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The following Sermon was taken down by a reporter, and is now printed as corrected by the preacher.

He cannot easily forget the impressive spectacle which he witnessed in the parish Church of Crathie, when the greatest Sovereign of the greatest nation upon earth, surrounded by the highest and the very humblest of her subjects, joined together in the worship of Him, by whom kings reign, and princes decree justice, and with whom there is no respect of persons. Amid the magnificent scenery of Dee-side, not the least significant was that assembly of worshippers.

Such a spectacle is in itself a joyous prophecy. It cannot increase, but it must consecrate, the deep and enthusiastic loyalty and love of Her Majesty's subjects.

The forms of the English and Scottish Churches differ—their doctrines are the same. The greatest divines of each admit that they are sisters. Their forms vary and change like the clouds in the sky; their doc-