

vailing systems of superstition and error. It has made the English language classical in the country; and by this means, it is furnishing the native mind with the rich and christian stores of which that noble tongue is the medium." Look, then, at this great Peninsula, linked to the continent and the world by its languages, commerce and religions; source of the false faiths which, together ensnare six hundred millions of the human race, and the stronghold of a delusion that blinds a hundred and eighty more. There are more Mahommedans under Victoria's sceptre than under any other on earth. The Sultan has but twenty-one millions, she has twenty-five millions at least. There are more heathen under the same Christian Queen than under any other sovereign, except the Emperor of China. And this mass is, all through and through, and more and more, subjected to christian influences. The telegraphs are so many ganglia in a great nervous system, diffusing new sensations; the railways are so many iron arteries, pumping christian blood through the native veins, the newspapers are so many digestive powers, preparing healthful moral food; the schools are so many batteries, thundering at the crumbling battlements of error; the missions are many brains, thinking new and better thoughts." Knowledge must be diffused through the earth. We know two things more, namely, that our religion can withstand modern science, and make it tributary to itself, and that no other religion can; for every other faith has linked its science with its doctrines, so that they must both fall together. As to take Paris is to take France, and to take Sebastopol is to shake Russia to the Arctic seas, so to christianize India, owing to its key position in heathendom, is to shake out the idols from the whole face of the earth.