

other matters of detail. There can be no doubt, however, that congregations which have become accustomed to the chanting of the psalms will be very reluctant to give it up, as indeed we might expect when we remember the number of testimonies contained in the Book of Psalms itself that these compositions were written to be sung.

If in this matter and in all others we took care that all things were done for edification and not merely for the gratification of the prejudices of individuals, we should hear less of the deadly coldness of services which should be full of life and warmth, and we should be puzzling ourselves a great deal less over the question of "How to make the ministrations of the Church attractive to the masses."

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### THE LATE CHURCH CONGRESS.

The Toronto *Globe* has this kindly notice: "The members of the Anglican Church of Canada, both lay and clerical, are to be congratulated on the success of their late Congress in Hamilton. The proceedings were rendered more interesting than they would otherwise have been by the presence of several distinguished visitors from the United States, and especially Bishop Coxe, of Western New York, whose name is now a household word in Canada, where his presence is ever welcome. But the best features of the Congress did not depend upon the presence of the visitors. One of the most pronounced was the manner in which the clergy and laity of our own dioceses mingled together in the reading of papers and the discussion of topics. In this respect the Congress of this year marks a distinct advance, as also in respect of the spirit of toleration and liberality of sentiment displayed in the proceedings. The topics taken up were partly theological, but chiefly of a nature relating to Church organization and work. It is quite impossible for a number of earnest men gathered together from many and widely differing localities to confer with each other on such matters without improving their own capacity for usefulness both as Churchmen and as citizens. Like members of other Churches, their object is to combat and lessen the evil they find in the world, and the success of the Congress at Hamilton suggests one important way of preparing for the never-ending conflict."