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TOY EKAOTOY

Ζητούμεν καὶ πάλιν συγγνώμην παρὰ τῶν ἀναγνωστῶν μας διὰ τὴν μεγάλην βραδύτητα τῆς ἐκδόσεως τοῦ τετάρτου τεύχους τοῦ ἡμετέρου περιοδικοῦ. Ὑπομιμνήσκομεν αὐτοῖς ὅτι ἡ «Εἰρήνη» δὲν είνε ἐφημερὶς ἐξ ἐκείνων αἰ ὁποῖαι ἀρχίζουσι τὴν ἔκδοσιν αὐτῶν μὲ μεγάλα κεφάλαια, ἀλλ' είνε ἀπλῶς ὁργανον 'Εταιρίας ἐξαρτωμένης οἰκονομικῶς ἐκ τῶν πόρων τῆς 'Ενώσεως τῶν μόλις ἐξαρκούντων διὰ τὸ γενικὸν αὐτῆς ἔργον, καὶ ὅτι καθ' ὅσον ἀφορᾳ τὴν σύνταξιν αὐτῆς ἔξαρτώμεθα καθ' ὅλοκληρίαν ἐκ τῆς ἄνευ ἀμοιδῆς ἐργασίας τοῦ τε 'Εκδότου καὶ τῶν συνεργατῶν, τῶν ὑπηρεσιῶν τινων ἐκ τῶν ὁποίων ἐστερήθημεν ἐσχάτως ἔνεκα ἀπροδλέπτων περιστάσεων.

'Ο άμεσος λόγος τῆς ἀργοπορίας ὑπῆρξεν ἡ ἔνεκα ὑπερκοπώσεως ἀσθένεια τοῦ ἡμετέρου Ἐκδότου καὶ ἡ ἔνεκα τῆς ἰδίας αἰτίας ἀδυναμία τοῦ Γεν. Γραμματέως

ν' αντικαταστήση αὐτὸν κατά τὸ διάστημα τοῦτο.

Έν τούτοις τολμωμεν και πάλιν να ζητήσωμεν την υποστήριξιν όλων των ένδιαφερομένων δια το ζήτημα της Ένωσεως των δύο Έκκλησιων. Μία των κυριωτέρων φροντίδων του ήμετέρου έργου είνε ή έξεύρεσις μέσου πρός ανταλλαγήν Θεολογικών γνωμών και πρός διαφώτισιν του λαού άμφοτέρων των μερών, και ή δια του τρόπου τούτου διασκέδασις των άμοιδαίων παρεξηγήσεων και ψυχροτήτων αίτινες είνε άποτέλεσμα μακροχρονίου άπομονώσεως.

Παρακαλούμεν λοιπόν τους λαβόντας τὰ μέχρι τοῦδε ἐκδοθέντα τέσσαρα τεύχη ὅπως εὐαρεστούμενοι ἀνανεώσωσι τὴν συνδρομήν των καὶ οὕτω καταστήσωσι δυνατὴν

την έξακολούθησιν του έργου.

'Ο ἐπίσκοπος τοῦ Γιδραλτὰρ καὶ ὁ 'Αρχιδιάκονος κ. Dowling καθώς καὶ πολλοὶ ἄλλοι οἴτινες γνωρίζουσι τὰς συνθήκας αἴτινες ἀπαιτοῦνται ἐν 'Ανατολῆ πρὸς καλλιέργειαν ἀμοιδαίων σχέσεων, θεωροῦσι τὰν ὕπαρξιν τοιούτου τινος δημοσιεύματος ἀναγκαιοτάτην καὶ φρονοῦσιν ὅτι ὑπάρχει ἐνώ-

πιον ήμων εύρυ μέλλον δράσεως.

Ή «Ένωσις» έξακολουθεί διαρκώς προοδεύουσα καὶ εἰς ἔργα καὶ εἰς αὐξησιν τῶν μελῶν αὐτῆς. Ἐξ ὅλων τῶν μερῶν τῆς ὑψηλίου ἔρχονται αἰτήσεις πρὸς ἐγγραψὴν μελῶν ἐκ μέρους πιστῶν ἀμφοτέρων τῶν Ἐκκλησιῶν οἴτινες ἐπιθυμοῦσι νὰ συμμετάσχωσι τοῦ θείου ἔργου τῆς ἀποτερματώσεως τῆς ἀνωψελοῦς διαιρέσεως δύο σωμάτων στηριζομένων ἐπὶ τῆς αὐτῆς βάσεως τῆς ᾿Αποστολικῆς διδασκαλίας.

Μεταξύ των μάλλον προσφάτων μελών της ήμετέρας

Έταιρίας συγκαταλέγεται καὶ ὁ Πανιερώτατος Μπτροπολίτης Χρυσόστομος τέως Δράμας νῦν δὲ Σμύρνης, τοῦ ὁποίου δημοσιεύομεν σπουδαίαν ἐπιστολήν. Έχομεν τὴν πεποίθησιν ὅτι ὑπὸ τὴν αἰγίδα Αὐτοῦ καὶ τὰς προσπαθείας τῶν ἄλλων μελῶν, Αἰδεσιμωτάτου κ. Τσακούρη καὶ τοῦ Καθηγητοῦ κ. Γρέκα ἡ πόλις τῆς Σμύρνης ἔνθα ὁ Καθηγητὸς κ. Λαμπάκης ἔκαμεν ἐπανειλημμένως διαλέξεις ἐν τῆ ᾿Αγγλικανικῆ Ἐκκλησία περὶ τῆς Ἐνώσεως τῶν Ἐκκλησιῶν, θέλει ἀποδῆ σπουδαῖον κέντρον τοῦ ἡμετέρου ἀγῶνος.

Έγένοντο ἐπίσης μέλη οἱ Πανιερώτατοι κ. κ. Διονύσιος Μητροπολίτης Ρεθύμνου, διακεκριμμένος θεολόγος καὶ ἀρχαιολόγος, καὶ Δαμασκηνός, Ἐπίσκοπος Ἐλαίας τῆς Κοήτης ὅστις εἶναι καὶ μέλος τῆς Ἱερᾶς Συνόδου τῆς Ἑλλάδος.

Ό όλικὸς ἀριθμὸς τῶν μελῶν ἀνῆλθεν εἰς ἄνω τῶν 550. Ἐν Ἰαπωνία ἱδρύθη φιλειρηνικὰ Ἑταιρία περιλαμβάνουσα Ἰάπωνας κληρικοὺς ἀνήκοντας εἰς ἀμφοτέρας τὰς Ἐκκλησίας καὶ συνδεομένους μετὰ τῆς ἡμετέρας Ἐνώσεως. Τὸ ἐν ταῖς Ἡνωμέναις Πολιτείαις μέγα πεδίον ἀμοιβαίας βοηθείας καὶ συνεργασίας καλλιεργεῖται καλῶς ὑπὸ τοῦ ἐκεῖ ἐνεργητικοῦ τμήματος τῆς Ἐταιρίας ἡμῶν. Ἡ σημαντικωτέρα ὅμως πρόοδος κατὰ τὸ ἔτος τοῦτο ὑπῆρξεν ἡ ἐν Ρωσσία ἔναρξις διοργανώσεως καὶ ἡ ἐκεῖσε αὐξησις τῶν μελῶν ἡ ἐπακολουθήσασα τὴν εἰς Πολότσκ, Ρίγα καὶ Πετρούπολιν ἐπίσκεψιν τοῦ Γενικοῦ Γραμματέως τῆς ἡμετέρας Ἐνώσεως κατὰ πρόσκλησιν τοῦ Ἐκισκόπου τοῦ Πολότσκ.

Προσηλθον πολλά νέα και σημαίνοντα μέλη μεταξύ τῶν ὁποίων ἀναφέρομεν τοὺς Πρωθιερεῖς τῶν Μητροπόλεων τοῦ Πολότσκ καὶ τῆς Ρίγας, τὸν Κόμητα Βοδρίνσκυ, τὸν ἐκ Μόσχας Αίδ. κ. Ι. ᾿Αρσένιεφ, τὸν Καθηγητὰν τῆς Ἐκκλησιαστικῆς ᾿Ακαδημίας τῆς Πετρουπόλεως κ. Ροζδενσδένσκην καὶ τὸν κ. Δόλγκοφ Διευθυντὰν τῆς ἐφημερίδος «Κολοκόλ».

Πλήρης περιγραφή τῆς εἰς Πολότσκ ἐπισκέψεως τοῦ Γεν. Γραμματέως κατὰ τὴν εἰς τὴν πόλιν ταύτην μεταφορὰν τῶν λειψάνων τῆς 'Αγ. Εὐφροσύνης, καθώς καὶ τοῦ ἐν Ρωσσία ἔργου τῆς ἡμετέρας 'Εταιρίας θέλει δημοσιευθῆ εἰς τὸ ἐπόμενον τεῦχος.

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EDITORIAL.

We have again to offer our apologies for the very late appearance of the fourth number of our periodical. We would ask our readers to remember that this is not a journal starting with a large capital, but the organ of a society, depending financially at present largely upon the EIRENE

funds of the Union which are already more than needed for the general work. We depend entirely upon the voluntary work of our editor and collaborators, and owing to unforeseen circumstances, we have lost the services of several of our Greek helpers. The immediate cause of the delay in issue is the severe and long illness of the Editor from overwork, and the inability of the General Secretary to help at the time from the same cause.

We would however still boldly claim support from those interested in the cause of re-union between these two Churches. One of the most essential parts of our work is the establishment of such a means of exchange of theological thought and of popular enlightenment on both sides, as will help to break down mutual estrangement and

ignorance, the result of long centuries of isolation.

We would therefore confidently ask those who have received four numbers to renew their subscriptions and render possible the continuance of this work. The Bishop of Gibraltar and Archdeacon Dowling and others who know the conditions required for the promotion of mutual intercourse in the East, speak strongly of the need of such a publication, and of the useful future before us.

The A. & E-O. C. U. continues to make steady progress in numbers and work. From all parts of the world applications for membership are being received from members of both Churches whodesire to take a share in the Divine work of bringing to an end the needless separation of two bodies both of which take their stand upon

the same foundation of Apostolic doctrine and order.

Among our more recently elected members is the most Reverend Chrysostom, lately Archbishop of Philippi, and now of Smyrna, from whom we publish an important letter. We feel sure that under his leadership and with the Rev. Tsakouris, and Professor Grecas as members in Smyrna, where Professor Lampakis has been giving several valuable lectures in the English Church on re-union, this city will become a centre of the cause.

The Right Rev. Bishop Damascinos of Elaias in Crete, who is a member of the Holy Synod of Athens, and the Most Rev. Dionysius, Metropolitan of Rathimno, a learned theologian and archaeologist, have also joined. The total membership has risen to above fivehundred and fifty. In Japan a society "of Peace and Reconciliation" including Japanese clergymen of both Churches, has been formed in connection with the Union. The great field of mutual service and co-operation in the United States is being well worked by the energetic American Branch. But the most striking advance this year has been the beginning of an organisation in Russia, and the increase in membership, consequent upon the visit of the General Secretary to Polotsk, Riga, and St. Petersburg, on the invitation of the Bishop of Polotsk. Many new and influential members have joined, among whom may be mentioned the Archpriests of the Cathedrals of Polotsk and Riga, Count Bobrinsky, the Rev. Fr. Arsenieff of Moscow, Fr. Rojdestvensky, Professor at the Ecclesiastical Academy of St. Petersburg, M. Dolgoff, and the Editor of "Kolokol." A full account of this visit on the occasion of the solemn Translation of the Body of St. Euphrosyne to Polotsk, and of the work of the society in Russia. will appear in our next issue. H. J. F.C.

