

but no means of entering them, fields whitening for the harvest and no labourers to gather the golden grain—nay, having strong men, with tears running down their cheeks, begging for the Church's ministrations for themselves and their children, only to receive the chilling reply "I cannot." But, my brother, I would not discourage you. God forbid! The call you have obeyed is a divine one: you did not seek it. It came to you from the assembled Church, only after solemn and silent prayer for the guidance of the Holy Ghost. And you obeyed it, not hastily, as a prize to be grasped at, but after deep searchings of heart and earnest and frequent asking, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" Doubt not, therefore, that you are to-day treading the path of duty, and dismiss the fears and questionings that intrude themselves. The path before you will not be one strewn with flowers. You would not have it so if you could. Difficulties and discouragements will confront you, trying your faith, testing your patience, tempting you at times, not merely to despondency, but almost to despair, but "Be strong and of a good courage." Friends may seem to fail you, the Church's tender care may cool, may cease towards the child she bare, but God will take your very disappointments, and, in the secret alchemy of His good providence, transmute them into stepping stones, lifting you individually into a more perfect resignation to His will. Therefore, while working "for the edifying of the Body of Christ" "rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him," for "they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

The sermon ended, the Bishop of Montreal (acting under a commission received from the Metropolitan, the Archbishop of Ontario) took his seat in the face of the congregation, and the two presenting Bishops (the Bishops of Fredericton and Ottawa) presented the Bishop-elect in the form prescribed in the Consecration Service, as follows:

Most Reverend Father in God, we present unto you this godly and well learned man to be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop.

The necessary oaths of allegiance and of due obedience to the Archbishop of the Province had been previously taken

by the Bishop-elect according to the canon, and consequently the acting Metropolitan simply called for the record of the election of the Rev. Canon Thorne-loe, D.D., at the recent special session of the Provincial Synod, and this record of election was read by the Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal, Prolocutor of the Lower House. This done, the acting Metropolitan addressed the congregation, calling upon them to join in prayer, and saying:

Brethren, it is written in the Gospel of Saint Luke, that our Saviour Christ continued the whole night in prayer before he

(sitting again in his chair), with the other Bishops standing around him and the people all standing, questioned the Bishop-elect in the form prescribed, and offered a special prayer that he may have strength and power to perform all his sacred promises.

At this point (the people still standing), Mr. Bishop, the organist, played an interlude, the Bishop-elect meanwhile putting on the rest of the episcopal habit, and then all, except the Bishops, kneeling down, the *Veni Creator Spiritus* was sung, and further prayer offered, after which, while the choir and people still

kneelt, the acting Metropolitan and other Bishops stood over the Bishop-elect and laid their hands upon his head, the acting Metropolitan pronouncing the words:

Receive the Holy Ghost, for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. And remember that thou stir up the grace of God which is given thee by this imposition of our hands; for God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and soberness.

The acting Metropolitan then delivered a Bible into the hands of the newly consecrated Bishop, and addressed him, still kneeling, in the form prescribed.

The Bishops having returned to their former places, the offertory was read, and hymn 79, "As with Gladness Men of Old," was sung. This was followed by the usual Order for the Holy Communion, with only this deviation, viz., that towards the end of the service, and immediately before the Benediction, there was offered another special prayer for the newly-con-

secrated Bishop. After the blessing, as a recessional hymn was sung that beginning: "To the Name of Our Salvation."

PRESENTATION OF AN ADDRESS AND PECTORAL CROSS.

Immediately after the dispersion of the vast congregation the clergy of the Diocese of Quebec reassembled in the cathedral, and grouped themselves in their robes before the altar. They were joined presently by the Bishop of Algoma, who was led in by the Bishop of Quebec, the Archdeacon, and the Rev. G. H. Parker, rector of Compton. The Archdeacon then read and presented to the Bishop of Algoma an address from his



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did choose and send forth His twelve Apostles. It is written also in the Acts of the Apostles, that the disciples who were at Antioch did fast and pray before they laid hands on Paul and Barnabas, and sent them forth. Let us, therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ, and His Apostles, first fall to prayer, before we admit and send forth this person presented unto us, to the work whereunto we trust the Holy Ghost hath called him.

The Litany was then sung by the Rev. E. A. Dunn, B.A., Chaplain to the Bishop of Quebec, with the proper suffrage in behalf of the Bishop-elect, the Bishop of Montreal taking the concluding prayer (which is to be found in the Consecration Service). And then the acting Metropolitan,