

should carry on the war *in its own way*, without having its independence and liberty interfered with by any superior officer: would not that be of all things what Lee would like best? So in our case, the true question was not whether we should love the Lord, or love one another. He trusted we all loved the Lord, and all loved one another. He loved and honored the venerable brother who had preceded him (Dr. Vermilye), and his own brother (Dr. Weston), and doubted not that they cherished an equal regard for him. But what of it? The true question was, *How shall we make head against the enemy?* We must have organization in the army of the Lord. We must have leaders, system, plan. We are all equally patriotic in our feelings:—granted. But we cannot carry on this great war only with guerilla squads. Christianity must thus be organized against infidelity and indifferentism, and against the organized aggressions of Popery. To this last we were the most grievously exposed of *all* countries in the world. Every country in Europe had the sense to send back the late Bull of the Pope without allowing it to be publicly read: but here in New York, Archbishop McCluskey openly reads it to his people without interference or hindrance.” *

In furtherance of such a union as Bishop Coxe would advocate, both the Church of England in her *Convocation*, and the American Episcopal Church in her *General Convention*, have been, and are still making most important movements. A Report was presented this year to “the House of Convocation” in England on this subject, by “the Russo-Greek Committee,” the chief objects in view being stated to be:

“To establish such relations between the two Communions as shall enable the laity and clergy of either to join in the sacraments and offices of the other without forfeiting the Communion of their own Church.

“That any overtures towards such an object should be made, if possible, in co-operation with those Churches with which the Church of England is in Communion.

“That such overtures, whenever made, should be extended to the other Eastern Patriarchates, and not confined to the Russo-Greek Church.”

There is also an association in England, engaged in the same great truly Catholic work, viz.: “The Anglo-Continental Society.”

The chief object of this society is to make the principles of the English Church known in the different parts of Europe and throughout the world, by the circulation of the Bible, Prayer Book, and other religious works in various languages.

* Extracted from “The New York Churchman.”