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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SYNOD  
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SYNOD OFFICE, VICTORIA, B. C.,

AUGUST 18TH, 1892.

SIR,—The Lord Bishop having, on August 6th, 1892, given to the Synod, through the Secretaries, a formal notice of his resignation to the Archbishop of Canterbury, of the See and Diocese of British Columbia, such resignation to take effect on November 15, 1892; we are directed by his Lordship to inform you that in accordance with the Canon, a special meeting of the Synod will, D. V., be held at the Cathedral School, in Victoria, at eleven o'clock, forenoon, on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND, 1892**, for the purpose of electing a successor to the See.

A copy of the Canon on Election of a Bishop, is given herewith.

By Canon of the Synod, no Lay Representative can take his seat unless all assessments due by the congregation he represents are paid.

We remain,

Your obedient servants,

A. SCRIVEN,  
*Clerical Secretary.*

E. BAYNES REED,  
*Lay Secretary.*

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OPENING OF SYNOD.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND.—8 a. m., Celebration of the Holy Communion at Christ Church Cathedral. 10 a. m., Matins and Celebration. The Synod will assemble for the business of Election of a Bishop, in the Cathedral School, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

THANKS.

Illness in his family prevented the Editor attending to his usual duties during August. He has now to thank the Rev. W. H. P. Arden for most kindly preparing and distributing the last number of the Diocesan Magazine.

INDIAN GATHERING AT HOPE.

*To the Editor of the Diocesan Magazine :*

SIR, - I must request you to allow me to complain publicly in your columns of the tone of a paragraph in the account of the Hope Indian gathering that appears in the Magazine for the current month. It is the third paragraph on page 13, in which it is reported that 'according to the general usage of this Diocese what are termed the "Five Points of Ritualism" were punctiliously observed.'

These words, and especially the use of inverted commas in connection with them, involve a covert suggestion of illegality, or of impropriety at the least ; while the word " punctiliously " suggests the use of ceremonial merely for its own sake.

I strongly protest against both these suggestions. There is no longer the faintest excuse for questioning the legality of the practices alluded to, while my Clergy are all of them too well instructed to be 'mere ritualists.' I am sure that the insertion of the paragraph was due to inadvertence alone, but nevertheless, as it is calculated to do us harm in the estimation of your readers, I feel obliged to request you to allow this protest to appear.

Yours faithfully,

A. W., NEW WESTMINSTER.

[We gladly print the letter of the Bishop of New Westminster, and are sorry that any expressions used by our correspondent should have appeared to reflect upon the usages of his Diocese. We are sure, however, that no reflection was intended. As the Bishop says, there is no longer any question as to the legality of the five points, and there is no parish in our own Diocese in which one or more of them are not observed.—Ed.]

THE BISHOP'S VISIT TO NANAIMO.

PRESENTATION OF AN ADDRESS OF FAREWELL.

The Bishop left Victoria on Saturday, August 27th, on a four days' visit to Nanaimo and district, making St. Paul's Rectory his headquarters. On Sunday morning, he preached in the old church of St. Paul's, to a large congregation, on the text, "Add to your faith, virtue, \* \* \*"—2 Peter. 1 : 5 ; and

in the evening to an assembly overflowing into the street, on the text from I Kings, xix: 12, "And after the fire a still small voice." At the evening service, the Rite of Confirmation was also administered, making the service a long one, viz., two hours, yet it would be impossible to see greater attention or more interest in any congregation. St. Paul's Church is one of the oldest on the Pacific Coast, having been built over thirty-years ago. Its progress recently has been great, and its members are talking of enlarging and reseating it. The singing is most creditable, and in the evening especially, one could not help feeling highly edified with it. Miss Ethel Good has presided at the organ now for a period of a year, with noble self-sacrifice, and her tasteful, bright style conduces largely to the success achieved by the choir. But before all and above all in its success, and blessings resulting, must be named St. Paul's Institute. It is a large building, erected next to the Church, under Church management, and open to all on the payment of a small subscription fee. English, American and Canadian papers are all arranged along a large central table, and on the stage is a piano, for the use of members. A billiard room is attached and is most popular, and numerous little tables with all kinds of games arranged on them, are seen scattered about at intervals; the electric light lightens the whole. The Rev. J. B. Good may well be congratulated on St. Paul's Institute, it is a credit to the Church and the City of Nanaimo.

