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### Original Latin Poetry.

HYMN. There is a land of pure delight,

Where saints immortal reign, Infinite day excludes the night, And pleasures banish pain. There everlasting spring abides,

And never-withering flowers Death like a narrow sea divides This heavenly land from ours.

Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood Stand dressed in living green : So to the Jews old Canaan stood, While Jordan rolled between.

But timorous mortals start and shrink To cross this narrow sea, And linger shivering on the brink, And fear to launch away.

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O! could we make our doubts remove, These gloomy doubts that rise, And see the Canaan that we love, With unbeclouded eyes!

Could we but climb where Moses stood, And view the landscape o'er, Not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood, Should fright us from the shore. DR. WATTS.

#### IDEM LATINE REDDITUM.

Est terra-sanctæ delicite tenent : Servat piorum sceptrigerûm manus : Nox nulla, nam splendor diei Perpetuus prohibet, nec usquam Locus dolori est. Cedere nescium Ver non caducis floribus occupat. Secernit hanc tellure nostrâ Frigida mors, maris instar arcti Frigua nors, maris instit accor Interstrepentis: trans freta turbida Stant arva amietu gramineo, stetit Ante ora Judæis vetustus Qualis ager, mediusque fluxit Jordanus. Arctum sed fugimus mare, Deda et extente accor timilum genus Pede et retracto nos, timidum genus, Horrescimus tentare fluctus, Et gelidâ retinemur orâ. O! si exularet mens dubia et nigra Formido; si fas esset amabiles Camposque, promissasque sedes Æthereas, propiús tueri : Tractus jacentes et spatia ultima, Quos aute Mosi, cernere si foret, Non unda Jordani fugaret, Flumina non glacialis Orci.

THREE SERMONS ON THE CHURCH, BY CHAS. JAS. BLOMFIELD, D.D., LORD BISHOP OF LONDON.

ever receive, becoming deference and respect from it still open to inquiry what those things are. the members of our Holy Church ; and the subjects of these three sermons will procure for them more than ordinary attention at the present period. The text selected by his Lordship for the first sermon is

Holy Spirit, by which they were endued with super-Lord and of his Christ. Ignorance is to be be granted also to be apostolic, which was to be sire that unity, and to take steps for its restoration; tion of those who separate from our own episcopal Churches in Judæa: they then went forth to the sinners, and to be sealed in baptism, and in the Gentiles, preaching in like manner, and founding Sacrament of Christ's body and blood; the ter-Gentiles, preaching in like manner, and founding Sacrament of Christ's body and blood; the ter-would hold good, even if there were no direct or the back of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer in the work of the Lord are to be denounced arginst the widewer Gentiles, preaching in like manner, and rounding Sacrament of Christ's body and blood; the ter-Churches in every city. From these Churches others of the Lord are to be denounced against the cleaner are to be round and good, even if the mean to be propagated at wedge of great uncer-Churches in every city. From these Churches others of the Lord are to be denounced against the evidence in the writings of the New Testament to time, not thoroughly knowing what may be the in- salvation. I think them in a state of great uncer-tainty and hazard; I am sure that they want many pediments which block up the way to Catholic utility; the sleepers are to be the apostolical origin of episcopal government; but be propagated at workers of iniquity; the sleepers are to be the apostolical origin of episcopal government; but it is reached if it is reached if the number of the num were propagated, and continue to be propagated at workers of iniquity; the steepers are to be the apostolical origin of episcopal government; but pediments which block up the way to Catholic unity, spiritual privileges and advantages which I am thank-the present day, which are reckoned in the number a wakened; the careless alarmed; the fearful it is rendered, if possible, doubly sure, when we find it is rendered, if possible, doubly sure, when we find it is rendered, if possible, doubly sure, when we find and of necessity render the progress there in tedious and advantages which I am thankthe present day, which are reckoned in the number of apostolic Churches, inasmuch as they are the Marcover all these and the encouraged; the meek instructed and strengthened; and the dang in a matrix the dang in a strengthened; and of necessity render the progress therein tedious and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult, I dare not pronounce that Church to be and difficult the provided of the provided by the pro of apostolic Churches, masmuch as they are the encouraged; the meek instructed and strengthened; and to charge the presbyters to teach no other than offspring of apostolic Churches. Moreover, all these and this is a work which cannot be done in a and to charge the presbyters to teach no other than offspring of apostolic Churches. How is the presbyter and the space moments of men; and the space moments of the presbyter is the pr offspring of apostolic Churches. Moreover, an these and this is a work which cannot be done in a source of the constitute one Church; being joined slight and perfunctory manner, at spare moments, as and the pressing engagements and over-Churches constitute one Church; being joined slight and perfunctory manner, at spare moments, to judge of accusations brought against them, and I am sure that none of its memoers are charge- knoweth them that are his; and I am sure that none of its memoers are charge- knoweth them that are his; and I am sure that none of its memoers are charge- knoweth them, and is praying for them, and the praying for them that simple is praying for them.