Thoughts of a Christian of the first centuries about the Union of the Churches and especially of the Anglican and Eastern Orthodox.

I.

"Unitas in necessariis Libertas in dubiis Charitas in omnibus."

By Professor LAMPAKIS, Athens University.

I shall speak, not as a Christian belonging to the Orthodox Church, nor as a fellow of Theology in an Orthodox University, nor as representing this or that Church. I would simply throw out some thought such as a Christian of the first centuries would express, who, seeing the endless divisions among Christians, would ask in surprise "Are these all the Churches of the One Jesus? do these all belong to the One Person and the One Faith of Jesus?" Just as St. Paul so scathingly criticizes the schisms in Corinth, by that striking question, "Is Christ divided,?" so, one may consider, such a temper has become the main duty of Christians since the age of St Paul. Fortunately to-day, under the Patriarch Joachim, serious articles, full of Christian love and peace, have been published during a considerable period in the official organ of the Œcumenical Patriarchate, "Ecclesiastike Aletheia," which are surely pointing the way towards reunion.

What a difference between those old days and these! If an Orthodox, a Catholic or a Protestant were going to treat this question, how may anathemas, how many insults would have been hurled, on the pretext that the divine and sacred Canons had been violated! We are certain that whatever the clergy has been unable, through passion and self-interest, to accomplish up to the present, will most surely be accomplished through the science, the progress and the liberal education

and research of the new theologians.

Jesus prayed for those who were crucifying him; Christian Bishops without being crucified, but simply disputing between themselves about unimportant questions (the foremost place among which, is held by questions about pre-eminence), do not hesitate to excommunicate and anathematize each other, making every kind of communion with each other and even mutual prayer to cease. Pope Theodore especially is well-known (and not only he, but many other Popes), for his most forcible action, his excommunication of his brother in Christ, and co-worker Paul, the Œcumenical Patriarch. He, the representative of the long-suffering Saviour, did not hesitate in signing the excommunication, to throw into the ink, drops of the Holy Communion. And, on what grounds? only for words and expressions that neither themselves nor others could understand, about questions nevertheless, under which important interests were concealed. But, thanks be to God, humanity is liberating itself from such a clergy; than which we, at least, know of

Σκέψεις Χριστιανού των πρώτων αἰώνων περὶ τῆς Ένώσεως των Ἐκκλησιών καὶ ἰδία τῆς Προτεσταντικῆς μετὰ τῆς 'Θρθοδόξου 'Ανατολικῆς Ἐκκλησίας.

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"Unitas in necessariis Libertas in dubiis Charitas in omnibus."

Ύπὸ τοῦ κ. ΛΑΜΠΑΚΗ, καθηγητοῦ ἐν 'Αθήναις.

Δὲν θὰ ὁμιλήσωμεν ὡς Χριστιανοί, ἀνήκοντες εἰς τὴν 'Ορθόδοξον 'Εκκλησίαν, πολὺ δὲ ὁλιγώτερον ὡς ὑφηγηταὶ τῆς Θεολογίας ἐν 'Ορθοδόξω Πανεπιστημίω' οὐδόλως θὰ ὁμιλήσωμεν ὡς ἀντιπροσωπεύοντες ταύτην ἡ ἐκείνην τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν, θὰ ῥίψωμεν ἀπλῶς σκέψεις, ἃς θὰ ἔρριπτε Χριστιανὸς τῶν Πρώτων Αἰώνων ὅστις βλέπων τὰς ἀπείρους διακλαδώσεις τῶν Χριστιανικῶν 'Εκκλησιῶν, περίεργος θὰ ἡρώτα "ἀλλὰ πᾶσαι αὶ Ἐκκλησίαι αὐται τοῦ ἐνὸς Ἰησοῦ ἀνήκουσιν εἰς τὸ ἐνιαῖον πρόσωπον καὶ τὴν ἐνιαίαν πίστιν τοῦ ἐνὸς Ἰησοῦ; "'Ο,τι δ' ἀκριβῶς ὁ Παῦλος ἐπέκρινεν ἐν Κορίνθω, τὰς διαιρέσεις, διὰ τοῦ ώραιοτάτουἐκείνουἐρωτήματος: "μεμέρισται ὁ Χριστίς;" Τοῦτο νομίζει τις ὅτι ἐγένετο τὸ κύριον ἔργον τῶν Χριστιανῶν τῶν μετὰ τὸν Παῦλον αἰώνων. Καὶ ὅμως, εὐτυχῶς ἐπὶ τῆς νῦν Πατριαρχείας Ἰωακεὶμ τοῦ Γ'. σοβαρὰ ἄρθρα, πλήρη Χριστιανικὴν ἀγάπην καὶ εἰρήνην ἀποπνέοντα, δημοσιεύει ἀπό τινος ἡ 'Ἐκκλησιαστικὴ Αλήθεια, τὸ ἐπίσημον τοῦτο ὄργανον τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου, ἀσφαλῶς ὁδηγοῦντα πρὸς τὴν Ενωσιν.

Πόση διαφορά άλλοτε!... αν ορθόδοξος, καθολικός, ή διαμαρ-

τυρόμενος επρόκειτο να διαπραγματευθή το ζήτημα τούτο;

Πόσοι ἀναθεματισμοί, πόσαι παρατάξεις ὕβρεων ἐν τῷ μέσφ δὲν θὰ προὐβάλλοντο περὶ παραβάσεων δῆθεν θείων καὶ ἰερῶν κανόνων;

Εἴμεθα βέβαιοι ὅτι: ὅ,τι ὁ κλῆρος ὡς ἐκ τῆς ἐμπαθείας καὶ τοῦ συμφέροντος ἐστάθη ἀδύνατον μέχρι τοῦδε νὰ πράξη, τοῦτο θὰ πράξη βεβαίως ἡ ἐπιστήμη, ἡ Πρόοδος καὶ ἡ ἐν ἐλευθέρα ἐκπαιδεύσει καὶ ἐρεύνη ἀνατροφὴ τῶν νέων Θεολόγων.

'Ο Ίησοῦς προσηύχευτο ὑπὲρ τῶν σταυρούντων Αὐτόν, καὶ οἱ Χριστιανοὶ ᾿Αρχιερεῖς οὐχὶ σταυρούμενοι, ἀλλ᾽ ἀπλῶς μεταξὺ αὐτῶν ἐρίζοντες περὶ ἀναξίων λόγου ζητημάτων, (ὧν κυρίαν θέσιν ἔχουσι τὰ περὶ πρωτείου ζητήματα) δὲν διστάζουσι νὰ ἀφορίζωσι καὶ νὰ ἀναθεματίζωσιν ἀλλήλους, κόπτοντες πᾶσαν σχέσιν πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἐπικοινωνίας καὶ αὐτῆς ἔτι τῆς ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων προσευχῆς.

Είναι γνωστός μάλιστα ο Πάππας ἐκεῖνος Θεόδωρος (καὶ ὅχι μόνον οὐτος ἀλλὰ καὶ πολλοὶ ἄλλοι Πάππαι), ὅστις, ὅπως ὡς δραστικώτατα

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no more mortal enemy to Christianity. And, unfortunately, we have such violations of charity in all the Churches. Happily, these could neither destroy nor stop the divine course of the holy Ship of Christ's Church.

Fanatical clergymen were making dogmas and composing hymns opening and shutting the doors of Paradise, taking thought for everything but the one chief sign of discipleship of our Lord, which is to believe in Him and to love one another according to His words, "This is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou has sent," and, "By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another."

To them not faith and love are the chief signs, but the "filioque' clause or its rejection, the leavened or the unleavened bread, transubstantiation or spiritual communion, transubstantion by means of the Invocation or by means of the Words of Christ, purgatory, primacy, indulgences which they find in a superabundant treasure stored up in the Church since the time of the Crucifixion of the Lord, and a thousand other matters of disputation which the divine Paul calls foolish and unseemly for the children of Christ. Yet in the case of the heirarchy of the different Churches, profession of the above teaching is the only sign of true Christians. About faith and love, just a word in the second place. The sublime and touching prayer of Christ, "Holy Father, keep through Thine own name those whom Thou hast given Me, that they may be one as We are. . . . Father, I will that they also, whom Thou hast given Me be with Me where I am. That the love wherewith Thou hast loved Me may be in them, and I in them." The great heresiarchs do not hear. Hence so many unlawful things are allowed, so long as the forms and numberless differences are observed.

Nevertheless, we deem that our Heavenly Father would be better pleased if He saw mutual love among Christians (the various forms of the divided Churches being observed), instead of seeing irreconcilable and implacable hate between His sons, existing simply and merely that manners and customs, forms and traditions may be observed, the results of man's care and thought.

I honour and revere the form of Holy Baptism through immersion which is used by the Eastern Church, but there is no reason why I should hate and separate from and dislike to look upon the man who does not observe this method,

I honour and revere the man who makes the sign of the Cross, a venerable sign, bringing to mind the divine work of our salvation. But there is no reason for flinging maledictions and blasphemies against the Christian who does not make it, but in whose heart there likely reigns Jesus, while he considers superfluous the external sign of the Cross.

I honour and revere all the Holy traditions of my Church, but that is no reason why I should insult and mock the equally ancient traditions of another Church; or, still further, light the fires and invent instruments of torture and fling terrific excommunications against my brethren in Christ who think differently, towards whom I have one chief duty, to preserve charity with them for the glory of Christ, for the glory of Him who from His cross pardoned not only His enemies and opponents, but even those who were crucifying Him.

What a distance between the teaching of Jesus and the present condition of His Churches!

ἐνεργήση ὁ ἀ φ ο ρισ μ ὸ ς αὐτοῦ κατὰ τοῦ ἐν Χριστῷ ἀδελφοῦ αὐτοῦ καὶ συλλειτουρ γοῦ Παύλου τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριάρχου, δὲν ἐδίστασεν ὁ ἀντιπρόσωπος οὐτος τοῦ ἀνεξικάκου Ἰησοῦ, ὅπως ὑπογράψη τὸν ἀ φ ο ρισ μ ὸ ν αὐτοῦ, ρίπτων ἐντὸς τῆς μελάνης σταγόνας τῆς θείας μεταλήψεως! Καὶ διὰ τίνα ζητήματα; πάντοτε διὰ λέξεις καὶ ἐκφράσεις, ὰς οὕτε οἱ ἴδιοι ἡννόουν οὕτε οἱ ἄλλοι κατελάμβανον, πάντως ὅμως περὶ ζητημάτων, ὑπὸ τὰ ὁποῖα ποικίλα δυστυχῶς συμφέροντα ὡς ἐπὶ τὸ πολὺ ὑπεκρύπτοντο.

