

stition, and the fruitful mother of learning and learned men. The intellectual advancement of the English people has been largely achieved through her scholarship, and to-day her scholars are among the most profound, progressive, yet reverent scholars in Christendom. We stand for light and liberty, mental and spiritual, for sober and reverent piety.

7. Finally, the Church of England stands for truth and righteousness as the supreme end of religion.—Not the performance of elaborate ritual, however beautiful, not the experiencing of delightful emotions, however elevated, constitute the end and aim of our religion, but truth and righteousness of life. And if a Church is to be judged, as it must, by her fruits, she must stand or fall by her power to make her children to love righteousness and hate iniquity. By that test we abide. The national character of the English people is the product of the Church of England. The mental and moral habits of the English people of to-day are largely what the Church of England has made them. For in the formative period of English history, for the first thousand years, she alone guided the habits of the people