

England, placed here at much cost, and nourished with tender and affectionate care. If, by listening to clamorous voices, we allow ourselves to relapse into forgetfulness of what we owe to the Mother Church and country, it will not be simple forgetfulness, but criminal ingratitude on our part.

The habitually fulsome language in which some persons are in the habit of speaking of the United States would lead one to suppose that all the benefits that ever came to this country are from that source. There is a growing disposition to imitate that language in Church matters, as if the material prosperity of the United States had a powerful charm over some minds, which they are unable to resist.

The recent attempt, in Synod, to move an address of sympathy to the Irish Church, applying to her the prolix and ambiguous title which the American Church has been so unfortunate as to affix to herself, was, fortunately, corrected by an amendment. There was real force in the objection taken to addressing the Irish Church by a different name from that she has herself assumed. It was urged, and not without reason, that there was a covert intention to bring into familiar use among us the title of the American Church, for some purpose not ranked among the objects contemplated by our communion.

Now, these things, and others that might be cited, tend to show that there is a disposition, in certain quarters, to cry up American persons and things, and to remain coldly silent about, or to get rid of those which are so unfortunate as to belong only to the Church of England.

With all these facts in view, I will repeat my conviction, that the American element, which came into unusual prominence in the late transactions, really had a purpose in view, realized by the more keen-sighted ones, and acquiesced in, in a more general and undefined way by others less committed to it; and again, assisted unwittingly by others without suspicion of its real object. Had the attempt to have an American-elected Bishop succeeded,