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TO THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO, September 18, 1867.

MY DEAR BRETHREN,

I invite your attention to the accompanying directions for a Special Service, to be used on Tuesday, the 24th inst., being the day on which Bishops of the United Church of England and Ireland and of the Churches in communion with her, are to assemble at Lambeth for brotherly intercourse and mutual counsel.

You will, I doubt not, feel that it is most fitting that we should express our devout sympathy with this great assemblage of the Spiritual Fathers of those branches of the Church of Christ with which we are most closely allied, by joining with them in those offices of holy worship which will form a solemn and appropriate introduction to their own deliberations; and you will accordingly invite your Congregation to repair to the house of God for the purpose of imploring the Divine blessing on those, who, after a manner unexampled in recent times, shall be gathered together in the name of Christ, to claim the promise of His gracious presence.

I have left, as you will perceive, to your own discretion the administration of the Lord's Supper, assured that you will omit nothing which may add to the solemnity of the Service, provided that local circumstances, of which you alone can be fully cognizant, permit you, with propriety and to the edification of the people committed to your care, to carry out to the full the suggestions which have been offered.

I remain,

My Dear Brethren,

Your affectionate Diocesan,

JOHN TORONTO.