

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	April 18.	1 SUNDAY AF. EASTER. { M. Num. 16. Acts 15. E. " 22. 1 Peter 2.	
M	" 19.	" { M. 2 Sam. 10. Acts 16. E. " 11. 1 Peter 3.	
T	" 20.	" { M. " 12. Acts 17. E. " 13. 1 Peter 4.	
W	" 21.	" { M. " 14. Acts 18. E. " 15. 1 Peter 5.	
T	" 22.	" { M. " 16. Acts 19. E. " 17. 2 Peter 1.	
F	" 23.	" { M. " 18. Acts 20. E. " 19. 2 Peter 2.	
S	" 24.	" { M. " 20. Acts 21. E. " 21. 2 Peter 3.	
C	" 25.	2 SUNDAY AF. EASTER. { M. Nu. 23.24. Acts 22. E. " 25. 1 John 1.	

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN THE CITY OF TORONTO.

CHURCHES.	CLERGY.	Matins.	Even song.
St. James's*	{ Rev. H. J. Grasett, M.A. Rector, } { Rev. E. Baldwin, M.A. Assist. }	11 o'clock	3 1/2 o'clock
St. Paul's...	Rev. J. G. D. McKenzie, B.A. Incum.	11 " 4 "	" "
Trinity...	Rev. R. Mitchele, M.A. Incumbent.	11 " 6 1/2 "	" "
St. George's...	Rev. Stephen Lett, LL.D., Incumb.	11 " 7 "	" "
Holy Trinity†	{ Rev. H. Scadding, M.A., Incumb. } { Rev. W. Stennett, M.A., Assist. }	11 " 6 1/2 "	" "

* 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.

† In this Church the seats are all free and unappropriated.

‡ The Holy Communion is administered on the first Sunday in every month at St. James's and St. Paul's; third Sunday at Trinity Church, King-street; and last Sunday, at St. George's Church. In the last Church the Holy Communion is also administered at eight, A.M., on the last Sunday of each month.

TORONTO VOCAL MUSIC SOCIETY.

Rooms—ST. LAWRENCE BUILDINGS.
Regular practice every Wednesday, at Eight P.M. Terms of admission, Performing Members 20s. per annum; Nonperforming 25s.
J. P. CLARKE, Mus. Brc. Conductor.
G. B. WYLIE, Secretary & Treasurer.

Original Poetry.

THE SOUL.

What is the Soul?
One glorious ray of soft ethereal light!
O'er realms of space, it shines from pole to pole,
Nor can it be obscured by shades of night.

It is this spark of harmony divine,
Mixing with earthly Nature, as a leaven,
That constitutes a sure and steadfast sign,
That man's intended for a future heaven.

This immaterial and thinking part,
Stands as a sentinel to be our guide,
Forming a halo round the human heart,
To check the inroads of usurping pride.

Be careful not to wound, thou canst not cure,
Far above rubies, is this precious prize,
Thou must return it, to its mansion, pure,
From whence it came—from bright unclouded skies.

Although 'tis hidden from thy transient sight,
Yet by the Gospel thou art wisely taught,
That immortality is brought to light,
For all believers, when in wisdom sought.

To think then, that this glorious lamp goes out,
This immaterial ray in darkness lie,
Or, without witness, to be left in doubt,
Would be, indeed, a fearful mystery.

Not so—a precious seed is sown within,
For us to cultivate and guard with care,
It grows insensibly, a foe to sin,
And, ere it ripens, beauteous blossoms bear.

Throughout creation, wheresoe'er we range,
A living principle we note and find
This life is but a nursery to exchange,
For joys more suited to the pious mind,

Mark every insect, bird, or fragrant flower—
Thou'lt find divinity unfolded there,
With what perfection doth Almighty power,
Portray to thee his vast parental care.

Enter thy closet then, and shut the door,
Commune in secret, with the throne above;
On thee, rich blessings, He will daily pour,
If thou continue steadfast in his love.

Cobourg, 1852. G. COVENTRY.

THE COMMON-PLACE BOOK.