On Monday the Bishop left for Wellington for a visitation of St. Matthew's Church. To a stranger, this Church is a marvel of perfection; pulpit, altar rails and altar all are works of art, not seen in every Church on the Pacific Coast. The vestry is large enough to hold a meeting of twenty-five people, and is used for Sunday School purposes. The bell cost \$75, and has a beautiful sound. The lamps, stoves and general furnishings, gives a visitor the idea that no expense has been spared to make God's House worthy of His worship. Mr. Flinton has a Sunday School of over eighty, which is 50 per cent. more numerous than any other Sunday School in Wellington. The work centered in St. Matthew's is such that the Church of England occupies the first place in the township, and her influence is felt by the increased peace and happiness which is a noticeable feature amongst the people of Wellington. A Rectory is now being erected for Mr. and Mrs. Flinton on the Church ground.

The Bishop now proceeded to Northfield. Here Mr. Agassiz has been engaged in a noble work. It may truthfully be said that he found himself alone at the start. He had to make his way, inch by inch, and the pace has been little faster. But it only required time for a man of Mr. Agassiz's characteristics to break down the first barrier, that of prejudice. He is now popular amongst the miners, and in a dozen little ways they show their admiration for his courage and determination: if

they do not always show sympathy in christianity itself, they do in its exponent, and amongst the intelligent and independent miners of Northfield it will be surprising, if within a year they do not loyally and manfully rally to the support of St. Luke's and her priest. The little church is like a picture inside. Everything in beautiful order. The little chancel in every item, perfection and a joy forever; truly, may the man who toils beneath the surface here be assisted in his coming to the Saviour in the beauty of God's sanctuary. The eye assists the heart, as doth the ear, and so will it prove in Northfield. May a thousand blessings descend upon the work of Mr. Agassiz.

We now returned to Nanaimo, for the Bishop had a heavy day's work for the morrow (Tuesday).

At one o'clock we left for Cedar District, and the consecration of St. Philip's took place a little before three o'clock. Mr. Miller had decorated the Church, with the assistance of some of his people, most choicely. An artist's eye had directed, and the *tout ensemble* was charming. After the consecration several candidates were confirmed, making the service a little long, though it was most interesting throughout. The Church was nearly full, and there was a surpliced choir of six boys and six men. The Rev. J. B. Good acted as Bishop's Chaplain, and the Rev. W. H. P. Arden as assistant Registrar. The music was hearty, and ably lead by Mr. Miller. Here too, is an uphill task. It is a scattered district, and therefore most difficult to work, yet, as the picnic after the consecration showed, the Church has a hold, and may she keep it, and under the zealous labours of our priest there, God must bless the work.

Just before the races, which were to open the festivities, the following address was presented to the Bishop:

"We, the Incumbent, Churchwardens and congregation of St. Phillip's Church, respectfully desire by this memorial, to show our appreciation of the Episcopal work done by our Right Reverend Father in God, George Hills, D. D., Lord Bishop of British Columbia, who for 33 years has labored so faithfully for the cause of Christ. We are sorry that this memorial must take the form of a farewell.

'Farewell! in hope and love,  
In faith, and peace and prayer;  
Till he whose home is ours above,  
Unite us there.'

We would ask one thing of your Lordship before you leave us. In thinking during your retirement, of your beloved Diocese, will you especially think and pray for the welfare of St. Phillip's Church and its Missions.

May you yet live many years in retirement, and may your successor be clothed with your mantle, are the prayers of your people. We are, though soon to be divided by the vast Atlantic, your obedient children in Christ.

Ernest George Miller, Priest ; Arthur Griffin, Lay Reader ; George C. Pannel and George Woobank, Churchwardens ; Jno. Hill, William Turnbull, Joseph Woobank, Arthur Thatcher, Louis A. Good, of the Church Committee." W. H. P. A.

