

The image which thy bounty has imprinted on our intellects causes us to leave this earth with a sigh, that we have not had sufficient years to render homage and thanks to thee.

*The Congregation to say, Amen.*

True it is, that our gratitude is incomplete; but thy mighty power will transform, and infuse into us new life, in some other hemisphere, and endue us with other intellects, to gratify and complete our adoration, acknowledgments, and thanks to thee.

*The Congregation to say, Amen.*

The coffin is then to be let into the grave, the nearest relatives to succeed each other in throwing three spades of ground on the coffin. A funeral oration may, or may not, be pronounced.

### *Mourning.*

Every person is not to speak audibly, but only in a whisper, mouth to ear, for four weeks after the death, or knowledge thereof, of a father or mother; three weeks for a wife or husband; two weeks for a grandfather, grandmother, great grandfather, great grandmother, son, or daughter; one week for an uncle or aunt; two days for a cousin; except exemption is allowed by the director, priest, or minister, or head director, who are exempted when officiating on duty. During the above time of mourning, no feasting or diversion is to be partook of by the persons in