"AND THEY CAME TO HIM AND AWOKED HIM, SAYING MASTER, MASTER, WE PERISH."
The slumbers of the blessed Jesus were not long without disturbance. The intervals of his repose were of short continuance. His disciples call on him in their trouble; the cry of "Master, master, we perish," sounded in his ears; and he who came down to save them, could not be insensible to their distress. He felt for them with all the sympathy of a man. He rose in the power of the majesty of God, "and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water; and they ceased, and there was a calm." Can imagination picture to itself, or can it enter

into the heart of man to conceive, a spectacle more sublime or magnificent than is here presented? Yes, there is one which far transcends it. But it is a spectacle which the natural eye cannot behold—which the eye of the carnal mind cannot perceive. It is perceptible to him alone who, like the apocalyptic beast, is full of eyes within, and witnesses in the interior regions of his soul that scene of which the stilling of the tempest on the lake was but an emblem, the material draught or copy. He, and he alone, can comprehend though in vain he would describe, the nature and the blessedness of that calm which reigns within, when a Saviour's voice is heard to say to every fear which threatenings of just vengeance can awake, to every distressing thought which can arise in the heart, to every perturbation which can agitate the bosom, and to every anxious care which can disturb the tranquillity of the soul "Peace, be still."

A CHILD'S MORNING PRAYER.

The morning bright, with rosy light,
Has woke me from my sleep,—
Father, I own, thy love alone
Thy little one doth keep.

All through the day I humbly pray,
Be Thou my guard and guide;
Forgive my sins and let me live,
Blest Jesus, near thy side.

A RICH POOR MAN.

One windy afternoon, I went with a friend into a country almshouse. There was sitting before a feeble fire a very aged man, who was deaf, and so shaken with the palsy that one wooden shoe constantly pattered on the brick floor. But deaf, sick and helpless, it turned out that he was happy. "What are you doing, Whisby?" said my friend, "Waiting sir." "And for what?" "For the appearance of my Lord." "And what makes you wish for his appearing?" "Because, sir, I expect great things of Him. He has promised a crown of righteousness to all that love his appearing." And whether it be a right foundation on which he rested that glorious hope, we asked old Whisby what it was. By degrees he got on his spectacles, and opening the great Bible beside him, pointed to the text: "Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ; by whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God."

Though you possess untold wealth, if you have not old Whisby's faith, you are a poor man; if you have that faith, and are "rich towards God," count it all joy if you are as poor as Lazarus or Whisby in worldly goods. Your inheritance is as sure as God's promise, and as glorious as a throne and a crown can make it. Better have Whisby's hope than Victoria's sceptre, Lazarus' rags than Dives' purple. Better is poverty with piety, than riches with perdition.

SMALL MYSTERIES.

In home circles there is nothing more productive of mischief than small mysteries, the concealment of little things, and the furtive accomplishment of what might better be done openly. Dr. Johnson, in his forcible language, once said, 'Nothing ends more fatally than mysteriousness in trifles; indeed it commonly ends in guilt, for those who begin by concealment of innocent things, will soon have something to hide which they dare not bring to light.'

The faculty for concealment—or, as the phrenologists term it, 'secretiveness'—is a dangerous gift. Openness and candour are delightful in a household; giving all the members a pleasant participation in each other's happiness. When we discover that a friend has deceived or only half-trusted us, we regard him ever after with suspicion, and it requires a very long time for him to recover the ground he has lost in our confidence and esteem. Especially is this true in the family; for when we perceive that those abroad know more of the motives of a member of the same house than we do, it seems as if wrong were done which cannot be forgotten.

Husbands and wives ensure domestic discomfort by having out-door confidants. Coolness and even separations have had their rise in some trifling matters of this sort, when the parties might, by a wiser course, have remained affectionate and inseparable. Children who prefer other friends over their parents are almost sure to be led into error and unhappiness. While under the home roof, the heart should be kept there; the preliminaries to a future home causing the only exception. And even in such a case, he or she is usually best married whose parents were earliest apprised of the engagement.

Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

GENERAL PURPOSES FUND.