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### *THE ARCHDEACON AT COMOX.*

Having been commissioned by the Bishop to open the new Church at Comox Bay, I left Victoria on Tuesday morning, August 2nd, and reached Comox on Wednesday afternoon. Here I met Rev. J. X. Willemar, who, though much disappointed at not finding the Bishop on board, gave me a hearty welcome. After showing me over the new Church, he drove me up to the Courtenay hotel, where I put up. The next two or three days were spent very enjoyably, if not successfully, in fishing, and we always concluded with a pleasant evening in the parsonage.

On Sunday morning, I celebrated and preached at St. Andrew's Church, and in the afternoon we drove down to the Bay, where we found a large congregation assembled, including the Masonic Lodge, which marched in procession to the Church.

The organ, lent for the occasion by Mr. Holmes, was played by Mrs. Butler, and the singing throughout the service was good and hearty.

At the conclusion of the sermon, the Church was declared to be, by the authority of the Bishop of the Diocese, open for Divine Service.—A. S.

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### *ST. JOHN'S, VICTORIA.*

Rev. Percival Jenks, pastor of St. John's Church, left on the first stage of his holiday journey on the 29th August, the Yosemite carrying him to Vancouver, where he will take the train for Montreal. At that city one of Dr. Powell's sons will join him, having arranged to accompany Mr. Jenks to the Old Country, there to enter Cambridge University. Mrs. Jenks leaves home Thursday, joining her husband in New York, and going with him to Europe.

Among the members of the congregation of St. John's there is a unanimous feeling of regret at the separation from their much esteemed pastor, and of satisfaction that he is now permitted to enjoy the rest which his faithful and persistent labors have won him.

At the close of his sermon on Sunday evening, Rev. Mr. Jenks spoke briefly to the assembled congregation, informing them of his plans for the vacation, and reviewing his connection with the church in Victoria, continuous since 1868. During his long relationship with St. John's, only three Sundays had found



him absent from either pulpit or pew, and he, therefore, felt the need of a few months of rest. His present tour will enable him to mingle with the different learned men of England, and to be present at a number of important church meetings, where much good is to be gained.

A pleasing illustration of the feeling of attachment to their departing pastor was given by a large portion of the congregation, who, on the conclusion of the service, crowded into the vestry to grasp his hand and wish him God-speed on his journey and a safe return.

When all had assembled, Mr. Belyea, one of the Churchwardens, read the following neatly engrossed address :

*To the Rev. Percival Jenns, Rector of St. John's Church, Victoria :*

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—On behalf of ourselves and the congregation of St. John's Church, we beg, on the eve of your departure on a visit to England, the land of your birth, to express our warm attachment to your person, and our appreciation of the kindness, zeal and care with which you have for nearly a quarter of a century discharged the duties of Rector of this church.

Of the many who welcomed you to this church in 1808, there are comparatively few now to bid you good-bye and God-speed, but amid all the changes, you have, by earnest teaching, kindly sympathy alike with the sorrowing and the glad, and by firm adherence to a high standard of action and thought, won and held the admiration, respect and confidence of, as well those who have come and gone, as those who to-day enjoy the fruits of your teaching and example and your counsel and friendship.

That your visit to Old England will be one of great pleasure to you we cannot doubt, and we trust that, having once again met the friends, and looked upon the scenes of your earlier life, you will return to your Master's work among us, with renewed energy of body and mind.

Wishing you a safe and pleasant voyage, and assuring you that a hearty welcome awaits you on your return,

We are, reverend sir, your faithful friends and parishoners,

A. L. BELVEA,	} Wardens of St. John's.
A. C. FLUMERFELT,	
D. R. KER,	
H. SANDERS,	

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 28th, 1892.

Mr. Jenns made a reply in a few well chosen remarks, saying how much he appreciated this unexpected evidence of attachment, and that he was going to the land of his birth in order that he might refresh his mind as well as his health by mixing with some of the principal heads of the Church at home, and return with new ideas, the better to carry on his Master's work so long as health and strength permitted.

As Mr. Jenns ceased speaking, Mr. Belyea again stepped forward and presented him with a purse containing about \$300, which had been hurriedly subscribed by leading members of the congregation.

