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## CONFIRMATIONS.

THE BISHOP OF TORONTO intends to hold Confirmations during the ensuing Summer and Autumn, as follows:—

In the several parishes east of Toronto, during the months of May and June.

In those parishes of the County of Simcoe which were not visited in 1868, in the beginning of September.

In the Counties of Lincoln, Welland, and Haldimand, and in South Wentworth, in September and October.

He requests to be informed, before the end of March, what churches and burial grounds are required to be consecrated.

Special lists of the first Confirmations to be held will be published in the April number of the "*Church Chronicle*."

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

Circulars have been annually transmitted from this Department to the clergy, requesting a return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in each parish or mission in this Diocese.

From time to time complaints are made that these returns are not forwarded; and several clergymen, it is stated, have omitted to transmit those that were requested for the year 1867.

THE BISHOP OF TORONTO would feel much obliged if those who are in default would, without delay, supply the required information; and he trusts that it shall never be said of any of the clergy of this Diocese that they failed in the courtesy and duty claimed by the Government of the Dominion.

Toronto, January 20, 1869.

## NOTICE.

The Bill, intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto therewith," having become law, there will not be any more meetings of the Church Society.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE AND MISSION BOARD will be held on Wednesday, the 17th instant, at 11 A. M.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMUTATION TRUST COMMITTEE will be held on the same day at 10, A. M.

## CHURCH SOCIETY REPORT.

Those Clergymen who have not been supplied with copies of the last Annual Report, can obtain the same on application at the Society's office.

On page 49 of the last Annual Report, the collections credited to the mission of Beyerley in the column "Thanksgiving Collection Mission Fund" should have been placed in the column "April Students' Fund". These collections were made by the Rev. Richard Harrison, M.A., who took charge of that Mission in February, 1868.

Church Society's Office,  
Toronto, 1st February, 1869.

WM. P. ATKINSON,  
Secretary.

### NIAGARA DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Niagara District Branch of the Church Society will (D. V.) take place at St. Catharines, on Tuesday evening, April 13th, at 6 30 p. m.

The clergy of the several parishes within the District are requested to forward their reports and remittances to me, on or before April 6th proximo.

CHARLES LEYCESTER INGLES,

*Sec. and Treas. N. D. B. C. S.*

Drummondville, Jan. 22nd, 1860.

### An Act to Incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto therewith.

[Assented to 23rd January, 1869.]

Whereas the Synod of the United Church of England and Ireland, of the Diocese of Toronto, have petitioned for an Act for the incorporation of the said Synod, and for union with the Church Society of the said Diocese; and the said Church Society have also petitioned for the same, and it will greatly facilitate the objects for which the said Synod and Church Society were established, to grant the prayer of the said petitioners: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:—

1. The Synod of the United Church of England and Ireland, of the Diocese of Toronto, shall be, and the same is hereby incorporated by the name of "The Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto."

2. The said Synod shall consist of the Bishop of the said Diocese, who shall be the head of the Synod, and any Suffragan or Coadjutor Bishop thereof, the Priests and Deacons of the same licensed by the Bishop or Suffragan, and of lay representatives, to be elected according to the constitution of the said Synod as the same exists at the time of the passing of this Act, or as it may, from time to time, be altered by the said Synod after the passing of this Act.

3. The Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto shall be and is hereby united to, and incorporated with, the said Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, and shall hereafter be called and known as "The Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto."

4. All the property, of what nature or kind soever, now held by or vested in the said Church Society, shall be and is hereby declared to be vested in the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, without any conveyance thereof by the said Church Society to the said Synod; and the name of the said Synod is and shall stand and be in the place of the name of the said Church Society in all deeds and other writings relating to the property and affairs of the said Church Society, and in all suits and proceedings, either at law or in equity, by or against the said Church Society.

