

# THE CANADIAN CHURCHMAN.

"Stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the Old Paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls."

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## COMMON PLACE BOOK

### A BEAUTIFUL PRAYER.

Lord, bless and preserve that dear person whom thou hast chosen to be my husband; let his life be long and blessed, comfortable and holy, and let me also become a great blessing and comfort unto him, a sharer in all his joys, a refreshment in all his sorrows, a meet helper for him in all the accidents and chances of the world; make me amiable forever in his eyes, and very dear to him. Unite his heart to me in the dearest union of love and holiness, and mine to him in all sweetness, charity and complacency. Keep me from all ungentleness, all discontentedness, and unreasonableness of passion and humor; and make me humble and obedient, useful and observant that we may delight in each other according to thy blessed Word and ordinance, and both of us may rejoice in the love and service of thee forever.—*Basil Montague.*

### DELICIOUS MEIS, IN MARI NAVIGANTE.

When morning streaks the eastern sky,  
And wakes the world for me;  
To thee, my first affections fly,  
My darling, on the sea.

Through all the close and crowded day,  
What toils, what cares, there be;  
By thee, my thoughts still find their way,  
My darling, on the sea.

While, from the far and fading West,  
The day dies dusky;  
With thee, my spirit seeks its rest,  
My darling, on the sea.

The silent watches of the night,  
Still find my soul with thee;  
And I come restore thee, loud and bright,  
My darling on the sea.

By day or night, in toil or rest,  
Whatever my lot may be;  
With thee, my fond heart finds its rest,  
My darling, on the sea.

And, come what can, of pains or cares,  
Of joys, or griefs, to me;  
I still will shield thee, with my prayers,  
My darling on the sea.

Riverside, 30th Aug., 1852. G.W.D.

### CONSCIENCE.

No man ever offended his own conscience, but first or last it was revenged upon him for it.—*Sou'h.*

### SYMPATHY.

The leaves have sigh'd their last farewell,  
Low 'neath our feet they lie;  
The flowers droop scentless in the breeze,  
And murky is the sky.

Dear Nature, I will weep with thee,  
For oft when lone and sad,  
Thy dewy eye and gentle voice,  
Have made my spirit glad.

My bitter sigh thou hast reproved,  
By thy sweet playful glee;  
But now thou art thyself so sad,  
Oh! I will weep with thee.

But stay!—a thought steals o'er my breast,  
"Like music in the air;"  
It whispers of a brighter land,  
And flow'rets ever fair.

"Safe in the grave" thy weary heart,  
Shall never know a sigh;  
Then, oh! dear Nature, tho' thou'rt sad,  
I'll dry my weeping eye.

## Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

### DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

Collections made in the several Churches, Chapels, and Missionary Stations in the Diocese towards the support of the Widows' and Orphans' of the Clergy in this Diocese, appointed for the 16th Sunday after Trinity.

Previously announced in the "Canadian Churchman" Vol. I, No. 10.	£50 7 4
Trinity Church, Wolfe Island	£1 8 0
Garden Island	1 8 6
—per Rev. Thos. Bousfield	£2 6 6
St. Mary Magdalen, Loyd Town	2 2 4
Christ Church, Burwick	1 7 1
—per Rev. H. B. Oster	3 0 0

St. George's Church Guelph, per Rev. Wm. Stewart	3 2 6
St. Paul's, Fort Erie	1 10 0
St. John's, Limestone Ridge	0 7 6
—per Rev. E. Grasett	1 17 6
Stratford per Rev. E. Patterson	0 5 0
St. George's Church	0 15 8
Weston	0 9 7 1/2
Minico	0 7 7
—per Rev. H. C. Cooper	1 12 10
Saint Jude's Church, Oakville, per Churchwarden	2 0 0
Palermo, per Rev. R. Shanklin	0 5 0
St. John's, Stratford	1 4 3
St. George's, Dummondville	1 15 9
—per Rev. C. L. Ingles	3 10 0
Chippawa, per Rev. W. Leenang	5 6 0

28 Collections, amounting to.....£73 13 6 1/2

DONATIONS.

