

and infinitely more powerful for good than any which has yet existed. The ideal of the Church of Christ is to bind together into one communion and fellowship all mankind. The ideal of an English Church is of a church wherein all English-speaking peoples shall be bound together into one communion and fellowship. The unity must be the expression of a common spiritual loyalty to the one Lord, and of a common spiritual aspiration—the “one faith and one hope of our calling,” and then it will be not a mere formal fellowship, but a fellowship of free men, freely uniting for a common end. Surely the day is not far distant when there will be not merely Lambeth conferences, or Free Church conferences, or American congresses of religion, but when all the spiritual forces of English-speaking Christians will regularly assemble in the person of their elected representatives in a parliament, for the consideration of the main objects of the various branches of the Church, the uplifting of the masses, the destruction of the tendencies which compel the separation of class from class, the conversion of the world, and the promotion of peace.

And then there arises upon the far distant horizon the vision of a yet wider Parliament, the Parliament of the world, wherein shall be realized those old splendid but premature ideas