"Such is the language of that early radiet, who, cient credentials to produce of then delegation to ministry; to commit unto faithful men the things its ged in arguing upon points of doctrine, or of discipline, perform it; but it must be done statedly, solemnly, that he had heard from the Apostle, that they del." in arguing upon points of doctrine, or a motivatively; perform it, but it made do done durant, but it most im-'never fails to appeal to the belief or practice of authoritatively; as the chief business, the most im-might teach them to others also. We could not 'never tails to appeal to the bener of practice of autnorntatively; as the effect outstates, the most full of practice of autnorntatively; as the effect outstates, the most full of precise description of the essen-those Churches which had been actually founded by portant work of all; by men specially commissioned, have a more full or precise description of the essenthose Churches which had been actually founded by portant work of all; by men specially commissioned, have a more full or precise description of the essen-the Apostles; on the ground, that in *them* the faith separated from their brethren, divorced from the that he had been actually founded by portant work of all; by men specially commissioned, have a more full or precise description of the essen-tial functions of a Bishop. Again, he reminds Titus with the calmness and candour of men, who, being the Apostles; on the ground, that in them the latthe separated from their oretinen, divorced from the fully prepared for the that he had left him in Crete, that he should set assured of our own safety, are desirous of seeing what taught, and the institutions established by the ordinary business of the, carefully prepared for the that he had left him in Crete, that he should set in order the things that were wanting, and ordain Apostles, were still preserved. To the same effect due execution of their task, and solenning invested in order the things that were wanting, and ordain Clemens, of Alexandria, who was nearly contempoclemens, of Alexandria, who was hearly contrapt, with authority for its performance. It is a clearly in every entry; to reduce sharply the Judaizing rary with Tertullian, describes the Church as 'the to be expected that this would be provided for by teachers, and to instruct Christians of all ages and rary with Tertullian, describes the Church as the to be expected that this would be provided for by teachers, and to instruct Christians of all ages and selves; and how far it may be necessary, or desirable congregation of the elect—the image of the Church those holy and divinely enlightened men, to whom classes how to behave themselves; to speak, and for us to use our best endeavours to place them in the congregation of the elect—the image of the Church those holy and divinely enightened men, to whom classes now to behave themselves; to speak, and in use our best endeavours to place them in the same firm and unassailable position which the good in heaven—collecting men through one Lord into Jesus Christ had delegated power to do all things exhort, and rebuke, not merely in the way of In heaven—collecting men through one Lord into Sesus Christ had delegated power to do an things exhort, and reduke, not inerely in the way of same first and unassatiable position which the the unity of one faith—in which ancient Church necessary for the maintenance and extension of his brotherly admonition and counsel, but with all providence of God has permitted us to occupy. alone is the true knowledge to be found, because in household, and to whom He had promised the sure authority; to reject, or excommunicate, heretics, after the first and second admonition. Here again it is preserved the apostolic right division of doc-it is preserved the apostolic right division of doc-Hence then, we infer, that all Churches, sence. Had they possessed no such power, had they we have all the chief lineaments of the episcopal trine.' Hence then, we infer, that all Churches, sence. Had they possessed no such power, had they we have all the chief lineaments of the episcopal office. Lastly, each of the Asiatic Churches, to made no such provision, the consequence must have been disorder and confusion; the dissolution and bolding the same faith, and preserving the same ordinances, are parts of that general and universal ordinances, are parts of that general and universal ordinances are parts of the Church, in which we profess our belief in the words selves should have been removed from its govern- Angel; and that the Angel was the Bishop of that of the Creed, 'I believe one Catholic and Apostolic ment. It would have availed but little, that they Church, and not, as some have pretended, the

'The visible Church of Christ is a congregation of were summoned to leave it, none had succeeded to and if to a man, then to one who was answerable for the first is ordinaries in all these things and with power to transmit that it exercise the averaging to Christ's ordinaries in all these things. In the neuron with out of command, and with power to transmit that the government of the Church. And if each of a hearing. All along they professed their desire to a point you to administered averaging to Christ's ordinaries in all these things. according to Christ's ordinance, in all those things authority to others."