Anonymous, (Post-marked).....	2 10 0
Toronto	2 10 0
do. by a member of the Church in G.....	1 0 0
	3 10 0

MISSION FUND.

Previously announced	£183 19 3
Bath per Rev. W. F. S. Harper	£0 6 3

DONATION.

Anonymous by a member of the Church in G.....	0 10 0
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STUDENT'S FUND.

Donation by a member of the Church in G.....	0 10 0
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ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS 11th YEAR.

Rev. E. H. Dewar, M.A.	1 5 0
Charles Magrath, Esq.	1 5 0
	£2 10 0

THOS. S. KENNEDY,  
Sec. Ch. Soc. D. T.

### CHURCH SOCIETY MEETING, OCTOBER 6.

Present—The Lord Bishop in the Chair; the Rev. Benjamin Cronin, M.A., Rev. D. E. Blake, A.B., Rev. H. J. Grasett, M.A., Rev. J. G. D. McKenzie, Rev. Stephen Lett, L.L.D., Rev. H. C. Cooper, B.A., Rev. Walter Givins, Rev. J. W. Marsh, B.A., Rev. T. W. Marsh, B.A., E. G. O'Brien Esq., Dr. O'Brien, Alexander Dixon, Esq., H. Mortimer, Esq., Henry Russell, Esq., and the Secretary.

On application of the Widow of the Rev. H. Ripley, it was ordered that her name be placed on the list of widows receiving assistance from the Widow and Orphans' Fund of the Church Society, and that she be empowered to draw for the sum of £25 for the half-year commencing 1st January last, and ending 30th June.

On application from the Rev. Arthur Hill, B.A., for a loan to enable him to defray a debt incurred in building a parsonage house on the glebe in West Gwillimbury, it was ordered that a loan to the amount of £35 be granted on the same terms as the loan to the parsonage at Manvers.

Ordered, that payment be as soon as possible made on the Mortgage, and that Mr. Fletcher be written to for information upon the subject of the repayment of the monies advanced.

On application from the Rev. A. Jemison, for a salary for a teacher of a second school on Walpole Island: It was ordered: that although the Society cannot guarantee the payment of so large a sum as £50 per annum, for this purpose, yet, in consideration of the outlay in building the schoolhouse, &c., that he be empowered to draw for £12 10s. quarterly, for the present year, commencing from the 1st of October. And that he be requested to forward to the Society before the annual meeting a full report of the number of scholars attending the school, the qualification of the Teacher, the branches taught, and any other matter, tending to show that his Mission has benefited by the establishment of the school, and which may encourage the Society to do more for the Indian Missions in the Diocese.

Resolved.—That the Rev. E. C. Bower, be placed on the Missionary list of the Society, receiving the same amount from the Mission Fund as was paid to the Rev. T. W. Allen, when doing duty in that district.

On application of the Rev. T. Bousfield, a set of Service Books for Trinity Church, Wolfe Island, and Tracts and Books to the value of £2 10s. were ordered to be granted.

A grant of Books and Tracts to the value of £2 10s. for the use of the parishioners of St. John's Church, Leeds, was voted, on application of the Rev. N. Watkins.

Two sets of 8vo. Prayer Books and Bibles, were voted, on application of the Rev. George Caulfield, of the Township of Burford.

Resolved, that a special meeting of the members of the Church Society be summoned to assemble at the Society's House, on Wednesday the 10th day of November next ensuing, to take the same vesting the patronage of the Rectories in the Church Society into consideration.

and to adopt such action thereon as its provisions may require.

Resolved.—That in the meantime the Act be printed under the direction of the Secretary, and that a reasonable number of copies of the same, and of this minute, be transmitted to the Clergy, for their own and their people's consideration.

