

The Church.

"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.

Day	Date	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson
C	May 16, SUNDAY AT EASTER.	{ M. Deut. 8. E. Rom. 15.	{ Matt. 14. Rom. 15.
M	" 17, Fast.	{ M. 2 Kin. 16. E. " 17.	{ Matt. 15. Rom. 16.
T	" 18, Fast.	{ M. " 18. E. " 19, 1 Cor. 1.	{ Matt. 16. 1 Cor. 1.
W	" 19, Fast.	{ M. " 20. E. " 21, 1 Cor. 2.	{ Matt. 17. 1 Cor. 2.
T	" 20, ASCENSION DAY.	{ M. Deut. 10. E. 2 Kin. 2.	{ Luke 24. Eph. 4.
F	" 21,	{ M. " 24. E. " 25, 1 Cor. 4.	{ Matt. 19. 1 Cor. 4.
S	" 22,	{ M. Ezra 1. E. " 3, 1 Co. 5.	{ Matt. 20. 1 Co. 5.
C	" 23, SUNDAY AT ASCEN.	{ M. Deut. 12. E. " 13, 1 Cor. 6.	{ Matt. 21. 1 Cor. 6.

* Psalms—Matins : 8, 15, 91 ; Even : 24, 47, 108 ; and Creed of St. Athan.
† From verse 44. ‡ To verse 17.

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN THE CITY OF TORONTO.

CHURCHES.	CLERGY.	Matins.	Even.
St. James's	{ Rev. H. J. Grasset, M.A. Rector, Rev. E. Baldwin, M.A. Assist.	11 o'clock	3 o'clock
St. Paul's	Rev. J. G. D. McKenzie, B.A. Incumbent	11 " "	4 " "
Trinity	Rev. R. Mitchele, M.A. Incumbent	11 " "	6 " "
St. George's	Rev. Stephen Lett, LL.D., Incumbent	11 " "	7 " "
Holy Trinity	{ Rev. H. Scadding, M.A. Incumbent, Rev. W. Stennett, M.A. Assist.	11 " "	6 " "

The Morning Service is for the combined congregations of St. James's Church and the Church of the Holy Trinity. The congregation of St. James's Church meet at the Church of the Holy Trinity.

TORONTO VOCAL MUSIC SOCIETY.

Rooms—St. Lawrence Buildings.
Regular practice every Wednesday, at Eight P.M. Terms of admission, Performing Members 20s. per annum; Non-performing 20s.
J. P. CLARKE, Mus. Bac. Conductor.
G. B. WYLIE, Secretary & Treasurer.

THE COMMON-PLACE BOOK.

THE DISEMBODED SPIRIT.

The moment my soul departs from this body, it will be more separate from this present world in which I live, than if it were this instant placed beyond the orb of Saturn; and yet, at the orb of Saturn, what a mere nonentity would this present world be! But to be placed at such an inconceivable distance from my present station, and to be there alone, though out of absolute harm, shocks the mind: on the other hand, to be there or anywhere else, under a sense of Divine favour, and with the presence of Christ, makes that state no solitude, and this world no loss.—*Cecil.*

ZEAL OF MISSIONARIES.

"Go forth and teach,"—and ye have gone, and done deeds that will shine, when thou art dark, O Sun! Heroes, whose crowns with gems of glory shine, Dug from the depths of heaven's eternal mine! Oh, what a conquest hath the Cross obtained! There, where of old a hell of darkness reign'd, And Crime and Havoc, fiend-begotten pair, In mortal bosoms made their savage lair, And issued thence to riot, rage, or kill, Like incarnations of a demon's will,— The peace that passeth understanding grows, And earth seems born again without her woes, So wondrously the spell divine descends, And man with nature in communion blends; The Isles have seen Him! and the deserts raise Anthems, which thrill the halls of heaven with praise; Crouching and tame the tiger Passions lie, Hush'd by the gaze of God's subduing eye; Temples and Homes of sacred truth abound, Where Satan once with all his crew was found: And, hark! at sunset while the shady calm Of forest-coolness floats on wings of balm, As roams the pilgrim in that dying glare, From a lone hamlet winds the voice of prayer,— Breath of the soul by JESU taught to prize, And blend with music heard beyond the skies. Ecstatic thought! the zenith of our dreams, Error has died in truth's victorious beams: And, where the savage round his altar fed On the warm fragments of the limbed dead, Cots which an English heart delights to hail, Deck the green wilds of many a foreign dale, And, turned by Piety's familiar hand, Religion sees her tear-worn Bibles stand.

—MONTGOMERY'S *Lyra Christiana.*

"TIS BUTS."

