

tion. The *Times* calls public attention to the fact of a subscription having been opened to pay the expenses, but adds—"For one thing, however, we stipulate. Let it be clearly understood by Captain McClintock and his officers and crew that, come weal, come woe, another series of voyages in search of them is not to be commenced."

The Church Times.

HALIFAX, SATURDAY, MAY 23, 1857.

SYNOICAL.

As we expected, and as we believe was fully expected by every person not actuated by ultra prejudices, or determined to find Puseyism and Popery in the endeavours on the part of Churchmen, to bring back their Communion to its proper and just distinctiveness amongst the numerous sections into which Protestantism has become divided. Her Majesty's assent has been most fully and freely accorded to the Bill for constituting Church Synods in Canada. There could be no doubt that the principle was conceded in the instance of the Church in Australia, but it suited many in this part of the world to show opposition until the last moment when they thought it would be effectual, directly and indirectly, against it may be their own convictions, but most assuredly to the detriment of the Church, which for want of Synodical government, is in a deplorable condition with reference to and in comparison with other religious bodies, with no concentration to resist their encroachments and attacks, and with no bond of union among her own members, whereby they could work with one mind for her spiritual or temporal advancement.

We shall not refer here to the arguments urged by the opposers of Synodical government, further than to state, as we have often stated, that they refute themselves, and sometimes lead to the impression that those who use them are not very staunch members of their own communion. They are in general intended to weaken the Episcopacy in the Church. They tend to ignore instead of to direct the authority of the Bishop. They would lower the influence of the Clergy by making them totally subservient to lay influence, which would be wielded in most instances by a few individuals, so that the former could neither preach doctrine, reprove manners, nor act independently, except under the dictation of the latter. This is in effect to overturn the system of Church government entirely, and to invert the gradation of established authority, and whether sitting or with a disinterested motive, to such ends it appears to us the opposition has been directed. Now it has all along been contended by the supporters of Synodical Government, that it would preserve to the authorities of the Church their proper consideration in all matters that relate to her government, and give to the laity also, that consideration which they have never yet enjoyed, of directing that authority, and of originating measures in the great council of the Church, that may be conducive to her welfare. That the lay element in Church government, lost since the earliest ages of the Church, by the upsetting of kingdoms and corruption of Christianity, would be restored, exactly as it was then exercised, so far as we can judge from the Apostolic writings, and the Church in the just adaptation of her various parts in these latter days regain her pristine purity of constitution. We cannot see why an approach through the medium of primitive Church government should not in some degree lead also to an approach to the happiness of those ancient or early times, when Christians were all of one mind, and brotherly love abounded. The results cannot be otherwise than beneficial, provided that the members of the Synod are actuated by a desire to rule them for the good of the Church. If on the other hand they bring to the discussion of her sacred interests, those passions that govern them in her disjointed state, and those prejudices which are strengthened by her disunion and the influence of other bodies working upon warm temperaments, they cannot expect that the present evils will be much lessened, although it is scarcely possible that they can be aggravated by Synodical action.

The advocates of Colonial Synods have never for a moment contemplated that they should possess the power to change the formularies and standards of the Church, or to make canons that would in any wise affect her liturgy or her faith. If their adversaries, who in our opinion are much more eager for innovations of this nature, chose to abate of their opposition on the point that all such alterations are prevented by the Acts which have constituted them, there can be no objection to their being so pleased, although they have done every thing possible to

retard and prevent, and done nothing to forward or obtain any such measures. Let them cultivate this disposition instead of its opposite, and we venture to assert that in the arguments that will spring up in their minds to confirm the utility of Synods, they will soon wonder that they were ever blind to their necessity. The internal holiness of the Church can never be impaired by human precautions, which, we may rest assured would not be permitted to succeed unless they were a Divinely appointed means to sustain her integrity. Upon all such endeavors, followed with a single eye to the glory of God, a blessing may be expected to rest from on High—and we may be certain that they will yield those fruits of the Spirit, which have never yet attained to perfection under the present imperfect state of the government of the Church, and which seem to be so much desired by all her Members.

The following notice relative to the election of a Bishop for the new Canadian diocese has been published by the Lord Bishop of Toronto:—

Toronto, April 29th, 1857.

The Bishop of Toronto gives notice to the Clergy and Lay Delegates, whom he has requested to meet him at London on the 13th May next, for the purpose of proceeding to the election of a Bishop for the new Diocese about to be erected in Upper Canada, that in consequence of the expected promulgation, within a very short period, of the royal assent to the Synod bill of last session, such election is postponed and will not be proceeded with until after the proclamation of the royal assent to the measure has been issued.

The Bishop of Toronto also gives notice, that he will at an early day convene the Synod of the diocese, with the view of receiving the co-operation and assistance of the Clergy and Laity in framing a Constitution in accordance with the statute; which receiving the sanction of the clergy and delegates in the Diocese Toronto before any division has taken place, may hereafter be adopted as the Constitution of the new diocese.

The R. M. S. *Niagara* arrived on Tuesday morning, in 10 days from Liverpool. The news is interesting, without being of great importance, consisting principally of details of events which were known before. The death of the Duchess of Gloucester, last remaining daughter of George the Third, is recorded. Parliament was opened on the 30th ult. Mr. Denison was chosen Speaker. Her Majesty's Speech will be found in our columns. Prince Albert was present at the opening of the Manchester Exhibition. The Grand Duke Constantine, of Russia, has visited France, and is expected in England ere he returns to his own country. Lady Franklin is fitting out another expedition at Aberdeen, to ascertain the fate of Sir John Franklin, which is to be commanded by Captain McClintock.

