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AN OFFER TO ALL.

Any clergyman or layman sending in new subscribers to "Canadian Churchman" at the regular subscription price, \$1.50 a year, will be allowed a commission of 50 cents on each new subscriber.

Appropriate hymns for the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Sundays after Trinity, compiled by Dr. Albert Ham, F.R.C.O., organist and director of the choir of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. The numbers are taken from the New Hymn Book, many of which are to be found in other hymnals.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Holy Communion: 259, 307, 525, 553.
Processional: 10, 612, 624, 626.
General: 22, 491, 535, 651.
Children: 710, 719, 731, 733.
Offertory: 556, 565, 627, 679.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Holy Communion: 238, 250, 254, 433.
Processional: 384, 386, 465, 530.
Offertory: 391, 573, 681, 768.
Children: 233, 703, 708, 709.
General: 5, 23, 453, 456.

THROUGH MY STUDY WINDOW.

We are very glad to announce another new feature for our readers. The column so ably furnished by our good friend, "Spectator," in the past will appear weekly under the title, "Through My Study Window," signed "Criticus," written by one of the cleverest writers in Canada, beginning with this issue.

INDIAN CHAPLAINCIES.

Copy of a Letter Addressed by His Majesty the King-Emperor to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Buckingham Palace,

April 9th, 1912.

My Lord Archbishop:

The King has noticed a letter recently addressed by your Grace to certain institutions of the Church of England, pointing out the urgent need for an increase among the chaplains of the Indian dioceses, and appealing to the younger clergy to offer their services in this field of ministry.

During his visits to India His Majesty has had the opportunity of appreciating the excellent work by the ministers of the Christian religion who serve the troops and civil officials, and he can with pleasure speak from personal experience of the ministrations of the Church of England clergy.

The King has been most impressed by the wideness of the scope which is offered to chaplains for the exercise of the highest and most diverse gifts, as well as for the development of individual Christian character.

His Majesty, therefore, welcomes your letter, and he earnestly trusts that the Church of England will always realize that one special part of her vocation is to give of her best men to minister to those who—often amid peculiar trials of faith and in circumstances of special isolation—are serving God in the great national work of the Government of India.

Believe me, your Grace,

Yours very truly,

Stamfordham.

The letter to which reference is made by His Majesty is that of which a copy appeared in the March number of the "Chronicle."

It may be well to state here that, in addition to the Government Chaplaincies, there are in India Diocesan Chaplaincies which also offer grave responsibility and worthy opportunity.

OUR GIRLS AND BOYS.

We notice with ever-growing concern the need of warnings such as were given lately by the Rev. Evelyn Drage, Vicar of Pickering, England, in a letter to his parishioners on "Our Morals." "He says there are parents who hold back from teaching their children, of both sexes, the simplest facts of their existence—facts they are sure to learn in a wrong way, most probably sooner rather than later; who allow them almost unfettered licence as to hours, the company they keep, and the habits they contract."

Do parents half appreciate the seriousness of the situation? We are often absolutely shocked at what we frequently see in our parks and country walks near our cities: girls in their teens, who should be within the watchful care of parents, alone after dark, far from home, with young, and older men for that matter, in places and under conditions that bode no good, to say the least, to their future? Can we wonder at the awful results that constantly shock the community? Are the parents, are the pulpits doing all that can and should be done to awaken action in so serious a matter? How long is drift to be our only answer to such warnings?

A TRUE SOLDIER OF THE CROSS.

For the second time Bishop Rowe, of Alaska, has declined a call to an American diocese, preferring to remain at his post in the Far North. The good Bishop, who is a Canadian, and a graduate of Trinity College, Toronto, has already done a wonderful work in his remote, and till lately almost inaccessible, diocese. Such men are an honour to their Church and country, and their lives are an inspiration to the whole Christian world. Bishop Rowe's diocese is probably one of, if not the most arduous field of labour in the whole Anglican communion. We would respectfully join with his many admirers in expressing our admiration for this latest act of devotion on his part, and express the fervent hope that he may long be sustained in continuing his heroic labours. Bishop Brent, we may note, also, refused two calls to the United States. He also is a Canadian.

THE WELSH CHURCH.

The "Church Family Newspaper" not long ago gave prominence to an address by an eminent Non-conformist, Dr. Blyth, a liberal Baptist, and ex-Lord Mayor of Norwich, on the present campaign to rob the Welsh Church. The endowments of the Church (he said) had been her property for more than three hundred years. Even if she wrongfully obtained them at first (which is not conceded), she has held undisturbed possession of them for more than three hundred years, and so has acquired a strong prescriptive title to them. It is impossible (he said) to raise a question of moral right after such long undisturbed possession, and he called attention to a statute passed in 1844 giving Non-conformists absolute title to their property after twenty-five years undisturbed possession. If a Non-conformist gains an absolute title after twenty-five years' undisputed possession and a Churchman is robbed after three hundred years' undisputed possession, British law is in a chaotic condition.

A RECORD FALL OF RAIN.

All meteorological office records in Great Britain, so far as a downfall of rain is concerned, were broken on Monday, August 26th, by a fall of no less than six inches of rain in the space of twelve hours in the city of Norwich, which city was in consequence thereof for some time almost entirely isolated from the rest of the country. The whole train service between London, Norwich and Cromer was suspended for two or three days, and the city of Norwich itself for the time being closely resembled Venice. One of the churches in the city was flooded to the depth of four feet. On the same day more than half an inch fell in London, the downpour lasting for nine hours, which means that the remarkable total of more than 3,705,000 tons of water deluged the country around London before 10 a.m.

It is estimated that the continuance of rains and the untoward weather of the past week has cost British farmers close upon \$100,000,000 in the destruction of crops, and another fortnight of the same kind of weather will mean a total loss to them of a quarter of a billion dollars. Unfortunately there appears to be no immediate prospect of an improvement in the weather conditions, and the outlook in Britain continues to be extremely grave for agriculturists. Crops lie rotting in the ground. The entire county of Norfolk is a swamp, and the whole of East Anglia is in an alarming condition. Prayers are being offered up in all parts of the British Isles for fine weather, and if the weather conditions do not materially change for the better in the very near future the entire harvest is likely to be completely ruined.

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