5. The said Synod shall be subject to all the liabilities of the said Church Society, and shall hold all property vested in trust in the said Society upon the same trusts as such property was heretofore held by the said Society, and shall administer the same according to such trusts; and all claims, rights, suits, actions, cause and causes of suit and action, which might but for this Act be brought, prosecuted, or enforced by any person or persons, body or bodies corporate whatsoever, against the said Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, may be brought, prosecuted and enforced against the said Synod, and against its funds, property and effects; and nothing herein contained shall relieve any officer or corporator of the said Church Society from any existing claim or liability at law or in equity, or take away any right of action or suit of any corporator of the said Society or other person, or of the said Society, in respect of any of the affairs or property of the said Society.

6. The said Synod shall have all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises conferred upon the said Synod under the Act passed in the session held in the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act to enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland to meet in Synod," as well as those conferred upon the Church Society by the several Acts of the Legislature of the Province relating to the said Church Society, and to enforce all rights and claims which either such Synod or Society could enforce against any person or persons whatsoever, body or bodies corporate, or otherwise howsoever.

7. The said Synod shall have full power and authority to make such canons, rules, regulations, and by-laws, as by the said Synod may be considered necessary in the exercise of the powers conferred upon the said Synod, under the said Acts in the next preceding clause mentioned, and also for the conduct of their proceedings, regulation of their members, and all such other matters as may pertain to the proper and orderly discharge of their business.

8. The said Synod may exercise all its powers by and through such Boards or Committees as the said Synod may from time to time appoint by by-law or by-laws for the management of all or any of the affairs or property of the said Synod, but in accordance only with the trusts relating to any property to which any special trust is attached.

9. The said Synod may appoint or remove all such officers as may be found necessary for the management of the affairs and business of the said Synod, and provide for their remuneration.

10. Until other provision is made under this Act by the Synod, all the property and funds of the said Church Society shall continue to be managed by the Committee and officers of the said Church Society, and under the by-laws thereof, but subject to the supervision and control of the Synod, to whom all reports respecting the same shall be made.

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### BOOK AND TRACT COMMITTEE.

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Book and Tract Committee was held on Monday, 25th January, 1869, at 3, P. M. *Present*, The Rev. Dr. Beaven and The Provost of Trinity College.

1. The Rev. J. Morton, Keswick, applied for Bibles and Prayer Books in a mission of four stations with only one Bible and Prayer Book between them—for a Book for the Communion Table,—for Prayer Books for distribution, and for tracts.

*Granted*, Two Octavo Bibles and Prayer Books, with Communion Books to correspond, with small Prayer Books and Tracts to the amount of \$5.

2. The Rev. A. Henderson, Orangeville, applied for a Bible and Prayer Book for the Congregation (60) in the School-house at Camilla.

*Granted*, Octavo Bible and Prayer Book.

3. The Rev. T. T. Roberts, Thorold, applied for a Bible and Prayer Book for the Station at Centreville (Congregation, 70 to 90).

*Granted*, Octavo Bible and Prayer Book.

4. The Rev. J. Francis applied for a Bible and Prayer Book for St. Paul's Church, Jarvis, built 12 years, (Congregation, 175 to 200).

*Granted*, Quarto Bible and Prayer Book, with corresponding Communion Book.

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### NOTICE.

Parties making application for grants to Sunday Schools are requested to state the number of children in the School and the kind of books required, with an estimate of the number required of Prayer Books, Testaments, Catechisms, Hymn Books, or other books used in teaching.

Those making application for Service Books for Churches are requested to state number of the congregation and the date of erection of the Church. If it is not a church but only a station, that likewise should be stated.

Parties to whom books have been granted by the Book and Tract Committee can obtain the same on application to Mr. Rowsell.

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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOOK AND TRACT COMMITTEE will be held on Monday the 8th instant, at 3 P. M.

Toronto, 1st February, 1869.

## DEPUTATION TOUR IN NORTH WELLINGTON.

In obedience to the suggestion of the senior member of the deputation, Rev. J. Fletcher, of Oakville, I give below a brief account of our meetings in the section of Wellington, north of Guelph.