A letter was read from S. B. Harman, Esq., dated August 21, in which he stated that his health and absence from home would prevent his attending the meeting of the Standing Committee and Finance Committee as regularly as he should desire to do, and considering the responsibility of these appointments to be too sacred for any one to hold who cannot promptly and zealously attend to the duties they involve, he felt it a duty to relinquish his seat at those Boards, and tendered his resignation accordingly.

It was resolved that Mr. Harman be requested not to insist on the acceptance of his resignation; but that he will endeavour to attend the meetings of the Committee as often as he can.

The following gentlemen were nominated to be elected Incorporated members at the next meeting of the Society.

Rev. W. H. Dewar, M.A. Coburg; Rev. H. R. Jessopp, M.A. Coburg; Rev. C. L. Ingles, Stamford; Rev. H. Lundy, D.C.L., Grimshy; Rev. T. Bousfield, Wolfe Island; Charles McGrath, Esq., Toronto.

THOS. SMITH KENNEDY,  
Secretary Church Society, D. T.

### ENGLAND.

CONVERSIONS FROM POPERY.—Since 18th the of July last 35 more members of the Romish Church have renounced Popery in St. Paul's, Bermondsey. Many of the converts are respectable tradespeople.

RIGHT OF OWNERSHIP IN Pews.—A case of disputed right to a pew in the parish Church of Horsham, remitted from the Court of Arches to the Consistory Court at Chichester, has been decided by the Chancellor of the diocese, Dr. Phillimore, in favour of the party placed in it by the Churchwardens against a claimant on the ground of the pew being attached to a certain house. In the course of his judgment the learned Chancellor made the following statement as to the law affecting the occupation of pews:—

Both before and since the Reformation the use of the parish Church had been by law free to the parishioners. Since the Reformation fixed seats had been introduced in place of the movable ones which had been formerly in use; and these seats, with some peculiar exceptions, had been in the disposition of the Ordinary, who exercised his authority through the Churchwardens, they being his officers as well as those of the parish, and subject to the Consistorial Courts. These Courts had long since decided the following points:—1st. That there can be no property in seats, the sale and lease of them being strictly illegal. 2d. That all private rights in seats must be held by a faculty, or a prescription, which supposed the previous grant of a faculty. 3dly. There was a possessory right, which was not good against the Ordinary, but sufficient to enable the possessor to maintain a suit against a mere disturber.

CONSECRATIONS.—By the Bishop of Lincoln, the Parish Church of North Elkington, was built principally at the expense of the Rev. W. Smith, the patron. By the Bishop of Rochester, an addition to the Churchyard of the parish of All Saints, St. Alban's.

FOUNDATION STONE LAID.—Of a new Church at Esher; among the contributors is the King of the Belgians for a sum of £1,000.

MUNICIPAL DONATION.—The Rev. Dr. Wurnford has transferred £5,000 to trustees, the income to be appropriated for the purposes of "The Society for Promoting the Employment of Additional Curates in Populous Places," with a preference to applications from the former diocese of Gloucester.

THE BISHOP OF SIERRA LEONE.—Dr. Vidal, the newly consecrated Bishop of Sierra Leone, has just published his diocesan next month.

THE JERUSALEM BISHOPRIC.—Dr. Gobat has been at Manchester, and at a meeting presided over by the Bishop of Exeter, has pleaded for pecuniary support to his mission at Jerusalem. In the course of his observations he emphatically denied that he had in any way interfered with the jurisdiction of any of the ecclesiastical dignitaries established at Jerusalem, and had not even undertaken the formation and maintenance of schools until the parties at whose request he eventually commenced them had asked their own Pastors more than once without effect.

An inquiry was held yesterday, at Plymouth, by the Bishop of Exeter, into certain charges preferred against the Rev. G. R. Prynne, for alleged indecent questions put by him to young persons in confession. The case broke down, and the Bishop entirely acquitted Mr. Prynne.

