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Feb. 17.-First Sunday in Lent. Morning - Gen. 19, 12, 30; Matt. 26, 31, 57. Evening - Gen. 22, 1, 20. or 23; Rom. 2, 1, 17.

III. SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

There is a very strong element in human lives that seems to draw us together. It rises above petty feuds, conquers hatred, overwhelms neighbourly disagreements, yea! even in times of warfare it prevails. This is the element of suffering, sickness and pain. It seems to stand pre-eminent and its claims of relief are recognized, man will minister to man, in the time of need. In this respect mankind is bound together in a common brotherhood of sympathy. The foundation of hospitals, asylums, homes for the aged, the widow and the orphan, and such philanthropic works are, without a doubt, due to the Divine principle of love in man, and the Blessings of the Incarnation. In many instances no claim is granted to the Divine, nor is the Incarnation recognized. Nevertheless it is a work of love, and "God is Love." Jesus Christ bore all our sorrows, infirmities, sadness. He bore the punishment due to our sins-a penalty which we could not bear for love. And shall not we bear with our neighbour with long-suffering patience, feel for him in times of pain and sorrow and with him in times of trouble? Sickness may be the result of our lack of wisdom. Infirmities of the flesh may be the sins of the fathers' visited upon the children.

No matter what the philosophy of pain and sin may be-we must feel the after effects. We do suffer and are constantly enduring pain in some form. Byron expresses it so beautifully when he says, "Our life is a false nature, 'tis not in the harmony of things." How true! Our real being is of Heaven. We came from God. We belong to Him, and we are to return to Him. Our infirmities belong not to our being, but are of the earth, earthy. In Jesus we have the Restorer of human nature, manifested on this Sunday. He heals the leper and He heals the palsy. The Church practically brings Christ before her people as the Restorer. We have not the Unction of the Sick, as in a former English Prayer Book, but we have "The Visitation of the Sick," and "The Communion of the Sick," and the ministrations of the clergy. How dependently we pray in our Collect, "Almighty and Everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities, stretch forth thy right hand to keep and defend us." In sin there is danger, evil and suffering. In redemption from sin is the central and fundamental remedy. More and more and higher and higher rises Jesus the True Emancipator of Man and Redeemer, as the sun giving light to a dark world. Jesus Christ the Son of God, supplies alone the real remedies for human sorrows and sins. To Him we lift our voices in prayer.

Mrs. Carmichael.

There passed away on the 16th inst, at St. George's rectory, Montreal, the beloved wife of the Bishop of the diocese, after a long and trying illness. Mrs. Carmichael, who had been ill for some years past, was stricken down some weeks since, and has lingered, hovering between life and death, in a semi-conscious condition. Of a sweet and gentle disposition, she was beloved by all who had the privilege of knowing her. As a devoted wife and mother, she leaves behind her a sorrowing husband and sons, who, however, sorrow not "as those without hope;" believing that the saintly soul of their dear one has entered into the nearer presence of the Lord she loved and served so well. The "Canadian Churchman" extends its respectful sympathy to His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal and to the members of his family in this hour of sorrow, and joins in the prayers which will ascend to the Throne of Grace for their comfort and support from the loving hearts of the parishioners of St. George's; the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Montreal, and His Lordship's numerous other friends throughout the whole Canadian Church.

Primate of All Canada.

To the Diocese of Toronto has come the honour and distinction of providing in the person of Dr. Sweatman a new Primate for the Anglican Branch of the Church in our great and growing Dominion. To a noble character laborious habits, executive ability, profound knowledge of the Canon Law of the Church, and the conduct of synodical business. Archbishop Sweatman unites loyalty to the traditions and institutions of the Church, and staunch and devoted friendship to all her faithful members firm in principle, decisive in judgment, yet gentle and forbearing to a degree. Dr. Sweatman has won the esteem and affection of those who have been intimately associated with him in the great and noble cause to which he has devoted his life. From one end of Canada to the other sincere and earnest prayer will go up that the Giver of all good will abundantly bless and honour him, and the Church over which he presides, in the exercise of the duties of his new and exalted

Wanted! A Cathedral.

If anything were needed to show the parochial character of the Churchmanship of the Diocese of Toronto, the lack of a broad and comprehensive conception of the great principles for which the Anglican Branch of the Church in Canada stands, its historic traditions, its statesmanlike polity and the impressive dignity of its sober ritual, nothing could demonstrate it more forcibly to the outer world than the lonely chancel of the unfinished St. Alban's Cathedral, which for long years has marked the sky line on the western side of Howland Avenue in the city of Toronto. One would have thought that the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury to the chancel to which we refer, and his words of incitement and hope, publicly uttered within its walls, would have borne some fruit. So far they have been uttered seemingly in vain. And now we have had one of those great solemn and notable gatherings of Prelates called from the various dioceses of Canada for the election of an Archbishop and Primate and they come from far and near to the fragmentary chancel on Howland Avenue, Toronto. One cannot conceive such lack of patriotism, liberality or devotion in any part of the British Isles or the United States as this monument of ineffectiveness demonstrates. The glorious ruins of the Old World testify to the strong faith / and unselfish generosity of the Churchmen of other days. But we cannot help feeling that the fragmentary chancel, to which we have referred, testifies to the lack of these noble qualities in some of their descendants in the days in which we live. Though the instance cited gives rise to dejection, it does not call for despair. We are by no means lacking in men who are loyal to the Church and liberal in her cause: Churchmen of large as well as of small means. "There is a tide," the great damatist says, "in the affairs of men, which taken at the flood leads on to fortune." Who dare deny that even during the present year this lamentable neglect may be atoned for, and that Churchmen and women, too, throughout the great Diocese of Toronto may begin with earnestness and energy to push forward the building of this House of the Lord; this centre point of activity and devotion of that branch of His Church on earth of which they are true and loyal members. Now that Dr. Sweatman has been elected Primate of All Canada we would not be surprised were the Bishops and laity of all the dioceses of Canada, in a spirit of noble unselfishness, to come to the aid of their venerable Primate, and by a united donation, worthy of the cause, help him to realize the hope and aim of his long, devoted, and unselfish life,—the building of St. Alban's Cathedral now the Cathedral, not merely of the Diocese of Toronto, but of his grace the Archbishop of Toronto, and the Metropolitan and Primate of All Canada. Whilst we write thus we are deeply sensible that we are not urging a work for the glory of man, but one that His Grace has founded, nourished and, under circumstances of the most discouraging character, toiled over, for the glory of God, and the advancement of His Church on earth.

Kingston, Jamaica.

Canadians of every class and creed have been appalled and distressed at the fearful and devastating calamity, which in a moment, without warning, has destroyed a large portion of the beautiful city of Kingston, and brought suffering, sorrow and death to hundreds of homes within its borders. The awful results which followed the earthquake in San Francisco touched the heart of all Canada. Little did we then suspect that one of our own fair West Indian Islands would so soon thereafter be visited by a similar disaster. Words are ineffectual to convey to our afflicted