

Farther, the church in any of its branches—in our own beloved church—holds and has the full liberty to use every necessary means and method to reach and to save the lost and to build them up in true holiness, even to the measure of the stature of perfect men in Christ Jesus. If this be true it is clear that the church should earnestly seek to discover the elements of truth, of duty and of power, represented in these departures from her fold, these separate organizations; and having eliminated what is unnecessary or unwise, or even untrue in their views or methods, to humbly accept, as from God, the admonition to renewed earnestness and fidelity. Seeing her imperfection and failure mirrored in the strength and service of these bodies which God has raised up to do the work which she has neglected, let her be zealous and strengthen the things which remain, and so fulfil her glorious commission.

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A BATCH OF BOOKS ON PAULINISM.

BOOKS are pouring forth nowadays in such numbers that it is hard to know much more than the names of a great many of them. In the multitude of our magazine contributors nearly every author is able to lay hold of some reviewer, who, either from bias of personal friendship or from incompetency, can be persuaded to proclaim to the book-buying world, "buy! buy!" for this work if not "the greatest novelty of the age," at least "marks an epoch in its subject." The only resource left to the distracted purchaser is the consensus of opinion, and the guarantee for the books which I intend to mention is not my own predilection, but the approval of the Powers that Be in the English theological world.

Those of the Germans who are acquainted with English literature are astonished that the results of biblical scholarship have been so widely popularized in England, and they regard it as an evidence of how highly the Anglo-Saxon race treasures the Scriptures. In Germany studies in the Old or New Testament