

EPISCOPALIAN BISHOP ENTERS TRUE FOLD

DR. FRIDERICK J. KINSMAN, BISHOP OF DELAWARE, BECOMES CATHOLIC

Until a few weeks ago styled the Right Reverend Bishop of Delaware, one of the most intellectual and beloved members of the house of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal denomination in the United States...

This most recent notable conversion from the Church's preparatory school, High Church Anglicanism, while it shakes the Episcopal denomination to its foundations and creates universal comment...

SKETCH OF CAREER

Frederick J. Kinsman was born at Warren, Ohio, September 27, 1868; was graduated from St Paul's School, Concord, N. H., 1887; graduated B. A. from Keble College, Oxford, England, 1894...

communion, then, Anglican orders are proved dubious, if not invalid, through defect of intention; and if so, I for one cannot perpetuate them nor can I hold them.

Dr. Kinsman accordingly sent in his resignation and asked to be deposed, "since resignation involves renunciation at least of the discipline and orders of the Protestant Episcopal Church," to use his own words.

This letter was variously interpreted; but even those who most differed from his views had only loving tributes to pay the resigning prelate. For instance, Dr. Floyd Tompkins, rector of Trinity Church in this city, and far from advocating Catholic doctrine, called Kinsman "a kind, warm-hearted, quiet man with great beauty of character and purpose. I have met him quite a few times, and it has been a pleasure to know him."

WAS NOT DEPOSED

The request for resignation and deposition remained unanswered for some months, that is, until the general convention met at Detroit in October, when the matter was taken up. The resignation was then accepted; wherefore, Dr. Kinsman today has the unusual position of being, in the eyes of the Church, a Catholic layman; but in Episcopal eyes he is regarded as a non-dioceesan Bishop residing at present in Maryland.

When news of his conversion flew abroad, comment was voluminous. But again it was noteworthy that even those who least sympathized with Dr. Kinsman's action were warm in affectionate passages to a pure, sweet character, to a celibate whose whole life and heart are given to the accidental glory of God.

RECALLS CONVERSION OF BISHOP IVES

Dr. Kinsman's reception calls to mind another convert from the Protestant Episcopal episcopate in this country—Levi Silliman Ives, "Bishop of North Carolina." In 1852 he went to Rome and made his submission to the Pope, and thus, as he himself said, "abandoned a position in which he had acted as a minister of the Protestant Episcopal church for more than thirty years, and as a Bishop of the same for more than twenty, and sought late in life admission as a layman into the Holy Catholic Church, with no prospect before him, but simply peace of conscience and the salvation of his soul."

HE IS A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CHURCH HISTORY, AND OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF DELAWARE.

His works include "Principles of Anglicanism," 1910; "Catholic and Protestant," 1918; "Prayers for the Dead," 1914; "The Issues Before the Church," 1915, and "Outlines of Church History," 1916.

HIS STEPPING-STONES TO ROME

Early in the present year, admittedly after a three years' struggle and searching study of Anglican general opinion on sacraments, especially Holy Orders, he announced at the convention of his diocese his resolution to resign the episcopal office, but at that time gave no published reason, the inference drawn by some being his imminent conversion to Catholicism, by others merely a desire for retirement from public life.

PRESENTLY—IN JULY—HE SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION TO BISHOP TUTTLE, AND HIS WRITTEN STATEMENT AT THAT TIME IS A REMARKABLE DOCUMENT OF CLEAR-SIGHTED REASONING.

The following are brief excerpts: In spite of great unwillingness, I have come to feel that the interpretation of the Anglican position which connects it chiefly with the Protestant Reformation is the one most consistent with its history viewed as a whole, and that its dominant tendencies are increasingly identified with those currents of thought and development which are making away from the definiteness of the ancient faith toward unitarian vagueness.

"SERVICE FOR JUDGES"

IMITATION OF THE RED MASS IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY C. P. A. Service London, Oct. 17.—It has been an established custom here for Catholic legal lights to attend the "Red Mass," the votive Mass of the Holy Ghost, at the end of the summer vacation and just before the opening of the new session of the law courts.

DIED

MCCULLOUGH.—At Fort William, Ont., on Sunday, November 23, Rev. William Francis McCullough, Parish Priest of St. Agnes' Church. May his soul rest in peace.

BURKE.—At St. Catharines, Ont., on Oct. 2nd, 1919, James Burke, born in Belfast, Ireland, thirty-five years ago. May his soul rest in peace.

MAXWELL.—Mrs. Maxwell whose death occurred in Detroit, Nov. 2nd, was a sister of Mrs. J. P. Sheehan of Sarnia, and was for a number of years a school teacher in the British Y.M.C.A. May her soul rest in peace.

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