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The Bishop's Engagements for July.

We cannot give any exact list of the Bishop's Engagements for July. He expects to spend the whole month in visiting upwards of twenty small stations on the Canadian Labrador, returning to Gaspé Basin by the 1st of August. As was the case two years ago, the following Prayer may be used in Church at Morning and Evening Prayer, and in family worship and in private prayer during the five weeks commencing July 7th:

THE PRAYER.

Almighty God, to whom all things in heaven, in earth and under the earth do bow and obey and Who art a strong tower to all them that put their trust in Thee, be pleased to receive into Thy gracious protection the Bishop of our Diocese and his Chaplain whilst on their Missionary journeys; against all dangers and temptations stretch forth Thy right hand to help and defend them, keep them in health and happiness, prosper their way before Thy face, and bring them home again in peace and safety through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Archbishop of York on the Christian Priesthood.

AN ADDRESS TO HIS CLERGY.

There are many reasons which induce me at this time to select as my subject, the meaning and the character of the Christian

priesthood, particularly as it is understood by the Church of England. For this lies at the very root of all priestly work, and priestly life; and yet, unfortunately at the present time, it has become a subject of doubt and hesitation, and has even been drawn into the field of controversy. We cannot feel surprised that men should be deeply anxious to grasp and to guard the right conception of a truth so momentous, nor that some should be unnecessarily timid and others unduly bold in respect of it. While some, through misunderstanding, have underestimated their high-calling, others have been led to advance claims which cannot be supported by the teaching either of Holy Scripture or of the Primitive Church. I am not without hope that a sober and friendly consideration of this most important question, even within the limits of such a letter as this, may not only be helpful to us individually in our office and work, but may also bring us to be more of one heart and of one mind. There never was a time when it was more needful that we should be striving together for the faith of the Gospel, rather than contending, one with another, either as to Catholic Truth or Apostolical Order.

There is in truth one only priesthood—the priesthood of our Blessed Lord Himself. He is the Great High Priest in whom not only the priesthood of Aaron and of Melchizedek, but also the mediation of Moses are summed up, completed and perfected. In Him all priestly power resides, and from Him alone it can come. Yet St. Peter reminds the whole body of Christians