

a few chosen minds has GOD given that wide and sober grasp, that calm and still zealous energy, which preserves the balance of seemingly antagonistic truths, the need for freedom and the need for government; faith as the source, holiness as the result of life in CHRIST; above all, and in all, the teaching and the practice of charity, "*the very bond of peace and of all virtues.*"

Now, the dangers and shortcomings which followed in the train of this movement were not wanting. The intense emphasis laid upon the need of a professed and personal faith, led sometimes to a carelessness about outward organization, to a neglect sometimes of practical religion, and often, alas! to the admission of hypocritical followers, who professed with their lips what was utterly absent from their hearts. Mere voluntary assemblages of Christians, gathered round some eloquent personage, though often, for a time, the centres of real spiritual life and help to others, are transitory, depending on the life, and sometimes on the character and teaching of one man. And so another party had arisen in the Church, not disregarding the great fundamental teachings, but believing that the faith of CHRIST needs an outward organization, in order that the great deposit of revealed truth may be preserved inviolate, that all things may be done decently and in order, that the existence of the Church should not depend on the life and strength of individual ministers, but should have the aid, under GOD's spirit, of those organic helps so clearly recognized in St. Paul's epistles to Timothy and Titus.