Mr. Hatchard and his friends, who preferred the charges, expressed themselves dissatisfied with the inquiry, which, as an extra-judicial one, could not be conducted under the sanction of an oath. The inquiry, however, was not one which could be conducted in any other way; and it was that which Mr. Hatchard demanded.

NEW CRUSADE AGAINST THE IRISH CHURCH ESTABLISHMENT.—In accordance with a requisition, signed by several Members of Parliament and others, a numerously attended meeting was held on Friday at the Northumberland Hotel, of Irish representatives who have been returned to Parliament to support the principle of religious equality, and of such of their constituents as happened to be in Dublin, to consider the propriety of summoning a conference before the meeting of Parliament to take into consideration the manner in which the question affecting that principle shall be treated next session. George H. Moore, Esq., M.P., presided. It was proposed by Mr. C. G. Dully, M.P., and seconded by Priest Coghlan:—Resolved.—That a committee be now appointed to consult with the friends of religious equality in Ireland and Great Britain, in order to come to a safe and well-considered conclusion as to the manner in which the question affecting this great principle shall be treated in the next session of Parliament, and to report thereon to a conference, to be summoned at such time and place as the committee shall determine.—This resolution was unanimously carried after a debate in which several Members of Parliament and Priests took part and a committee was appointed. The committee met on Saturday, when it was resolved that a conference of the friends of the cause should be held in Dublin on the 23rd of October, to consider the subject, and that circulars be sent throughout the kingdom to elicit public opinion upon it. At a subsequent meeting a circular was adopted.

### THE REVIVAL OF CONVOCATION.

The *Morning Post* has the following well-timed remarks on the Convocation question:—"We congratulate our readers and all true friends of the Church, upon the progress which the cause of synodal action has made amongst all classes of Churchmen. For be it from us to call it a party triumph. Not one word would we add to mark it as the victory of High Church over Low Church principles. It is simply the victory of reality over pretence—of activity over sloth—and of earnestness over indifference. The inward growth of spirituality, and the outward stimulus of opposition, misrepresentation, and rebuke, have together stirred up a deeper feeling than the Church has known for many years past. It is felt that something must be done, that to stand still is to betray a breach of trust, that eager enemies are watching without, and many evils have grown up within; that, unlike against sectarian hatred and internal bitterness, a standard must be raised; that the Church has two great works to do—one, to rectify herself with the civil power; the other to make herself consistent with herself. These works no one can do for her, they are hers, and hers alone, and she must be at liberty to use her powers, and these duties cannot be fulfilled, and failing their fulfilment, only a succession of disasters can be expected. It is to this wide-spread feeling and deep conviction, that the unanimity of the Clergy on the question of Convocation has been so strongly marked. Hence, also, the conspicuous moderation of the men elected. We find in the new Convocation a mixture of High and Low Church, the former predominating. And so far as we can judge by a rough and sweeping estimate, in much about the same proportion as these parties respectively bear to the whole Church; so that the entire body of the Clergy may be said to be fairly represented; and it would be the height of treason to affirm hereafter that the acts of the ensuing Synod will be the acts of a party only. So far as the Church can be practically represented, the Proctors elected are, as to its prevailing spirit and theology, an adequate representation; and now, for the first time since 1717, the meeting of Convocation, so far as the numbers and intention of the Lower House are concerned, will be something more than a mere mockery of religion. Men will assemble with a solemn persuasion of the power vested constitutionally in them, and the deep obligation under which they lie to discharge it fearlessly and faithfully."

### LETTERS ON CONVOCATION.

#### LETTER I.

It has always been the privilege of the Church a privilege which she has always exercised, to regulate her own affairs. As a corporation she claims this right which every other corporation possesses. The form which the exercise of this right naturally took was that of councils. These were very numerous in early times. They were of three sorts. First, General; secondly, Provincial; thirdly, Diocesan. The General Council is composed of Bishop