

We might be more satisfied that we are in the right way if England were Christianised. How do matters stand? I suppose that Christian ideals receive more consideration, and on the whole a closer obedience, from the "upper" class than from the "lower." Unless they be in some exceptional way of life, they have more time, and an ample life breeds amiable intention. If the disposition be good, leisure, refinement of desires, education, all things that go to make the best of any life, must be aids to the Christian life. I certainly think, then, that in this class, the overwhelming majority of which belong to the Church, we ought to get, on the whole, the highest degree of English Christianity. If it is not so, our Church is in a bad way, for certainly the bulk of its laity belong to the "upper" class and to those who model their ideas upon it.

Among these is it any exaggeration to say that their noblest theme is war? I think it is on that subject that they attain to the highest elevation of sentiment, the