The people of St. John's expect to have their pastor with them again about Christmas.—*Colonist*.

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### THE BUSY BEES ENTERTAINMENT.

The Busy Bees of St. John's gave the first of their concert entertainments last night in St. John's schoolroom. The hall was filled with an appreciative audience, who listened with delight to the well rendered programme. The first number was a piano duet by Mr. and Mrs. Temple, followed by a song, "The Drummer and His Lass," by Mr. Twiss.

A vocal trio, "See Our Oars," by Miss Twiss, Mrs. Temple and Miss Merrie Twiss, was vigorously applauded, and a song, "The Angel at the Window," by Mrs. Belyea, received a well merited encore, as did a song "Carissima," by Mrs. Newling. Mrs. Temple sang, "What Am I, Love, Without Thee," and a piano duet by Mr. and Mrs. Temple closed the first part of the programme.

A duet by the Misses Twiss, opened the second half of the entertainment; a song by Mrs. Wollaston followed, and Mrs. Janion received an encore on her song, "The Garden of Sleep." Miss Lawson was encored on a recitation, Miss Twiss followed with a song, and Mr. Keith sang "Mary of Argyle," in a way that brought down the house and won an encore. A vocal trio by Mrs. Temple and the Misses Twiss closed the programme, and "God Save the Queen" dismissed the audience. "A most enjoyable evening," was the verdict of those present.—*Colonist*, 8-9, 1892.

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### ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

This Church has lost one of its most zealous and efficient workers by the death of Mr. Charles Neaves, who passed away after a short illness, on Sunday, 31st July. For about five years he had been vergier of St. James' Church, and in discharging the duties of his office, he displayed unwearying zeal. He was full of reverent love for the sacred building in which he was employed, and he grudged neither time nor labor to make it, what it was generally acknowledged to be, one of the best kept Churches in the Diocese. He was buried on Tuesday, August 2, from the Church which he had so faithfully served. In the unavoidable absence of the Incumbent, the funeral was taken by Canon Beanlands.

Mr. Chas. Gardiner has been appointed to the vacant post.

The annual collections for the Jubilee Hospital were made on Sunday, the 21st August, and amounted to \$43.00, a fair advance upon last year's collection for the same object. The evening sermon on that Sunday was preached by Rev. C. E. Sharp, the new master of the college school.

The Sunday School has re-opened after several weeks intermission. The attendance is still comparatively small, but we hope soon to reach our previous numbers. A. S.

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### ST. SAVIOUR'S, VICTORIA.

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Last evening at the church of the Holy Saviour, Victoria West, the rector, Rev. W. D. Barber, performed the ceremony which unite "until death doth them part" Mr. H. J. Cave and Miss Mary S. Weller, both of Victoria West. The wedding was celebrated in the presence of a large congregation, made up almost entirely of intimate friends of the most interested parties. Mrs. Cave gave the bride away, Miss N. Harris acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. W. Cave supported his brother, the groom. *Colonist, 8-g, 1892.*

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### ST. LUKE'S, CEDAR HILL.

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Although amateurism is generally supposed to cover numerous defects, it can be honestly said that the entertainment given in the Church School Rooms at Cedar Hill, on Thursday evening, needed it not, though the performers were amateurs in the first degree.

Punctually at 8.30 p.m., the curtain rose, and from then until 10.30 p.m., general and hearty applause greeted the end of each part.

The two chief numbers of the evening's programme were the Tableau and Drawing room scene, the former being a realistic representation of "Cinderella," the youthful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brownlee taking the role of the bride, being dressed faultlessly and acting her part to perfection, while equal credit is due to those whose parts were entirely satisfactory.

The Drawing room scene, the last feature of the evening, consisted of five couples of young folks, ranging in age from three years to ten, and who in full evening dress of the present time, danced in perfect time the favorite old Virginia Reel, the entire programme being received with well-merited expressions of approval. The promoters of the evening's pleasure, viz: the Misses Browne, Mebius, Pollock and Miller, are to be congratulated on the efficient manner in which they carried the programme through. The programme was as follows:

PROGRAMME.