On Monday, 18th January, the Deputation met, without previous arrangement, at the hospitable home of the Venerable Archdeacon of Toronto, whence, after some refreshment, they proceeded together by stage to Elora. On the road nothing transpired worthy of record, unless we except the fact that the air within our closely-packed coop was so infected by the puffings of several tobacco-pipes as seriously to affect the equanimity of the senior member of the deputation—a displeasure which was aggravated when, with the native gallantry of an Irishman, he perceived with indignation the annoyance occasioned to our one lady passenger. It was only when the several pipes had been almost exhausted that one of the smokers “hoped that the smoke didn’t trouble her?”—to which complacent query she replied with meek resignation, “Oh, I can put up with it;” and they went on puffing with perfect sangfroid! The result of this little experience was, as might have been anticipated, that the deputation “went in strong” on the tobacco question for the edification of some of those “lords of creation” who can be so rudely selfish in their gratification of this taste, upon which they expend—some of them—ten times as much as upon the work of supporting missions.

After tea at the Rev. Charles Thomson’s Parsonage, we proceeded to hold our first meeting in the Elora Church—a neat enough wooden structure, but one of the old style, and scarcely adequate to Church requirements in Elora. The building was comfortably filled with an attentive and intelligent audience of Church people. The proceedings were opened by Mr. Fletcher reading Evening Prayer, with special lessons. Mr. Thomson then read the Parochial Report for the past year, and I, as junior member of the deputation, addressed the audience for the purpose of its adoption. Rev. H. D. Cooper, of Fergus, who rendered us frequent assistance during our tour followed upon the subject of the duty and office of parochial collectors. Mr. Lapenotière made some remarks upon the subject of the Commutation Trust Fund, and, in reply to him, the senior member of the deputation delivered an able address in defence, especially, of the management of that fund. A discussion presently ensued upon the subject of the parochial collection returned by the Mission Board to the Incumbent, in the course of which it was made clear that the Mission Board had nothing to do with the office of granting aid to congregations in parochial works, such as the building of Churches and Parsonages. Thus closed a most successful meeting, enlivened throughout by the singing of missionary hymns, admirably led by the choir of the Church. The congregation of this Church has, with singular unanimity and marked success, adopted the offertory system as a means of supplying funds for all ordinary purposes. The seats have been made free and unappropriated. The product of the offertory is about \$800 per annum or about \$16 for each Sunday. The envelope system is in force to some extent, and no doubt the remarkable success above shewn is due in great measure to the influence which its regularity and systematic method exerts, whether directly upon those who use it, or indirectly upon those who see it used.

On the following day a worthy member of the Rev. George Nesbitt’s charge, bearing also the same name, conveyed us from Elora to Alma, where we held a meeting at 11, a.m. The Church edifice here is a neat red brick building of good architectural style, but as yet scarcely finished in appearance. There were about twenty-five persons present, and there would doubtless have been more than that had the meeting been held in the evening. After the meeting was concluded, some of the principal members of the congregation present held a consultation upon the subject of greater exertion on their part for the maintenance of their pastor, now that the grant from the Mission Board has been so greatly reduced.

After dinner at Alma we proceeded northward toward Rothsay under the care of Mr. Philip, a member of the congregation there, at whose house we had tea before the meeting. At this station they have a neat frame Church, but having, as in the case of the one at Alma, an unfinished appearance. The meeting was large, and seemed warmly interested in the cause advocated before them. A similar consul-

tation to that at Alma was held after this meeting, and with, I believe, a similar result—an expressed intention of contributing sufficient towards the stipend of their pastor to entitle them to a regular Sunday service every week. Mr. Philip drove us back to his residence again, and kept us overnight. We were sorry to hear that there would be no meeting at Hustonville, and that Mrs. Nesbitt was suffering from severe illness. Indeed, I could not help noticing the careworn look of Mr. Nesbitt, whom I had known at Trinity College as a strong and hearty man full of happy humor. The mission of Maryboro' and Peel seems entirely too large and unwieldy to be properly worked by one man, and unless the people of these townships bend themselves with greater energy to the task imposed upon them by the reduction of the mission grant, the result may be deplorable in many ways. There is hope, however, that they will now so gallantly meet the emergency that the mission may be either divided into two missions or reduced in size by setting off a portion towards forming a new mission.