'Αλλά, Δόξα τῷ Κυρίῳ δυνάμεθα νὰ εἴπωμεν, ὅτι ἡ ἀνθρωπότης προβαίνει ἐλευθερουμένη ἀπὸ τοῦ τοιούτου κλήρου, ἀπὸ τοῦ ὁποίου θανασιμώτερον ἐχθρὸν κατὰ τοῦ Χριστιανισμοῦ, ἡμεῖς τοὐλάχιστον δὲν γνωρίζομεν. Καὶ δυστυχῶς εἰς ἀπάσας τὰς Ἐκκλησίας ἔχομεν παρα-

βάσεις τοιαύτας. Εὐτυχῶς ὅμως αὐται οὐδέποτε ἡδυνήθησαν νὰ βλάψωσιν ἡ παρεμποδίσωσι τὸν θεῖον δρόμον τῆς άγμας ὁ λομά δος τῆς τοῦ Χριστοῦ

Έκκλησίας.
Φανατικοί κληρικοί έδογμάτιζου, συνέταττου ύμνους, ήνουγου καὶ ἔκλειου τὸς θύρας τοῦ παραδείσου, έφρουτιζου περὶ πάντων καὶ μόνου

εκλειον τὰς θύρας τοῦ παραδείσου, ἐφρόντιζον περὶ πάντων καὶ μόνον περὶ ἐνὸς δὲν ἐφρόντιζον περὶ τοῦ κυρίου γνωρίσματος, τῶν μαθητῶν τοῦ Κυρίου, ὅπερ ἐστὶ ἡ πρὸς Αὐτὸν Ηίστις καὶ ἡ πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἀγάπη κατὰ τοὺς λόγους τοῦ Κυρίου:

"Αύτη ἐστὶ ἡ αἰώνιος ζωή, ἵνα γινώσκωσι Σὲ τὸν μόνον ἀληθινὸν Θεὸν καὶ δν ἀπέστειλας Ἰησοῦ καὶ ἐν τούτω γνώσονται πάντες ὅτι ἐμοὶ μαθηταὶ ἐστὲ ἐὰν ἀγάπην ἔχητε ἀλλήλους."

Ούτοι ώς κύριον γνωρισμα δεν έχουσι την Πίστιν καὶ την Αγάπην, ἀλλὰ τὰ ζητήματα ἐκ τοῦ υἰοῦ ἡ ἄνευ τοῦ υἰοῦ, τὸ ἄζυμον ἡ τὸ ευζυμον, την μετουσίωσιν ἡ την ἐν Πνεύματι μετάληψιν καὶ την μετουσίωσιν διὰ τῆς ἐπικλήσεως τελουμένην ἡ διὰ τῆς ἀπαγγελίας τῶν Κυριακῶν ρημάτων, τὸ πουργατόριον, τὸ πρωτεῖον, τὰς ἀφέσεις (indulgentiae, ἀς εὐρον ἐκ περισσεύσαντος θησαυροῦ ἀποκειμένου ἐν τῆ Ἐκκλησία ἐκ τοῦ σταυρικοῦ θανάτου τοῦ Κυρίου) καὶ μυρίας ἄλλας συζητήσεις, ἀς ὁ θεῖος Παῦλος ἀποκαλεῖ μωρὰς καὶ ἀναξίας τῶν τέκνων τοῦ Χριστοῦ. Καὶ ὅμως κατὰ τοὺς ὰρχιερεῖς τῶν διαφόρων ἐκκλησιῶν, ἡ καθομολόγησις τῶν ἀνωτέρω διδασκαλιῶν

είναι το μόνον γνώρισμα τῶν ἀληθῶν Χριστιανῶν.

Π ερὶ πίστεως δὲ καὶ ὰ γ άπης οὐδὲ λόγος ἡ μᾶλλον λόγος ἐν δευτέρω. Τὴν ἔξοχον καὶ συγκινητικὴν προσευχὴν τοῦ Χριστοῦ Πάτερ ἄγιε τήρησον αὐτοὺς ἐν τῷ ὀνόματί Σου οῦς δέδωκάς μοι ἵνα ὧσιν ἐν καθὼς καὶ ἡμεῖς ... καθὼς Σὰ Πάτερ ἐν ἐμοὶ κὰγω ἐν Σοί, ἵνα καὶ αὐτοὶ ἐν ἡμῖν ἐν ὧσι...Πάτερ, οῦς δέδωκάς μοι θέλω ἵνα ὅπου εἰμὶ ἐγὼ κὰκεῖνοι ὧσι μετ' ἐμοῦ... ἵνα ἡ ἀγάπη, ἡν ἡγάπησάς με ἐν αὐτοῖς ἡ, κὰγὼ ἐν αὐτοῖς ΄΄ (Ἰωάν. κεφ. ψ΄.) οἱ μεγάλοι αἰρεσιάρχαι δὲν τὴν ἀκούουσιν ἐντεῦθεν μυρίας ἀθεμιτουργίας ἐπιτρέπουται, ἀρκεῖ οἱ τύποι νὰ τηρῶνται καὶ αὶ ποικίλαι διαφοραί.

Καὶ ὅμως νομίζομεν, ὅτι πολὺ περισσότερον θὰ ἔχαιρεν ὁ Πατήρ ἡμῶν ὁ Οὐράνιος ἐὰν ἔβλεπεν τὴν ἀμοιβαίαν τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀγάπην (τηρουμένων ἔστω καὶ τῶν ποικίλων διαφορῶν τῶν ἐπὶ μέρους ἐκκλησιῶν), ἡ νὰ βλέπη τὸ ἀδιάλλακτον καὶ ἄσπονδον μῖσος μεταξὺ τῶν τέκνων αὐτοῦ καὶ τοῦτο, μόνον καὶ μόνον, ὅπως τηρηθῶσι ἡ θ η καὶ ἔθιμα, τύποι καὶ παραδόσεις, ἔργα μελετῶν καὶ σ κ έ ψ ε ω ν ἀνθρωπίνων. Σέβομαι καὶ τιμῶ τὸν διὰ τῆς καταδύσεως τύπον τοῦ Αγίου

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I stand before the Sepulchre of Our Lord in Jerusalem and see the haughty Orthodox celebrating first the Divine Mysteries of the All Holy Sepulchre. They think that they only possess the truth! After them, enter the Armenians in their pride. They think that they only possess the truth! Then follow the disciples of the Bishop of Rome, and with bitterness against these two Churches that came first, they offer the bloodless service of adoration. They think that they only possess the truth! Beside these three Churches, the Holy Sepulchre is surrounded by several other smaller Churches of the Copts, and Syrians and others, each thinking that it only possesses the truth.

Does each possess the sole truth? Certainly not! The absolute truth is possessed only by the absolute Being, God. Yet the Churches of the different Christian peoples do not recognize this attribute as

belonging to God, that in Him alone is absolute truth.

Every Christian Church credits itself exclusively and absolutely for work which belongs to the secret wisdom of God alone. And thus Christians slay each other round the grave of Him who gave this teaching .- " If thou bring thy gift to the altar and there remember that thy brother hath aught against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine adversary quickly." They slay each other round the grave of Him who raised one banner alone, that of Love. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples if ye have love one to another." They are slaying each the other round the grave of Him who raised the standard of Peace. "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give unto you, not as the world giveth."

Whereas the principal duty of every Christian is to have love one toward another, in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, these consider as their principal and most important task the extermination of those Christian brethren who do not think the same as they do. How mistaken a path! What a deplorable apostacy from the essence of the teaching of the God-man, from the essence of the Christian Church!

This being so, the propositions are nearer the truth that confess that no individual church possesses the whole truth; each one holds a greater or less portion of the truth, and the Christian can, without distinction, find his happiness in any one church.

This proposition therefore opens to us new horizons of thought for

the unity of the different Christian Churches.

(To be continued.)

ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT.

An Address given by the Right Rev. Bishop Gaul, (late Bishop of Mashonaland,) at the third Annual Festival of the Anglican and Eastern-Orthodox Churches Union at St. Alban's, Holborn, October 20th, 1909.

It is not for such a one as myself-less than the least of all Christ's chief shepherds in learning and power of exposition, and engaged all through his ministerial life in the practical pioneering and constructive work of the Church—to attempt to teach my teachers, or aspire to do more than humbly to remind myself and those present with

Βαπτίσματος, ὅπερ ἔχει ἡ 'Ανατολικὴ 'Εκκλησία, δὲν εἶναι ὅμως λόγος οὖτος νὰ μισῶ καὶ νὰ ἀφορίζω καὶ νὰ μὴ θέλω νὰ βλέπω ἐνώπιον μου

τὸν μὴ φυλάττοντα τὸν τύπον τοῦτον;

Σέβομαι καὶ τιμῶ τὸν ποιοῦντα τὸ σημεῖον τοῦ τιμίου Σταυροῦ, σεπτὸν σημεῖον ὑπομιμνῆσκον τὸ θεῖον ἔργον τῆς ἀπολυτρώσεως δὲν εἶν εἴν διως λόγος αὐτὸς νὰ ἐκτοξεύω ἀρὰς καὶ βλασφημίας κατὰ τοῦ Χριστιανοῦ ἐκείνου, ὅστις δὲν κάμνει μὲν τὸ σημεῖον τοῦ τιμίου Σταυροῦ πιθανὸν ὅμως ἐν τῆ καρδία αὐτοῦ νὰ βασιλεύη αὐτὸς ὁ Ἰησοῦς, οῦ ἔνεκα περιττὸν θεωρεῖ τὸ ἐξωτερικὸν τοῦ Σταυροῦ σημεῖον.

Σέβομαι καὶ τιμῶ ὅλας τὰς παραδόσεις τῆς ἐμῆς ἐκκλησίας δὲν εἶνε ὅμως λόγος αὐτὸς νὰ ὑβρίζω καὶ ἐμπαίζω τὰς ὡσαύτως ἀρχαίας

παραδόσεις ταύτης ή έκείνης της έκκλησίας.

Καὶ ὅχι μόνον τοῦτο ἀλλὰ καὶ νὰ ἀνάπτω πυρὰς καὶ νὰ ἐξευρίσκω βασανιστήρια καὶ νὰ ἐκτοξεύω φρικώδεις ἀφορισμοὺς καὶ ἀναθέματα κατὰ τῶν ἀντιφρονούντων ἀδελφῶν μου Χριστιανῶν, πρὸς οῦς ễ ν ἔχω κ υ ρίως καθ ἢ κ ο ν νὰ τηρῶ τὴν μετ' αὐτῶν ἀγάπην πρὸς Δόξαν Χριστοῦ, πρὸς Δόξαν Ἐκείνου, ὅστις ὰπὸ τοῦ Σταυροῦ συνεχώρει οὐχὶ ἀπλῶς τοὺς ἐχθροὺς αὐτοῦ ἢ τοὺς ἀντιφρονοῦντας πρὸς Αὐτόν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς σταυροῦντας Αὐτόν.

Οἵα ἀπόστασις μεταξύ τῆς διδασκαλίας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ καὶ τῆς

παρούσης καταστάσεως των Έκκλησιων του Χριστου!

