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Calendar.

CALENDAR WITH LESSONS.

Day	Evening	Morning
Nov. 1	1st	1st
2	2d	2d
3	3d	3d
4	4th	4th
5	5th	5th
6	6th	6th
7	7th	7th
8	8th	8th
9	9th	9th
10	10th	10th
11	11th	11th
12	12th	12th

Oct. 18.

Poetry.

GOD KNOWS IT ALL.

In the dim recess of thy spirit's chamber
Is there some hidden grief thou'st not tell?
Let not thy heart forsake thee; but remember
His pitying eye, who sees and knows it well,
God knows it all!

Hadst thou tossed on billows of temptation,
And wouldst do good, but evil oft prevails?
O think, amid the waves of tribulation,
When earthly hopes, when earthly refuge fails—
God knows it all!

Hadst thou sinned? thy deed of shame concealing
In some dark spot no human eye can see,
Thou walk in pride without one sigh revealing
The deep remorse that should disquiet thee?
God knows it all!

Art thou oppressed, and poor, and heavy-hearted,
The heavens above the thick black clouds arrayed,
And well-nigh crushed: no earthly strength imparted,
No friendly voice to say, "Be not afraid?"
God knows it all!

Art thou a mourner? are thy tear-drops flowing
For one too early lost to earth and thee?
The depths of grief no human spirit knowing?
Which man in secret, like the moaning sea—
God knows it all!

Doth thou look back upon a life of sinning?
Forward and trembling for thy future lot?
There's One who sees the end from the beginning,
Thy tear of patience is all unforget.
God knows it all!

Then go to God. Pour out your hearts before him,
There is no grief your Father cannot feel;
And let your grateful songs of praise adore him,
To save, forgive, and every wound to heal,
God knows it all—God knows it all!

Religious Miscellany.

EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE U. STATES, 1853.

MONDAY—FIFTH DAY.

Dr. Mason, of Maryland, proposed the following resolution and resolution:

Whereas, The mission of a Delegation from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, to which the Church in this country is so much indebted, affords a favourable opportunity for the expression by this Convention of the deep sympathy and concord of the Church of England with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, of the desire of this Convention to draw still closer the bonds of such sympathy and concord, therefore.

Resolved, (the H. B. concurring), That a Joint Committee of seven be appointed to take into consideration such measures as may tend to increase the friendly and catholic relations between the Churches of England, with her dependencies, and the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States, and to view to joint conciliatory action of this Church with all Churches in the Anglican communion.

Judge Williams, of Virginia, moved to lay the proposition on the table. He thought the Convention had enough business of its own, and that of the most important nature to perform, without troubling itself with the Mother Church.

Judge Chambers, of Maryland, seconded the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Mason, (his colleague). He thought the Convention, in consulting for the interest and welfare of the Church, could not be better em-

ployed than in adopting a measure for the cementing of the two Churches in stronger bonds than now exists, in their action for the promoting of the great objects of both. He hoped Judge Williams would withdraw the motion to lay on the table.

Judge Williams consented for the purpose of saying a word two as to his motive in making the motion.—He had meant nothing discourteous. Nobody would go farther than he in the interchange of kindly offices between the two Churches. The resolution suggested conciliatory action between them, however; and he thought this would lead to innovation upon the fundamental law of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Rev. Mr. Hanckel, of Georgia, moved to amend the resolution, so as to leave out the suggestion of "conciliatory" action between the Churches. The mover accepted the amendment.

Messrs. Trapier, of South Carolina, and Van Ingen, of New York, spoke in favor of the proposition.

The Rev. Mr. Ridgely, of Delaware, inquired if in such an alliance there was not a danger of raising suspicion in the public mind that this Church designed to seek alliance with the State. This was a matter requiring great caution; the public mind was liable to seize on vague rumors, and when once imbued with suspicion, it was a work of great difficulty to eradicate the same.

Other members, although feeling somewhat timid at the seeming discourtesy of laying the proposition on the table, thought that the gentleman, from Virginia had taken this course on good grounds.

Judge Williams inquired if, in seeking alliance and joint action with the English Society alluded to, this Church would not recognize its government, which is vested in the British Government. Before pursuing such a course, this Church must alter its constitution most materially.

Judge Chambers, of Maryland, would be one of the strongest opponents of any movement which tended to excite a suspicion of a desire to seek a union of Church and State; but he believed that the fears expressed on that subject, were altogether groundless. After a speech in favor of the proposition of his colleague, he addressed himself to the Reporters, assuring them that he was a Marylander, and he wished it to be distinctly understood that he did not want them to fix his acts of omission and commission on some imaginary Chambers of Connecticut, Virginia, or Pennsylvania. He was born and bred a Marylander, and he hoped to die one.