Instrumental Solo.....	Miss E. Miller.
Recitation.....	Miss M. Holmes.
Chorus.....	Children.
Recitation.....	Miss M. Browne.
Vocal Duet.....	The Misses Miller & Hatch
Autoharp Solo.....	Miss M. H. Holmes
Song.....	Miss A. King
Tableaux.	
Instrumental Solo.....	Miss E. Browne.
Recitation.....	Miss G. Pollock.
Song.....	Miss D. Mebias.
Dialogue.....	Miss D. Mebias & Co.
Instrumental Duet.....	The Misses Browne.
Song.....	Miss A. King.

Drawing Room Scene.  
" God Save the Queen."

—*Colonist*, Sept. 2, 1892.

**ST. PHILLIP'S CHURCH, B. C.**

July 7th, was a noted day in the annals of Cedar, on which day we had a Flower Festival, in aid of the Church debt. There were ten prizes given for flowers, vegetables, and quite a number of entries, especially the children's bouquet class. The managers were Messrs. Pannell and Woobank, Churchwardens, together with the Rev. E. G. Miller.

The result besides being enjoyable, was an addition to the funds of \$51.30.

The prizes were all given by merchants and others of Nanaimo.

On Sunday, 10th, the Rev. J. W. Flinton exchanged duties for the day with me.

On 20th July, general meeting of Church Committee.

We contemplate during the month of August, starting a night school, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in each week. A fee of \$2 per month for first month has been agreed upon by the young men, and several of them have given in their names.

The Lord Bishop, we are expecting at end of August, to consecrate our Church, confirm candidates, and on the same day we hope to arrange the Sunday School picnic. It is reported he will be with us on Tuesday, August 30th.

BAPTISMS.

June 26. At North Oyster School House, Louisa and Joseph Ernest, children of John Benton and Emott, of Oyster Bay District.

July 3. At Southfield School House, George Hareward, son of James and Sarah Perry, of Chase River.

July 3. At Southfield School House, Dorcas Lillian, daughter of Morgan and Rebecca Morgan, of Chase River.

July 3. At St. Phillip's Church, Frederick Thatcher, son of James and Anna E. Malpass, of North Cedar.

E. G. MILLER, *Incumbent*.

*ST. AUGUSTINE'S INDIAN MISSION.*

The School Children have the month of July as holidays. I am pleased to record the wish of two ardent Indians to receive the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The average monthly attendance at day school was about 12.

E. G. MILLER,  
*Priest-in-charge.*

CELEBRATIONS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

- 1st Sunday.—8 a.m.—Indian Church, St. Augustine's.  
2nd " 11 a.m.—At Church (St. Philip) South Cedar.  
4th " 8 a.m.—St. Philip's Church.  
5th " 8 a.m.—St. Philip's Church.  
Other services as usual.

SPECIAL

- 1st Sunday Matins, Southfield School House.  
3rd " Evensong, St. Augustine's Indian Church.  
Every two weeks, service at South Cedar.  
Last Sunday in month, 1st Evensong at North Oyster School House.—E. G. M.

*ST. ALBAN'S, NANAIMO.*

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held on the Feast of S. Michael and All Angels, Thursday, September 29th. Gifts of corn and fruit and flowers will be most acceptable. This will be the first Harvest Festival held in the parish of S. Alban.

We have received a pleasant visit from two American Bishops Pittsburg and S. Ohio. They expressed themselves very pleased with our lovely Altar, and took with them two of Mr. Brooks' excellent photographs of the Chapel as souvenirs of their visit.

Nanaimo is a place of continual change, so far as its population is concerned. During the past month we have lost three subscribing members of the congregation by removal. Can we not find three others to take their places?

The day school is most encouraging. Every day is commenced by a short service in the Chapel when the children are catechised upon the Scripture lesson, the whole lasting but fifteen minutes. Thus Prayer—religious instruction, and the hymn of praise gives that happy tone to the School work which follows, so sadly lacking in our public school system.

Mr. Spencer's Magic Lantern show and address were greatly appreciated by the rather small and select audience who assembled. We regret to say that the proceeds did not quite cover expenses; and a treat was missed by those who did not come. There should be more encouragement for ventures of

this kind ; we believe that Nanaimo people have a soul above dancing, why not then show it ?

