

sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal ; and is so even though that faith were strong enough as (in the language of the great apostle of the Gentiles) to " remove mountains."

It is thus to love, that supreme importance is attached by Christianity. The Christian religion is a religion of love ; and of all that love involves. Love is the sweetest of all words in human language. Love is the most powerful motive power with mankind of every class. All history and all experience show this. Love makes practicable, and even easy and pleasant, what would otherwise be difficult, or impossible, or intolerably disagreeable. So it has been amongst all peoples and in all ages.

How can it be otherwise than promotive of good to really and from the heart believe that our Creator, the Creator of all things, the all-seeing God of the universe, is a God of Love ? and is on the side of everything good ? desires us to be loving to one another, and to be good, honest, truthful, pure ? knows and notices when we are so, and when we are not so ? loves in a special way those who are good and kind and true ? and will endow these with great blessings in the eternal life to come ? How can belief in such truths as these be otherwise than good in its influence on a man who believes ? How can it be otherwise than good for mankind as a whole ?