An English friend, settled here in the far West, yesterday related to me the following incident: A lady, who had known little about the heathen, or missionaries carrying the Gospel to them, attended the anniversary of a missionary society, and became interested in the good cause by what she there heard. The next year she attended again, and presented to the treasurer a beautiful little box, on which were inscribed the words, "tis but." On opening it, it was found to contain about thirty pounds sterling, about \$135. She had formerly been accustomed, like many other persons, when she saw anything she desired, and could get for a small sum, to buy it, even if she did not much need it. She would say, "Tis but a sovereign," or "Tis but ten shillings;" and purchase it. But

during the last year, when tempted to make such purchases, she had saved her "Tis buts;" and found they amounted to thirty pounds for the missionary cause. Reader, is there not some one, not very far from you, who may do well to imitate her example?—*New York Observer.*

ON THE EXERCISE OF BENEVOLENCE.

With the most engaging objects of benevolence around them, men consume the largest part of their existence in the acquisition of money, or of knowledge; or in seeking for the opportunities of advancement; or in doting over some unavailing sorrow. Or, as it often happens, they are outwardly engaged in slaving over the forms and follies of the world, while their minds are given up to dreams of vanity or to long-drawn reveries—a mere indulgence of their fancy. And yet hard by them are groans, and horrors, and sufferings of all kinds, which seem to penetrate no deeper than their senses.—*Fruits of Leisure.*

Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO

Amount of Collection received since the 5th inst. :—
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND.

Brockville, per Rev. E. Denroche.....	£5 13 4
St. Stephen's Church, Vaughan, per M. Keffir.....	10 10 4
Manvers, per Rev. W. Logan.....	16 9
St. George's Church, Port Trent.....	£0 11 3
Frankford.....	0 5 6
—per Rev. Mr. Bleasdel.....	16 9
St James's Church, Adelaide.....	0 9 8
Church, 5th con., Metcalfe.....	0 5 7
Church at Batesville.....	0 4 9
—per Rev. A. Mortimer.....	1 0 0
St. Paul's Church, London, per Churchwarden.....	6 3 0

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Rev. J. Stort's subscription.....	£1 5 0
Rev. Arthur Morrison, two years.....	2 10 0

BISHOP'S STUDENTS' FUND.

St. Paul's Church, London, per Churchwarden.....	4 15 0
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PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

St. George's Church, Kingston.....	£17 9 2
St. Mark's, Barrfield.....	2 15 8
McLean's School House.....	0 11 8
—per Rev. Henry Brent.....	20 16 6
One-fourth Vaughan Par. Collection per Michael Keffir.....	1 14 7 1/2
St James's Parochial Branch one-fourth.....	23 12 0

DEPOSITORS ACCOUNT.

Brockville Branch per Rev. E. Denroche..	3 5 20 1/2
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ERRATA.

In *The Church* of the 1st April the amount forwarded to the Treasurer by George Crawford, Esq., Secretary of Brockville Par. Branch Church Society should have been acknowledged thus :—
Widows and Orphans' Fund... £8 15 0
General Purpose Fund..... 18 0 0
One-fourth unappropriated moneys..... 1 1 10 1/2
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In *The Church* of the 25th March the annual subscription for year ending Jan., 1852 should have been credited to
Rev. T. W. Marsh Pickering..... 1 5 0

In *The Church* of the 6th May, the total amount forwarded to General Purpose Fund by Rev. A. F. Atkinson should have been £4 18 7 not £5 18 7.

The total amount do forwarded by Rev. J. Wilson should have been £4 5 0 not £5 2 0.
Franktown per Rev. J. Padfield 10s. not 15s.
Penetanguishene per Rev. S. Hallen 15s. not 10s.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Church Society, at the Monthly General Meeting, on the 5th inst.

Mr. A. F. Pless having offered to take the House No. 144 King Street, lately occupied by the Society, for the remainder of the Term for which the Society is liable, viz., six months from the 1st of May, at the same rent. His proposal was accepted.

The following resolution was passed unanimously. That this Society do convey to the Venerable the Archdeacon of York their request that he would employ such means by correspondence or otherwise, with the friends of the Church in the mother country as may tend to the preservation of her property in the Diocese, or otherwise increase her permanent resources, and that he be requested freely to communicate with this Society in all cases in which any action of the Society might assist him in securing this important end.

The following resolutions passed at a meeting of the Stockholders of the Diocesan Press was read, and the terms offered accepted to by the Society.
"Whereas it has been ascertained, upon an examination of the account of the Diocesan Press that a balance is due thereupon to Mr. Thomas Champion, amounting to not less than £200, and whereas Mr. Champion is indebted a considerable sum to the Church Society, and is desirous of making over said debt to the Society's benefit,—

Be it Resolved,
"That an application be made to the Church Society to allow said sum to be paid by them in manner following:—£100 with interest from the 10th Feb'y last on the 1st April, 1854, and £100 with interest from same date on the 1st October, 1854, the said

amount to be secured to the Society by two promissory notes from Mr. A. F. Pless of £100 each, falling due at the dates above mentioned, respectively, and by an extension of the mortgage upon the Press until said notes are discharged."

