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CHURCH SOCIETY NOTICE.

Whereas the Constitution of the Church Society provides that during Lent the Quarterly Meetings shall be held on Thursday, instead of Wednesday; and as Ash Wednesday this year falls in the week in which the meeting is appointed to be held, at the suggestion of several parties, and with a view to meet the convenience of the Clergy, the President has thought fit to direct that the said meeting be postponed till Thursday, the 22nd inst.; and in order to legalize such postponement, *pro forma* meetings of the several Boards and Committees will be held in the Society's Rooms on Thursday, the 15th inst., as follows:—Standing Committee and Mission Board, at 10 A.M.; Trust Committee, 10:30 A.M., and Church Society at 11 A.M.

Due notice will be given of the said adjournment, and of the day and hour at which the Standing Committee and Mission Board, and the Trust Committee, will meet for dispatch of business.

Toronto, 1st Feb., 1866.

J. W. BRENT,
Lay Secretary.

A PRAYER

Set forth by the authority of the Bishops of the several Dioceses within the Province of Canada, in consequence of the continued prevalence of the Cholera in various Countries, and to be used on the Sunday next after it has been received by the Officiating Clergyman, and continued till the end of the Season of Lent, at all Services of the United Church of England and Ireland within the said Province, immediately before the General Thanksgiving.

MOST GRACIOUS FATHER AND GOD, who hast promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Thee, look down, we beseech Thee, from Heaven, Thy dwelling place, upon us Thy unworthy servants, who, under an awful apprehension of Thy judgments, and a deep conviction of our sinfulness, prostrate ourselves before Thee. We acknowledge it to be of Thy goodness alone, that whilst Thou hast visited other nations with pestilence, Thou hast so long spared us. Have pity, O Lord, have pity on Thy people both here and elsewhere: withdraw Thy heavy hand from those who are suffering under Thy judgments, and turn away from us that grievous calamity, against which our only security is in Thy compassion. We confess with shame and contrition, that, in the pride and hardness of our hearts, we have often shewn ourselves unthankful for Thy mercies, and have followed our own imaginations instead of Thy holy laws. Yet, O merciful Father, suffer not Thy destroying Angel to lift up his hand against us, but keep us, as Thou hast heretofore done, in health and safety: and grant that, being warned by the sufferings of others to repent of our own sins, we may be preserved from all evil by Thy mighty protection, and enjoy the continuance of Thy mercy and grace, through the merits of our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ.— Amen.