# Family Department.

(Written for the Church Guardian.)

"There remainstin, therefore, a rest to the people of Gon."—Heb. iv. 9.

O Gon, we thank Thee for the rest At ev'ry evening's close, For honest toll prepares us best For calm and sweet repose. A day of work with hand or brain, In love to Got and man doth gain With pray'r Thy pardoning love, We pluck the weeds of earthly care, We break the Tempter's artful snare, And rise above.

Our souls and bodies duly trained, To reat with Thee at even, Can find the bleming weekly gained .-The one day's rest in seven : Hweet rost of lady, rest of soul, To make the weary toiler whole, Sent by our Father's love ; We plack the weeds of earthly care, We break the Tempter's artful source, And rise above.

We thank Thee, when earth's work is o'er, For Thy calm, blessed sleep, When weary hands shall toil no more, Nor heavy cyclids weep,-When forth from darkness into light, Convey'd by angels pure and bright, To Paralise we move. We leave the weeds of earthly care, We leave the Tempter's artful snare, And ri e above.

The body resting 'meath the sod, The soul in Carist's own school, With angels and the Saints of GoD, "Where Christ Himself doth rule," In His blest likeness we shall grow-His Spirit more and more shall know Till call'd forth by His love, --Body and soul we shall be raised. In Christ's own likeness, Got be praised, We rise above !

O, holy Father, help our strife, To gain that blessed place, Where free for evermore, in Life We shall behold Thy face. May we Gon's people over be, And nevo. more depart from Thee, In error's ways to rove O sanctify our earthly care. O break for us the Tempter's snare, In Thy great love !

To Gob the Eather, who bath sent, Each one his work below, To Goo the Son, who toil and want, And pain did undergo, To save us from the work of sin. From pain and death our souls to win, To Heav'ns bright, peaceful shore, And Holy Spirit ever blest, One Goo, who leadeth us to rest, Praise evermore !

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In order to afford information to our readers, we propose adopting a plan which we think will prove interesting as well as instructive. We invite questions on roligious matters, and especially from tended that the majority of them cur those who need explanations of parts of sailed the number of their performances our Services, our customs and our meth of some days after. All meetings were who suffered for us; for your own sake; ods. These questions will be briefly and put off, and most of the inhabitants went for the sake of your families, who will of their knowledge on the subject. Ad fall recommenced, although with noth leasy yoke.

dress all communications to Chuncu ing like the severity of the previous day, GUARDIAN, box 120, Moncton, N. B. If Pavements were spasmodically and parour answer to any question is not deemed tially cleared, but very little was donesatisfactory, any further information will every one was probably waiting to see be accepted.

A. - Reredos, in an ecclesiastical sense wall at the back of the Holy Table. It ed streets; the undaunted Briton issued omes from the French words arriere and forth, armed with shovel and brush, los, behind the back.

2. "Why is not the General Thanks giving repeated by the whole congregaton, the same as the General Contession? " A READER."

A .- The word "general," in the for ner, stands opposed to "special." Special Thanksgiving, such as those for "rain," fair weather," etc., follow. The General onfession is a confession in general erms, suited to a body of people. The Joueral Thanksgiving is distinguished rom particu ar mercies, for which special orms are provided. There is nothing to justify its being used by the whole confregation though we are aware that it is lone in some Churches in the Doceses of Huron and Montreal, and in rare cases in the United States.

#### DEMORALIZED LONDON.

WRITTEN FOR THE CHURCH GUARDIAN BY ONE ON THE SPOT.

