

CONFIRMATION.

1. Confirmation is the sealing of the covenant made at Baptism. In the early Church it followed immediately after baptism.

2. Confirmation was instituted by the Apostles as taught by Christ, and as inspired by the Holy Ghost. It is called in Scripture the "laying on of hands," or "the sealing." After Phillip the deacon had converted and baptized the Samaritans, St. Peter and St. John were sent from Jerusalem to confirm them. This is recorded in Acts viii. 14-17. "Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John, who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost (for as yet He was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus): then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Ghost." From this passage it is clear that confirmation is conferred by bishops. St. Paul calls confirmation one of "the principles of the doctrine of Christ" (Heb. vi. 1, 2,) and joins it with baptism, repentance, the doctrine of the Resurrection and of the Judgment, as of equal importance.

3. The benefits of confirmation are a strengthening of the soul by an outpouring of the Holy Ghost

in his seven gifts, and a ripening of his twelve fruits.

GOD'S WORD A MINE.

The wealth of a country does not always lie on the surface. As you are hurried along on the railway, you pass through corn-fields and meadows and orchards; and then perhaps you are away among bare and rugged hills, on which almost nothing will grow, and yet beneath these hills, there may be rich mines of silver, lead, copper, or iron. The country round Edinburgh and Glasgow is very rich in coal, but you do not see the coal on the surface. In order to get at it, men have to dig deep holes, which are called shafts. If you were to go down one of these shafts, you would see men busy hewing out the coal, and sending it up to the surface. In Wales and Cornwall, again, the hills are pierced with tunnels; and if you went into one of these, you would find it leading you far into the heart of the mountains, and there you would see men busy searching for lead and copper ore.

Now the Bible is likened to one of these mines, in which men find a precious treasure. This treasure does not lie on the surface; it must be diligently dug out. You must as it were, get into the heart of the Bible, and you must use the lamp of Bible truth to find this treasure. Jesus says, "Search the Scriptures

for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me."

If I can put one touch of a rosy sunset into the life of any man or woman, I shall feel that I have worked with God.

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CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. PAUL'S, SHELBURNE.—Sunday.—Morning Prayer at 10.30 a.m., Sunday School 3 p.m. Evensong 7 p.m.

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday in the month, after Morning Prayer, and on the third Sunday in the month at 8 a.m.

Holy Baptism is administered at any Service.

Friday Evening.—Evensong at 7.30 p.m., Choir practice at 8 p.m.

ST. JAMES', DUNDALK.—Sunday School at 2 p.m., Evensong at 8 p.m.

MR. J. F. BELFRY, TREASURER,

In account with the congregation of St. Paul's Church.

DR.

Balance from Easter, 1884	1 62
To Offertory as follows:	
Regular Collections	\$109 86
Widows' and Orphan's Fund ..	5 49
Mission Fund	15 91
Home Missions	4 15
Foreign Missions	7 30
Algoma Missions	3 37
Harvest Home	20 55
Christmas	8 58
	\$174 66
Collected as per Subscription list	311 25
Collected for Mission Fund by Miss Gray	7 40
Collected for Mission Fund per Mrs. Moore and Miss H. Jelly	23 25
	80 65
	\$518 18
To balance on hand	1 09

By J. F. Belfry for book	20
E. B. Reed for Mission Fund ..	\$15 91
" Widows and Orphans ..	5 49
" Home Missions	4 15
" Foreign Missions	7 30
" Algoma Missions	3 37
Postage, &c	36 22
A. B. Noble for Lamp Glass	30
Irwin Bros., Desk and Chair	9 00
Rent of Parsonage	100 00
Mr. Timbury for Wood	5 00
H. Home offertory applied on building account	20 55
Christmas offertory to Incumbent	8 58
Rev. H. G. Moore on stipend	275 00
" " for Printing and Music, Advent Services	1 21
G. H. Timbury salary as Caretaker	25 00
E. B. Reed collections for Mission Fund ..	30 65
E. Berwick & Co. for sundries per account ..	5 18
Balance on hand	1 09
	\$518 18

B. A. RIKY, TREASURER,

In account with St. Paul's Sunday School.

1884	
APRIL 14. By Balance due as per statement ..	\$9 79
E. A. Taylor for Catechisms 3.00 and post 5c	8 05
JULY 19. Paid for Biscuits for Garden Party Canning for Hobby Horses	1 50
AUG. 18. Free Press printing for Garden Party	2 00
" " Excursion	10 00
Economist	1 00
48 Tickets free to Scholars, 25c ..	12 00
" " 50c	4 00
14. Mr. Moore for prizes	1 25
Mr. Young for S. S. Books	10 00
E. Berwick for S. S. Cards	1 09
1885	
MAR. 28. Mr. Moore for S. S. prizes, &c	18 35
	\$74 28

MISSIONARY IN CHARGE.

DR.

1884	
JULY 19. To proceeds of Garden Party	\$23 62
AUG. 13. Commission on Excursion Tickets ..	28 00
W. F. Young subscription to S. S. Library	5 00
1885	
JAN'Y 22. Net proceeds of Festival	3 22
APRIL 6. Offertory for year	14 70
Balance	74
	\$74 28

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APRIL 6. By balance due Treasurer	74
A special meeting of St. Paul's Vestry was held on 7th May, to consider the subject of Church repairs. After much discussion it was found that it would cost at least \$200 to put the church into a proper state of repair, and to effect a few much needed improvements, and it was accordingly resolved to spend the sum at once on the church. The changes in the Choir and Chancel were left to Messrs W. Jelly, R. A. Riky, F. W. Thompson, and the Rev. H. G. Moore.	

MISSION FUND.

Collected by Mrs. Laking and Mrs. Messrole.

Rev. H. G. Moore, E. G. Lucas, \$2 each; Geo. M. Cullogh, T. M. Cullogh, \$1 each; C. H. Jewell, James Lainon, A. E. McKinly, George Bailey, Joseph McKittrick, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Alway, 50cts each; Salvation Army, Geo. Rutherford, J. Wood, J. McWilliams, John Leslie, Miss Wale, C. Graham, J. R. Marshall, John Gardiner, Thos. Glazier, A. Friend, George Nixon, Herald, Wm. Morrow, The Unknown, Peter McCreghan, A. Duncan, Robert Spicer, S. Whittle, Mrs. Clare, John Higgins, Mrs. Reid, David Pate, W. Bindle, Samuel Mossop, D. M. M., Mrs. Montgomery, Miss Hall, R. J. Clare, K. K., Mrs. Berwick, John Nowell, Mrs. Beaty, Mrs. John Waddell, C. Palmer, Mrs. Sherran, Mrs. Pate, Uncle Joe, Mr. Laking, Sen., F. Nixon, Miss Harris, Mrs. Laking, 25 cts.; A. C. N. Connell, 10 cts.

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