

# THE CANADIAN CHURCHMAN.

"Stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the Old Paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls."

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR.

Date.	1st Lesson.	2d Lesson.
May 29, SUN. APT. TRIN.	M. Jos. 10.	Mat. 27. 1 Cor. 12.
" 30	M. Esth. 1.	Mat. 28. 1 Cor. 13.
" 31	M. " 2.	Mark 1. 1 Cor. 14.
June 1	M. " 3.	Mark 2. 1 Cor. 15.
" 2	M. " 4.	Mark 3. 1 Cor. 16.
" 3	M. " 5.	Mark 4. 2 Cor. 1.
" 4	M. Job 1.	Mark 5. 2 Cor. 2.
" 5, SUN. APT. TRIN.	M. Judges 4.	Mark 6. 2 Cor. 3.

## THE COMMON-PLACE BOOK.

### SLEEPER NOT.

Rouse thee from thy slumber!  
Rouse thee, soul! unto the strife;  
Let not sleep enumber  
The strong energies of life.

Time is yet before thee,  
Orient yet is thy life's sun;  
Now his light shines o'er thee,  
And the life day has begun.

Soon will come its setting  
On the labors of this earth,  
With a deep forgetting  
Of these dwellings of thy birth.

Trust not, then, to-morrow:  
Work, work, while it is to-day;  
Yield not unto sorrow;  
Fling not strength and time away.

Let thy strong endeavour  
Ever bring good out of ill;  
Yield to doubts never,  
Crush them with an iron will.

Think no more of grieving  
At the thwartings of thy fate,  
But, repinings leaving,  
Work in hope, and learn to wait.

### HOPE.

Hope is a beautiful meteor; like the rainbow, it is not only lovely because of its seven rich and radiant stripes—it is the memorial of a covenant entered into between man and his Maker, telling us we were born for immortality; destined, unless we sepulchre our greatness, to the highest honor and noblest happiness. Hope proves man deathless; it is the struggle of the soul breaking loose from what is perishable, and attesting her eternity; and when the eye of the mind is turned upon Christ delivered for our offences, and raised again for our justification, the unsubstantial and deceitful character is taken away from hope. Hope is one of the prime pieces of that armor of proof in which the believer is arrayed; for Paul tells us to take for a helmet the hope of salvation. It is not good that a man hope for wealth, since riches profit not in the day of wrath; and it is not good that he hope for human honors, since the mean and mighty go down to the same burial. But it is good that he hope for salvation. The meteor then gathers like a golden halo around his head, and, as he presses forward in the battle-time, no weapon of the Evil One can pierce through that helmet. It is good, then, that he hope; it is good, also, that he quietly wait. There is much promised in Scripture to the waiting upon God. Men wish for immediate answer to prayer, and think themselves forgotten unless the reply be instantaneous. It is a great mistake. The delay is often part, and a great part of the answer. It exercises faith, and hope, and patience; and what better thing can be done for us than strengthening those graces to whose growth shall be proportioned the splendors of immortality? It is good, then that we wait. "They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."

—H. Melville.

## Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

### DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

#### THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

##### PALM SUNDAY—MISSION FUND.

Collections made in the several Churches and Chapels and Missionary Stations, in behalf of Missionary objects within the Diocese, appointed for Palm Sunday.

Previously announced in *Canadian Churchman* Vol. I, No. 42. £95 13 0 1/2  
Smith's Falls, per Rev. G. Tremayne. 0 18 9  
St. James' Church, Dundas, £1 10 0  
St. John's Church, Ancaster, 1 6 6  
per Rev. A. W. Bell, 2 16 6

37 Collections amounting to..... 99 8 3 1/2

Collections in behalf of the same object, appointed to be taken up on Trinity Sunday.

St. Paul's Church, Yorkville, per Churchwarden, £3 13 4  
Barrie, per Churchwarden, 3 17 9  
St. George's Church Guelph per Rev. A. Palmer A.B., 3 0 3  
Trinity Church Cornwall, £4 5 0  
Christ's Church Moulinette, per Rev. H. Patton, 0 15 0  
5 0 0

5 Collections..... £15 11 4

##### DISTRICT BRANCHES.

Elbow—Simcoe Branch... £10 4 0 1/2  
do do do for Widows and Orphans... 12 14 0 1/2  
—per Rev. F. Evans, including his annual subscription and that of Rev. Geo. Salmon for 1851..... £22 18 3

The annual meeting of the Diocesan Church Society will be held, D.V. at the St. James' Parochial School house, on Wednesday the 1st June proximo, at 2 p.m. The Clergy are requested to assemble at the Church of the Holy Trinity Yonge Street at 1 o'clock p.m. of that day in their robes. The Clergy not engaged to stay with any particular friends during their sojourn in town, are requested to call on their arrival at the Secretary's office.

