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## Lessons for Sundays and Holy Days.

- July 24.—Ninth Sunday after Trinity.  
Morning—1 Kings 10, to 25; Acts 24.  
Evening—1 Kings 11, to 15; or 11, 26; Mat. 12, 22.
- July 25.—St. James, Ap. & Mar. Alth. Cr.  
Morning—2 Kings 1, to 16; Luke 9, 51 to 57.  
Evening—Jeremiah 26, 8 to 16; Mat. 13, to 24.
- July 31.—Tenth Sunday after Trinity.  
Morning—1 Kings 12; Romans 1.  
Evening—1 Kings 13; or 17; Mat. 16, to 24.
- August 7.—Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.  
Morning—1 Kings 18; Rom. 7.  
Evening—1 Kings 19; or 21; Mat. 20, 17.

Appropriate Hymns for Ninth and Tenth 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 may be found in other hymnals.

### NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

- Holy Communion: 232, 234, 237, 243.  
Processional: 476, 488, 493, 496.  
Offertory: 391, 485, 492, 680.  
Children: 233, 238, 241, 488.  
General: 8, 35, 219, 393.

### TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

- Holy Communion: 233, 236, 241, 508.  
Processional: 9, 47, 572, 615.  
Offertory: 35, 545, 564, 653.  
Children: 703, 707, 719, 712.  
General: 543, 549, 571, 760.

### THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

The accusation of being visionary and impracticable is often laid at the door of the prophet. A little thought shows that he is not necessarily guilty of the charge. While on the other hand we are obliged to admit that many good people show a lamentable lack of "savoir faire." At times Jesus appeared visionary and impracticable to His opponents. Particularly was this true when He adopted the parabolic method of teaching. His true disciples recognized that in the parabolic method they were being educated, whereas those who refused to become His disciples failed to appreciate the disciplinary purpose of the parable. And their inability to understand the teach-

ing and the method of instruction, lead them to depreciate the teacher. But when we sum up all the teaching of Jesus we realize what a unique grasp He had of all practical things, whether temporal or eternal. Consider one point in the Gospel for to-day. "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." In these words Jesus commends the practical shrewdness of worldly men. How cleverly, how persistently, these present their claims! How consistently they seize all opportunities! How shrewdly they plan their enterprises! And all this shrewdness is to obtain an earthly crown. These men are right in their method, but wrong in their direction, while on the other hand Christians hold to the right direction but are dreadfully handicapped by their method of presentation and planning. Churchmen as a rule are afraid of leaving the beaten tracks of traditional method. We do not argue for a change of faith, for that would be fatal. But we ought to be more pliable in methods of working for the promulgation of Truth and the extension of the kingdom. The Church needs to show more cleverness and adaptability in presenting the Truth, more consistency in seizing every opportunity, and much more shrewdness in planning her many enterprises. Let each one of us pray for the spirit of wisdom and understanding that we may be more effective in our Christian living. Who of us is making full proof or use of the advantages and the gifts offered to us by the Church? No wonder we are weak when we neglect the Sacraments. We can be nothing else but weak and ineffective when we allow the opportunities of doing good to pass, when we fail to apply our gifts at the proper moment, when we procrastinate in the wielding of the sword. The shrewdness of the man of the world brings the success that he is looking for. Admit the Holy Spirit into your being, follow His guidance, and achieve your ambition. The man of the world has a selfish ambition. The children of the light seek not only their own blessedness and happiness, but also that of all mankind. The universality of their ambition surely calls for much spiritual shrewdness. Therefore "pray without ceasing" for "the spirit to think and to do always such things as are rightful."

### An Imperial Outlook.

What Canada needs and what the British Empire at large needs, is that men of sound common sense, of a progressive and tolerant spirit, and wide outlook; men of work and action in Church, State, commercial and financial life, should from time to time visit the various parts of the Empire and give the public the benefit of their resultant views. Lord Charles Beresford deserves the thanks of the people of Canada for the loyal and enterprising spirit he has shown in publishing a pamphlet bearing on the Canadian Exhibition, with the view of promoting more extensive trade relations between the people in the British Isles and Canadians. The example and influence of such men as the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, Lord Charles Beresford, Lord Milner and other eminent men who in this way are personally striving to build up on a solid and progressive foundation, those great spiritual and material enterprises on which not only the present but the future good of our common Empire rests, are worthy of the highest praise and the widest emulation.

### The Kaiser and The Bible.

One of the most prominent newspapers in Germany, the North German Gazette, has recently given publication to the following sentiments of the Emperor William with regard to the Bible:

"I like reading the Bible often, the Bible which stands on the table at my bedside, and in which I have underlined the most beautiful thoughts. I cannot understand why so many people occupy themselves so little with the Word of God. Who, on reading the Gospels and other passages, is not impressed by the simple, living, proven and attested truth? How could Christ otherwise have set His stamp upon the world. In all my thoughts and actions I ask myself what the Bible says about the matter. For me it is a fountain from which I draw strength and light. In the hours of uncertainty and anxiety I turn to this great source of consolation. I am confident that many of those who have fallen away from God will return in our own time to a firm belief, that many will once more feel a longing for God. It is indeed the beauty and the blessing of the Christian Church that times of strong doubt awake an especial desire for the profession of faith and a joyous enthusiasm in belief. I cannot imagine a life which is inwardly estranged from God. We must all go through hours of Gethsemane, hours in which our pride is humbled. Humility is difficult for us; we wish to be our own master."

### Flying Men.

Newspaper illustrations, object lessons and graphic descriptions, are gradually preparing us for the coming time when our country cousins and even those who are farther afield, will come sailing through the upper air to pay us longer or shorter visits. A few years ago the automobile was a nine days' wonder. Now it is here, there and everywhere. Twenty years or so ago electric cars were in their infancy, and elderly people shook their heads as they saw them dashing along the Queen's Highway at almost railway speed. Now even middle-aged men may look forward to invitations to go up aloft the better to see the sun set, and middle-aged ladies may not unreasonably hope to dispense afternoon tea in the upper air. Already one of the most enterprising business firms in Canada is placing advertising signs where they can most conveniently be seen by high-flying travellers, from their aerial jaunting cars. It may be that places where the sky was darkened some 50 years ago by flocks of wild pigeons, 5 or 10 years hence may be equally darkened by flocks of flying men.

### New Zealand Records.

The reviews in the N.Y. Evening Post are usually exceptionally valuable and we were more than ever impressed with this in reading one upon historical literature in Australasia. The writer reviews the progress of publication in the Antipodes beginning some twenty years ago, when the Government of New South Wales decided to publish its early manuscript records of which seven volumes have been published. But it is fifty years since New Zealand collected in a volume of parliamentary papers, the British parliamentary reports and other official documents connected with the early settlement of the Island. This work was taken up by Robert McNab to whom it has been a labour of love, and who after some early publications has printed a volume entitled "Murilicku; a history of the south Island of New Zealand and the islands adjacent . . . from 1642 to 1835." This title recalls the Scotch clergyman's prayer for the Great and Little Cumbraes and the adjacent islands of Great Britain and Ireland. Mr. McNab has discovered a remarkable early history, before Wakefield's day, revealing a period when the sea elephant-hunters and the whalers lorded it over the shores of a new land. Mr. McNab devoted himself to collecting all discoverable documents relating to the early history of the southern part of New Zealand. Not only Southland itself,

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