

And the Bishop also suggests to our people generally that this or some other appropriate petition may well be introduced into our family and private prayers. For on such occasions, if we would have a real blessing, we *must* look to something better than the wisdom of man, even for the special direction and indwelling of the Holy Spirit of God. And the need of this will be the more apparent, when our readers know that among the subjects to be considered are: (1) Marriage and Divorce; (2) the question of what shall be required of Candidates for Holy Orders; (3) what should be demanded of those who are inducted to Rectories; (4) the question of the Version of the Bible, from which our Church Lessons shall be read; (5) the reconstruction of our Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; (6) the continuance of regular or only of occasional Sessions of the Provincial Synod; (7) the dividing of the Province into two or more Provinces; (8) the erecting of a Canon on Discipline; (9) the question of the advisability of consecrating Suffragan Bishops to assist the Bishops who need help in the visitation of their Dioceses.

Surely with such subjects set down for consideration there is a strong call for earnest prayer that the Synod may be rightly directed by the Holy and Ever Blessed Spirit of Grace, and may decide all things in a way that shall redound to the honor and glory of God.

Ad Clerum.

We are requested by the Archdeacon to mention that ten copies each of the Rev. C. H. Brooks' tract, *Why am I a Churchman?* have been sent for distribution to the Clergy who were not concerned in its publication, with the kind regards of their brethren in the District of St. Francis,

Our Cathedral.

We have indeed good reason to "thank God and take courage." For whether we look at our Cathedral on Sundays or on Week-days, even *now*, during the summer season, with many of our regular worshippers away enjoying their holiday, we cannot help observing growth and brightness—a happy augury for the time to come.

On Sundays, while we shall indeed be glad to welcome back the ladies and gentlemen, who render during the greater part of the year such invaluable aid, the work done by the Choir boys with the able accompaniment of Mr. E. A. Bishop, has been most creditable and the Services both morning and evening have been a refreshment and pleasure to all who have been able to attend. And no doubt, owing in a great measure to the burning, earnest and telling sermons preached by the Rev. Dr. Dumbell, Rector of St. Mary's, Castleton, New York, the congregations generally have been exceptionally large.

On the Week-day mornings, too, at half-past nine, the bright and simple Cathedral Services have been really well rendered, and on many mornings in addition to the few regular worshippers, owing to the fact that the building has stood with inviting open doors, there have been many strangers; and only a week or two ago, a Clergyman from England met the Bishop on the Terrace and said how much he had enjoyed the Service of the day. And on the same day two young men from Boston, who had taken part in the same Service, said how glad they were to see the Church of England shewing herself to the front in a city like Quebec, more so, they said, as far as they could see, than in other Canadian cities.

Now, those who are most nearly concerned know only too well that there is in Quebec no room for boasting; and yet we may say again what we said just now, viz: that we "thank God and take courage."