

She either is or she is not what she has always claimed to be, viz: The Divinely appointed Kingdom—the Witness to and Guardian of the Holy Scriptures, the Pillar and the Ground of Truth. Whenever she comes in contact with the wickedness, the vice and the awful darkness of the Pagan world, she must unfurl her banner to the breeze and state exactly who and what she is. *Heathenism always forces her to give a clear and definite answer.* May God put it into the hearts of all her children to rally to her support in this great battle with the hosts of darkness!

BISHOP KELLY.

A friend has kindly supplied us with the following additional facts concerning Bishop Kelly, whose portrait appeared in last issue:—

The Right Rev. James Butler Knitt Kelly, D. D., D. C. L., was born in England in 1832 and is consequently 57 years of age. He entered at Clare College, Cambridge, graduating in 1854, was ordained deacon in 1855, priest in 1856 by the Bishop of Peterborough. He proceeded to M. A. and D. D. in course. In 1855 he was curate of Abington, Northamptonshire. In the following year he was made Chaplain to the Bishop of Sodor and Man, and in 1860 became Vicar of Kirk Michael and Registrar of the Diocese of Sodor and Man, and it may be incidentally mentioned that this position enabled him, to his great pleasure, largely to aid the sainted Keble in his work on the life of the elder saint Bishop Wilson. He resided at Bishop's Court, and was also Diocesan Inspector of Schools. In 1864 he became Incumbent of St. John's, Newfoundland, and Archdeacon of that diocese. In 1867 he was nominated co-adjutor Bishop of Newfoundland and the Synod gave him right of succession in 1872. He was consecrated August 25th, 1867, at the Archbishop's Chapel at Croydon by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishops of Rochester and Gibraltar. The lamented Bishop Feild died in 1876, and the co-adjutor succeeded. Bishop Feild had sailed until now in his Church ship—with the Homeric name, *The Hawk*, when a new vessel was needed, and Bishop Kelly went to Nova Scotia and superintended her building at Mahone Bay. She was a very perfect model and was launched with great eclat. The daughter of the rector, Rev. W. H. Snyder, (afterwards Mrs. Chas. Gray) christened her *The Star*. But, says the S. P. G. Report for 1871, "The Church ship with Bishop Kelly on board, was totally wrecked on August 18th, on the coast of Newfoundland. Her loss, however, was supplied by Mr. Curling, then Lieut., (now the Reverend) who gave his own yacht, *The Lav'rock*," and afterwards gave *himself* to the missionary work of the diocese. Bishop Kelly is of fine presence and winning manners, and a most effective preacher. In both Newfoundland and Bermuda this is too well known to need stating. On his visits to Nova Scotia the people

both in city and country were glad indeed to hear him, high and low. One sermon in Halifax made a little talk for a while; it was on the "Power of the Keys," and as a true Churchman he treated the subject. This, however, did not deter the most extreme Low Churchman in the city from asking him to occupy his pulpit very soon after. In 1871, when visiting the Bermuda part of his diocese, it was represented to him that several young people in the Flag ship *Royal Alfred* had for some time been looking for a chance to be confirmed, when he most kindly offered to hold a special service for them, and eight young officers of the Royal Navy renewed their baptismal vows. Only three months before he had done the same thing for several young Churchmen on board H. M. S. *Bylades*. As ever his words on these occasions were "warm, earnest and affectionate." In May, 1876, he was again in Bermuda, confirming, the Bishop of Newfoundland not being able to attend. On his way he preached in the Bishop's Chapel, Halifax, and won the hearts of those who heard him.

In 1871 (July 8th), Bishop Kelly arrived at Sydney, C. B., in the *Star*. The *Chronicle* of the day says, "Bishop Kelly preached. This congregation never had the privilege of hearing him before, and they had reason to be glad of the opportunity of listening to the sweet words of comfort and faithful warning in which his lordship expounded I. Cor. x., 13. On the 9th he sailed to visit the harbors and settlements of his charge round Newfoundland. The *Star* presented a beautiful sight under the favoring breeze, with her white sails and tapering masts, surrounded by various ensigns—above all the Cross of St. George."

In September, 1876, he performed the gracious act of inaugurating a subscription for a memorial to his sainted predecessor by finishing the cathedral which Bishop Feild had so zealously begun. The records which we have before us of his visit to the Labrador coast, starting July, 1870, tell what labors and trials he endured—all the greater as he was by no means so good a sailor as Bishop Feild. These are of course, too long to transcribe in mere supplementary notes like the present, but they show how strong was his zeal and how great the missionary spirit by which he was moved.

Bishop Feild died on June 8th, 1876, at Bermuda. A few months before his death a touching address was presented to him by the people of the cathedral and other churches in St. John's, and in his affectionate reply he spoke warmly of the great benefit conferred upon the diocese by the appointment by the Synod of Bishop Kelly, and expressed his deep satisfaction that he was succeeded by his "faithful, able and experienced co-adjutor."

Among other good deeds Bishop Kelly gave a prize at King's College, Windsor, for a Greek Testament. We have already alluded to the help he gave to the Bishop and clergy of Nova Scotia, but if he gave help in that province there he found