

Christ in the world ; and when the evening closed a few hurried prayers were uttered, the body wearied with toil, the hands ready to hang down, and the eyes to close in sleep.

“And what is the state of things now ? It is painful to reflect how little change has taken place, yet by God’s mercy something *has* been done, not, by any means, chiefly through me, but by those faithful teachers and ministers whom God hath sent among you. Some of you know and love the Church ; to more she has been a witness against sin, and thus her mission has been fulfilled ; the Gospel has been preached, the Sacraments and ordinances of Christ administered, your little ones have been taught, young men warned and instructed, the old exhorted and entreated. I feel sure that by many a bedside daily morning prayer is offered, and many a mouth that once delighted in cursing and lies now speaks words of truth and gentleness. In many places where, on the Lord’s day, the people were once as sheep without a shepherd, they have one to guide and lead them, or of themselves they gather together in Christ’s Name, and offer, in spirit and in truth, the sacrifice of righteousness.

“Three times has your faithful Bishop, upon whom falls daily ‘the care of all the churches,’ come to visit and to bless you. The first time there were but one or two ready for Confirmation. You held him in all reputation, and received him ‘even as your father in Christ Jesus ;’ but you