

CYRIL LUCAR—A GREEK PATRIARCH AND PROTESTANT.

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WHAT a small part of Christendom is Methodism, twenty-eight millions out of four hundred and eighty. At least as small is the proportion of Presbyterians and Anglicans, and not much larger is Lutheranism with its forty millions, and these are the leading forms of Protestantism. How we measure the universe with a yard-stick! With many the circle of interest is the limit of their home, or at most the boundary of their parish. This is not, however, always owing to narrowness of spirit, but to narrowness of view. Many a child looks out from its home, and leaning on the gate stares at the distant hills and innocently wonders what is beyond. Many a Christian not conversant with Church history, except to elevate into mythology the names of Luther and Wesley, looks out at the remote past of mediæval history, or at the dim but massive outlines of Oriental Christianity, and wonders what is beyond those mountains. It is well to know that behind those mountains are living men and women like ourselves, with like conflicts and like sources of strength, acquainted with the same Christian truth, living for the same heaven and feeling the thrill that comes to every Christian heart from the sound of that precious name, the talisman of earth's woes, Jesus.