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Lessons for Sundays and Holy Days.

October 4th.—EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.
Morning.—Jeremiah 36. Ep. 4, v. 23 to 5, v. 32.
Evening.—Ezekiel 2, or 13, to v. 17. Luke 6, v. 20.

APPROPRIATE HYMNS for eighteenth and nineteenth Sundays after Trinity, compiled by Mr. F. Gatward, organist and choir master of St. Luke's Cathedral, Halifax, N.S. The numbers are taken from H. A. & M., but many of which are found in other hymnals:

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Holy Communion: 197, 313, 315, 555.
Processional: 175, 242, 297, 421.
Offertory: 223, 235, 423, 550.
Children's Hymns: 276, 334, 340, 565.
General Hymns: 80, 180, 257, 424, 546, 617.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Holy Communion: 177, 312, 314, 553.
Processional: 202, 203, 268, 390.
Offertory: 167, 234, 293, 545.
Children's Hymns: 271, 338, 341, 567.
General Hymns: 9, 38, 207, 211, 215, 516.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

The members of Christ have enemies to contend against, as well as blessings to receive. As they share the common gifts, so also they share the common dangers and difficulties of the body to which they belong. To resist these dangers and fight against these difficulties is then a part of our Christian calling or vocation; and it is to this that the services of this day turn our thoughts. To-day we learn how we who have "received the fullness of God's grace," go out in the strength of that grace, to fight "under Christ's banner, against the world, the flesh and the devil." From these words, then, which the Church pronounces over every one of her regenerate members, we see that the foes we have to fight against are not imaginary; they are real and powerful though invisible, and because invisible all the more dangerous. But to be able to withstand our enemies we must know something of them, and find out how they attack us. By "the world" we mean anything which entices or draws

us away from the service of God. Its temptations may vary according to our different ages, circumstances and characters; but every one who serves God in His Church militant on earth is in some way or other subject to the evil influence of "the world" in which he lives. Upon some it works through ambition or the desire to be great among our fellow men; upon others through covetousness or the love of riches. Sometimes it tempts us in the form of worldly ease or pleasure; but if through our particular circumstances or station it cannot tempt us through these outward things, then it sometimes penetrates into the secret corners of our hearts. It corrupts our motives, and turns even our best actions into snares and occasions of falling. It tempts us to seek our own glory, not God's honour,—to look to the praise of men rather than the praise of God. We see, then, that as long as we are in the world, we cannot altogether withdraw ourselves from its influence. Old and young, rich and poor, all are in some degree open to its temptations; therefore we pray to God, not that He would take us out of it, but that he would "keep us from the evil of it." Seeing then the difficulties and dangers which now surround the people of God, we shall read with thankfulness, in the epistle, of the safeguards which are provided for us in our Christian calling. This passage is particularly applicable to the Christian Church at this time. This being the last day on which it is possible that the ordination Sunday may fall, it is chosen with an especial reference to the ministers of Christ, and to the people committed to their charge. To the one it speaks of the gifts which they convey; to the others of the benefits received through their means. In it we may all unite to "thank God for the grace which is given us by Jesus Christ." We may all bless Him that He has given us such a measure of His gifts as will meet the particular necessities and dangers of the office or station to which we are called; and we may all join in the hope that, if we use them rightly, He will "confirm us unto the end, that we may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ." Thus in the services for this day, we see what our dangers are, and how they are to be withstood. We learn to watch and pray against them, while at the same time we trust for success only to the "grace which is given us by Jesus Christ." Thus armed, the "enemy shall not be able to do us violence, the son of wickedness shall not hurt us." Christ Himself, at the very time when He bade us go forth to fight against the enemies of our salvation, also gave us "power to have victory and to triumph over the devil, the world and the flesh."

OUR OFFER OF HISTORICAL PICTURES.

We have much pleasure in offering to our numerous friends and subscribers an opportunity of obtaining what are considered on all hands to be excellent pictures of the bishops, clergy and laity who were members of the General Synod of the Church in the Dominion of Canada, held in Winnipeg, Sept., 1896. One represents the bishops (eighteen in number) in their Convocation robes, who formed the Upper House, the other the prominent clergy and influential laymen from all parts of the Dominion, who formed the Lower House.

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make a picture suitably framed 18x14 inches. It is almost needless to say that such pictures, besides having great interest attached to them at the present time, will be most highly prized in years to come.

These photographs are the only ones which were taken during the sitting of the Synod. They are controlled by us, and cannot be procured from any other source, and give excellent likenesses of each of the bishops, clergy and laity. The price of each, if sold alone, is \$1.50.

Our aim is to increase the circulation of the CANADIAN CHURCHMAN, hoping that by doing so we are introducing into many families good sound Church teaching, and interesting Church news. We have made great efforts to procure these pictures, and to offer them to all who will aid us in our work at the very lowest possible price. The expense and risk has been considerable, so great that beyond the usual cost of procuring the photographs, we felt it necessary to have them copyrighted so that the chance of loss might be reduced to a minimum. No profit is made on the pictures; the only advantage we seek is the increased circulation of our paper.

We make the following offer: Any one paying up his subscription to this paper due up to the end of the year 1896, and also the subscription in advance for the year 1897, may have either of the pictures for 50 cents or both of them for \$1. New subscribers paying one year in advance, can have the pictures on the same terms. We guarantee that the pictures shall be safely delivered, or if injured and returned to this office, replaced by others. We respectfully hope that in this effort of ours to secure for Churchmen the pictures of those who made up this important Synod, we are doing them a service, and trust that by accepting our offer they may honour us with a proof of their appreciation.

THE CHURCH CONFERENCE.

The great success of the Church Conference just held in Toronto is of more importance than readily appears. It is not merely that the meetings were well attended—beyond all expectation. Nor is it only that the papers were, on the whole, quite worthy of the occasion. What is of even more importance is the effect of the Conference upon the future of such meetings. If this one had been a failure or a very doubtful success, the prospect of any Church Congress in Canada for years to come would have been very poor. Thirteen years ago an attempt was made at Hamilton with very fair success. A year later Toronto had a kind of Church Congress. These meetings were by no means failures. They were not failures at all, they were the somewhat weak beginnings of a promising enterprise. But some kind of epidemic occurred to prevent the third meeting being held, and so the scheme fell through. It is much to be hoped that advantage may be taken of the great success of the recent Conference, and that those who have already done so well may be encouraged to keep the scheme alive. In this connection we ought to put on record the debt of gratitude which the members of the Church of England owe to the committee, and more especially to those members of the committee on whom the burden of organizing the meeting chiefly fell. We mean, of course, the Rev. Herbert Symonds

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