

XXV. THE FORM OF ENTHRONING A BISHOP AND INSTALLING
HIM AS DEAN.

The Chapter and Choir of the Cathedral Church, clothed in their proper habits, with the officers of the same, shall receive the Lord Bishop, robed in his Episcopal habit, and attended by his Chaplains, at the west door, in the forenoon, with due observance.

And the Bishop shall thus say to the Chief Dignitary that is to install him :

REVEREND SIR, We present unto you these Letters of Consecration of the Metropolitan of this Province, and we beseech you that you will induct, install and enthrone us Bishop of the Bishopric of Toronto, with all the rights, members and appurtenances thereunto belonging, and into the Deanery of this Cathedral Church.

Then the Letters of Consecration are to be delivered to the Chancellor of the Cathedral, and these being read by him, the installant shall say after the manner following :

We receive these Letters with great willingness and will show our regard to them upon your taking the oath customary in this behalf.

Then immediately, the Archdeacons, Canons, Clergy, Officers and Choir shall proceed in due order to the Chancel, the Bishop having the President of the Chapter on his right hand and the next highest dignitary on his left ; the Choir singing the Te Deum to the sound of the organ.

The Bishop, kneeling at the Holy Table, commends himself to God in private prayer, and rises up after the Collect " Prævent us, O Lord," said by the President of the Chapter.

The Bishop shall take the following oath :

In the name of God, Amen. We N., by Divine permission, Bishop of Toronto and Dean of this Cathedral Church, do promise and swear that we will be faithful to this Church of Toronto, and that we will give our help and assistance in faithfully defending the rights, liberties and dignities of this Church.

So help me God, and these Holy Gospels.

And he shall kiss the Book.

Then he is conducted to his Stall, hard by the west door of the choir, and caused to sit therein, the installant saying to him :—

Mayst thou adorn this thy seat amid thy brethren, given thee of God, with justice and with sanctity. God is mighty, and may He increase thy grace.

The Bishop answers : Amen.

Then is the Bishop conducted to the Episcopal throne, and the installant having caused him to sit therein, shall hold him by the right hand and say :—

The Lord keep thy coming in, and thy going out, from this time now and for ever. Amen.

We, N., acting as proxy for the Metropolitan of Canada, do install and enthrone you, reverend father, into the dignity and chair episcopal of this Cathedral Church, and we induct you into the real, actual, and corporal possession of the Bishopric of Toronto, and of all its rights, dignities, honors, privileges, and appurtenances whatsoever ; and we place you in this said seat, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Then shall the Bishop kneel down and recite the Lord's Prayer, all joining with him at the words, " And lead us not into temptation," to the end.