Capt. and Mrs. Honeyman have kindly given two gifts to the Church, blinds for the windows, and a large Union Jack for our flagstaff. These things are most welcome.

The time of preparation for the bazaar is growing short ; we hear on all sides of work being done, and hope that none of our friends are forgetting it. October 22nd is the day for sending in articles to the Ladies' Committee. *St. Alban's Monthly Paper.*

### WESLEY AND THE CHURCH.

(Continued.)

Wesley's opinions on Baptism are clear. In his treatise on this Sacrament, he says, "The first of the benefits we receive in baptism, is the washing away the guilt of original sin, by the application of the merits of Christ's death. That we are all born under the guilt of Adam's sin, and that all sin deserves eternal misery, was the unanimous sense of the ancient Church, as it is expressed in the ninth Article of our own." And again, "By one man's disobedience all were made sinners ; that by one man sin entered into the world and death by sin ; which came upon all men, because all had sinned. This plainly includes infants ; for they too die. Therefore, they have sinned, but not by actual sin ; therefore by original sin ; else what need have they in the death of Christ, \* \* the merits of his life and death are applied to us in baptism. 'He gave Himself for the Church, that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,' viz., in baptism, the ordinary instrument of our justification. Agreeably to this, *our Church*, prays in the baptismal office that the person to be baptized may be washed and sanctified by the Holy Ghost, and being delivered from God's wrath, receive remission of sins, and enjoy of the everlasting benediction of His heavenly washing."

In a sermon on John iii, 7, he conclusively proves his full concurrence in the new birth through this sacrament, yet the Methodist Conference of 1882 expunged this passage from the exhortation in the service for Holy Baptism ! Thus are the pretended followers of Wesley rejecting, one by one, every essential in the Christian religion. His words on the Holy Communion were also conclusive. In his journal under date Friday, 27th June, 1740, he says : "I preached on "Do this in remembrance of Me." In the ancient Church, every one who was baptized, communicated daily ; so in the Acts we read, 'All continued daily in the breaking of bread and in prayer.'" And again, "I showed at large that the Lord's Supper was ordained by God to be a means of conveying to men, either preventing, or justifying or sanctifying grace, according to their several necessities.

That the persons for whom it was ordained, are all those who know and feel that they want the grace of God \* \* ." In a sermon on Schism, he guards from the ignorant abuse which is still at the root of so much neglect of the Holy Communion. In 1788, he puts forward the following, and adds that he has not altered his sentiments in any point : "The first reason why it is the duty of every Christian so to do is, because it is a plain command of Christ." "A second reason why every Christian should do this as often as he can, is, because the benefits of doing it are so great \* \* viz., the forgiveness of our past sins, the present strengthening and refreshing of our souls." "The grace of God given herein confirms to us the pardon of our sins, and enables us to leave them." "We must *never* turn our backs on the feast which our Lord prepared for us." "This is the true rule. \* \* Whoever therefore does not receive, but goes from the Holy Table, when all things are prepared, either does not understand his duty, or does not care for the dying command of his Saviour." Let every one, therefore, who has either any desire to please God, or any love of his own soul, obey God, and consult the good of his own soul, by communicating every time he can ; like the first Christians with whom the Christian Sacrifice was a constant part of the Lord's Day Service." "And for several centuries they received it almost every day ; four times a week always, and every Saint's day beside. Accordingly those that joined in the prayers of the faithful never failed to partake of the Blessed Sacrament. What opinion they had of any who turned his back upon it we may learn from the ancient Canon : 'If any believer join in the prayers of the faithful and go away without receiving the Lord's Supper, let him be ex-communicated as bringing confusion into the Church of God.'" W. H. P. A.

ITEMS.

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A handsome new altar has been erected in St. Saviour's Church.

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A Confirmation will be held in St. Barnabas' Church, on St. Luke's Day, October 18th, at 8 o'clock p.m.

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The Victoria Clerical Guild has had no meeting for three months. We hope that their pleasant gatherings will soon be resumed.

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