

The late Sir John P. Mahaffy, Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, was brilliantly witty, and many of his good sayings are in general circulation. But he occasionally met his match. One of his encounters was with the late Dr. Salmon, Provost of Trinity. Mahaffy was one day inveighing against corporal punishment for boys, which he declared never did any good. "Take my own case," he exclaimed. "I was never caned but once in my life, and that was for speaking the truth."

"Well," Salmon retorted caustically, "it cured you."—"Buffalo Commercial").

The English Language in India.

The S.P.G. "Mission Field" is responsible for the following delightful letters:—

Bishop Lambuth, in his interesting book, "Medical Missions," tells of a native of India whose wife went for treatment to a Mission hospital. On her return, he wrote as follows to the woman physician in charge of the hospital:—

"Dear She,—My wife has returned from your hospital cured. Provided males are allowed in your bungalow, I would like to do you the honor of presenting myself there this afternoon. But I will not try to repay you; vengeance belongeth to God."

Another, whose wife did not survive, expressed himself thus:—

"Dear and Fair Madam,—I have much pleasure to inform you that my dearly unfortunate wife will be no longer under your kind treatment, she having left this world for the other on the night of the 27th ultimo. For your help in this matter I shall ever remain grateful.—Yours reverently."

Intercessions.

Let us pray for:—

The Church throughout the world.
The Church in New Zealand.
The Bishops and Clergy.
The Board of Missions.
The Church Congress of 1923.
The Church in this Diocese.
The Bishop and Clergy.
The women workers.
The Chapter of the Diocese.
The Standing Committee and all Boards of Trustees.

The Schools Established in this Diocese.

Te Aute College.
Hukarere School.
Waerenga-a-hika School.
St. Winifred's School.

The Mission Houses.

Whakarewarewa (Miss Seth Smith and helpers).

Ruatoki (Miss Hare).

Tokomaru (Miss Davis).

Manutuke (Miss Bulstrode).

Te Hāke (Miss Aplin).

The Diocesan Institutions.

St. Mary's Home, Napier (Nurse Carter and helpers).

St. Hilda's Home, Otane (Miss Waller and helpers).

Deaconess House, Hastings (Deaconess Esther Brand and students).

G.F.S. Hostel, Napier.

Organisations Established in the Diocese.

The Church of England Men's Society.

The Girls' Friendly Society.

The Mothers' Union.

The N.Z. Anglican Bible Class Union.

The Officials of the Diocese.

SPECIAL INTERCESSIONS.

For a peaceful settlement of affairs in Ireland.

For the unemployed in New Zealand and in England.

For the work of building the new Schoolroom at Te Aute.

For the guidance of the Holy Spirit for those who are responsible for the education of the children of New Zealand.

That the way may be opened for the teaching of the Scriptures in the State Schools.

For unity of purpose amongst all Christian people.

For those being prepared for Confirmation in the Cathedral, St. Augustine's and other parishes.

For the newly elected Board of Nominators, that in the discharge of its duty it may have a single eye to Thy glory.

For those concerned in the work of the Maori Mission, that they may have the guidance of the Holy Spirit in dealing with the affairs of the Mission, and especially with regard to the question of appointing a superintendent for the whole Diocese.

That in preparation for the coming elections we may be delivered from unscrupulous ambition, from selfish rivalries and from false judgments.

For the Rev. J. A. Shardlow, Vicar of Wairoa and his assistants, the Rev. V. A. Bianchi and Mr W. H. G. Weadon. (Mr Weadon will be ordained in Advent).

For Mr Shardlow, that he may have a safe passage from Canada.

For the special appeal shortly to be issued by the Board of Missions.

O Lord God, the help of the helpless and the hope of those who are in

despair; grant mercy, relief and refreshment to all our Christian brethren in Syria, Armenia, Russia and Assyria, and to the captive children of Greece, who now are in danger, affliction and anxiety. Have compassion upon the oppressed people who are called by Thy Name; strengthen and defend the Bishops and the clergy in body and soul; heal the sick and wounded, comfort the sorrowful and the bereaved, feed the hungry, protect the fatherless, save the little children, give light to those who are in darkness, bring back those who have gone astray, and of Thy goodness lead them all into the way of safety; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Adapted from the Liturgy of St. Mark).

O God, Who by Thine Almighty power, dost rule all things in Heaven and Earth, we pray Thee to direct and govern by Thy Holy Spirit the counsels of Thy servants to whom Thou hast committed the responsibility of Government, both in this our Empire and in the countries of our Allies, that they may, in this time of strife and danger, act wisely and righteously, and that, putting aside all private interests and political passions they may be enabled to preserve the peace of Europe and of the world and to secure for our Christian brethren in the Near East freedom from persecution and the quiet enjoyment of their homes and of Christian worship. But if for our many sins we be forced once more to meet an enemy and to fight again for freedom and right, grant to us and to our Allies unity of purpose and steadfast determination, that by Thy Divine providence and guidance we may prevail, and that, a righteous peace being again firmly established, Thy whole Church, East and West, may with one heart and mind unite to spread the glorious Gospel of Thy Salvation throughout the world until the followers of Mohammed and of all other false prophets shall acknowledge Thee, the only God, and Thy Blessed Son Jesus Christ their only Lord and Saviour; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that we and all the electors in this Dominion may, with a true sense of responsibility, exercise our citizenship in the coming election in the interests of right and justice; assuage all party strife, personal ambition and political prejudice; grant wisdom to our legislators that they may know that righteousness alone exalteth a people and that they may endeavor in all things to do Thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.