Resolved.—That a committee consisting of the Reverends H. J. Grasset, M. A., D. E. Blake, Stephen Lett, L. L. D., J. G. D. McKenzie and the Secretary, do revise the rules of the Society with the view of adopting them to any alteration of circumstances, which may have taken place since their original adoption, and that they do make their report at the next meeting of the standing committee.

The revisionary committee were instructed to incorporate the following resolutions brought forward by the Rev. T. B. Fuller, into the rules of the Society, viz.: "That two incorporate members be elected by the several District Associations, one a clergyman, and the other a layman, as representatives of such Associations on the Standing Committee."

"That no person not a member of the Society be eligible in any office therein, and the several District Branches be requested to furnish, if they deem it proper, each year, the name of some person within their bounds, whom they would recommend on account of services rendered the Society, as worthy of being elected a Vice-President thereof.

The following gentlemen were balloted for and elected incorporated members of the Society.

The Rev. Alex. MacNab, D. D., of Clarke, the Rev. Walton Beck, Rice Lake, the Rev. Professor Irvine, M. A., T. P. Roberts, Esq., and R. L. Denison, Esq., of Toronto, J. V. Boswell, Esq., and G. S. Daintry, Esq., of Cobourg.

The Annual Meeting of the Church Society will be held (D. V.) on Wednesday the 2nd of June.

T. S. KENNEDY, Secretary.

[We copy the following interesting letter of the Lord Bishop of Toronto, published in the Quarterly paper of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.—Ed. C.]

BISHOP'S VISITATION.

Toronto, Canada, Dec. 15th, 1851.

MY DEAR SIR—Having been longer absent than usual during the summer, and beset with engagements, I have seldom written to you; but being now fairly settled for the winter, I must begin again to trouble you.

I commence with a brief summary of my various journeys and their results, bespeaking at the same time your indulgence should I repeat anything already mentioned. The beginning of May was an important and busy era; holding my visitation and delivering my charge on the first. On the second, the Diocesan Conference or Synod conducted its proceedings in the greatest harmony. This meeting of the clergy and laity under their bishop has been followed by many advantages. It presented the Church in a venerable and commanding aspect; she spoke in all her fulness and authority, and her words have made a deep impression. The Conference gave origin to the Church Union, which has been extending itself ever since through the Diocese; and from its meetings and publications the timid have become bold, and many of the indifferent warm and resolute.

An account of our proceedings was transmitted to the Archbishop of Canterbury, inclosing at the same time our address to the Queen, which we requested His Grace to present. The prayer was for synodical action, which, from the reasons therein stated, appeared absolutely necessary to promote the extension and secure the well-being of the Church in this great diocese.

On the 13th May, I traversed the Niagara district on a tour of confirmation. I was employed seventeen days in this beautiful portion of the diocese, visiting twenty parishes or missions; and the result was 331 confirmed. This might at first sight seem a falling off from former results; but it is accounted for by my anticipating my usual term of three years by one year. I found from experience, that in the division I had made of the diocese into two portions, east and west of Toronto, the eastern was the larger; and to produce a nearer equality, I added the Niagara district to the western division. Had I waited my usual time, and gone next summer, the number would have been one-third more, and larger than on any former occasion. It must, nevertheless, be admitted, that the growth and extension of the Church in the Niagara district has not been the same as in many other portions of the diocese. It was settled at a very early period; and before the Church could be sent in all her fullness, dissent had made great progress. We are, nevertheless, gaining ground daily, and have no reason to be dissatisfied.

On my return from the Niagara district, I found so much correspondence arising from our synodical movement, and the arrangements respecting the building of Trinity College, &c., &c., that I was unable to begin my second journey of confirmation before Saturday, the 21st of June.

This journey lasted forty-two days, during which time I visited sixty missions or parishes, commonly two per day, when, after prayers, I preached, confirmed, and addressed the candidates—driving on an average twenty-four miles, the distances often unequal, reaching sometimes to forty miles, and again less than twenty. At the conclusion, I felt towards evening jaded and fatigued, travelling day after day in a strong carriage to suit the roads, and on that account less easy—requiring to rise early to keep appointments, and to drive late to be in time for those of the following morning. After spending ten or twelve days at home to bring up my business, which had greatly accumulated during my long absence, I left Toronto on the 14th August for the Upper Lakes. This expedition was comparatively easy, and was all by water, except about eighty miles.