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"Ισταμαι πρὸ τοῦ τάφου τοῦ Κυρίου ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις καὶ βλέπω ἀγερώχους τοὺς Ὁρθοδόξους τελοῦντας πρώτους τὴν θείαν μυσταγωγίαν τοῦ Παναγίου Τάφου!

Φρουούσιν, ότι μόνον ο ύτοι κατέχουσι την άλήθειαν!

Μετ' αὐτοὺς ὑπερήφανοι εἰσέρχονται οἱ Αρμένιοι.

Φρονούσεν, ότι μόνον ούτοι κατέχουσε την αλήθειαν!

Μετ' αὐτοὺς ὑπερφίαλοι καὶ μετὰ πικρίας πρὸς τὰς δύο προηγηθείσας ἐκκλησίας προσφέρουσι τὴν ἀναίμακτον λατρείαν οἱ ὁπαδοὶ τοῦ ἐπισκόπου Ρώμης.

Φρονοθσίν ότι μόνον ο ύτο ι κατέχουσι τὴν ἀλήθειαν!
Πλην τῶν τριῶν Ἐκκλησιῶν τούτων περιστοιχοθσι τὸν Πανάγιον
Τάφον καὶ ἔτεραι μικρότεραι ἐκκλησίαι τῶν Κοπτῶν, τῶν Σύρων κ.λ.π.
Φρονοθσαι ὅτι μόνον αὐται κατέχουσι τὴν ἀλήθειαν. "Ολοι κατέχουσι
τὴν ἀλήθειαν; βεβαίως ὅχι! Τὴν ἀπόλυτον ἀλήθειαν κατέχει μόνον
τὸ ἀπόλυτον "Ον, ὁ Θεός.

Καὶ ὅμως, αἰ ἐκκλησίαι τῶν διαφόρων Χριστιανικῶν λαῶν τὴν ἰδιότητα ταύτην δὲν ἀναγνωρίζουσιν ἐν τῷ Θεῷ, ὅτι παρ' Αὐτῷ μόνον ἡ

απόλυτος αλήθεια.

Έκάστη Χριστιανική ἐκκλησία ἀποκλειστικῶς καὶ ἀπολύτως εἰς ἐαυτὴν και μόνην ἀναγνωρίζει ἔργον, ὅπερ ἀνήκει εἰς μόνην τὴν ἀπόκρυφον τοῦ Θεοῦ σοφίαν καὶ οὕτως οἱ Χριστιανοὶ ἀλληλοσφάζονται περὶ τὸν τάφον Ἐκείνου, ὅστις ἐδίδαξε τὸ 'Εὰν οὖν προσφέρης τὸ δῶρόν σου ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον, κακεῖ μνησθῆς ὅτι ὁ ἀδελφός σου ἔχει τι κατὰ σοῦ, ἄφες ἐκεῖ τὸ δῶρόν σου ἔμπροσθεν τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου καὶ ὕπαγε πρῶτον διαλλάγηθι τῷ ἀδελφῷ σου καὶ τότε ἐλθὼν προσφέρε τὸ δῶρόν σου ἴσθι εὐνοῶν τῷ ἀντιδίκω σου ταχύ...' ἀλληλοσφάζονται περὶ τὸν τάφον Ἐκείνου, ὅστις μίαν ἀνύψωσε σημαίαν, τὴν σημαίαν τῆς ἀγάπης :

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our Lord and Master in His Eucharist of Unity, of one or two fundamental principles which may, by the power of the Holy Spirit, inspire us in taking what share we may in helping to restore peace and unity to God's broken Body, the Church of Jesus Christ.

We talk and write of East and West as though they were necessarily two opposing unities and entities. We use phrases which savour of cant, and say, "Oh, East is East and West is West, and never shall they meet," forgetting that "too far East is always West, and close to West is East." We create almost arbitrary philosophical physiological and histography and physiological sophical, physiological and biological racial distinctions of type, and philological groups of language, and take them for granted as though God had created a world with ways of thought, and feeling, and expression blocked off into fireproof and watertight compartments for safety and salvation. And it is good for us, as we differentiate for scientific or literary purposes, constantly to remind ourselves that God has made of one blood, one nature, "All nations for to dwell on the earth "-that there is, in His sight and the sweep of His almighty providential government and sovereignty, but me race—the human race, which is the subject of His creative, redemptive, sanctifying work. All geographical, political and ethnological distinctions, redemptive, sanctifying work. All geographical, political and ethnological distinctions, however necessary for literary, scientific or practical purposes are of the earth and very earthy. As priests of God and servants of Christ we know of only One Religion—that of the Holy Catholic Church; One Altar—the golden Altar of the Lamb once slain; One Sacrifice—that of Calvary; One Revelation—that of the Word made Flesh; One Written Witness—The Holy Bible; and, finally, One Hope for Humanity in the One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism into the triune Name of the One God and Father of us all. And while from time to time it may be wise and even needful to imagine some earthly centre of unity for legislative and administrative purposes; as far as the object for which we are met to-day is concerned, neither Constantinople, nor Moscow, nor Rome, nor Canterbury, need interest us more than as guides and finger-Moscow, nor Rome, nor Canterbury, need interest us more than as guides and fingerposts directing us all, like those devoted pilgrims of the East, to Bethlehem—the womb of the Divinely-Human Unity of the Incarnation. What a parable of earth's bitter cry for peace—amidst all its wrangling, social and political and religious discords, is that strange and pathetic gathering of pilgrims at Bethlehem, as they flock in thousands year by year, ready, in their touching claim to precedency, to fly at one another's throats, and needing an army of unbelievers to keep the peace in order that they may severally adore the King of Peace.

"Tantum religio potuit suadere malorum."

Surely, as Bacon says, "could Lucretius have known and seen the quarrels of Christians,

he would have been seven times the Epicure and Atheist that he was."

But my brethren, what an extraordinary suggestive and fecund scene of witness it is, not only to the acquired limitations, the stupid hatreds and fitful prejudices of men, but also to the one true focussing and distributing centre of Unity and Brotherhood—the incarnate Christ of God. There, year by year, bought by their sweat of blood in labour and hard saving, their pilgrimage brings thousands on thousands of Christian brethren of the East and the West that is nearest East, struggling to the scene of the Nativity, footsore and hungry, to kiss the very stones of the stable where God was born into their own poor Nature. Stifling all human animosities as best they may, their hearts bow down in adoration; and, surely, for one sweet moment they are transfigured in their high ecstasy, and sit in heavenly places "where beyond these voices there is Peace." But my brethren, what an extraordinary suggestive and fecund scene of witness it

Do we not need, we theologians, we clergy, we workers and thinkers, and all we humble members of all orders in Christ's Holy Catholic and Orthodox Church, whether we owe obedience to Constantinople, Rome, or Canterbury, to "depolarize our ideas," and even our ideals, from time to time, and get our compass pointing true? Has not this or that iron-bound promontory for centuries somewhat deflected our true course?

Have we not felt our ship grinding on the rocks of an immovable pedantry of authority—an isolated and icy orthodoxy; or, worse still, have we not felt ourselves ploughing into the quicksands of vague, passing opinions and "views."

Surely you will permit even the humblest Father in God to claim for his Master that from Constantinople we should point to Bethlehem, from Rome to Calvary, and from Cartachury to Olivet. It is in the Jacontant Birth, the Atoning Death in the from Canterbury to Olivet. It is in the Incarnate Birth—the Atoning Death—in the Glories of Jesus Ascended that we shall find our true Pole-star and centre of Unity and Brotherhood, in the worship of the all-holy and ever-blessed Three in One—Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Some twenty-five years ago I was ministering in the wards of the Kimberley Hospital. As I passed along I noticed a man evidently in extremis. I looked at his card, and found he was a Catholic of the Roman obedience. I asked him if I should

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" άγαπᾶτε άλλήλους" " έν τούτω γνώσονται πάντες ὅτι έμοὶ μαθηταὶ έστέ, ἐὰν ἀγάπην ἔχητε ἀλλήλοις," ἀλληλοσφάζονται περί τον τάφον Έκείνου, δς ύψωσε την σημαίαν της Ειρήνης: "Ειρήνη 'Τμίν ειρήνη την έμην δίδωμι Τμίν, ούχ ως ο κόσμος δίδωσι δίδωμι Τμίν."

Καὶ ἐν ὡ, ἔργον τῶν διαφόρων Χριστιανῶν ἐστὶ ἡ πρὸς ἀλλήλους άγάπη, ἐν Χριστῷ τῷ Κυρίφ ἡμῶν, οὐτοι ὡς κύριον καὶ σπουδαιότατον έργον αὐτῶν θεωροῦσι τὴν ἐξόντωσιν τῶν μὴ ὁμοφρο-

νούντων αὐτοῖς ἀδελφῶν Χριστιανῶν.

Οία πλάνη!... Οία άξιοθρήνητος ἀπόστασις ἀπό τῆς οὐσίας τῆς διδασκαλίας τοῦ

θεανθρώπου, ἀπό τῆς οὐσίας τῆς Χριστιανικῆς ἐκκλησίας!... Τούτων οὕτως ἐχόντων δ è ν εὐρίσκονται ἐγγύτερον τῆ ἀληθεία αἰ ομολογίαι αι δεχόμεναι ότι "ουδεμία έκκλησία κατέχει την πλήρη άλήθειαν, πάσα δὲ ἐπὶ μέρους πρεσβεύει μεῖζον ἡ ἔλλασον τῆς άληθείας μέρος και ότι εν πάση άδιακρίτως εκκλησία δύναται ο Χριστιανός να τύχη τής μακαριότητος." Καὶ ίδου ή όμολογία αυτη ανοί-γει Υμίν νέους όρίζοντας σκέψεων πρός ένωσιν των διαφόρων Χριστιανικών έκκλησιών.

("Επεται Συνέχεια.)

EN ΣΩΜΑ KAI EN TINEYMA

(Προσ.la.lià έχφωνηθείσα ύπὸ τῆς Α. Σεβ. τοῦ πρώην ἐν Μασχονα λάνθη επισκόπου Γκώλ κατά την γ'. επέτειον έορτην του πρός ένωσιν της 'Ορθοδόξου και 'Αγγ. Ιικανικής 'Εκκ. Ιησίας Συ. Ι. Ιόγου έν τω er Aordirω raw του ay. 'Albaron τη 7)20 'Οκτωβρίου 1909).

Έλάχιστος και κατά τὰς γνώσεις και κατά την δύναμιν της έκθέσεως μεταξύ των έν Χριστώ συμποιμένων μου, καί απασχοληθείς καθ' όλην την επισκοπικήν μου ζωήν έν τω πρακτικώ μαλλον και οίκοδομητικώ έργω της Έκκλησίας, αναλαμβάνω την στιγμην ταύτην να διδάξω τους διδασκάλους μου καὶ ὑπενθυμίσω καὶ εἰς ἐμὲ αὐτὸν καὶ εἰς τοὺς παρευρεθέντας κατά την ένοποιον Ιερουργίαν του Κυρίου και Καθηγητού μας Χριστού κεφαλαιώδεις τινάς άληθείας, αίτινες διά της δυνάμεως του 'Αγίου Πνεύματος θὰ μᾶς ένισχύσωσιν όπως συνδράμωμεν καὶ ἡμεῖς, τὸ καθ' ἐαυτούς, πρὸς ἀποκατάστασιν της είρηνης και της ένότητος έν τῷ διερρηγμένω Σώματι τοῦ Ἰπσοῦ, ὅπερ ἐστὶν ἡ Ἐκκλησία.

