

What is taking God's Name in vain ? *Speaking or acting in a thoughtless way as regards God or holy things.*

Name some ways in which we are apt to take God's Name in vain ? *By saying our Prayers carelessly, by behaving badly in Church, and by making light of serious things.*

### THE QUEEN'S MESSAGE.

Through the courtesy of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, a copy of the Queen's Message to Her Majesty's subjects throughout the Dominion, accompanied by the reply cabled by His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada, was delivered at the Bishop's House in Quebec before 12.00 P.M. on June 22nd. We print both the Message and Reply here for the sake of those of our readers who may not have had the opportunity of seeing them :—

#### THE MESSAGE.

"Buckingham Palace, London, June 22.  
"The Governor-General of Canada, Ottawa. From my heart I thank my beloved people. May God bless them!" (Signed,) "Victoria R. and I."

#### THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S REPLY.

"To the Queen, London. Ottawa, Tuesday, 6.12 A.M., (11.12 A.M. Greenwich time.) The Queen's most gracious and touching message this moment received shall be immediately made known to Your Majesty's people throughout the Dominion and will stir afresh hearts already full. On this memorable day, we offer the glad tribute of loyal devotion and affectionate homage. God save the Queen!" (Signed,) "Aberdeen, Governor-General."

### The Bishop's Address to Synod.

(Continued.)

#### II. THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE AND THE LANDING OF JOHN CABOT.

And, if thus we have great cause, as a people, for true and heartfelt thankfulness to Almighty God, we have also, this year, special reason for reverential adoration and for a special

burst of praise, owing to our position as members of a true and rightly derived Branch of the Holy Catholic Church. For, the Bishops of the Anglican Communion from all lands were earnestly invited by that noble-hearted Christian man, Dr. Benson, the late deeply lamented Archbishop of Canterbury, to meet this Summer instead of next Summer (which would have been the regular time) in conference at Lambeth, just because this year it is exactly thirteen hundred years since Augustine landed in Kent and was presently consecrated to be the first Bishop of the Anglo-Saxon Church, the first of the long and uninterrupted line of the Bishops and Archbishops of Canterbury. And, although Dr. Benson, the 92nd Archbishop, has been taken to his Rest, his great successor, Archbishop Temple, the 93rd of this glorious Line, has renewed the invitation, and has entered fully into the spirit of this great Commemoration.

It is not, my brethren, that we are to celebrate the thirteen hundredth anniversary of the introduction of Christianity into England. For we can never forget that there was a British Church which had existed for two or three hundred years at least before the arrival of Augustine, a British Church whose Bishops are recorded to have attended several early Councils of the Church of Christ, a British Church with its Martyrs and its early remains. But at the same time we know very well that at the period when Augustine landed in Kent, while the Queen Bertha was a Christian woman, ministered to by the French Bishop Luidhard in the little isolated British Church of St. Martin's, at Canterbury, her Royal Consort Ethelbert, King of Kent, and his subjects, and, indeed, the Saxon Races throughout the Angle-Land were living in Heathen darkness, having driven the British Church with the Light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ into Wales, Cornwall and Cumberland, and into what is still called Brittany in the North of France, whence, by the work of Patrick, Ninian, and Columba and others, that glorious Light was dawning fast on old Ireland, and upon the Lowlands and Highlands of Scotland besides. Thus, we have to thank God that he was pleased, in 597, to send his servant Augustine, by the command of Gregory