

The Bishop's Primary Address.

MY REVEREND BRETHREN AND BRETHREN OF THE LAITY :

Addressing you from this place for the first time in Synod assembled, as your Bishop, you will readily understand me, and sympathize with me, when I say, that having taken a survey of the holy, vast and important work committed to my trust, I feel overwhelmed with the magnitude of the Charge, and the responsibility of my Office.

But for "the grace of God," I should despairingly cry out, in the language of the Apostle :—"Who is sufficient for these things;" and the consciousness that I have your prayerful sympathy, is an unspeakable comfort to me.

Feeling more strongly, than I ever felt before, the constant need and guidance of the Holy Ghost, let me entreat you to remember me always in your prayers, that grace may be given me to be "a wise and faithful Servant," giving to the family of God, committed to my oversight, "their portion in due season;" serving God in this Office to the glory of His Name, and to the edifying and well-governing of His "Church, which He hath purchased with His own blood."

It is you who—under God—have placed me in this high and responsible position; all I can promise is—by the grace of God—to labour diligently, pray fervently and constantly for the good of the Flock of Christ over which I am called to watch, as one who must give an account for his Stewardship.

CONSECRATION.

The 24th of August last was to me a solemn and memorable day—my consecration to the Episcopate.