'Ομιλούμεν καὶ γράφομεν περὶ 'Ανατολής καὶ Δύσεως ώς περί δύο κατ' ανάγκην αντιθέτων μονάδων και οὐσιών. Έπιτηδευόμεθα συνήθως να λαλώμεν ως ακολούθως «ώ, είνε 'Ανατολή ή 'Ανατολή· καὶ Δύσις είνε ή Δύσις, καὶ ποτὲ δὲν θὰ συναντηθοῦν τὰ δύο αὐτὰ πράγματα» καὶ λησμονοῦμεν fetch his priest. "Are you not a priest?" said he. "Yes," I said, "of the Anglican Church." "That is good enough for me," he said. "There's no time—I'm dying—hear my confession, and absolve me for Christ's sake." I did as he wished, and he passed away to God in peace. I called on my Roman brother and told him of the incident, and he warmly thanked me.

Some ten years ago, at Salisbury, in Mashonaland, I found a considerable number of Greeks. I went with my chaplain to the principal man amongst them—a merchant—and after greeting him in the name of the Lord, rebuked him for not having paid his respects as yet to the bishop of the diocese. He apologised and said, "The Bishop of Constantinople told us to go to the English Church for Sacraments." I told him to Constantinopie told us to go to the English Church for Sacraments. I told him to gather his people together and come during the next week for instruction and counsel. They all came, and they were told to be present every Sunday at the celebration of the Eucharist, and invited to any of the other services they cared to attend. They came in a body the following Sunday, and most of them were fairly regular afterwards. I wrote to the Patriarch at Constantinople, telling him of what I had done, and suggested that he should send a Greek priest to hear confessions and minister to his people, and offered the use of the cathedral church, and altar. The Patriarch wrote and thanked me and later a criest arrived and celebrated the mysteries according to people, and offered the use of the cathedral chich, and aftar. The Patriarch wrote and thanked me, and, later, a priest arrived and celebrated the mysteries according to the Greek rite, and I attended and gave my blessing, and the priest was present with us daily in the Sanctuary during his stay. And since that time our brethren of the Eastern Rite are ministered to as a matter of course, and make generous offerings at the oblation. And the same has been done at Johannesburg, Port Elizabeth, and Cape

Town by the Church of South Africa.

And I would suggest that these definite acts of union will be no unimportant factor in creating the fact of unity. To some they may at times seem irregular, but we cannot believe in our priesthood and in the necessity of the Sacrament without at

least claiming their validity.

After all, the real personal centre and focus of unity is the living loving Lord
Jesus Christ, reigning in the Heavenly Places—throned on the Heavenly Altar—and
ruling all the activities of His Holy Church in Heaven and Earth. It is He who shall,
in His own time and way, and by His own means "speak Peace to His people, making them all of one mind in an House," fulfilling His own prophecy that there shall be "One Fold and Flock and One Shepherd"—that there shall be "One Bread, One Body, and One Spirit even as we are called in One Hope of our Calling."

Brethren, as we bow ourselves in adoration at the Feet of the "Lamb once slain," let us lift up our hearts in hopeful thankfulness for the present movement of the Holy Spirit throughout Christendom towards unity. Let us make an act of penitence for its divisions, and consecrate this union of members of the Anglican and Eastern-Orthodox Churches to the special guidance of God's Spirit, the protection of the Angels, and the

prayers of the Saints.

"For all Thy Church, O Lord, we intercede; Make Thou our sad divisions soon to cease; Draw us the nearer, each to each, we plead, By drawing all to Thee, O King of Peace; Thus may we all, one Bread, one Body, be Through this blest Sacrament of Unity.

THOUGHTS ON SOME RE-UNION.

By M. G. DAMPIER.

In considering the subject of re-union, the first thought which naturally presents itself to our mind is that of the immense loss which the Church has sustained through the severence of East and West. Whether we look at the increasing ravages of infidelity and materialism in the West, or at the decay of intellectual vigour and spiritual enterprise in the East, it is evident that both are to be traced back in a measure to the loss of corporate communion between the severed branches of the Church. That interchange of ideas has

ότι «ἐκεῖθεν τῆς 'Ανατολῆς είνε ἡ Δύσις καὶ παρὰ τὴν Δύσιν είνε ή 'Ανατολή.» Αὐθαιρέτως πως δημιουργούμεν φιλοσοφικάς, φυσιολογικάς και βιολογικάς διακρίσεις τύπων φυλετικών, χωρίζομεν τὰς γλώσσας εἰς φιλολογικὰ συστήματα, τὰ όποῖα πᾶς τις ώς τοιαῦτα όφείλει νὰ παραδεχθή, ώσεὶ ὁ Θεὸς έδημιούργησεν ένα κόσμον με τρόπους σκέψεως, αισθήσεως και έκφράσεως, διαμεμερισμένον είς διαμερίσματα σωτηρίας, είς τὰ ὁποῖα ούτε πύρ θὰ εἰσέδυεν, ούτε βροχή! Είνε ἐν τούτοις καλόν, ὁσάκις διχογνωμούμεν καὶ ἐν τῆ ἐπιστήμη και έν τη φιλολογία, ν' αναμιμνησκώμεθα ότι ὁ Θεὸς ἐποίπσεν έξ ένὸς αἵματος την μίαν ανθρωπίνην φύσιν, «έξ ένὸς αίματος παν γένος ανθρώπων κατοικείν έπὶ παν τὸ πρόσωπον της γης» ν' αναμιμνησκώμεθα ότι ένώπιον των όφθαλμων Έκείνου και τη φοπή της παντοδυνάμου και προνοητικής διοικήσεως και κυριαρχίας Του υφίσταται μία φυλή, ή ανθρωπίνη φυλή, ή αποτελούσα τὸ αντικείμενον του δημιουργικού, απολυτρωτικού και καθηγιαστικού Του έργου. Πάσαι αί γεωγραφικαί, πολιτικαί, καὶ έθνολογικαὶ διακρίσεις καίτοι καθ' έαυτάς άναγκαται διά σκοπούς φιλολογικούς, έπιστημονικούς και πρακτικούς, είνε ούχ' ήττον γήιναι και έκ της γης. 'Αλλ' ήμεις, καθό ίερεις του Θεού και διάκονοι του Ίπσοῦ Χριστού, δὲν γνωρίζομεν παρά μίαν καὶ μόνην θρησκείαν-την της άγιας Καθολικής και 'Αποστολικής Έκκλησίας εν θυσιαστήριον—τὸ χρυσούν θυσιαστήριον τού έσφαγμένου 'Αρνίου μίαν θυσίαν—την του Γολγοθά μίαν 'Αποκάλυψιν—την του Σαρκοποιηθέντος Λόγου ένα Γραπτόν Μάρτυρα—τὰς ἀγίας Γραφάς καὶ τέλος μίαν Ἐλπίδα τῆς ανθοωπότητος έν τῷ Ένι Κυρίω, μίαν Πίστιν, εν Βάπτισμα έν τῷ τρισυποστάτω ὀνόματι τοῦ ἐνὸς Θεοῦ καὶ Πατρὸς τὧν όλων. Καὶ ἐὰν ἀπὸ καιροῦ εἰς καιρὸν φρόνιμον καὶ ἔστιν ὅτε άναγκαίαν ήγούμεθα την υπόθεσιν κοσμικών κέντρων διά σκοπούς νομοθετικούς και κυβερνητικούς, άλλ' άπο της απόψεως του σκοπου δι' δν συνηντήθημεν σήμερον πρός τά πράγματα αποβλέποντες, δηλούμεν ότι και ή Κωνσταντινούπολις, και ή Μόσχα, και ή Ρώμη, και ή Καντερβουρία είνε ούδεν πλειότερον όδηγων και δεικτών καθοδηγούντων ήμας απαντας ώς τους εύσεβεις όδοιπόρους Μάγους πρός την Βηθλεέμ, πρός την μήτραν του ένανθρωπίσαντος Θεού. Όποιος περίγελως είς την υπέρ είρηνης πικράν φωνήν της γης δεν είνε η εν μέσω των κοινωνικών, πολιτικών καί θρησκευτικών φιλονεικιών και άκαταστασιών μας παράδοξος καὶ συγκινητική συσσώρευσις έν Βηθλεέμ χιλιάδων προσκυνητων, συρρεόντων έκει ανα παν έτος, παθητικώτατα έριζόντων, περί ὑπεροχῆς δι' ἢν καὶ θὰ ἦσαν ἔτοιμοι νὰ ἐπιπέσωσιν ό είς κατά του άλλου, χρηζόντων δὲ στρατού όλοκλήρου



been wanting which would have quickened the spiritual life, while preserving the proportion of the faith, and the results are apparent to every student of Church history. The question of re-union between the Eastern and Anglican Churches only enforces this thought more closely, but the very fact that it does so ought to lead us to think more of the benefits which each would derive from closer union. Probably no one who has ever tried to press the claims of re-union with the East on the attention of English churchmen, but has been met with some such reply as, "Would it really be much good?" or "Why do you want union with the East? Surely Rome is much nearer to us."

Leaving aside for the present, this last assertion—which is perhaps less certain than it appears on the surface—this article would aim at shewing, if possible, some distinct benefits which the Anglican and Rastern Churches would receive from the restoration of intercommunion, what they might learn from each other, and how, under the guidance of God's Holy Spirit, they might supply each other's needs.

To take first the case of the Anglican Communion. Is there not much she could learn from the Churches of the East as to the duty of holding steadfastly to "the Faith once for all delivered to the Saints?" Can we not learn from them to make our appeal to the undivided Church, and to act consistently on that appeal, so that it may be something more than a mere academic expression? Eastern Christians pride themselves on belonging to a Church which is "Orthodox," and which has never permitted the slightest variation in the Church's Creed; nor have they hesitated to suffer for their convictions in this respect. Is it not too true that English churchmen have sometimes at least, seemed to pride themselves on a vagueness of belief for which it would hardly be worth while to "contend earnestly," or, while retaining the phraseology of the Creed, to empty it of its meaning under the pretext of greater liberality of thought? But it is well to remember that the orthodoxy of the East is no narrower than that of the Church's famous champion, S. Athanasius, or of the great Cappadocian Fathers.

Again, on such a point as the Communion of Saints, no one who has made even a cursory study of the service books of the Eastern Church can fail to be struck by the fulness and vividness of her realisation of this great doctrine. Not only does she commemorate the great Saints and Martyrs of the Christian Church, and teach her children to find strength in their prayers, but to a remarkable degree, unknown in the West, she finds a place in her Calendar for the Saints

of the Old Testament also, for all those holy souls,

" Patriarch and Priest and Prophet, Who prepared the way of Christ."

How much again might we not learn from her of the true love, honour and reverence due to the Holy Mother of God, of her unique position in the economy of salvation—too often unhappily forgotten by those who are bidden to call her blessed—and of the efficacy of her intercessions on our behalf?