For a whole week, a sn a'l quantity of 'waiting for more," as the common say within limited distances. I don't being is. During these seven days, the fieve they ever attempted even to rough rost had been excessively severe, the ice t car houses. Some cabs plied about for a Regent's Park having reached the per- hire, asking what they listed, spite osaps unparallelled thickness of five and | Acts of Parliament. These were drawn half inches. It was a glorious time for by two horses, harnessed tendem fashion, katers; but, alas! a period of sore trial the leader being ridden by a not very or the old, the poor, the labourer, and elegant postillion. Misfortune is good no artisan. On the night of the 17th for something-the Juggernaut of the lanuary, many a person was awakened pavement, the perambulator, gaudic by the wind as it whistled and howled, nostro, remained at home during this and many a heart felt sad at the thought period. In fact, London was utterly and of those "in peril on the sea." The hopelessly demoralized for the time norning of the 18th broke sullen and being! It is the usual thing with us Bri owering, but no one dreamt of what was tons. Pinck we have, but no foresight. in store for them that day. At 10 in weather like this, as well as in war. Sclock, the sharp East wind began to be we are always beaten at first. And now haden with frozen snow. It did not that the thaw has set in, London can softly fall as snow is wont to do, it was boast of being the dirtiest, as well as the fiercely whirled, not downwards, but worst lighted capital in the world! But orizontally, whirled into the face of stay! Amidst so much incompetency, it very foot passenger, of every driver of its refreshing to single out a brilliant ex-rivate carriage. bus, or cab. To face it ception, a genius! One London vestry for an instant, was like facing the sting was equal to the occasion! During the of a whip with a thousand lashes, with thaw, in Kensington, it employed men to oard cold knots at the end of each. The spread out the snow all over the streetssabbies and the driver of Her Majesty's it having been previously carefully Mails were veils! One by one, all but piled up on either side -in order - Italics, he most daring sought the she ter of please-to induce a more rapid there nome, in the hope that the sky might The proceeding occasioned a slush six Hear later on. But that hope was vain ! inches deep !- mais qu'importe? Amethe snow fell without intermission rica! in ingenuity, confess thyself aroughout the livelong day. By noon beaten ! the streets were almost impassable, and in the course of the afternoon there was nardly a vehicle to be seen in them, it eing a work of the most extreme difficulty for either man or beast to face the cuclemency of the weather. The trains Bishop Mackenzie, the Mission in Zulu were everywhere delayed; and later on, land has been founded over which the in the day of judgment. Amen. many lines were completely snowed up first Bishop, another Arcadeacon Man-Wreaths and drifts of snow several feet kenzie, has been appointed. He was deep, seen began to make their appear ance, shops were closed, and business Capetown, on St. Andrew's Day, making ance, shops were closed, and business was practically suspended. On the outh side of the Thames a fresh cause of desolation arose, as if there was not enough already! The river overflowed topolitan." He then adds the following its banks, even before the time of high significant words:—"The dignity and significant words are significant words are significant words are significant words.—"The dignity and significant words are significant words are significant words are significant words.—"The dignity are significant words are significant words are significant words are significant words are significant words."

"The dignity are significa and the inhabitants compelled to seek tained wore manifest, and in accord thererefuge in the upper stories. At hall with is the fact that for so great Mission past 6 in the evening, I left the house of my work, and for fulfilling worthly the friend, where I had been spending the office of a Bishop, she had not to seek a day, from sheer inability to get about, man from beyond her own borders." by thickly everywhere, the distinction between the pavement and the street being completely obliterated, so that the whole was one uniform white level. The wretched gas lamps, for which London and garish, through a slight smoke-fog which was hanging over all. A solitary,

what turn the weather would take. The No. 1. "Would you inform me of the 20th, however, dawned bright and frosty, derivation of the word Revelos, which I and there was every promise of its re-have been unable to discover? B.L." maining so. Of course, the energetic ignifies the ornamented portion of the and rows of carts, to clear the encumberswept his doorway, and the pavement in front of his house-cleaned his house-top and his window-sills, and, in the course of the afternoon, London was itself again! Not a bit of it. It seems incredible, but it is nevertheless a fact, that day succeeded day, and nothing of any magnitude was even attempted ! Oxford street, Regent street, and a few other great thoroughfares were, on the third or fourth day, cleared after a fashion, and the snow carted off to the neighbouring be required." parks and squares to await there, the advent of the THAW! In most of the other streets, the snow was simply scraped up vestries! As for private individuals, so rare that they are not worth mention ing-all remained laden with snow, day after day, unto the 10th day, when the thaw began to evert its welcome influence During a great part of this time the vehicular traffic was at its lowest ebb. The London General Omnibus Company's now had been lying on the ground, Busses only ran up to certain hours, and "BUDGE."

