

## Personal & General

Canon McElheran, the Rector of St. Matthew's, Winnipeg, who has been visiting New York, is returning via Toronto, to attend the General Synod.

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Canon Howitt, the Rector of St. George's, Hamilton, preached in the Church of the Epiphany, Parkdale, Toronto, August 25th.

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Rev. Henry Daniels, Curate of St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield, Mass., called at this office during his vacation in Toronto. He graduated from Berkeley Divinity School, Connecticut, last year.

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Capt. the Rev. W. J. Taylor writes that most of the men at Valcartier are French-Canadians and French speaking and also Roman Catholics. The number of Protestants is not very large. He is the only Protestant Chaplain in camp.

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Matthew Wilson, K.C., D.C.L., who has served the Church with outstanding ability in the General and Huron Diocesan Synods, has been named as a Commissioner from Ontario in the conference of representatives from all Provinces which will meet in September for promoting uniformity of legislation in the Provinces.

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The Right Rev. James H. Darlington, D.D., the Bishop of Harrisburg, Pa., and the Right Rev. John McCormick, D.D., the Bishop of Western Michigan, are the two Bishops appointed to represent the American Church at the General Synod of the Church in Canada, which will be held in Toronto in September next.

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"The Bible is certainly the best preparation that you can give to an American soldier going into battle, to sustain his magnificent ideals and faith," writes Marshal Foch in a letter to the American Bible Society in appreciation of nearly a quarter of a million copies of the Scriptures distributed among soldiers abroad. The society is also supplying thousands of copies every week to men in the embarkation camps just before they go to the other side.

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The problem of sugar saving is largely in the hands of the women, and their utmost co-operation is needed at the present time to supplement the compulsory sugar conservation measures which the Canada Food Board is enforcing in the case of manufacturer, public eating places, and all other licensees. Small amounts in the aggregate represent many thousand tons in a year. If even half a teaspoon of sugar were left undissolved in cups of tea, coffee and cocoa consumed in Canada, the loss would be 120,000 pounds, or 60 tons of sugar daily.

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At the lately held meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Nassau, B.W.I., the Bishop, the Right Rev. W. H. Hornby, D.D., announced that it was his intention to resign the See at Michaelmas. Dr. Hornby has been the Bishop of the diocese for the past 14 years. The Rev. George Herbert Bown, M.A., Principal since 1903 of St. Stephen's House, Oxford, has been asked to allow himself to be nominated for the Bishopric at the Synod which is to be held for an election in the autumn and he has consented to the proposal, and as the clergy are unanimous in their choice, his election is assured.

Professor Walter Rauschenbusch, well known as a writer on sociological subjects, and for twenty years a member of the faculty of the Rochester Theological Seminary, died recently. Dr. Rauschenbusch was a Christian socialist. His pen has always been on the side of the "under-dog." Some of his positions seemed extreme, but his good intentions and zeal were unquestionable. "The Theology of the Social Gospel" was his last book. His father was born in Germany, but Dr. Rauschenbusch was a loyal American. Less than a month before his death he wrote: "A victory for the Central Powers would be a terrible calamity to the world."

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The Secretary of the War Office has announced that the Army Council has decided that, in respect of the services to the army, the D.S.O., the Military Cross and the Distinguished Conduct Medal shall be regarded as distinctions awarded for service in action only. Service in action is held to mean service under fire or distinguished individual service in connection with air raids, bombardments and other enemy actions which at the time produced the condition equivalent to service in actual combat and demands the same personal elements of command and control on the part of the individual and in a lesser degree only, possibly, entails the same risks. In no circumstances will any exception to the rule be allowed.

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During the General Synod, the Primate, the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, will stay with the Bishop of Toronto, and later with Mr. and Mrs. Acton Burrows; the Archbishop of Nova Scotia with his brother, Chancellor J. A. Worrell; the Archbishop of Algoma with the Bishop of Toronto, and the Archbishop of Caledonia with Mr. Skeans and other members of his old congregation in St. John's, West Toronto. The Bishops of Montreal, Ontario, Niagara, Qu'Appelle and Kootenay will be at Trinity College. The Bishops of Saskatchewan and Huron are to stay with Mr. and Mrs. Peleg Howland; the Bishops of Keewatin and Athabasca with Mrs. J. B. Tyrell; the Bishop of Fredericton with Mrs. Richardson; Bishop of Yukon and Mrs. Stringer and three boys with Mrs. H. D. Warren; the Bishop of New Westminster with Mr. H. H. Williams, and the Bishop of Columbia with Rev. Dr. Cayley.

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"This is no time to be hating each other for the love of God," exclaimed a Roman Catholic priest, when a newcomer from the United States remarked about his work in a Y.M.C.A. hut in England. Rev. G. W. Russell, who was assistant pastor of Bethlehem Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, is in charge of a hut in England. "How many of you are Roman Catholics?" he asked of a crowd of soldiers gathered there one evening. More than half of them raised their hands. "Men, I have arranged for Father Gile, an English Chaplain, to come to-morrow night to receive your confessions. He will use my office. He will celebrate Mass on Sunday morning at 9.30 o'clock in this hut. Won't you come? I am a Protestant, but you men have escaped the perils of the submarine. Attend Mass and then write home to your mothers, or wives, or sweethearts that one of the first things you did upon landing was to make your confession, attend Mass and thank God for your safety. We have a Roman Catholic secretary here. If any of you want to meet him, you may do so by asking for him." Nearly every man attended Mass, and many called on the Rev. Mr. Russell to thank him for giving them the opportunity to do so.

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