that of necessity are requisite ' to the same,' where "There is no one doctrine or tenet of the same spiritual government. that of necessity are requisite to the same, where I here is no one doctrine or tenet of the same spiritual government. I conceive is intended, not any particular congregation of believers, but the whole body of the faithful fifteen centuries so unanimously agreed as in this of and of ordering things necessary to edification, was in all parts of the world, as it is explained in the episcopacy. At all times, and in all parts of the committed by the Apostles to chosen men of the 55th of our canons, 'Christ's Holy Catholic Church, world, however Churches might differ in other brethren, and by them conveyed in succession to that is, the whole congregation of Christian people opinions and practices, all retained their Bishops. others; that these men were called, from the time that is, the whole congregation of Christian people opinions and practices, all retained their Bisnops. others; that these med were caned, from the time dispersed throughout the world.' In this Church Heretics and schismatics never ventured to raise when the Apostles were taken to their reward, the pure Word of God is preached : consequently their standard except under that authority. Where Bishops, or Overseers ; that they ruled and directed the pure word of God is preached . consequently then standard except under that authority. Where bishops, of Overseers, that my funct and uncerted there must be unity of doctrine in all points of faith all the witnesses are consentient, it were tedious to the Church in doctrine and discipline; that no mode necessary to salvation; and the Sacraments are duly adduce their separate testimonies. Let it suffice of ordination, independent of their authority, was necessary to salvation; and the bactaments are dury ministered according to Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all things requisite to the essence and efficacy of a Christ's ordinance, in all the back of the back of the christ's Sacrament. This definition is of a very general speaks thus, at the conclusion of the second cenkind, as to every thing but the purity of the Word tury; and to historical facts like this, the early taught by its own presbyters, and served by its own preached, and the observance of all things essential Fathers are unquestionable witnesses, whatever may Deacons; all these points are so prominent and plain

society, the foundations of which were laid by Jesus descending in succession from the beginning, so them as well as they could." Christ himself, its divine and perpetual Head; its that the first Bishop had for his predecessor, and We now proceed to make important quotations frame and constitution being afterwards constructed the source of his authority, some one of the from the third Sermon. His Lordship thus recapitudaily such as should be saved." After an appro-priate introduction, his lordship very justly observes : and settled by his Apostles, acting with his authority, wider the middles of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the moder the moder the middles of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the moder the middles of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the moder the middles of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the moder the middles of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the moder the middles of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the moder the middles of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the middle of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the middle of the Holy Chost Secondly continue to the middle of the Holy Chost Second "it is an unavoidable inference from the words of the under the guidance of the Holy Ghost. Secondly, continually with the apostles. For in this manner text, that those who are to be saved must be added that its office is, to bring sinners to Christ, by furnish- do the apostolic Churches bring down their descent

f peace.' "Such is the language of that early Father, who, had launched the vessel, with its precious charge, guardian Angel of the Church, is clear from this, "Now let us see how this agrees with the defini-into the stormy and troubled ocean of a hostile that a message sent by a man, must have been sent tion of the Church given in our 19th Article :- world, and just steered it out of port, if, when they to a man, and not to one of the heavenly intelligences;

the Lord Bishop of London deserves what it will to the due administration of the Sacraments, leaving to the due administration of the sacraments, leaving be thought of their competency as interpreters of the most learned between the sacraments are unquestionable with esses, whatever may in the Church's history, and were for so many be thought of their competency as interpreters of the most learned between the sacraments are unquestionable with esses, whatever may in the Church's history, and were for so many be thought of their competency as interpreters of the most learned between the sacraments are unquestionable with essestion of the competency as interpreters of the most learned between the sacraments are unquestionable with essestion of the competency as interpreters of the competency as interpreters of the most learned between the sacraments are unquestionable with essestion of the competency as interpreters of the competency as interpret t still open to inquiry what those things are. "From the view which we have now taken of the birst the fullering pretend to have had their origin in the Scripture. The taken of the most learned which pretend to have had their origin in the Scripture. The taken of the most learned opponents of episcopacy in later times, being also, as