In close connection too with this subject must be put the beautiful teaching of the Eastern Service books as regards the faithful departed, and the prayers which she offers on their behalf.

Turning now for a moment from ourselves to the Eastern Church, she too will be seen to have her special needs, which might be supplied by contact with the West through the Anglican Church. Some of these ἀπίστων πρὸς τήρησιν τῆς ἡσυχίας ἐκείνης μεθ' ἦς ὁφείλουσι νὰ λατρεύσωσιν ἐν σοβαρότητι τὸν Βασιλέα τῆς Εἰρήνης!

Tantum religio potuit suadere malorum!

Τη άληθεία, έὰν ὁ Λουκρήτιος (καθώς λέγει ὁ Βάκων) έγνώριζε καὶ ἔόλεπε τὰς διαμάχας ταύτας τῶν Χριστιανῶν, θὰ καθίστατο έπτὰ φορὰς ἐπικουρικώτερος καὶ ἀθεϊστικώτερος.

Καὶ μολαταύτα, άδελφοί μου, όποία σκηνή μαρτυρίου έξόχως γόνιμος είς ίδέας δεν είνε ή Βηθλεέμ, ήτις, καὶ μεθ' όλας τὰς ἀνθρωπίνας ἀτελείας, τὰ μωρὰ μίση καὶ τὰς όρμητικάς προκαταλήψεις μας, αποτελεί ούχ' ήττον την μίαν άληθη έστίαν, έν ή συγκεντρούται και έξ ής έκπορεύεται ή Ένότης καὶ ἡ 'Αδελφότης ἡ ἀπὸ τοῦ Σεσαρκωμένου Υίοῦ τοῦ Θεού! Ένταθα καθ' έκαστον έτος χιλιάδες έπι χιλιάδων Χριστιανών άδελφών της τε 'Ανατολής και της Δύσεως ήτις έστιν έγγιος τη 'Ανατολή όδοιπορούσιν όδοιπορίαν άγορασθείσαν διά του ίδοωτος του αίματος και των οικονομιών των, όπως μετά μόχθου καταντήσωσιν είς την σκηνήν της Γεννήσεως, καθηλκωμένοι δὲ τοὺς πόδας καὶ πειναλέοι ἀσπασθώσιν αὐτοὺς τοὺς λίθους τῆς Φάτνης, ἐν ἡ ὁ Θεὸς γεννηθεὶς τὴν ταπεινήν αὐτῶν φύσιν προσέλαδεν. Καταπνίγουν, ἐφ' ὅσον δύνανται, πάσαν άνθοωπίνην έχθροπάθειαν και κλίνουν τάς καρδίας πρός λατρείαν γονυπετώς. Και ούτω δια μίαν τουλάχιστον γλυκείαν στιγμήν μεταμορφούνται είς έκτασιν οὐράνιον και καθέζονται είς ὑπεργείους ἔδρας ὅπου «πέραν των φωνών τούτων ένοικει ή Είρηνη,»

Δὲν ὑποχρεούμεθα ἄρά γε ἡμεῖς οἱ θεολόγοι, ἡμεῖς οἱ κληρικοί, ἡμεῖς οἱ ἐργάται τῆς σκέψεως, ἡμεῖς τὰ οἰων-δήποτε βαθμῶν ταπεινὰ μέλη τῆς τοῦ Χριστοῦ 'Αγίας Καθολικῆς καὶ 'Ορθοδόξου 'Εκκλησίας, τὰ εἰτε ὑπὸ τὸν τῆς Κωνσταντινουπόλεως Θρόνον, εἰτε τὸν τῆς Ρώμης, εἰτε τὸν τῆς Καντερβουρίας διατελοῦντα, δὲν ὑποχρεούμεθα, λέγω, νὰ «ἐκπολοῦμεν τὰς ἰδέας μας» καὶ τὰ ἰδεώδη μας δι' ἔτι ἀπὸ καιροῦ εἰς καιρόν, ἀποκαθιστῶντες τὴν κατεύθυνσιν τοῦ διαδήτου μας ἀληθεστέραν; Μὴ δὲν ἔχει τὸ σιδηροῦν τοῦτο ἀκρωτήριον ἐπὶ αἰώνας ἀπομακρύνει πως ἡμᾶς τῆς πραγματικῆς πορείας; Μὴ δὲν ἔχομεν αἰσθανθη συντριδόμενον τὸ πλοῖον μας ἐπὶ τῶν βράχων τῶν περὶ αὐθεντείας ἀμετακινήτων μικρολογιῶν καὶ τῆς ἀπομεμονωμένης καὶ κατεψυγμένης ὀρθοδοξίας; Κάτι χειρότερον: Μὴ δὲν ἀντελήφθημεν ὅτι ἀροτριῶμεν ἐπὶ τῶν κινητῶν ἄμμων τῶν ἀορίστων καὶ παροδικῶν γνωμῶν καὶ «ἀπόψεων»;

Δὲν ἀμφιβάλλω ὅτι θὰ ἐπιτρέψητε εἰς ταπεινότατον ἐν Θεῷ πατέρα ὅπως ἀξιώση ὑπὲρ τοῦ Κυρίου του ἴνα ὁφαιλετικῶς ἡ μὲν Κωνσταντινούπολις δακτυλοδεικτῆ τὴν Βηθλεέμ,

needs-as, pre-eminently, the lack of education amongst her lower clergy-have arisen largely from the special and difficult circumstances, amidst which, in many countries, her lot has been cast. This goes far to explain what must, at first sight, seem a curious feature in the Church which once boasted a S. Chrysostom and a S. Gregory Nazianzen, namely, the decay of preaching. But its results are highly regrettable, for an uneducated clergy naturally means an untaught laity, and too often fosters bigotry and superstition. Other evils which strike an outsider somewhat forcibly are more directly due to lack of intercourse with the more progressive West. Such are want of adaptability to the needs of modern life, of receptivity of new ideas, of practical energy. The East has not shared in that stirring of religious life, which-whatever its unquestionable faults-the Reformation brought with it. There can be scarcely any reasonable doubt that the East would gain a fresh infusion of spiritual life and energy, and a wider out-look from renewed contact with the West. Can there be any more inspiriting thought than that the Anglican Church may in this way render service to the great Churches of the Greek Communion, from whence-in common with the rest of the West-she received theology in the early centuries of the Church's life. Nor is this all, for in conclusion we may look for two further results from the re-union of the Anglican and Eastern Churches,

Firstly, a greater power of resistance to attacks on the Faith. This can only be based on a genuine Catholicism, that is on a loyal acceptance of the faith and practice of the undivided Church, to which Anglicans and Easterns mutually appeal. It can never be based on a false Catholicism or a narrow Nationalism, still less on a

disintegrating Protestantism.

Secondly, an increase of Missionary effort. The united co-operation of the Anglican and Eastern Churches should prove effective, not only to resist attacks on the Faith, but to carry forward the spread of the Gospel. As we look backward and think of the once powerful Churches of Egypt and Persia, with their far-reaching missionary activity, we must feel that the renewed vigour of the Eastern Churches would mean a new and potent force for gathering the great Eastern nations into the fold of Christ's Church. Perhaps it is impossible for Westerns ever to present Christianity quite effectively to Eastern minds; at least, the experience of many centuries of missionary effort on the part of the West to the East, would seem to suggest that it is But if this be the case, then here surely lies the golden opportunity of the Eastern Church. If she can fulfil her mission in this respect—especially in the case of China and Japan—the Anglican Church can only be the gainer, since it would liberate her energies for more effective missionary work in those regions where our Empire lays special responsibilties upon us, and for the building up of our great Colonial Churches. And for this surely it is worth while to labour and pray—that East and West may be able to go forward again, strong in the bonds of mutual faith and love, to make "The Kingdoms of this world the Kingdoms of our God and of his Christ."

π δὲ Ρώμη τὸν Γολγοθὰν καὶ ἡ Καντερδουρία τὸ 'Όρος τῶν 'Ελαιῶν. Διότι ἐν τῷ 'Ενσαρκώσει, ἐν τῷ 'Απολυτρωτικῷ θανάτῳ καὶ ἐν τῷ Δόξῃ τοῦ 'Αναληφθέντος 'Ιησοῦ θὰ τύχωμεν τοῦ ἀληθοῦς Πολιτικοῦ μας 'Αστέρος καὶ τοῦ κέντρου τῆς 'Ενότητος τε καὶ ἀδελφότητος ἐν λατρείᾳ τῆς Παναγίου καὶ καὶ εἰς αἰῶνας Μακαριστῆς Τριάδος, Πατρός, Γίοῦ καὶ 'Αγίου Πνεύματος.

Πρὸ εἰκοσιπέντε περίπου ἐτῶν διπκόνουν ἐν τῷ νοσοκομείῳ τοῦ Κίμπερλεϋ. Παρερχόμενος διὰ τῶν ἀσθενῶν διέκρινά τινα ἀποθνήσκοντα. Παρετήρησα εἰς τὸ ἐπὶ τούτῷ χαρτίον καὶ εὐρον ὅτι Ἡτο καθολικὸς ὑπαγόμενος εἰς τὴν Ρώμην. Τὸν ἡρώτησα ἐὰν ἤθελε νὰ τοῦ ζητήσω τὸν ἱερέα του. «Δὲν εἶσθε ἱερεύς ;» μοῦ εἶπε. «Ναί,» ἀπίντησα «ἀλλ' ᾿Αγγλικανός.» «Καλά·» εἶπεν ὁ ἐτοιμοθάνατος· «καιρὸς δὲν ὑπάρχει. ᾿Αποθτήσω ἀκουσον τὴν ἐξομολόγησίν μου καὶ δός μοι τὴν συγχώρησιν δι' ὄνομα τοῦ Χριστοῦ.» Ἦπραξα ὅπως ἡθελε καὶ ἀπηλθεν ὁ θνήσκων πρὸς τὸν Θεὸν ἐν εἰρήνη. Μετέδην ἔπειτα πρὸς τὸν Ρωμαῖον συνάδελφόν μου καὶ τῷ ἔξέθηκα τὸ συμβάν· ἐκεῖνος μὲ πύχαρίστησε θερμῶς.

