

relations, enjoying or suffering a spiritual inheritance."

"As to eternal death, the Scripture assumes that death is not the departure of the breath out of the body, but the loss of the life which must be the eternal life of God."

"I mean by the Church a body sacramentally united to Christ. I prize the Church of England very greatly because it bears continual witness to the truths which we, its members, are most habitually denying, because it testifies for that unity in Christ with the whole family in heaven and earth which we by our acts and words are seeking to destroy."

"The Church of England is the witness in our land against the sect principle of 'forming churches' . . . As long as we think we can form churches we cannot be witness for a humanity, and for a Son of Man. We cannot believe that we do not choose Him, but that He chooses us, and send us to bear witness of His Father and of Him. . . I am not afraid to own that the English Church is in a corrupt, an evil condition, because I believe it is a Church and not a sect. The sect feeling, the sect habit, is undermining it. The business of us who belong to it is to get rid of our sectarianism, and to call our brothers to repent, to show that we have a ground on which all may stand with us. . . I am sure that the Church is only narrow and cruel when she apes the sects, and assumes the character of a sect. . . The Church should not lose its freedom of Catholicity, should not become one of those sects which aim at its destruction, and which as we trust, God intends it to destroy."

"Toleration, I base, therefore, not upon the uncertainty of truth, but upon its certainty; not upon the absence of a revelation of it, but upon the existence of revelation, and upon the promise that the Spirit of truth shall guide us into the perception of it. . . I accept the Trinity in Unity as the foundation of a Universal Church."

"The liturgy has been to me a great theological teacher; a perpetual testimony that the Father, the Son and the Spirit, the One God blessed forever, in the Author of all life, freedom, unity to men; that our prayers are nothing but responses to His voice speaking to us and in us. . . . Why are there some who appear only to treat it as an old praying machine, which in the course of centuries gets out of order like other machines, and which should be altered according to the improved mechanical notions of our time?"

#### A TEACHING CHURCH.

From the Convention Address of the Bishop of Mississippi, 1890.

The priest's lips must keep knowledge. The primal duty of a Church clergyman is to teach. He may leave rant to those who make a business of rant. There are always plenty of them, and "they have their reward." He must instruct.

Are the clergy teaching? That is, after all, the primal duty. Our Lord was a teacher. Are you, brethren of the clergy, aware of the need? "The hungry sheep look up and are not fed," I fear, too often.

It is not your eloquence, or your "impassioned declamation," or your "moving appeals"—there are scores,