"Our blessed Lord gave to his Apostles a general commission to build his Church; and a promise of text, that those who are to be saved must be added to the Church: in other words, that incorporation ing to those who are incorporated into it the means to the Church: in other words, that incorporation ing to those who are incorporated into it the means to the Church: in other words, that incorporation to the Church: in other words, that incorporation ing to those who are incorporated into it the means by their lists of successful, as by John; that if the Holy Spirit, to guide them in all things necessary for the Church of Christ is necessary to salvation. of knowledge and holiness; and that it is therefore but component of the church of Christ is necessary to salvation. Into the Church of Christ is necessary to salvation. of knowledge and nonness, and that it is increased of Rome had Clemens ordaned by Peter; and, in not merely *instrumental* as a teacher, but *sacramental* of Rome had Clemens ordaned by Peter; and, in well as an assurance of his own continued presence It becomes therefore a question of most serious not merely instrumental as a teacher, but sucramental of Rome had Clemens ordanical by zero, and, in well as an assurance of his own continued presence with the main strumental as a medium of the believer's personal union with like manner all the rest produce those, who, having with the ministry even to the end of the world. import to us all—what is the Church? Upon which as a medium of the believer's personal union with the manner all the rest produce those, and the ministry even to the end of the world. The test of the Apostolic sted? The test of the the test of te follows another of not inferior moment—who can be properly said to have been *added to the Church*?" his Saviour, conveying and dispensing grace. His lordship then speaks of the word Church, as been admitted into it by baptism, hold the faith as it been admitted into it by baptism, hold the faith as it been admitted into it by baptism, hold the faith as it been admitted into it by baptism, hold the faith as it been admitted into it by baptism. His fordship then speaks of the word Church, as been admitted into it by baptism, note the faith as it momes of still carlier rathers, beginning to a certain form of polity; meaning sometimes the whole body of the faithful in is in Jesus, and who use, or do not obstinately who were companions of the Apostles themselves, which, as being of apostolical origin and authority, g sometimes the whole body of the faithful in is in Jesus, and who use, or do not obstitutely are equally decisive; and they are the more was observed by the Universal Church in all its refuse, their spiritual privileges; and that all local weights because they are incidental; not controall the world; sometimes those who inhabit a parti-cular district; and at other times merely the mem-bers of a single family. Baptism is then described as the initiating sacrament by which the recipient ordinances of Christ, are branches, more or less the one Holy knows a weil-thought of, that there could be a *Church* without a *Bishop*; nor that any persons should claim authority as the initiating sacrament by which the recipient ordinances of Christ, are branches, more or less profitable, of the one Holy known and undisputed fact. I will adduce but one flourishing, more or less profitable, of the one Holy of the adobrated Cyprian, who wrote to minister the Word and Sacraments, who had not spirit; and placed in a new relation to God as one of his own peculiar family and household." His Universal Church." The second sermon is from Matthew xxviii. 19-in the middle of the third century. He says, that in the middle of the third century. He says, that is how the formet of the company his lord. lordship then reverts to "the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-from the more of the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-the work of the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-the more of the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-the more of the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-the more of the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-the more of the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-the more of the conclusion to be drawn 20:—and in that and in the third sermon his lord-tion of Distance was uninterrupted, so that the 20:—and in that and in the third sermion his ford - from the first charge growther upted, so that the they maintain that the ministerial commission has deship discusses the questions—" What form and pro-"That if the Lord added to the Church daily such portions did the Apostles give to the great spiritual Church was built upon their government, as placed they maintain that the ministerial commission has de-church daily such portions did the Apostles give to the great spiritual Church was built upon their government, as placed That if the Lord added to the Church daily such portions did the Apostles give to the great spiritual Church was built upon their government, as placed it has come down to us through a line of Bishops : as should be saved, those who are to be saved must be building which their divine master had commissioned for the Church was under their government, as placed it has come down to us through a line of Bishops : and that we have the testimony of all history on our is the appointed medium, or instrumental means, in with no precise directions, but leaving them to the with no precise directions, but leaving them to the "It is then indisputable, that the government of "It is then indisputable, that the government of side, I think has been already proved. If then the and through which individual sinners must appro-guidance of the Holy Spirit? And, secondly, how the universal Church, in the age immediately suc-printer and approved. If then the the universal Church, in the age immediately sucpriate to themselves the pardon which Christ has far are *their* example and authority in the constitu-Purchased for all; first being admitted by baptism tion of the visible Church binding upon the whole of into the Church binding upon the whole of the say, abstracting from episcopacy all accidentals, and the duty of preaching the Word of truth and disinto the Church, and so acquiring a title to its privi-that perpetual corporation of which Jesus Christ him-that perpetual corporation of which Jesus Chri leges, and grace to use them; and afterwards being self is the head? And then, after glancing at the government of every province of the Church was government of every province of the Church was ted through that channel from the holy Apostles themnourished with the food of sound doctrine, and of the plenary authority of Jesus Christ to provide for the setted in one man of eminent sanctity and sufficiency, selves, to the ministers of episcopal Churches; it can-Sacrament of the body and blood of our Saviour diffusion and perpetuation of his religion, and quoting diffusion and perpetuation of his religion, and quoting