#### PROGRESS IN S. AFRICA.

A CORRESPONDENT of the English Guardian says :- "As a memorial of consecrated in St George's Cathedral

## CONFIRMATION.

The time is coming when we shall again, by Goo's blessing, have the Bishop is famous, glared at long intervals, red with us for Confirmation. How many in this congregation have not yet renewed the vows of their Baptism is sadly apparghostly individual might be seen floun dering about here and there. London was as still, and as deserted as a country village. The theatres were so thinly at away ?"

impartially answered to the best of our ability, and with no aim at controversy. Sion that it was useless to attempt to do for the sake of your families, who will anything. Very little snow fell during the night; but on the 19th morning, the of their knowledge on the subject. Ad fall recommenced, although with noth

Mornens, the Son of Mary asks you for the sake of your own souls, not be be "careful about many things" to the neglect of His claims; for the sake of your dear little ones growing up about you, who need a mother's religious example and teaching and prayers; for the sake maining so. Of course, the energetic of your sympathetic, leavening influence vestries turned out with armies of men upon all around you to consider your religious duty.

MAN OF Business, you are called by Him "who giveth you power to got wealth," to acknowledge Him to be, not slothful in business, but fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." You are called because of your great example and influence which is all against Him till you place it on His side-an example and influence which is felt by all in your employ, and especially by the your g, and for which example and influence you will be held accountable. "I'nto him to whom much is given, of him shall much

Young Man, you are especially called. Remember now thy Creator in the days towards the sides. So much for the of thy youth, while the evil days come not nor the years draw nigh, when thou their supineness was quite on a par with shall say I have no pleasure in them," that of the 'bodies corporate." Window sills, areas, railings-the exceptions were it has come to many who have no pleasure in religions service."

Young woman, loudly are you called in your freshness, youth and beauty. You have great influence for good upon your brother, lover and friends as you also have great power for harm if you will not be a Christian woman. O, let not the opportunity slip of becoming an "angel of righteousness" on earth, pointing ever, by your guileless life and conversation, to that Heavenly land where they walk in white because they are worthy."

And, why should not all come, fathers and mothers, young and old! 1there any reason? If you think there is, write it down and look at it, and see if you are not ashamed of it Dare you write your full name under it and say, there I will plead that on my deathbed, and at the bar of Goo, and against that Saviour that said once. 'If ye love Me, keep My commandments?"-St. John's Church Record, York, Pa.

#### SACRA PRIVATA.

DEATH.

From sudden death, Good Lord, deiver me, my family and all that have desired my prayers. May we never be surprised in sin; and may Thy mercy supply whatever shall be wanting in our preparation for death.

### RESIGNATION.

For myself, with the submission of a penitent sinner under the righteous sentence of death, passed upon all mankind, as the effect of Thy justice and due to my offence, I beg that I may so live that I may with joy resign my life a sacrifice of obedience, in union with that of my Saviour, to Thee, O Father, trusting in I'ny mercy and goodness and promises in Jesus Christ, at the hour of death and

"Let not the sun go down upon thy wrath."-Eph. iv. 26.

Lord, grant that I may lie down to

"Lighten my eyes, O Lord, that I sleep not in death." - Ps. xiii. 3

Deliver me from the terrors of the sht, and from the pestilence that walk eth in darkness.

Let my sleep be free from sin; preserve me, O Lord, from evil dreams and evil demons. Into Thy hands I commend myself, my spirit, soul and body. O Lord, Thou God of truth, grant that I may remember Thee upon my bed.
"I will lay me down in peace and to

my rest; for it is Thou, Lord, only that makest me dwell in sofety."—Ps. iv. 9. May the Saviour and Guardian of my soul take me under His protection this night and evermore.

PRAYER AFTER SERVICE.—Receive, O Lord, for Thy dear Son's sake, my unworthy part in the glorious Worship of Jesus Christ our Lord .- An en.