On Sunday, the 17th, we landed on the Manitouahning Island, at nine, a. m., and immediately prepared for service. Owing to the necessity of addressing the Indians through an interpreter, after confirmation, and the great number of baptisms, the service was somewhat long, but it was deeply affecting. Many of the Indians could read the translation of the Prayer Book, made by the able missionary, Dr. O'Meara. These translations are said by competent judges to be very correct, and to reflect great credit on the indefatigable missionary. Thirteen adults were baptized, and gave every indication of a deep feeling of what they were doing; ten were confirmed and behaved in the most edifying manner. Indeed, the whole worship reached the heart and soul of all present; the devout demeanour of the Indians, the importance which they attached to what they were doing, was very pleasing, and appeared to affect all the whites present, and produce on their part equal reverence and solemnity.

The steamer being the carrier of the mails, we were obliged to leave the island in the afternoon, and proceeded up the lake towards evening.

On Monday, 18th, we called at the Bruce Copper Mines. Much labour has been done and expense incurred; but from all that I can learn the prospects are not very cheering—and, what is worse, we have as yet received very little encouragement, owing, I believe, to the course taken by one of the directors.

We touched at the island of St. Joseph, and arranged with the people to hold service on our return, and we reached the Sault St. Marie, or the Straits, between the Lakes Huron and Superior, in the evening. Here we remained eight days, as the steamer makes only one trip per week, and we had to wait for her return.

During this time we made two visits to the Indian village at the mouth of Garden River; one on Sunday, when we had a full service, nearly as interesting as that at Manitouahning Island. There was one baptism, and six were confirmed. The day turned out very stormy—the rain fell in torrents as we were returning, and became at length so heavy that we were compelled to take shelter for an hour in an Indian hut, when it somewhat abated, and enabled us to empty the boat of the rain-water, and to wring some of it out of our clothes. It was late before we reached our inn at the village of St. Mary.

We made several excursions during our stay, to view the more prominent parts of the surrounding country—one, fifteen miles up the strait, to see the opening of the vast sheet of Lake Superior; two headlands, about thirty miles asunder, like the pillars of Hercules, terminate the strait between Lakes Huron and Superior, and here the latter opens in its vastness. We got back to Toronto on the 1st of September. The distance going and coming, according to the route we followed, cannot be less than 1,200 miles.

After remaining at home two days, I made another journey westward, to finish my confirmations. The general result of my several journeys gives 2,088 confirmed.

Thinking that I had travelled enough for one season, I thought of settling myself quietly at home till the spring, but on my return I found a letter inviting me to a meeting of bishops, which had been projected early in the season, and after a pause had been again revived, and was actually to take place at Quebec on the 23rd of September. As I had been a consenting party when the meeting was first mooted, it was incumbent on me to attend. Five bishops met—Quebec, Montreal, Newfoundland, Fredericton, and Toronto.

We deliberated on various matters regarding the Colonial Church, and with the greatest harmony. The result has been sent to his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury. The journey to Quebec, being all by water, was attended with little or no fatigue, but the weather was cold, and on reaching home I had a slight attack of lumbago.

I nevertheless contrived to go to Buffalo, in the United States, to assist at the consecration of a magnificent church, just erected in that flourishing city.

The Bishop of Newfoundland, who had come to Toronto on a short visit, kindly accompanied me. At Buffalo we met Bishop De Lancey, of Western New York; and Bishop McCoskry, of Michigan, and a large gathering of clergymen. Eight or ten of my clergy were also present. We were received with much kindness by our brethren of United States, and the services of the sanctuary were conducted with the greatest propriety. The bishops of Western New York and Michigan are men who do honour to their high office.

I returned from Buffalo on the 23rd October, after parting from the Bishop of Newfoundland, who proceeded to Boston on his way to his diocese. I was sorry to separate from him. He is a great favourite with us, and we should rejoice in seeing him again.

I may sum up my summer travels at more than four thousand miles; about one-half by land, the other half more easy, because chiefly by water.

I had appointed Sunday, the 26th, for my ordination, so that the moment I got back from Buffalo I entered with my chaplains into the examination of the candidates for deacons' and priests' orders—seven of the former and five of the latter. Having arranged their stations and duties in the best and most convenient way we could, my attention was called to Trinity College, its buildings, and its wants.

We are now busy preparing to open it on the 15th January, 1853: the portion of the buildings which were to be finished by contract this season, are nearly ready, and to be delivered up on the 2d January. We cannot yet say what number of students we shall commence with, but we hope about twenty-five.

This brings me to the present date. I shall now have some leisure, at all events from travelling, though my daily avocation and heavy correspondences leave me little time to spare.

I am, yours faithfully
JOHN TORONTO,
Rev. E. HAWKINS, Secretary.