to have the care of all the Churches with anthonism and the ministers of churches; it cannot be otherwise than presumptuous and hazardous, Jesus Christ, who was given, as our Church declares, diffusion and perpetuation of his religion, and quoting to have the care of an the contents within a certain hot be otherwise than presumptious and hazardous, for men to turn away their eyes from that pattern, the last words of the text, Lo, I am with you alway, precinct, or diocese, furnished by certain laws to the "not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual for and such as the end of the world, his lordship re-food and such as the last world of the world, his lordship re-"It must be manifest to the commonest under- provided with good and able pastors; and that both credentials of its spiritual authority: and against "It must be mannest to the commonest under-standing, that this remarkable promise implies a of pastors and people, conformity with the Church's which none of those charges can be brought, which whether he be really a member of the Church; and constant and unbroken succession of Gospel minis-in order to der nonallies of a spinitual standing of the church and it ought to be a subject constant and unbroken succession of Gospel minis-ters, from the time when the Apostles received their might be required, under penalties, of a spiritual of devout thankfulness to those who belong to such a of other countries; and that they have no force, with reference to seceders from our own national Church, should know what that Church is, of which the first commission, to the final period of the Church's kind, not left to discretion, but by law appointed. should know what that Church is, of which the sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared, that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared, that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared, that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared, that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared, that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* self had declared the the sacraments for the pleak, upth shall be full of the sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* self had declared that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared that He would found it more and *' the earth shall be full of the* sacred historian speaks, and of which our Lord him-self had declared that have fully have the speak sp self had declared, that He would found it upon a institution, and 'the earth shall be full of the was not only universally established by the two of the ministers of any congregations not rock, and that the gates of hell should not prevail knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.' to the Apostles, but that it was established by the institution, and the ministers of any congregations not to the Apostles, but that it was established by the institution and the ministers of any congregations not to the Apostles, but that it was established by the institution. against it: for it is manifest from this expression, as For since the first preaching of the Gospel, to the Apostles, but that it was established by the tween *them*, and the inductors of any congregations not any congregations not well as from those which have been the preaching of the more the mor well as from those which have been already cited then existing nations of the world, was a task which this is no difficult task. That, which was primitive urged for the validity of *their* mission, apply with still is one distinct and compact body; and since those themselves, it was therefore necessary that they had the apostolic constitution of the household of themselves, it was therefore necessary that they had the apostolic constitution of the household of themselves it was therefore necessary that they had the apostolic constitution of the household of themselves it was therefore necessary that they had the apostolic constitution of the household of the saved must be added to be themselves it was therefore necessary that they had the apostolic constitution of the household of the saved must be added to be saved must be added to who are to be saved must be added thereto, there should appoint others, to be both their assistants, is the work a point others, to be both their assistants, is the work a point others, to be both their assistants, is the work a point others, to be both their assistants, is the work a point others, to be both their assistants, is the work a point others, to be both their assistants, is the work a point others, to be both their assistants, is the work a point others, the work approximation of the point others as the point others. 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The point other point other point others are approximately be worked to be point others are approximately be cannot surely be wanting some distinguishing marks, and also their successors, in the work; nor, if its wherein these who such for more formed formed their successors, in the work; nor, if its ment of elders, all having equal authority, it is imwherein those who seek for refuge in that ark of execution by themselves had been practicable, would find that in so short a time it should have been versally prevailing for so many centuries; having possafety may recognise the impress of its divine origin it have answered all the purposes of the office to universally changed into episcopal, and *that*, tacitly sessed in short for fifteen hundred years that characwhich they had been ordained. Something more was and unobservedly, without notice or reclamation of teristic of truth, the being held of divine authority "Now that our blessed Lord did not himself required for the maintenance and diffusion of any kind i and yet so it must have been effected, if always, everywhere, and by all men, is so obligatory build his Church, but only laid its deep and im-Christianity: It was necessary, not merely that the it was effected at all; since there is no historical upon Christians, that no congregation of believers, not Catholic as we have proved it to be, it is impossible movable foundations, is an indisputable truth. He true vine should be planted in the world, but that it account of any measures taken for that purpose, no being under this form of government, can be a true that separation from it should not be schismatical; gave to his Apostles the commission of master-builders but did builders, but did not qualify them for the execution of their task till be cure should be made for its extension, and the space should be made for its extension, and the space should be made for its extension, and the consent of different Churches. Either episcopal "But before we proceed with the inquiry, I wish to be not endeavour to keep the unity of the Spirit in the consent of different Churches. Either episcopal the total t of their task, till he fulfilled his promise of sending to boughs thereof trained ' unto the sea, and her branches government was in conformity with the known mind point out the difference