

CLERICAL SUCCESSION TRACED—A PARALLEL AND A CONTRAST.

PRIESTS, PHARISEES, ETC., AS OF OLD.

Sat in Moses' seat, but said and did not.

Bound heavy burdens on men; but did not help.

All their works were done to be seen of men.

Made broad their garments, &c.

Loved uppermost rooms at feasts.

Loved chief seats in the synagogues.

Loved greetings in the markets.

Loved to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.

PRIESTS, CLERGY, ETC., AS AT PRESENT.

Sit in Apostles' seats, read what they said, but do not.

Add obligations on the consciences of men; and burdens on their purses; but won't aid, even with a little finger.

They love the praises of men more than the praise of God. Have the persons of men in admiration because of advantage; Sermons to suit tastes, prayers, praises, &c., as required by their hearers.

Wear peculiar hats; white neck-ties, knee-breeches, cloaks and other sacerdotal raiments.

On the platform at soirees; tea parties, religious breakfasts, and other religious feasts.

Love high pulpits, where the Minister and his clerical brethren may be seen; sacrifice for any one else to enter.

Love salutations, touching of hats, bows, and courtesies of their "people."

Love to be called of men Holy Fathers in God, Right-Reverends, Reverends, Leaders, Teachers, &c. &c.

EVANGELISTS, ELDERS, ETC., AS THEY OUGHT TO BE, ETC.

Holding fast the *true doctrine* as he has been taught; that he may be able by wholesome teaching, both to exhort and to confute the gainsayers. Tit. i. 9, 2 Tim. ii. 2.

The Bishops then must be * * * hospitable—not a lover of money. 1 Tim. iii. If any man add to these things, God shall add to him the plagues. Rev. xxii. 19.

Take heed that you do not your religious duties before men, to be observed by them. Matt. vi. 1. For there will be a time when they will not endure wholesome doctrine, but having itching ears, they will, according to their own lusts heap up to themselves teachers. 2 Tim. iv. 3.

Be vigilant, grave, prudent, healthy by faith, love patience. Tit. ii. 2.

My brethren, do not hold the faith of our glorious Lord Jesus Christ with partial regard for persons. James ii. 1, read to 5.

Whoever will exalt himself shall be humbled, and whoever will humble himself shall be exalted. Matt. xxiii. 12.

All you are brothers. The greatest of you, on the contrary, shall be servants. Matt. xxiii. 11.

But as for you, assume not the title of Rabbi, for you have only one teacher. Neither assume the title of leader, for you have only one leader, who is the Messiah. Matt. xxiii. 9, 10.