From Rothsay we were conveyed, on Wednesday, to Mount Forest, by the Rev. W. R. Forster, who had come to meet us. We spent a pleasant afternoon at his quasi-parsonage, and were glad to hear that the project of purchasing or building a parsonage was being agitated with every prospect of success. The meeting here, as at Elora, was opened with Evening Prayer. The building, although only of lath and plaster, is very well formed, and remarkably commodious. It is cruciform, with capacious chancel, and one is agreeably surprized to find such a pleasing interior to a building commonplace enough in outward look. The effect is chiefly occasioned by the tasteful arrangements of the chancel and the neat decoration of the walls, due, I understand, principally to the direction and energy of Mr. Forster himself. The Church, although large, was tolerably well filled; and we felt authorized by the appearance of persons and things to urge upon the congregation the desirability of contributing so liberally towards the stipend as to secure their pastor to Mount Forest alone. Indeed there seems no reason why Mount Forest should be much behind either Elora or Fergus in Church enterprise any more than in material prosperity. The prospect of the railroads being extended in this direction adds life and hopefulness to things in general, and I hope its effect will not be wanting in spiritual progress.

Thursday brought us to North Arthur Station at 11, a.m., where, as previously at Mount Forest and subsequently at Arthur Village, we thought it advisable to prepare the minds of the people for the probability of a division of this mission also, in order to more thorough cultivation of the material for the Church, and endeavoured to show how much depended upon their own self-denying exertions, and how much the slow progress of Christianity and the comparative "failure of Protestantism" have been due to the light estimation in which the propagation of the truth has been held by those who profess it. The attendance at North Arthur was very fair indeed for a morning meeting.

Our meeting in the evening at Arthur was well attended, but one could not help being struck by the evident want of a resident clergyman at Arthur. This village is a kind of centre, where meet at one point the contiguous townships of Arthur, Luther, Garafraxa, and Peel, and seems admirably adapted as a central station for missionary operations. It would be very strange, indeed, if four missions could not be formed from the five townships of Peel, Maryboro', Minto, Arthur, and Luther. Minto, at present, has no service; Luther has been in the same predicament hitherto, but I understand that Mr. Cooper, of Fergus, intends to give an occasional service in that part of it adjacent to his own township of Garafraxa.

Mr. Cooper, who assisted us in advocating the claims of the Society at Alma, once more joined us at Arthur, and next day (Friday) brought us to his own residence in Fergus, twin-sister of Elora. The Church here is of stone, built originally for a schoolhouse, and only used as a Church for the time being. The congregation, though few in numbers, is great in zeal. After having been accustomed to contribute only some \$150 per annum towards stipend while united with Elora, they, with Garafraxa, have, since separation from Elora, guaranteed \$400 towards Mr. Cooper's stipend, the balance of that stipend being defrayed chiefly from the offertory in Fergus Church. Besides this, they have raised (the ladies, of course, are foremost in this good work) about \$300 for the parsonage. Altogether the contri-

butions for Church purposes during the year have been close upon \$1,000. What an example have we here of what can be done by a small congregation—average attendance only 60, or thereabouts—when thrown upon their own resources, and willing to meet the emergency! It would be difficult to decide how much of this delightful result is due to the admirable training which the people received under Mr. Thomson, of Elora, how much to the energy and acceptability of their present hardworking pastor, and how much to their own generous love of exertion in the Holy Cause; doubtless all three causes combine to produce the effect. A most cordial feeling seemed to pervade the meeting, and a willingness was evident on the part of those who had done so much already to do still more.

This meeting—in which we had everything to praise and nothing to censure—formed a pleasant conclusion to a most interesting tour.