which exists, as to the bearthem the Comforter. The work of building the Church of Christ commenced on the day of Pente-Church of Christ commenced on the day of Pente-Cost Neither Neither Strategies and her branches who has and her branches who has and her branches and scholars and scholar cost. Neither did he give them precise directions as becial and perpetual charge." \* \* \* \* bly believe that the companions and scholars of the bly believe that the companions and scholars of the bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the companion in all essentials a branch of the Church bly believe that the company is the bly believe that the bly believe that the company is the bly believe that the company is the bly believe that the company is the bly believe that the bly to the outward form which the spiritual building was to assume; for the guidance of the same Holy Spiritual Son of God has appointed Sacraments of Spiritual Son of God has appointed Sacraments of the Church Spiritual Spiritual Son of God has appointed Sacraments of the Church Spiritual Spirit would be sufficient to instruct them in that, as grace; but the Word must be continually preached, be continued by be continually preached, be continually preached, would be sufficient to instruct them in that, as grace; but the Word must be continually preached, by persons total a change in the regimen of the Church, or have in every other part of their duty: and we are to instruct them in that, as grace; but the Sacraments rightly administered, by persons total a change in the regimen of the Church of the Continent of Euinquire in what manner they fulfilled it; and how specially appointed to the work; or else the one to enforce it? Were all the watchmen asleep, and the specially appointed to the work; or else the one to enforce it? inquire in what manner they fulfilled it; and how far their example and authority, in the constitution far their example and authority, in the constitution tar their example and authority, in the constitution of the visible Church, is binding upon the whole into the fold, and secured to himself the mastery of binding upon the whole body, of which Jesus Christ himself is the head. Were those persons, who con-body is the head. were those persons, which description of God's heritage? Were those persons, which are formally of apos-which description of God's heritage? Were those persons, which are former incur the guilt of schism, from which the latter are exempt. The guilt of schism, from which the latter are exempt. The guilt of schism, from which are formally of apos-the guilt of schism, from which the latter are exempt. The guilt of schism, from which the latter are we shall be greatly assisted in this inquiry, if we upon the consciences and affections of mankind, and tended so fiercely about an outward observance—the the guilt of schism, from which the latter are exempt. The former cannot allege any of the reasons, which is to ensure the continued performance of those acts of time of celebrating Easter, likely to surrender the time of celeb dered by those, who lived much nearer than ourselves to the time of its first foundation, and were themto the time of its nist foundation, and were them-selves amongst the most conspicuous of the lights selves amongst the most conspicuous of the lights indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the fundamentals of Christian faith, or to indiatorial kingdom forgotten, would have been the says the acute and learned Chillingworth, 'all the contrary to the selves amongst the most conspicuous of the light to the set upon that candlestick of gold to give light to the dictate of a wise policy, on the part of the Apostles, fables in the Metamorphosis acted and prove stories; the laws of Gospel holiness; that it will not admit the fundamental of the Apostles, fables in the Metamorphosis acted and prove stories; set upon that candiestick of gold to give fight to the world. The following clear and compendious account in the execution of the charge confided to them, when I shall see all the democracies and aristocracies is them to communion without their doing something ance of some act of worship forbidden, either expressly world. The following clear and compendious account of the execution of the charge conniced to them, when I shall see all the democracies and aristocracies them to communion without their doing something untrue; or lastly, or impliedly, by the Worl of God. This principle of Christian privilege, by this. Then, he told them to forbidden, or professing something untrue; or lastly, or impliedly, by the Worl of God. This principle that mother of the forbidden of the charge connect to them, he told them to communion without their doing something untrue; or lastly or impliedly, by the Worl of God. This principle that mother of the charge connect to them, he told them to communion without their doing something untrue; or lastly or impliedly, by the Worl of God. This principle that mother of the charge connect to the charge connect to them, he told them to communion without their doing something untrue; or lastly or impliedly, by the Worl of God. This principle that mother of the charge connect to the charge connect to the charge connect to them. or it is given by retuining, who whole before the hole been the uncer suggestion of in the world he down and sorp on awake into forbitaten, or professing something durine, or habity, by the forbitation, or professing something durine, or habity, by the forbitation of the generation of the forbitation of the forbitat end of the second century, and who could hardly have been deceived as to the history of the Church's government, and a continued succession in the presbyterial government, having continued in the Church's disapproved of the church's disapproved d have been deceived as to the instory of the Church s constitution, into whatever errors he might fall as to points of doctrine or discipline. 'Christ,' he says, continuance of the Church itself, and to the effectual after (against the Apostles' doctrine and the will of themselves guilty of schism in separating from it. upon by the Church of England, and yet did not feel points of doctine of discipline. Our set in the says, continuance of the church list, and to the electrat discharge of its functions. 'How,' asks the Apostle, and the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask, But the members of any one of the other Reformed, be whirled about like a scene in a mask. of his mission, and the rule of faith and practice, shall they call on Him, in whom they have not and transformed into episcopacy. In the meantime, by him, their non-episcopal Churches to which I have alluded, do of his mission, and the full of half and practice, of a table, by him, their either guilty of schism themselves, or countenance and believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom while these things remain thus incredible, and, in believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom while these things remain thus incredible, and, in believed?