There will be an adjourned Meeting of the Society, held at the Society's Board-Room on the 31st, for ordinary despatch of business.

THOMAS SMITH KENNEDY,  
Sec. of the Church Soc.

Church Society's Office,  
Toronto, May 25, 1853.

To the Rev. Dominic E. Blake, A. B., Rector of Thornhill, Rural Dean of the Home District.

We, the undersigned, being incorporated members of the Church Society, residing in said District, request that you will take such steps, as to you may seem expedient, to organize a "District Association" of said Church Society for the Home District.

JAMES BEAVEN, P. B. DEBLAQUIERE.  
SALTER GIVINS, J. G. D. MCKENZIE.  
G. W. ALLEN, T. SMITH KENNEDY.  
RICHARD MITCHELL, STEPHEN LETT.  
May 4, 1853.

In compliance with the above requisition, I would respectfully invite the attendance of the members of the Church Society residing in the several parishes comprised in the Home District, at the Society's house, on Tuesday the 31st inst., at 2 p.m., to take such steps as may be deemed expedient, in order to organize an Association, to be called the Home District Branch Association.  
D. E. BLAKE, Rural Dean.  
Thornhill, May 23, 1853.

##### ADDRESS TO THE VEN. THE ARCHDEACON OF YORK.

On Tuesday last the 10th inst., a large and highly respectable deputation from the congregation of St. Peter's Church presented to the Archdeacon the following address.

To the Venerable Doctor Bethune, Archdeacon of York and Rector of the Parish of Cobourg.

REV. AND VERY DEAR SIR:—  
We the Churchwardens and congregation of St. Peter's Church, Cobourg, upon your arrival once more amongst us, after a separation of twelve months, beg to approach you with a most cordial welcome, and to offer to yourself and family our warmest congratulations on your safe and happy return; while at the same we would take occasion humbly to express our heartfelt thanks to Almighty God for His kind providence in permitting us thus again to meet as Pastor and flock.

We have from time to time heard with satis-

faction, as your parishoners, of your arduous and unceasing endeavours to promote the great object of your visit to the Mother Country; and if well directed zeal and ability in a just cause may ever ensure success, there can be no doubt your labours will be abundantly rewarded.

With sincere pleasure, also we take the present opportunity expressing our unfeigned satisfaction at the arrangements made by you for the performance of your sacred duties during the period of your absence. The Reverend gentlemen to whom these duties were confided, have discharged them in a manner to obtain the best thanks of the congregation; and we are sure in expressing a hope that some means may be devised by which such valuable and efficient service can be secured permanently to the parish—the growing interests of which manifestly require additional ministerial assistance, we but give utterance to a very general desire of the community.

Praying the Almighty may long continue to us the blessing of a connection so justly endeared we beg in conclusion to subscribe ourselves,

Rev Sir,

Your attached and grateful people the Congregation of St. Peter's Church, Cobourg.

By OUR CHURCHWARDENS.

To which he returned this reply.  
To the Churchwardens and Congregation of St. Peter's Church, Cobourg.

MY DEAR PARISHONERS AND VALUED FRIENDS:—  
While I thank you from my inmost heart for your cordial welcome to my beloved home and parish, I cannot refrain from expressing publicly in your presence my fervent thankfulness to Almighty God for permitting me to experience the happiness of this moment.

Combined with what was deemed a necessary recreation after many years of varied and unremitting labour, there were many matters of high and vital interest to the holy cause of our Church which served to prolong my stay in the Mother Country, and my absence from you. To these I felt it dutiful to apply my best efforts; and though they have been freely and heartily given the result cannot depend on man's skill or wisdom, but must be left, with hope and confidence, to the wise and merciful Disposer of events.

It rejoices me to hear that the arrangements for the performance of the duties of this large and important Parish during my absence, have been so satisfactory to you; and I should be happy indeed if the assistance in my parochial labours which I am now so fortunate as to possess, can be permanently secured. We shall have, I trust an early opportunity of conferring upon this important matter, and of effecting, with the sanction of our venerated Bishop, an arrangement which will be on all hands satisfactory.

Restored, as I have been, to you, and having commenced again the duties from which I have been so long removed, I have only to express my hope and prayer that through grace from on high, our renewed relationship as pastor and flock may long continue to be abundantly blessed.

A. N. BETHUNE.

The Rectory, Cobourg,  
May 10, 1852.

##### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

###### COBOURG.

This large and flourishing Parish has always taken a deep interest in the affairs of the Church Society, and set a good example of munificence and christian liberality to the other parishes of the District. During the past summer, the building of St. Peter's new Church has principally occupied the attention of the parishoners; and they have been repeatedly called upon to pay up instalments to the building fund, for the purpose of carrying on the work. By great exertions the brick work has been completed, and the building enclosed; and it is hoped, that in the course of the ensuing season, the contract for the interior work will be given out, and the entire structure completed without any unnecessary delay.

The heavy engagements inseparable from this great undertaking, together with the removal from the list of a few subscribers, who were liberal contributors to the Society, have caused a slight diminution in the subscriptions for the past year. Your committee, however, are happy to report that the sum of £85 has been subscribed, being about the same amount as was contributed the preceding year; one-fourth of which will be duly forwarded to the Parent Society for general purposes. And but for the unavoidable absence from the parish of its highly esteemed Pastor, together with the lamentable illness of the Assistant Minister, the amount would, in all probability, have been still greater. When all these circumstances are taken into consideration, your Committee have reason to be thankful for what has been really accomplished, as evincing the same lively interest which has always been dis-

played by this community in the maintenance and extension of sound church principles. And very much credit is due to the gentlemen, who have so faithfully and zealously exerted themselves in the work of collection.

###### PORT HOPE.

A very interesting Parochial Meeting was held in the Church of St. John's Port Hope, on the 31st January, which was numerously and respectably attended. A number of Resolutions were passed expressive of a warm interest in the Society's proceedings, and a fixed determination to assist in carrying out its various objects. The same amount, viz., £8, as was forwarded to the Society last year, was again promised; and a strong desire expressed, on the part of the Rector, to pay over to the Society the whole amount which might be raised in the parish for its different objects.

Your Committee are happy to observe that large and extensive improvements have recently been effected in this Church at a cost of £300; by which much increase of accommodation has been secured, and the Church thereby rendered more spacious and comfortable. In this praiseworthy undertaking, the ladies of the parish have not been backward in rendering their valuable aid, through the medium of sewing societies.

###### CAVAN.

Owing to the severe and protracted illness of the esteemed Rector of this parish, the interests of the Society have not been prosecuted as vigorously as they otherwise would have been. But your Committee have reason to believe, from a promise already given, that the work of collection has been going on, and that the subscriptions will not fall short of those made in former years.

###### CLARKE AND DARLINGTON.

The same cause, viz., the severe illness of the Incumbent, has operated unfavorably to some extent in this mission, as in Cavan. But, notwithstanding this, your Committee have been assured that the sum sent to the Parent Society this year will greatly exceed the amount paid in last year. And they are happy to be enabled to state, that of late, a decided improvement has taken place in the minds of the people, respecting the Church Society. The report states, that the efforts of the mission in behalf of local objects, during the last six or nine months, have been exceedingly creditable. The sum of £42 10s. has been paid for a bell for the Church in *Doumanville*; and £100 pledged (one-half of which is paid) for a new organ, which has recently been erected in the Church; and the sum of £25 more has been paid on account of the improvements, in putting up the new Church front in the same village.

In *Clarke*, the sum of £27 10s. has been collected for the purchase of a melodeon for St. George's Church; and the further sum of £30 contributed towards the erection of extensive sheds in connection with the Church. And both parishes have contributed a further sum of nearly

###### GRAFTON.

In this interesting parish, Church matters continue in a most satisfactory state. The little body of Churchmen who comprise the regular congregation contribute an amount to the various objects of the Church Society, seldom equalled even by parishes which contain three or four times the number of members. The quarterly collections for the Society contrast very strongly with the amounts contributed by other rural parishes similarly situated; and from that there is no want of zeal, or co-operation in this good cause.

The Parochial Committee have raised, during the past year, the sum of £19 5s. one-fourth of which amount is to be paid over to the Parent Society.

Besides this, a very neat chancel window of stained glass has been procured for the church, the expense of which has been defrayed by four or five individuals.

###### COLBORNE.

Here also the claims of the Society upon the liberality of our people are not forgotten; and much zeal has been displayed by the gentlemen who generously gave their time to the work of collection. The *bona fide* members of the Church in this locality are not numerous, and with two £200 towards the erection of a new Church to be built some four or five miles back in the country.

This is cheering evidence, that the cause of our Church is prospering, and that a spirit of energy and activity is pervading the minds of our people, wherever the standard of the Cross has been planted, and the teaching of the Church brought to bear on them.

From the Darlington Parochial Committee, the sum of four pounds has been forwarded to the Parent Society, and from the Committee of St. George's Church, Clarke, the sum of three pounds ten shillings, exclusive of the annual subscription of the Incumbent.