Πρό δεκαετίας πάλιν ευρήκα έν Σαλισδουρία της Μασχοναλάνδης άρκετούς "Ελληνας. Λαβών μετ' έμου τον έφημέριόν μου έπηγα πρός τον πρόεδρόν των-ένα έμπορον-καί άφου τον έχαιρέτισα έν ονόματι Κυρίου, τον έπεπληξα διότι δεν είχεν ακόμη προσφέρει τα σεδάσματά του πρός τον έπαρχιακόν έπίσκοπον. Υπεραπολογούμενος έκεινος μοι αντέτεινε: « Ὁ ἐν Κωνσταντινουπόλει Πατριάρχης μᾶς είπε νὰ πηγαίνωμεν είς την 'Αγγλικανικήν 'Εκκλησίαν, όταν περί μυστηρίων πρόκειται.» Τῷ είπα νὰ μαζεύση καὶ τοὺς ἄλλους όλους και να έλθουν την έρχομένην έβδομάδα πρός διδασκαλίαν και νουθεσίαν. Και ήλθον τῷ ὄντι ὅλοι, είς ούς και συνέστησα νὰ παρευρίσκωνται κατὰ πάσαν Κυριακὴν ἐν τῆ τελέσει της Θείας Εύχαριστίας, προσκαλέσας αύτους και είς οιανδήποτε άλλην ακολουθίαν μας θα ήθελον. Προσηλθον έν σώματι την ακόλουθον Κυριακήν και πολλοί έξ αύτῶν τακτικώς ήρχοντο καὶ μετά ταῦτα. Έγραψα πρὸς τὸν Πατριάρχην Κωνσταντινουπόλεως, ἐκθέτων είς Αὐτὸν ὅ,τι έπραξα και υποδεικνύων την ανάγκην αποστολής "Ελληνος ίερέως πρός έξομολόγησιν και πρός την άλλην διακονίαν των έν Σαλισβουρία Έλλήνων, δ' ους μάλιστα και τον καθεδρικόν μου ναὸν καὶ τὰν άγίαν μου τράπεζαν προσέφερον. Πατριάρχης με πύχαρίστησε γραπτώς. Βραδύτερον ίερεὺς ἦλθε ὄστις ἐτέλει τὰ μυστήρια κατὰ τὸ τυπικὸν τῆς Ανατολικής 'Ορθοδόξου 'Εκκλησίας, ένω, έγω παρευρισκόμενος πύλόγουν τὸ πλήρωμα καὶ ὁ ἱερεὺς παρών μεθ' ἡμῶν έν τω ιερατείω κατά την μεθ' ήμων διαμονήν του. Έκτοτε

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CORRESPONDENCE.

An Orthodox Archimandrite in South Africa.

SIR

The Very Rev. the Archimandrite Damianos-Ermogenes, who was appointed by the Synod of Athens to be chaplain in Cape Town, South Africa, after staying there some years, has lately returned to Greece. He tells us that the orthodox priest in Johannesburg celebrates the Holy Eucharist in an Anglican school which was promptly placed at the disposal of the orthodox by the local authorities. Regarding the Anglican clergymen in South Africa the Rev. Archimandrite is proud to say that these clergymen are fully conscious of their mission, and are doing an excellent work for their nation as well as for their church. He had over and over again the opportunity of conversing with Anglicans and admired not only their zeal for their own high duties, but the brotherly feeling that the Anglicans show towards every orthodox clergyman who is worthy of his mission. These Anglicans do not hesitate to confess sincerely in every case, that the Greek Orthodox Church is the mother of all churches and the pillar of truth. He had very often invitations from Anglicans to attend their services and they always offered him one of the best seats. But what is of greater importance is the fact, that the Anglicans with readiness allowed the Rev. Archimandrite to celebrate the holy liturgy in the Anglican churches, the Anglicans respectfully attending the whole service.

Such are the opinions expressed by this Archimandrite. All this has been published in the papers of Athens. A few days ago the Right Rev. Bishop Blyth with the Archdeacon Potter of Cyprus, paid a visit to his Beatitude of Jerusalem and discussed the scheme for educating Greek Orthodox in English Colleges, in order to send them off to Canada or U.S. America. The Patriarch was much pleased with this movement and is eager to support it.

Yours sincerely.

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF PREACHING IN RUSSIA.

SIR.

Youngsters like myself are apt to dwell on past events. There is no cause, however, for alarm. I am not going to inflict on you any ancient history, proposing to recall only our last anniversary.

At that time a very pleasant duty was laid upon me, namely, that of proposing a hearty vote of thanks to the Right. Revd. Father in God, Bishop Gaul, for the admirable and eloquent address delivered by him at the commemorative service at St. Albans. I had not the slightest doubt as to the result of my appeal, for I heard on all sides οί τοῦ 'Ανατολικοῦ τυπικοῦ ἀδελφοί μας λειτουργοῦνται παρ' ἡμῖν, ώσεὶ πρόκειται περὶ πράγματος φυσικοῦ, καὶ συνεισφέρουν γενναίως ἐν τῆ ἰεροτελεστία. Τὸ δ' αὐτὸ συνέβη καὶ ἐν Ίωαννεσβούργω, λιμένι τῆς Ἑλισάβετ καὶ Κέῖπ Τάουν, ὅπου τοῖς 'Ανατολικοῖς ὑπούργησεν ἡ 'Εκκλησία μας.

Θὰ ἐπεθύμουν νὰ ὑποδηλώσω ὅτι αἱ πρὸς ἔνωσιν ὁριστικαὶ αὐται πράξεις ἀποτελοῦν οὐχὶ ἀσημάντους πρὸς τὸ ρεγονός τῆς ἐνώσεως παράγοντας. Καὶ πιθανὸν μὲν εἰς τινας νὰ φαίνωνται κάποτε ἀταξίαι ἀλλ' ἡμεῖς δὲν ἡμποροῦμεν νὰ ἔχωμεν πίστιν εἰς τὴν ἱερωσύνην μας καὶ τὸ ἀναγκαῖον τοῦ

Μυστηρίου άνευ άξιώσεως να θεωρώνται έγχυροι.

Καὶ ἐπὶ τέλους τὸ πραγματικὸν προσωπικὸν κέντρον καὶ ἡ ἐστία τῆς ἐνώσεως εἰνε ὁ ζῶν καὶ ἀγαπητὸς Κύριος Ἰπσοῦς Χριστός, ὁ ἐν τοῖς Οὐρανίοις τόποις βασιλεύων, ὁ ἐπὶ τοῦ Οὐρανίου θυσιαστηρίου ἐντεθρονισμένος, ὁ κυβερνῶν διὰ μέσου ὅλων τῶν ἐνεργειῶν τῆς ἀγίας Αὐτοῦ Ἐκκλησίας ἐν Οὐρανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ γῆς. Αὐτὸς κατὰ τὸν Ἐαυτοῦ χρόνον καὶ τρόπον θὰ λαλήση εἰρήνην τῷ λαῷ Αὐτοῦ ποιῶν πάντας ὁμόφρονας ὡς ἔνα Οἰκον, καὶ ἐκπληρῶν τὰ ὑπ' Αὐτοῦ προφητευθέντα ὅτι μία Ποίμνη ὑπὸ ἕνα Ποιμένα θὰ γείνωμεν, εἰς ᾿Αρτος, ἔν Σῶμα καὶ ἔν Πνεῦμα καθὼς καὶ ἐκλήθημεν ἐν μιᾳ ἐλπίδι τῆς κλήσεως ἡμῶν.

'Αδελφοί! γονυπετούντες πρό των ποδων του σφαγέντος έφάπαξ 'Αρνίου, ας ανυψώσωμεν τας καρδίας ήμων εύχαριστούντες εύελπίστως τῷ Θεῷ ἐπὶ ταῖς πρὸς ἔνωσιν των Χριστιανών ἐνεργείας τοῦ άγίου Πνεύματος. Θλιδώμεν ἐπὶ τῷ χωρισμῷ καὶ ἀναθέσωμεν τὴν 'Εταιρείαν ταύτην ὑπὸ τὴν ἰδιαιτέραν καθοδηγίαν τοῦ Πνεύματος τοῦ Θεοῦ, τὴν προστα-

σίαν των 'Αγγέλων και τάς προσευχάς των 'Αγίων :

Υπέρ συμπάσης, Δέσποτα Χριστέ, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας προσάγομέν Σοι ἐκ ψυχῆς εὐχὰς καὶ μεσιτείας. Τὰ σχίσματα κατάπαυσον συντόμως τῆς ὀδύνης κ' ἔλκων μας πρὸς τὸν Θρόνον Σου, Τὰ Βασιλεῦ Εἰρήνης καὶ πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἔλκυσον, ἵν' *Αρτος εἰς, ἕν Σῶμα πρὸς τὰν Ένοποιὸν Τροφὰν προτείνωμεν τὸ στόμα

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from those who were fortunate enough to be present at the service, that they listened with delight to the short yet very instructive discourse. But I cannot help wondering why I was selected for the task! My only qualification is my enthusiasm about sermons and preaching in general. I rather suspect, then, that our able General Secretary is endowed with a gift of divination, for I have never exposed before him that particular feeling of mine.

Engendered by the strict and explicit injunction of St. Paul to Timothy :- " Preach the word! Be instant in season, out of season, reprove, rebuke, and exhort with all long suffering and (patient) teaching," my enthusiasm had been strengthened by the same assurance. "The word of God," says he in the epistle to the Hebrews, "is living and active, and sharper than any double-edged sword, and piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit, and both of joints and marrow, and quick to discern the thoughts and intents of the heart." Such being the ideal, what was the practical application in, say, the middle of last century in my native land? Now that is what fostered and nurtured my enthusiasm about preaching-it was the almost utter absence of preaching. It would lead me too far were I to attempt to offer you an adequate explanation of the fact. Suffice it to point out that just as in the case of the Church of England, the Orange dynasty and the succession of the Georges had not been conducive to her best interests, the Act of Uniformity producing Nonconformity, the great Russian political reformer, Emperor Peter, with his Cesarean interference into every domain of life, had been at least a subsidiary cause of the appearance of Old Believers and other kinds of dissenters in Russia. It was by the regime introduced by him that the Church, for over a century, had been kept on what you would call "short commons," and by means of his eye, as the Chief Procurator of the Holy Synod had been styled by himself, an espionage had been carried on to the uttermost limits of the Empire, embracing every act and service; suspicion pursued and persecuted some of the noblest and most devoted sons of the Church. No free spontaneous speech would have been tolerated either on the platform or in a cathedral. Every such sermon had to be submitted beforehand for the approval of a censor, the latter being empowered without bounds to exercise his own judgment, down even to rewriting of the whole. Thus the most sacred duty of a priest came to be either ignored altogether or perfunctorily exercised, and the upshot of it was that, by the so-called intelligent classes, preaching was looked upon as at best entirely superfluous. Far be it from me to deny the importance of a rite or a ceremony, but their symbolism has to be explained and inculcated before they can become intelligible and instructive.

With the liberation of the Serss in the 20th year of the last century under the humane Alexander II., when so many millions of former chattels became small landowners and therefore proved of some account, and when several thousands of little Cæsars lost their influence and power the Church also began to breathe more freely and her office-bearers, partaking of the general animation and uplifting, became fully alive to all their duties, including that of preaching. From that time forth at every Diocesan's visitation, the very first question that was asked of the Clergy had always been whether they had ministered the Word and whether they could produce tangible evidence of their work in the shape of written sermons. But still greater impetus to preaching

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Ελς 'Ορθόδοξος 'Αρχιμανδρίτης έν τη Νοτίφ 'Αφρική.