Special Collections recommended for Palm Sunday:

At St. Paul's Church, Toronto, per Rev. J. G. D. McKenzie.....	£ 3 0 0
" St. Jude's Church, Scarborough, per Rev. W. Stennett.....	0 10 0
" Mary Magdalen Church, Picton, per the Churchwarden.....	1 2 6
" St. Paul's Church, Woodstock, per Treasurer of the W. B. C. S.....	2 10 7 1/2
" St. John's Stamford, per Rev. C. L. Ingles.....	0 15 8
" St. George's Drummondville, per same	1 18 2
" St. Mark's, Niagara, per the Churchwarden.....	1 7 9
" St. Thomas's, Belleville, per Rev. J. Grier.....	3 13 6
" St. George's Church, Clarke, per Rev. T. S. Kennedy.....	1 0 0
" Orilla Church, per Rev. G. Bourn.....	1 2 9 1/2
" St. Peter's, Springfield, per Rev. S. Givins.....	1 3 3
" Sydenham, per the same.....	1 17 6
" Glanford, per Rev. Robt. N. Merritt.....	1 10 0
	£21 11 9

DISTRICT BRANCHES.

Newcastle:	£ s. d.
Cobourg Parochial Com. one-third collection	28 0 0
Colborne " " " "	6 6 3
Grafton " " " "	6 10 0
Port Hope " " " "	8 0 0
Cavan " " " "	
per Rev. S. Armour.....	5 0 0
Perrytown " " " " one-fourth "	0 12 6
Rev. Dr. Macnab's annual subscription	1 5 0
Remitted per the Venerable the Archdeacon of York.....	£55 13 9

PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

Darlington, one-fourth collection—per Rev. T. S. Kennedy.....	3 5 0
Clarke, one-fourth collection—per the same.....	1 7 6
Hoggs Hollow, one-half collection—per J. Beckett, Esq.....	8 0 0
Thornhill, one-half Mr. E. Pottager's collection.....	0 2 6
Blake.....	0 2 6
Moore, one-fourth collection—per Rev. J. R. Salter.....	2 10 0
Orillia, one-half Sunday subscription—per Rev. G. Bourn.....	0 17 10
	£72 0 3 1/2

FOR DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND.

Amherst Island, per Rev. J. Rothwell.....	£ 0 10 7 1/2
Carrington, Brock, per Rev. R. Garrett.....	0 15 0
Colchester, per Rev. F. G. Elliott.....	0 15 0
Osborne.....	£0 6 2
Biddulph.....	0 6 6
School House.....	0 2 4
—per Rev. Archibald Lambton.....	0 15 0
	£2 15 7 1/2

JUBILEE FUND.

Amherst Island, S. P. G. F. P. per Rev. John Rothwell.....	£1 0 0
Colchester, S. P. G. F. P. per Rev. F. G. Elliott.....	1 0 0
	£1 17 0

The following receipts are acknowledged for Widow and Orphan's Fund:—
Rev. W. C. Clarke, annual subscription £1 5 0
Amherst Island, per Rev. John Rothwell..... 0 8 6
Colchester, per Rev. F. G. Elliott..... 0 15 0
£2 8 6

PICTON, 6th April, 1852.

MR EDITOR,—By order of the Prince Edward District Branch Committee of the Church Committee of the Church Society, I forward you the enclosed for publication, and have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obt. servt.,
W. MACAULAY.

P. S.—Our share, tried by area—population and Church members—it appears to be £15 15s, or thereabout.

At the Quarterly meeting of the Prince Edward District Branch of the Church Society, held in St. Mary Magdalene's, Picton, on Tuesday, 6th April, 1852:

The Committee having already at the annual meeting in February, sufficiently expressed with a natural resentment, its opinion on the late losses by default at Toronto:

It was now Resolved—Moved by Rev. J. R. Tooke, seconded by Captain Downe, County Warden, and Mr. Thomas Bog, County Warden,—

That, whereas unity in action is the greatest strengthener of every good cause, and whereas the exertions of the officers at Toronto have, since the commencement of the Church Society, with but little exceptions, been great and laudable, the minds of Church members ought not to take too hardly the negligence which has, of late, occasioned such lamentable reported default in the entrusted funds of the faithful. For losses of this kind, arising often as much from slovenliness of method, as from positive dishonesty, are incident to every business even where money is the sole principle of the institution, and that as to the case in hand, it behoves the public to have respect, not only to the holiness of the Episcopal office, and the venerable merits of the

well known individual who fills it, but also to those great and high characters, the Chancellors, Judges, &c. who have indeed been implicated in the defects of oversight, but whose patronage to the Society, by according so often and so willingly, the precious interstices of their valuable time, not only exonerates them from blushing and blame here, but demands our most courteous and grateful acknowledgment.

