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"The Communion of the Church of England, as it stands distinguished from all Papal and Puritan innovations, and as it adheres to the doctrine of the cross."—*From the will of Bishop Ken, A. D. 1710.*

CONSECRATION HYMN.

"Yea, let him take ALL."—2 SAMUEL, xix. 30.

TAKE my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.

Take my moments and my days ;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and "beautiful" for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King.

Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold ;
Not a mite would I withhold.

Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is Thine own ;
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love ; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store.

Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, ALL for Thee.

—*Frances Ridley Havergal.*

"OUR FATHER."

THERE are few expressions in our Book of Common Prayer more significative of doctrine than this; as well in the words themselves, as especially in the positions in which we find them placed.

As to the words, they are not merely the aspiration of the soul after the heavenly Home, and the expression of her filial affection to Him Who is above; they are the outcome of the earthly prospect as well as the heavenly, embracing the whole family on earth as well as that in heaven. They are a laying claim, not only to the pater-
ernity of God, but to the Brotherhood of the Saints, and to all the forfeited blessings of Eden restored to man generally in the Incarnation, and personally in the Sacrament of the Font. We find them in each and all of our services, in obedience to the command, 'When ye pray, say, Our Father.'

But it is to the position of these words in the services of common and public prayer that we would draw attention. In HOLY BAPTISM the child comes as a child of