

the "British Isles," the "British Empire," "British blood," "British descent," when we wish to ignore the superficial differences of nationality, and think of the nation as one : why not, in analogy, speak of the Church Catholic of the British Empire, as the "British Catholic Church?" It is for these reasons that I have chosen a term which includes not only the Church of England and Ireland, the Episcopal Church of Scotland, the Church of the Colonies, but also the descendant Church of the United States.

It is a remarkable feature of the day in which we live, that the tendency to sectarian sub-division has received a check, and does not seem so powerful in its influence upon the minds of professing Christians. Indeed, has not real re-action clearly set in against it? The various Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian and Independent sects are seeking for common bases of agreement respectively, in order to re-union. Anything, however trifling in itself, which helps to make us forget our minor difficulties, and congregate in larger masses upon the ground of great principles, is valuable to every lover of Christian unity and uniformity.

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