"Let it be observed, that this demonstration Church to promote that happy consummation by all sentence of absolute exclusion from the Church of stolen from the pressing engagements and occu-pations of the world, nor by men who have no suffi-lay hands on those who were to be ordained to the lay hands or the lay hands of the lay hands of the lay hands or the lay hands of the lay hand hands of the lay hands of the

"Let us consider, for a moment, the real state of the superior advantages which we enjoy. degrees of security are enjoyed by those who are, or selves; and how far it may be necessary, or desirable

and his servants, the German prelates. They appealed provisional system of Church government, the supreme fering; and also their desire to recover it. The case episcopacy lasted but a short time; as was natural, when that eminent reformer found himself possessed that, not only of Bishop, but of Pope.

claims of episcopacy, that the earlier Lutherans and Calvinists were not heretics nor schismatics. It so, I would desire to be told, at what period of time their our preachers there yielded to the importunity of a descendants became so? I know very well; that it is few of the people, and baptised their children; but descendants became sor I know very wen, that it is not difficult to trace, in the history of their Churches; as soon as it was known, he was informed it must not subject, the following conclusions may seem to be apostone age, show us the beginnings of their was natural, the most candid, have admitted them as the gradual declension of orthodoxy: and to point the gradual declension of orthodoxy: and to point the gradual declension of orthodoxy in supposion. were plunged into that dismal gulf of rationalism, below which there is hardly a lower depth to reach. And I know, too, that this was a consequence, perventure to say, that because this, or that generation of men did not re-establish that perfect community with the Catholic Church in ecclesiastical discipline;

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#### THE REV. JOHN WESLEY AND THE CHURCH.

Our excellent contemporary of the Utica Gospel Messenger, supplies us with the following extract from Mr. Wesley's Sermons, which makes the Methodism of the present day appear very different from what it was in Mr. Wesley's time. The extract is taken from a sermon preached by Mr. Wesley at being called to preach gave them any right to adtheir willingness to retract any errors which they minister sacraments. And when the question was should be proved to have taught. Instead of acceding proposed, 'in what light are we to consider ourselves?' it was answered, 'As extraordinary messengers, raised to subdue the Protestants by force of arms; and when up to provoke the ordinary ones to jealousy.' In at last a so-called General Council was assembled at Trent, their opinions, in so far as they differed from preacher. You are to do that part of the work which those of the Romish divines, were condemned without we appoint. But what work was this? Did we ever

power of the Church being, as it were, put into com- have looked upon it as a palpable breach of this rule. power of the Church being, as it were, put hito con-mission, it is no wonder if, by degrees, they lost their and consequently as a recantation of our connexion; respect for that which had caused them so much sufwas nearly the same, at first, with Calvin and his to administer the sacraments, yet it gave you no other was nearly the same, at first, with Calvin and his friends;\* although with them the desire of retaining authority than to do it, or any thing else, where I No where at all. Therefore by this very rule you of authority, as great, for all practical purposes, as

