PREMIUM FOR £100 AT DEATH—WITH PROFITS.

	25	30	35	40	45	50	55
Life	£1 18 0	£2 1 6*	£2 6 10	£2 14 9	£3 5 9	£4 1 7	£5 1 11
Payments	2 12 6	2 15 4	3 0 2	3 7 5†	3 17 6	4 12 1	5 10 2

[The usual non-participating Rates of other Offices differ little from these Premiums.]

A Member of 30 may secure £1,000 at Death by a yearly payment, *during life*, of £20 15s. This Premium is generally elsewhere secure £800 only, instead of £1,000. OR, he may secure £1,000 by 21 payments of 4d.—being thus free of payment after age 50.

At age 40, the Premium ceasing at age 60 is, for £1,000, £33 14s. 2d.—about the same as most Offices require during the whole term of life. Before the Premiums have ceased the Policy will have shared in at least an equal proportion of profits, and, while in force, will continue to participate.

To PROFESSIONAL MEN and others, whose income is dependent on continuance of health, the limited payment system is specially recommended.

The ACCUMULATED FUNDS now exceed £9,500,000.

Arrangements as to SURRENDER, NON-FORFEITURE, LOANS ON POLICIES (within limits), and EARLY PAYMENT OF CLAIMS, as on all other points of practice, are made entirely in the interests of the Members—there being in a Mutual Society no other interests.

Members, as a rule, are World-wide after five years, provided the Assured has attained the age of 30.

REPORTS, with full Statement of Principles and Tables of Rates, may be had.

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ECCLESIASTICAL INSURANCE OFFICE, L^D

FIRE, BURGLARY, PERSONAL ACCIDENT, FEVER, &c.

The intimations in the Ninth Annual Report that a grant of £500 is to be given to the

“Clergy Sustentation Fund,”

which is now organised; that, further, a sum of £2,500 is to be allocated amongst the same objects as last year; that this makes up a total of £13,000 (including £500 to the Clergy Distress Fund) distributed in grants for the benefit of the Clergy and Church objects; together with other items of information contained in the Report, are well worthy of being pondered by those who are interested in the welfare of the Clergy and of the Church at large. The Directors invite the adhesion of all those who are concerned in effecting insurances on ecclesiastical property.

For Information and Forms, apply at the Joint Offices of the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office and the Clergy Pensions Institution, 11 Norfolk Street, Strand, London, W.C.

JOHN DUNCAN, F.I.A., *Secretary***CLERGY PENSIONS INSTITUTION**

FOUNDED 1886.

INCORPORATED 1892.

Joint Presidents.

The ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK.

The distinguishing characteristic of the scheme of the Institution may be concisely stated in the three words, “Self-help aided.” Clergymen who wish to secure the benefits of the Institution for themselves and their families, exercise self-help by making payments in purchase of Benefits; while Honorary Contributions are applied to augment Benefits so purchased.

The Institution comprises the following Funds, with their corresponding Augmentation Funds:

I. Clergy Pensions Fund.

III. Widows and Orphans Fund.

II. Sickness Fund.

IV. Daughters Fund.

V. Other Benefits Fund.

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This Society, familiarly known as "THE OLD EQUITABLE," was established in the year 1782, and is the oldest Life Office on the Mutual principle in existence. It is the first Society to charge rates of premium varying with the age of the Life Assured. During its long career of uninterrupted prosperity it has distributed unusually large sums in annuities, and to-day stands in the unrivalled position of having more than

Twenty-five times the Annual Premium Income in hand.

NINETY-FIVE YEARS' RECORD.

During the Ninety-five years ending 31st December, 1895—

The Premiums received amounted to **£25,264,906**

And the Society paid—

In Claims under its Policies 19,871,539

In Bonuses 22,319,929

As Surrender Values 2,180,886

In Annuities 159,370

Total Payments **£44,531,724**

And had Invested on 31st December, 1895 **4,285,285**

So that over the whole of that period for every £1,000 that became a claim the Society paid, on the average, in amount assured and bonus, £2,123; and the Members or their relatives received, on the average, a return of £176 for every £100 paid in Premiums.

Out of 113 Policies which became claims in the Year 1895 the Sum Assured and Bonuses together

In 1 case EXCEEDED FOUR TIMES

In 20 cases EXCEEDED THREE TIMES

In 56 cases EXCEEDED TWICE, and

In 83 cases, or three-fourths of the whole,
EXCEEDED ONE-AND-A-HALF TIMES

THE
ORIGINAL
AMOUNT
ASSURED.

The complete List of Claims will be sent on application.

THE SOCIETY DEALS DIRECTLY WITH THE PUBLIC, without the intervention of the unnecessary middleman. It has **NO AGENTS** and pays **NO COMMISSION**, by which alone the Members have benefited to the extent of at least £2,000,000. All that an applicant has to do is to write to the Actuary for a prospectus, which contains full instructions how to proceed.

H. W. MANLY, Actuary.

ATLAS ASSURANCE COMPANY.

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LEEDS	... 1 East Parade.	GLASGOW	... 149 West George Street.

THE GROWTH OF THE BUSINESS IS SHOWN BY THE FOLLOWING FIGURES—

	FIRE PREMIUMS.	LIFE PREMIUMS.	TOTAL INCOME.
1883	£95,898	£79,734	£256,554
1895	£368,941	£135,246	£594,091

Total Assets (31st December, 1895), £2,121,259.

The Company has paid in Claims upwards of £13,000,000 Sterling

LIFE DEPARTMENT.