The news from Persia announces the capture of Mohammurah by the British troops under Sir James Outram. The Persian army had retired from their position, before a British force not 400 strong.

The Lord Bishop will leave Halifax on Wednesday next for Prince Edward's Island, and will hold Confirmations at Stewiacke on the 27th, and at Pietou and Albion Mines on Whitsunday.

The anniversary of Her Majesty's Birth Day, falling this year upon Sunday, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has postponed its celebration until the following Tuesday, which will be a general holiday at the public departments. There will be a grand review on the Common.

CHURCH MAGAZINES.

We can supply the back Nos. of "The Penny Post" from January inclusive—the Subscription is only 1s 6d. per annum. It is published by John Henry & James Parker, London.

We have received 50 copies of the *Gospel Missionary*, a Monthly Magazine for children, intended to subserve the Missionary exertions of the Church. It is published by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, at the low price of one halfpenny sterling. We shall send them abroad at 9d. currency per annum, commencing with the May No., payment in advance. As the price will not warrant extra trouble—it is requested that for those ordered for any place only one address may be given—and that the party ordering will kindly take upon himself their distribution to subscribers. It is a good little work for Sunday Schools, making the children acquainted with the designs and the wants of Missions, and it is presumed that there are few Parishes in the Diocese, where it will not find an acceptable entrance.

The Protestant Association of P. E. Island have presented an address to the Hon. Joseph Howe, which is published in the *Morning Chronicle*, together with Mr. Howe's reply.

The fine Steamship *Circassian* arrived on Tuesday, only twelve days, via Newfoundland, from Liverpool. She had 400 passengers, the greater number emigrants to the United States, but enough for Halifax, besides freight, to show the advantages of the Port as a place of call. We wish her success, and it is to be hoped that the line will meet with consideration from the Government.

Dr. Smith's "Electric Oil" of Philadelphia, cures Rheumatism.

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Married.

On Tuesday, 19th inst., by the Ven. Archdeacon Willis. Mr. JOSEPH R. JENNETT, to MARGARET M., eldest daughter of Joseph Bennett, Esq.

At Dartmouth, on Wednesday the 13th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Shreve, Rector, Mr. DAVID PARKER, to Miss ANN McGRATH, both of Dartmouth.

On the 14th inst., by the Rev. H. Stamer, of Pogwash, Mr. ANDREW FORSTER, of the head of Wallace Bay, to MARGARET ANNE, daughter of John H. Peers, Esq., J. P. of the same place.

On the 20th May, at St. Andrew's, Lower Stewiacke, by the Revd. Thomas Dunn, Mr. ELISHA GODFREY, to Miss HANNAH DUNSTON.

Died.

On Monday morning, 18th inst., at his residence in Göttingen Street, of a disease of the heart, in the 41st year of his age, JOHN FREDERICK, a native of Edinburgh, leaving a wife and five children to mourn their irreparable loss. For many years he discharged the duties of Teller in the Bank of Nova Scotia, in this city, with ability and accuracy; and his death is felt as a public loss. During his illness he frequently expressed an entire resignation to the Divine Will—looking unto Jesus for a full redemption and the Holy Spirit for a preparation for the company of the Redeemer.

On Tuesday last, after a long and painful illness, JOHN F. SMYTH, aged 13 years, leaving a widow and 1 children to mourn their irreparable loss.

At St. John's, N.E., 6th inst., ELLEN KATHARINE, youngest daughter of the Rev. John Pearson.

At St. John, N. B., on the 4th inst., after a lingering illness, Mr. BENJ. NEWCOMB, of Wilmot, N. S., aged 35 years.

At St. Domingo, March 16th, Capt. JOHN P. DORT, aged 30 years, son of J. P. Dort, of Weymouth. Also, ANNA HARRIS, aged 25 years, son of Brock Barr, both of Brigg, "Arable" of Weymouth, N. S.

Shipping List.

ARRIVED.

Saturday, May 17.—Brig President, Rude, St. Mary's, schrs Julia, Simpson, St. John, N. B.; Hope, Lang, Bay Chaleur.

Sunday, 17th.—R. M. S. Merlin, Corbin, St. John's, Nfld; ship Sunderland, Curry, Liverpool, G. B., 33 days.

Monday, 18th.—schrs Gold Corner, Herman, Newfoundland, 5 days.

Tuesday, 19th.—R. M. S. Niagara, Wickman, Liverpool, G. B., 9 days; Steamship Circassian, Powell, Liverpool, G. B., via St. John's Nfld; brig Europa, McDougall, London, 32 days; schrs Bright Star, Magdalen Isles, Shouting Star, do.

Wednesday, 20th.—Ship Kelvin, Hatfield, Liverpool, 25 days; brig Boston, O'Brien, Boston, 7 days; schrs Esplanade, Smith, Magdalen Isles; Salome, Hopkins, do.

Thursday, 21st.—Brig Columbus, Marselles, via Gibraltar, 27 days.

Friday, 22nd.—R. M. S. Europa, Leitch, Boston, 40 hours

CLEARED.

May 18.—Sarah, Hopkins, Porto Rico; Hero, Crowell, Fortino Bay; Dart, Meanev, Barin; Borerley, Bland, Newfoundland; Montano, Gault, P. E. Island.

May 19.—Circassian, Powell, Portland; Niagara, Wickman, Boston; Favorite, Miramichi; Emerald, P. E. Island.

May 20.—John Silver, Hilschey, Quebec; Lilla, Fraser, New York; Eastern State, Killam, Boston and Yarmouth.