'Αξιότιμε Κύριε,

'Ο Πανοσιολογιώτατος 'Αρχιμανδρίτης Δαμιανός Έρμο-γένης, ὁ ὑπὸ τῆς ἐν 'Αθήναις Ἱερᾶς Συνόδου διορισθεὶς ἐν Κέτπ-Τάουν της Ν. 'Αφοικής έφημέριος, μετά διαμονήν έτων τινων έπανέκαμψεν έσχάτως είς Έλλάδα. Καθ' α μας λέγει, ό εν Ἰωαννεσβούργω 'Ορθόδοξος ίερεὺς τελεῖ τὰν θείαν Εύχαριστίαν εν τινι σχολή των Αγγλικανών, προφρόνως χορηγηθείση τοῖς 'Ορθοδόξοις ὑπὸ τῆς Κυβερνήσεως τοῦ τόπου. Μετ' έγκαυχήσεως ὁ 'Αρχιμανδρίτης Δαμιανός ἀνέφερεν ομοίως ότι οι έν τη Ν. 'Αφρική 'Αγγλικανοί κληρικοί έγουσι πλήοη συνείδησιν της αποστολής των, έργαζομενοι σπουδαίως διά τε τὸ ἐαυτῶν Ἐθνος καὶ τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν. Συχνάκις ἔσχε τὴν εὐκαιρίαν νὰ ὁμιλήση μετ' 'Αγγλικανῶν και έθανμασε, λέγει, οὐ μόνον τὸν ὑπὲο τῶν ὑψηλῶν καθηκόντων ζηλόν των, άλλά και τὰς πρὸς πάντα 'Ορθόδοξον κληοικόν, άξιον της έαυτου αποστολής, άδελφικά αίσθήματά των. Οὐδ' ἐνδοιάζουν οἱ 'Αγγλικανοὶ οῦτοι είλικοινώς και έν πάση περιπτώσει να δμολογούν, ότι ή 'Ανατολική 'Ορθόδοξος Έκκλησία τυγχάνει ή Μήτηο πασών των Έκκλησιων και ο στύλος της άληθείας. Ούχι σπανίως προσεκαλείτο ὑπὸ ᾿Αγγλικανῶν ὅπως παραστῆ ἐν τῦ Ἱεοᾶ αὐτῶν λατρεία, ὅπου τῷ προσεφέρετο πάντοτε ἕν τῶν πρώτων καθισμάτων. 'Αλλά τὸ πάντων σπουδαιότερον είνε τὸ γεγονός ότι οι 'Αγγλικανοί λίαν προθύμως τῷ παρεχώρουν τούς ναούς των, ένα έν αὐτοῖς ὁ ᾿Αρχιμανδρίτης τελέση την θείαν λειτουργίαν, ην και παρηκολούθουν οί Αγγλικανοί έξ όλοκλήρου και μετά σεβασμού.

Καὶ τοιαύτη μὲν ἡ ὑπὸ τοῦ ᾿Αχιμανδρίτου Ἑρμογένους ἐξενεχθεῖσα γνώμη περὶ τῶν ἐν Ν. ᾿Αφρικῆ σχέσεων ᾿Ορθοδόξων καὶ ᾿Αγγλικανῶν, ἡν τὰ ἐν ᾿Αθήναις φύλλα ἐδημοσίευσαν. "Ετερον δὲ εὐχάριστον σᾶς εἰδοποιῶ, ὅτι ὁ Σεδασμιώτατος ἐπίσκοπος Μπλάϊθ μετὰ τοῦ Πανοσιολογιωτάτου ἐν Κύπρω ᾿Αρχιδιακόνου Πόττερ ἐπεσκέφθησαν τὴν Α. Μακαριότητα τὸν Πατριάρχην Ἱεροσολύμων, μεθ' οὖ συνδιελέχθησαν περὶ τοῦ ὑπὸ σκέψιν ζητήματος τῆς ἐκπαιδεύσεως ᾿Ορθοδόξων ἐν ᾿Αγγλικαῖς Θεολογικαῖς Σχολαῖς, τνα ἀκολούθως χρησιμεύσωσιν ὡς ἐφημέριοι τῶν ἐν Καναδα

was given by the formation some 25 years ago—under the auspices of our celebrated orator and my Rector at the Ecclesiastical Academy of St. Petersburg, the most Venerable Protopresbyter Yanyshew, quickly followed by the three other Academies—of a circle of preachers among the students. Being entirely voluntary in their work, these circles had always contained a number of devoted men, who, with the energy and fervour of youth, visited factories and other places where workmen congregated in large numbers, and preached to them the word of God, not by reading previously prepared and approved written sermons, but by delivering extempore and eloquent addresses. This has indeed become a great power for good and in many ways; firstly by influencing for good the congregation, secondly by training and habituating the preachers themselves, and lastly by setting good example to a great many others outside those circles.

On my recent visit to Russia I was, I must confess, indeed, struck by an overwhelming evidence that preaching has actually been resuscitated. There of course remains still something to be done before preaching becomes everywhere customary and of universal obligation; but I think time alone may suffice to bring about and make it effectual.

Having already taken up so much of your time I can only name a few of the class of Russian preachers of whom I would make a crown for our preacher at the Anniversary. As one of the foremost orators and most eloquent preachers of former times, I would name Archbishop Innocent of Kherson and Tauris who was so indefatigable in his pastoral duties during the Crimean war; Nicanor, yet another Archbishop of Kherson but of recent times, whose volumes of sermons will long endure in interest and instruction, Archbishop Paul of Kazan, who made it a rule never to perform a service without a sermon and Ambrosius of Kherson. Coming to the present day, I would mention Antonius, the Metropolitan of St. Petersburg, being known to England by his visit to London to attend the Jubilee of 1897, when he preached in Welbeck Street. Antonius, the Archbishop of Volkyniz, who recently performed the wonderful feat of speaking for nearly four hours without a break at a public lecture. Our Patron, Archbishop Nicholas, of Japan. Our President of Riga; Nicolas, known in London as American Bishop and now Archbishop of Warsaw. Archbishop Plato, the present chief of our American Mission, and last but not least Bishop Innocent, formerly of Alaska, and now of Yakoutsk, who was Your guest as recently as last Spring.

May, 1910.

Yours Sincerely NICOLAS ORLOFF London University.

From the Most Rev. the Archbishop Chrysostom of Smyrna.

Reverend and venerable Brother in Christ, H. J. Fynes-Clinton, General Secretary of the Anglican and Eastern Orthodox Churches Union.

I was in my native place of the name of Prousa when your very kind and courteous telegram of invitation, bidding me to the meeting of the Union to be held on the 20th October, was received by the Anglican Bishop of Zanzibar, who was staying in Constantinople,

καὶ Ἡνωμέναις Πολιτείαις Ὁρθοδόξων. Ὁ Πατριάρχης πρέσε τὸ σχέδιον καὶ θὰ τὸ ὑποστηρίξη εὐχαρίστως.

Υμέτερος

Τ. Π. ΘΕΜΕΛΗΣ.

Τεροσόλυμα 4 Φεβρουαρίου 1910.

Επιστολή της Α. Σεδασμιότητος του 'Αρχιεπισκόπου Σμύρνης Χρυσοστόμου.

Αιδεωμώτατε καὶ Σεβάσμιε ἐν Χριστῷ 'Αδε.lgέ, κ. Η. J. Fynes-Clinton Γενικὲ Γραμματεῦ τῆς 'Εταιρείας «"Ενωσις τῆς 'Αγγ.lικανικῆς μετὰ τῆς 'Ορθοδόξου 'Ανατο.lικῆς 'Εκκ.lησίας, » εἰς Λονδίνον.

Εύρισκόμην εν τῆ κατὰ τὸν Νομὸν Προύσης κειμένη γενετείρα μου, ὅτε ἔφθασε πρὸς τὸν εν Κωνσταντινουπόλει παρεπιδημοῦντα Αγγλικανὸν ἐπίσκοπον τῆς Ζανζιβάρης σεβάσμιον ἐν Χριστῷ ἀδελφὸν κ. Χάϊν τὸ τόσον φιλοφρονητικὸν και τιμητικὸν δι' ἐμὲ προσκλητήριον τηλεγράφημα τῆς ὑμετέρας Κοσμιότητος, καλούσης με εἰς τὸ συγκροτούμενον κατὰ τὴν 7)20 'Οκτωβρίου Συνέδριον τῆς Έταιρείας.

"Ενιοι τῶν ψιλίως πρὸς την ημετέραν 'Ορθόδοξον 'Εκκλησίαν διακειμένων ἀνωτέρων κληρικῶν λογίων καὶ ἄλλων εὐσεβῶν καὶ διαπρεπῶν λαϊκῶντῆς 'Αγγλικανικῆς 'Εκκλησίας μελῶν, ὅσοι καλλιεργοῦσιν ὡς ἱερὸν πόθον καὶ καθαίρουσι τὸ πλῆρες ἔτι ἀκανθῶν καὶ ἐμποδίων ἑδαφος τῆς καλῆς συνεννοήσεως καὶ τῆς εὐκταίας ἐν τῆ ροῆ τοῦ χρόνου συνδιαλλαγῆς καὶ συνενώσεως τῶν δύο μεγάλων τοῦ Χριστιανισμοῦ 'Εκκλησιῶν, 'Ορθοδόξου καὶ 'Αγγλικανικῆς, ὅτι λέγω εἰς τὸ Συνέδριον τοῦτο τηλεγραφικῶς διὰ τὸ κατεπεῖγον καὶ διότι ἐπιλείπει ὁ ἀπαιτούμενος χρόνος, καλοῦμαι διὰ τοῦ ἐν Κωνσταντινουπόλει παρεπιδημοῦντος 'Αγγλικανοῦ ἐπισκόπου τοῦ γνωστοῦ τῆ ὑμετέρα Θειστάτη Παναγιότητι, σεβασμίου κ. Χάϊν, νὰ προσέλθω καὶ παρακαθίσω κάγώ.

Παναγιώτατε, μορφώσας την πεποίθησιν έξ όσων είδικώς περὶ τὸ ζήτημα τῶν 'Αγγλικανικῶν χειροτονιῶν ήσχολήθην καὶ κατέγεινα μελετῶν καὶ ἐρευνῶν μου, ὅτι, α ἱ τ ῶ ν 'Α γ γ λ ι κ α ν ῶ ν κ λ η ρ ι-κ ῶ ν χ ε ι ρ ο τ ο ν ἱ α ι ε ἶ ν ε ἔγ κ υ ρ ο ι κ α ὶ ἰ σ χ υ ρ α ί, ζήτημα τὸ ὁποῖον καὶ ἀνέκαθεν μὲν ἀπὸ τῆς ἀποσκιρτήσεως τῆς 'Αγγλικανικῆς Εκκλησίας ἀπὸ τῆς Παπικῆς τοιαύτης ἤδη ἀπὸ τοῦ 1549, ἀλλὰ κυρίως ἀπὸ δεκάδος ἐτῶν, ὅτε ἡ Ρωμαϊκὴ 'Εκκλησία ἐπισήμως πλέον ἐξήνεγκε την ἀνεπιεικῆ καταδικαστικὴν καὶ ἀπαισίαν κρίσιν της κατὰ τοῦ κύρους τῶν ἀγγλικανικῶν χειροτονιῶν, ἀποτελεῖ τὸ φλογερώτερον καὶ διακαέστερον ἀντικείμενον ἀπάσης τῆς ἐν τῆ 'Εκκλησία τῆς 'Αγγλίας διεξαγοή μένης τὴν σήμερον Θεολογικῆς κινήσεως, καὶ ταπεινῶς φρονῶν, ὅτι τερὶ τῆς μεγάλης ταύτης ὑποθέσεως ἀτομικὴ μαρτυρία καὶ πεποίθησις

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