That, accordingly, the Prince Edward District is willing and ready, and resolves to make up its apportionment of the £800 default, stated by the Lord Bishop, on the involved principle of area, population, assessment, and church members, compared with the sum total of the country; and that with diffidence, indeed, at finding itself so presumptuously stepping forward, but with the earnestness of fraternal and confident christian affection, it invites the sister branches to concur in a similar proceeding, each on its respective ground.

And that, further, whereas great and lamentable scandal would be occasioned and a running sore would be opened in the Church by rigorous legal proceedings against the unfortunate, but long meritorious, Secretary, (the expenses of prosecution, perhaps, eating up all that might might be recovered) this P. E. Branch Committee do now intercede on his behalf with the chief managers of the Society at Toronto, trusting, that if their appeal be seconded in other country quarters, the General Committee may find itself justified in throwing the reimbursement of loss upon the conscience, rather than the incarceration, or other punishment of the defaulter.

But that—in the name of God and the Son of God—it is devoutly to be hoped, as this is the first known instance of breach of most sacred trust in holy offerings in the Church Society, so it may, for ever be, the last.

W. MACAULAY, Chairman,
(Secretary pro tem.)

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT BRANCH ASSOCIATION OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

There can be so little of novelty expected in the proceedings of a Branch Society, confined in its limits and occupied in the unvarying routine of supplying the same class of wants; that your committee do not feel called upon to take up your time with many introductory observations. Some few statistical details are all that can be expected to be given.

COBOURG PAROCHIAL BOARD.

The accounts of this Branch presented at the Annual General Meeting last year, shewed a balance in hand of £21 4s. 6d. To this have to be added the subscriptions of the past year, amounting to £84 11s. 4d.; making in all the sum of £105 15s. 10d., at the disposal of the Committee for local purposes. Out of this there have been expended as follows:—

Instalments on shares in Newcastle Building Society	£18 11 11
Donation on set of Books for Rice Lake Church	2 10 0
Sunday School Prizes	10 0 0
Other Sunday School Expenses	0 16 0
Free Scholars at Parochial School	3 13 4
	£35 11 3

Out of the balance still available to the Committee, it is agreed that £28, or one-third shall be paid to the Parent Society, the present year in lieu of the fourth ordinarily transmitted. This increased grant has been made in obedience to a circular to the several clergy from the Lord Bishop of the Diocese; who has requested from the several Parochial Committees the one-half, instead of the one-fourth of monies raised;—but only for the present year, in consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the Society, which have, from unforeseen causes, become temporarily straitened.—His Lordship, foreseeing the difficulty of compliance in many instances, from the existence of engagements on the part of the Local Committees, which absolutely demanded a large portion of their funds, has not preferred this as a claim, but as a request; and the Committee, anxious to meet his Lordship's wishes, have resolved upon transmitting to the Parent Society the very utmost which, after meeting engagements that cannot be set aside, they have it in their power to advance.

The Committee have agreed to an assessment of £10 to meet the expenses of Travelling Missionary duty during the current year; a department of duty which since the month of November last has chiefly been performed, in a very zealous and disinterested manner and at a great cost of labour and inconvenience, by the Rev. Walton Beck. He has visited at regular periods the townships of Seymour and Percy, during the absence of a resident clergyman; and the townships of Alnwick, Asphodel, Otonabee, and Dummer. These latter townships, from uncontrollable causes, have too long been deprived of the ministrations of the Church; but the visits of Mr. Beck have, it is believed, laid the foundations of regular congregations at various points, and they will, it is hoped, render more easy the labours of a Travelling Missionary expressly for the townships north of the Rice Lake. So soon as such an appointment can be made. This, we have every confidence, will not be protracted beyond the period of the next General Ordination.

A considerable portion of the residue of the Funds in the hands of the Committee must be applied, as usual, to the payment of instalments on Building Society Stock, and the annual appropriation made for Prizes and other Sunday School expenses.

The Committee have to lament some diminution of subscriptions, as compared with the contributions of the preceding year; in part to be accounted for by the removal from the neighbourhood of several gentlemen whose places, as respects donations to the Church Society, have not yet been supplied; and partly from the heavy expense attendant on the enlargement, or completion of St. Peter's Church—the subscriptions for