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CALENDAR FOR AUGUST.

- 1—7th Sunday after Trinity. *Morning*—1 Chron. xxi.; Rom. ii. to v. 17. *Evening*—1 Chron. xxii.; or xxviii., to v. 21.; Matt. xxvi., v. 24. to xxvii., v. 14.
8—8th Sunday after Trinity. *Morning*—1 Chron. xxix., v. 9 to 29; Rom. viii., to v. 18. *Evening*—2 Chron. i., or 1 Kings iii.; Matt. xxi., to v. 23.
15—9th Sunday after Trinity. *Morning*—1 Kings x., to v. 25; Rom. xii. *Evening*—1 Kings xi., to v. 15, or xi., v. 26.; Matt. xiv., v. 29.
22—10th Sunday after Trinity. *Morning*—1 Kings xii.; 1 Cor. 3. *Evening*—1 Kings xiii., or 1 Kings xvii.; Matt. xxvii., v. 27 to 57.
24—St. Bart. A. & M. *Morning*—Gen. xxviii., v. 10 to 18; 1 Cor. iv., v. 18; and v. *Evening*—Deut. xviii., v. 15; Matt. xxviii.
29—11th Sunday after Trinity. *Morning*—1 Kings xviii.; 1 Cor. ix. *Evening*—1 Kings xix., or 1 Kings xxi.; Mark iii., v. 13.

HYMN.

TUNE—EVAN.

'Tis Jesus Christ I long to find,
Pray tell me where He dwells;
'Tis He alone can ease my mind,
And make my conscience well.

If you go down to yonder fold,
And search amongst the sheep,
You'll find Him there, as I've been told,
For there He loves to keep.

What signal shall I know Him by,
From any other man?
He wears salvation on His brow,
And in His arms, a lamb.

Thank you, kind friend, for your advice,
I'll find Him if I can;
And if I do, I will rejoice
In Christ the Heavenly Lamb.

If there is one thing more than another that seems to mark the average professing Christian of to-day it is apathy, lukewarmness, almost indifference to the commands and will of God

The average man seems to follow God just as far as it suits his own convenience, or pleasure or profit. The putting of God first, the desiring above all things to do his will and extend his kingdom, the enthusiastic devotion to his cause that one would expect to see in subjects of such a king, are alas, all too uncommon.—"This one thing I do," said St. Paul, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high

calling in Christ Jesus"—The one thing that he was most concerned about was to win the approval of Christ and extend His kingdom. David said, "My zeal hath consumed me," the very thought that his enemies had forgotten God's words incited in him this consuming zeal.

What a splendid thing it is to see a man with zeal and enthusiasm for God's cause, throwing aside ease and selfish indulgence, buckling on God's armour and doing valiant things for the master. We ought, all of us who are inclined to be lukewarm, to read Heb. xi. and ponder over the zeal and devotion of some of the heroes of faith of the olden time.

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THE month of August is generally a hot month in Canada, when many like to get away from their business for a rest, and when our vast army of boys and girls have their holidays and rejoice so much in their freedom from study; yet to many it is a busy month as they gather in the rich grain of the harvest fields and store up treasure for the winter.

It is also a month that has gathered in other harvest. The Rev. R. W. Stewart, so well known to many of our readers, and his party of devoted missionaries laid down their lives in China in the month of August, 1895. The Victoria Nyanza, the great lake in Central Africa, was discovered in August, and its blue waters first became familiar to Europeans in that month, and now we know how after many strange vicissitudes and not a few martyr deaths, especially in Uganda on its northern shore, multitudes of heathen are being led to know Christ, and embrace and follow the teachings of the Word of God.

In August, 1893, the Rev. J. A. Newnham was consecrated Bishop of Moosonee at Winnipeg, and left for his work on the shores of the

great Hudson's Bay, and the vast region that comprises that diocese. We see that God's work needs to be prosecuted at all times, and even in the hot and sultry days, we should "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness," and as we gather in rich sheaves into our barns or storing place we should also remember that there are still more precious sheaves to be gathered into the heavenly garner, and not only should we work, but also "Pray the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth more labourers" into the great harvest fields ready to be reaped.

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THE 24th of this month is St. Bartholomew's day. As we all know, Bartholomew was one of the twelve Apostles of our Lord, and it has been thought that he is identical with Nathaniel, whom Philip brought to Christ, and to whom the Master bore this testimony—"Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile," having seen him under the fig tree, as he no doubt was making his prayer to Jehovah in the quiet and shade of the garden. He is said to have preached the gospel in India; while some allot Armenia to him as his mission field, and report him to have been slain alive there.

How many in that land of Armenia have laid down their lives for Christ!

May there be many like Nathaniel, who, when he realized that Jesus saw and knew him, said "Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel"—and like him be ready if needs be to lay down their lives for the Master.

"MY HELPERS IN CHRIST JESUS."

Rom. xvi. 3.

This has been published before, but it is worth repeating: "Parish-