After further discussion, the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

TUESDAY—SIXTH DAY.

A communication was received from the House of Bishops, to the effect that an application had been received by them, on behalf of the Society for the P. G. F. P., asking their opinion on the revival of Convocation in the English Church, to which they replied that they did not deem it expedient to interfere in the internal arrangements of the Mother Church.

WEDNESDAY—SEVENTH DAY.

The Committee on the Bible reported in favor of accepting the quarto edition of Oxford as the standard of this Church, until such time as an edition of that work could be printed for the Church's use.—On motion, made the special business for this morning.

FRIDAY—NINTH DAY.

Rev. Dr. Meade said that in a few minutes, with the permission of the House, the House of Bishops would enter, and pronounce the sentence of deposition on the late Bishop of North Carolina.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating that they were ready to pronounce sentence of deposition on Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., and that they were of opinion it ought to be pronounced in the House of God, and in the presence of the clerical and lay Delegates of this Convention.

The Bishops then entered and ranged themselves around the chancel. Bishop Brownell, presiding Bishop, read the Lord's Prayer, and the last prayer in the office for the institution of Ministers, together with the prayer to be used during sessions of Conventions. He then read the following sentence:

Whereas, Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; in the Diocese of North Carolina, in a communication under his proper hand, bearing date, Rome, Dec. 22, 1852, avowed his purpose to resign his office as "Bishop of North Carolina," and further declared that he was "determined to make his submission, to the Catholic (meaning the Roman) Church." And whereas, there is before the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, acting under the provisions of Canon First, of 1853, satisfactory evidence that the said Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., has publicly renounced the communion with this Church, and made his submission to the Bishop of Rome, as universal Bishop of the Church of God and Vicar of Christ upon earth, thus acknowledging the pretensions of that Bishop, thereby violating the laws solemnly made by him, the said Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., at his consecration as a Bishop of the Church of God, abandoning that portion of the flock of Christ committed to his oversight, and binding himself under anathema, to the anti-Christian doctrines and practices imposed by the council of Trent upon all the Churches of Roman obedience.

Be it therefore known that on this 14th day of October, in the year of our Lord, 1853, I, Thomas Church Brownell, D. D. L. L. D., by Divine Permission, Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, and Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, with the consent of a majority of the members of the House of Bishops, as hereinafter enumerated, to wit:

[Here the sentence gives the names and titles of the following Bishops, according to seniority.]

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| Meade, of Va. | Johns (Assistant) of Va. |
| Hopkins, of Vt. | Eastburn, of Mass. |
| Smith, of Ky. | Chase, of N. H. |
| Mellvaine, of Ohio. | Cobbs, of Ala. |
| Doane, of N. J. | Hawks, of Mo. |
| Otoy, of Tenn. | Freeman, of the S. W. |
| Kemper, of Wis. and the North West. | Porter, of Pa. |
| McCorkry, of Mich. | Burgess, of Mo. |
| De Lancey, of Western New York. | Upfold, of Ia. |
| Whittingham, of Md. | Green, of Miss. |
| Elliot, of Ga. | Rutledge, of Fla. |
| Lee, of Del. | Williams, (Assistant) of Conn. |
| | Whitehouse, of Ill. |
| | Wainwright, (Provisional) N. Y. |

And in the terms of the canon, in such case made and provided, do pronounce the said Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., *ipso facto* deposed to all intents and purposes from the office of a Bishop of the Church of God, and from all the rights, privileges, powers and dignities thereunto pertaining.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost Amen. [All the Delegates pronouncing it emphatically.]

THOS. CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D. L. L. D., Bishop of Connecticut, and Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops.

The House then adjourned.

ENTHONEMENT OF THE BISHOP OF ST. ANDREWS.

St. Matthew's Day having been appointed by the bishop of the united diocese of St. Andrew's, Dunkeld and Dumblane, for his enthroning in his cathedral, a large number of the clergy and laity, under his lordship's spiritual jurisdiction, assembled at St. Ninian's, Perth. Four of the new prebendaries, appointed in virtue of their seniority in the diocese, were installed during morning prayer, on the above named day, viz: Messrs. Lyon, Milne, McMillan and Lendran. The dean of the diocese, an *ex officio* prebendary, had been previously installed. The procession having been formed in the sacristy, moved to the west door of the cathedral, through the choir and nave. The bishop was received by the provost, canons and prebendaries, at the west door, and conducted between the provost and precentor to the altar, the choir, in reverse order to that in which they had come down the church chanting the 93rd Psalm. The form (adapted from that formerly in