"For these reasons it is admitted, by those of our wholly and solely to preach the Gospel. " It was several years after our society was The first was, I apprehend, at Norwich. One of promised to do it no more ; and, I suppose, he kept his promise. Now, as long as the Methodists keep to this plan, they cannot separate from the Church. And this is our peculiar glory ; it is new upon the earth. Revolve all the histories of the Church from the earliest ages, and you will find that whenever aps a punishment, of the imperfect system of Churcher there was a great work of God in any particular city government which was sumered to remain so long after the first necessity had passed away. But I will not or nation, the subjects of that work soon said to holier than you.' As soon as ever they separated themselves, they retired into deserts, or they built religious houses, or at least formed parties, into fault; therefore, they, and those who came after which none was admitted but such as subscribed to them, and who were probably less able to take that both their judgment and practice. But with the admitted, that their forefathers, who lived under the sect or party; they do not separate from the religious same form of Church government, were not so. As community to whice they at first belonged ; they are Churches, they are undoubtedly defective; wanting still members of the Church, such as they desire to

added to the Church; and that therefore the Church and empowered them to construct, furnishing them over it." food and sustenance in that Holy Sacrament.' This marks :-great importance to every one of us, to ascertain

from the writings of the Apostles, that the Church could not be adequately executed by the Apostles and catholic, must surely have been also apostolic. greater force to ours.

either publicly to the people, of privately to the orders, and how shall they hear without human reason, impossible, I hope I shall have leave quitted their own Church, is there any episcopal justify it in others. disciples, or and intending that they should be a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be to conclude thus:—Episcopal government is acknow- Church in their country to which they could unite

manded to go and having received the promised effusion of the spirit as in name, the kingdoms of the kingdoms of the spirit as in name, the kingdoms of the kingdoms

the teachers of the dentiles. One of the maining eleven he combetrayed min; out the tending extend is of God's people, and the mission and duties of Between the Apostles' times and this presently after, continue therein, and are in no sense schismatics.

some of those privileges and securities which are enwhich are, and always have been, constituted according to the apostolic model: but to their individual the Church. members I dare not deny a participation in all things Methodists would seriously consider what has been required of necessity to salvation.

"It appears to me, that in this manner it is by no a firm conviction of the apostolical origin and constitution of our own Church, with a persuasion, or at least a charitable hope, that those national Churches, which having once unavoidably, and unwillingly, lost the perfectness of ecclesiastical order, have not yet regained it, possibly not having been able to do so, regained it, possibly not having been able to do so, be content with preaching the gospel; do the work are yet within the pale of Christ's Church, so far at least as the being so is necessary to the final salvation of their individual members."

His Lordship then gives, in confirmation of his view

tions bear only upon the case of the Reformed Churches of other countries; and that they have no force, with who cannot urge any of the pleas, upon which the same community separate themselves from the Church of that community, not differing from it in fundamentals, no such pleas can be advanced ; they may not be chargeable with heresy, but I do not understand how may justly urge the divine right of episcopacy, as that from asserting it, in the way of argument and admonition. If our Church be a true branch of the Church

ledged to have been universally received in the themselves; and, therefore; as long as their own been urged for the want of apostolical government in all this a simplicity, a heartiness, a pastoralness,

is pleased to continue my life so long is, to confirm

" I wish all of you who are vulgarly called said, and particularly you whom God has commissioned to call sinners to repentance ; it does by no Dathan, and Abiram, seek the priesthood also.

"O, contain yourselves within your own bounds; of evangelists; proclaim to all the world the lovingkindness of God our Saviour ; declare to all the kingdom of heaven is at hand! Repent ye, and believe the Gospel. I earnestly advise you, abide in your place; keep your own station: Ye were, fifty years ago, those of you that were then Methodist preachers; extraordinary messengers of God, not going in your own will, but thrust out, not to supersede, but to provoke to jealousy the ordinary messengers. In God's name, stop there; both by your preaching and your example, provoke them to love and to do good works. Ye are a new phenomenon in the earth ; a body of people who; being of no sect of party, are friends to all parties, and endeavour to forward all in heart-religion, in the knowledge and love of God and man. Ye yourselves were at first called in the Church of England; and though ye have, and will have, a thousand temptations to leave it, and to set up for yourselves; regard them not; be Church-of-England-men still; do not cast away the peculiar glory which God hath put upon you, and frustrate the design of Providence, the very end for which God raised you up."

#### THE VICAR OF LEEDS: (From Bishop Doane's Impressions of the Church of England.)

We reached Leeds early in the afternoon. In the shortest possible time, the excellent Vicar [Dr. Hook] Would we like to go with him, after dinner, to one productive of some good. As long as the fundamental of his district classes? Certainly, we came to see "Yet although none of the excuses which have miss them with the blessing. To me, there was in