RICHARD HARRISON,

*Junior Member of the Deputation.*

### DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

The Bishop of Rupert's Land desires, on behalf of his diocese, to acknowledge the kind interest shown by Canadian Churchmen, both clergy and laity, in the work of the diocese and in the special object he was enabled to place before them on his late visit. He received during his journey for the endowment of the Warden's chair of theology in St. John's College about \$1,800, with the promise of \$600, payable within five years. These gifts have been invested through the kindness of the representative in Montreal of the Hon. Hudson's Bay Company, in the Dominion Stock of Canada, in the name of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, in trust. The particulars of the gifts will be published after the meeting of the Synod of Rupert's Land, which is to be, God willing, at Bishop's Court, on February 24th, 1869.

The Bishop specially acknowledges the following sums, received in Toronto and its neighborhood:—

Sunday School Offerings, Niagara .....	\$ 26 44
Collections in Toronto Cathedral .....	88 00
Anglo-Catholicism .....	1 00
Collection at Meeting, after defraying expenses .....	42 25
Collection at Dundas .....	23 30
Hon. W. B. Robinson .....	5 00
Collections for Melodeon for College Chapel .....	78 50
Anonymous, through the Dean of Toronto .....	3 00

Total... .. \$ 272 49

Mr. C. S. Gzowski has also promised a subscription of \$120 per annum, for five years.

The Bishop of Rupert's Land trusts that the small white population in his diocese and its necessary poverty in its present isolated condition, and till the expected emigration comes in, will be approved as sufficient grounds for his asking such further assistance as clergy and laity feel it in their power to give. The ability of the church to meet the opening in the Indian mission throughout the vast diocese, and the exigencies of coming emigration, depends on the stability of St. John's College. The Bishop has now secured about £35 a-year of endowment for the chair of theology. The provision of a sufficient endowment is the pressing want: and yet, there is another want, perhaps immediately, even more pressing, arising from the very remarkable success that has attended the college. This term 42 students entered the collegiate school. This large attendance urgently calls for an additional building. The College wishes to erect a substantial wood building which, with expenses in fitting it up, will not cost less than £1,000; of this £250 can be obtained from the S. P. C. K. The Red River Settlement is at present so reduced by an accumulation of afflictive Providences that nothing can be looked for this year, and probably but little for a year or two, from our own people. Indeed there is, notwithstanding all that has been yet given from abroad, a degree of temporal distress calling for all possible aid from the charitable.

The Rev. S. Givins and Mr. W. P. Atkinson, Secretary to the Church Society of Toronto, will, with the approval of the Bishop of Toronto, kindly receive subscriptions, and communicate with the Bishop.—*Leader*.

EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM THE BISHOP OF RUPERT'S LAND, DEC. 10TH.

"As regards temporal matters we are in great trouble—the total loss of all the crop—the total failure of the usual large supplies of the buffalo hunt—the partial failure of fisheries, and the almost total disappearance of rabbits, usually abundant, have united to produce very deep and extended want.

"And all our difficulties are fearfully intensified by our isolation. It takes nearly £70 to bring to us £30 worth of provisions purchased in Minnesota. Thus a great deal of the help given to us goes more for freightage. A large part of our population is dependent on our relief grants, for which we are so deeply indebted to the kind people of your Dominion; and, I confess, that I wonder how many of the poor people are managing to live, for we can give them from what is yet at our disposal but a mere pittance.

"It is alarming to think what would have been their state but for the supplies so considerately sent us by our neighbors."

COLLECTIONS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM 1ST TO 31ST JANUARY, 1869, INCLUSIVE.