Life Policies are granted under any one of the following six principal plans :

- I. **ORDINARY WITH-PROFIT POLICIES**, at moderate rates with large compound bonuses.
- II. **POLICIES AT "COST PRICE,"** where future bonuses are applied in reducing the Premiums from the commencement of the Assurance.
- III. **TONTINE INVESTMENT POLICIES** for a fixed sum during a term of years, and large accumulations of bonus at the end of that term.
- IV. **NON-PROFIT POLICIES**, of use principally in financial transactions.
- V. **DOUBLE ENDOWMENT ASSURANCES**, a safe and profitable investment for annual savings.
- VI. **RENEWABLE TERM POLICIES**, or temporary Assurances at minimum rates, renewable without fresh medical examination.

The **BONUSES** declared have always been large, and all interests yielded on the investments over and above 2½ per cent. will contribute to future bonuses.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

LOSSES OCCASIONED BY LIGHTNING will be paid whether the property be set on fire or not.

LOSS OR DAMAGE caused by Explosion of Coal Gas in any building insured will be made good.

SEVEN YEARS' POLICIES granted on payment of Six Years' premiums.

Active and Influential Agents Wanted in Unrepresented Districts.

SAM'L J. PIPKIN, General Manager and Secretary.

CLERGY MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

Founded in the Year 1820.

OFFICES—2 & 3 THE SANCTUARY, WESTMINSTER, S.W.

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Society is conducted on the Mutual Principle, solely in the interests of
THE CLERGY AND THEIR RELATIVES.

Accumulated Fund, £4,049,254. Annual Income, £407,972.

Special Features.

- The Annual Premiums charged are below the average, this fact being equivalent to an immediate Bonus.
- The expenses of management are on a remarkably low scale, No Agents being employed or Commission paid for the introduction of business.
- The rate of mortality among the Members is very much lower than among the general population.
- The combination of the above favourable circumstances has resulted in the return of exceptionally large Bonuses to the Assured Members. The bonus declared for the 5 years ending 31st May, 1896, amounted to £560,000, making the total Bonuses distributed £3,182,812.
- The Reserves for the Society's Liabilities have been estimated on the most stringent basis employed by any Insurance Institution in the United Kingdom.
- Assured Members have therefore absolute security with every prospect of the continuance of a high rate of Bonus.

WHOLE-LIFE and ENDOWMENT ASSURANCES
 are granted at Low Premiums, with right of participation in profits.

THE FOLLOWING ARE SPECIMENS OF THE RATES :—

Age next birthday.	WHOLE-LIFE ASSURANCE.		ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.				Age next Birthday.
	Annual Premium for an Assurance of £100 payable at death.	Reduced Annual Premium for an Assurance of £100 payable at death. (see Note).	Annual Premium for an Assurance of £100 payable at death or on attainment of age				
			65	60			
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
20	1 15 0	1 8 0	2 1 1	2 6 3			20
25	2 0 2	1 12 2	2 7 6	2 14 4			25
30	2 6 4	1 17 1	2 16 0	3 5 1			30
35	2 13 0	2 2 5	3 7 3	4 0 2			35
40	3 2 2	2 9 9	4 3 0	5 2 6			40
45	3 12 4	2 17 11	5 6 5	6 19 3			45
50	4 7 4	3 9 11	—	—			—
55	5 10 4	4 8 4	—	—			—

—The "Reduced" Annual Premium is four-fifths of the Ordinary Annual Premium, the other one-fifth remaining a debt to be repaid out of Bonus.

ESTABLISHED 1851.

BIRKBECK BANK,

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TWO-AND-A-HALF PER CENT. INTEREST allowed on DEPOSITS, repayable on demand.

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STOCKS, SHARES, and ANNUITIES purchased and sold.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.

Small Deposits received, and Interest allowed monthly on each completed £1.

ABSTRACT OF FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL BALANCE SHEET, MARCH, 1898.

Amount at Credit of Subscriptions Current and Deposit Accounts	£8,076,000
Investments in the English Funds and other Convertible Securities and Cash	£7,234,000
Cash at Bankers'	£607,000
Permanent Guarantee Fund, invested in Consols	£175,000
Amount of Assets in Excess of Liabilities	£270,000
Number of Members' Current and Deposit Accounts	75,000

The BIRKBECK ALMANACK, with full particulars, post free.

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THIS College provides instruction and training for men who desire to become paid parochial Lay Workers, as Evangelists and Scripture Readers.

The College Certificate may be gained after one year's residence, in three terms.

Students are admissible from any part of town or country. A special welcome is given to colour and intelligent artisans.

A bursary of £4 per term is made for each Student, for which he receives board, lodging, and tuition. Assistance in obtaining Pass Studentships is provided through the generosity of Churches.

Students may have the facility of finding regular employment after training.

The Classes are divided

(1) For non-residential Candidates for training.

(2) For going to the College to stay, and to employ paid Lay Workers in their parishes.

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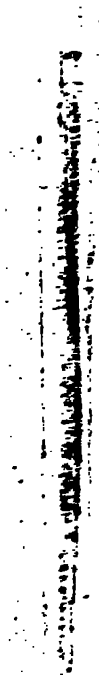
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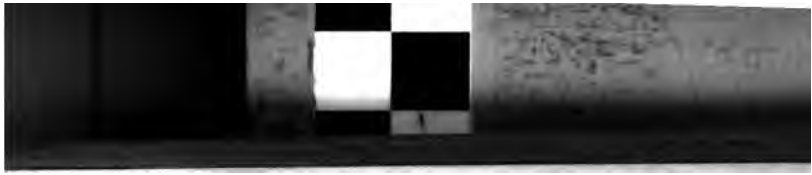












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