MISSION FUND.			
<i>July (1868) Collection.</i>			
Ancaster .....	\$6 00	Peterborough .....	23 60
Dundas .....	8 00	Lloydtown .....	3 01
<i>Thanksgiving Collection.</i>		Bolton .....	0 84
Ancaster .....	8 00	Nobleton .....	1 57
Dundas .....	12 00	Gore's Landing .....	0 90
Minden .....	1 15	Alnwick .....	0 50
<i>January Collection.</i>		Guelph .....	25 85
Grimsby .....	7 00	Stamford .....	2 80
Weston .....	11 00	Drummondville .....	3 91
Onkville .....	9 00	Whitby, All Saints' .....	10 00
Palermo .....	0 40	"    St. John's .....	1 38
Barton .....	3 29	Credit, St. Peter's .....	6 70
Glanford .....	3 30	"    Sydenham .....	2 15
Barton East .....	0 50	"    Port Credit .....	1 35
Georgetown .....	1 93	King .....	2 00
Toronto, St. James' .....	60 93	Milton .....	4 00
"    Holy Trinity .....	19 15	Hornby .....	2 86
"    St. Anne's .....	6 37	Omagh .....	1 75
Port Colborne .....	4 00	Stony Creek .....	1 00
Newmarket .....	3 50	Cookstown .....	2 08
Fenelon Falls .....	1 50	West Essa .....	1 00
Lamb's Schoolhouse .....	1 25	"    Schoolhouses .....	1 42
Bobcaygeon .....	1 25	Aurora .....	3 35
Chester .....	4 89	Welland .....	6 00
Onkridges .....	4 12	Walpole .....	13 82
Hamilton, St. Thomas' .....	6 00	Niagara .....	12 00
Georgina, St. James' .....	5 00	Mulmur .....	3 00
"    St. George's .....	1 90	Grafton .....	6 20
"    Park's Schoolhouse .....	0 70	Colborne .....	7 80
		St. Catharines .....	30 00
		Essa, Ivy .....	2 64
		"    Thornton .....	0 84
		"    Ballynascreen .....	0 72
		"    Angus .....	8 80



## Subscriptions and Donations—Continued.

<i>Collected at Missionary Meetings</i>		WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.	
• Credit, St. Peter's .. .. .	5 64	Fort Erie .. .. .	4 84
• " Sydenham .. .. .	4 15	Bortio .. .. .	2 98
• " Port Credit .. .. .	4 27	Rockwood .. .. .	80
• King .. .. .	2 10	Ascension .. .. .	75
Donation, per Rev. W. T. Smithett	1 00	Rensing .. .. .	70
INDIAN MISSION FUND.		Erin .. .. .	2 93
Toronto, St Peter's Sunday School,		Minden .. .. .	1 00
for Quarter ending 1st Oct.		Whitby, for October, 1867 .. .. .	4 00
1868 .. .. .	4 72	" for October, 1868 .. .. .	6 00
Donation, from Mrs. King, per		Cannington .. .. .	2 50
Rev. S. J. Boddy .. .. .	1 00	West Brook .. .. .	1 50
Oakville Sunday School, for Quar-		Mrs. Lecch, Annual Subscription	5 00
ter ending 31st Dec. 1868 ..	3 60	GENERAL PURPOSES FUND.	
Drummondville, All Saint's Sun-		Rev. F. J. S. Groves, Annual Sub.	6 00
day School, for year ending		W. Y. Pettit, on account of be-	
January, 1869 .. .. .	4 30	quest of the late J. H. Pettit	3 00
Barton & Glanford Sunday School		Rev. Dr. Neville, Annual Sub. ...	5 00
Children .. .. .	2 00	PAROCHIAL COLLECTIONS.	
Elora Sunday School, to 1st Jan-		Holland Landing, for year ending	
uary, 1869 .. .. .	02 11	30th April, 1868 .. .. .	48 00

## HOME DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

*Collections and Subscriptions received from 1st to 31st January, 1869, inclusive.*

Gooderham & Worts, for collections at Meetings at Woodbridge...	\$11 78		
"	at Vaughan .. .. .	3 00	
			14 78
Rev. R. Shanklin, for collections at Meetings .. .. .			3 37

HENRY ROWSELL, *Treasurer H. D. B. Ch. Society.*

## INDIAN MISSION.

The Rev. S. Givins, begs to acknowledge the receipt of \$15 00 per Mr. J. W. Dunnett, Superintendent of St. John's Sunday School, Peterborough, being a donation from the Children of the School, to the Mission of Rev. Mr. Chance, at Garden River, Lake Huron.

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