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to decay men & women into the snares of the evil one. Every thing that can please & attract the worldly minded is so lavishly supplied to religious services, that the that is spiritual is lost sight of. Ornate buildings, tuneful music, splendid processions & banners - curious vestments & more curious performances &c &c make the worldly man feel more happy in our beautiful Churches than in theatres. At this sad period of the Church's history such men as Moody & Sankey are called forth to explain & preach to perishing souls the truth as it is in Jesus, & crowds flock to hear & welcome the glad tidings - Let us trust & not be afraid - He that is with us is greater than he that is with them. He will bruise Satan under our feet, in due time. The seed of the woman shall bruise the serpent's head - Every word you write respecting the crowds who flock to hear God's faithful messengers is very encouraging - When you can spare me time, for a few lines, pray tell me of what evidences you meet with of real spiritual following of Xt.

There is a sad commotion going on within and without the English Church. Notwithstanding the vigour & activity which mark the age in which we live, when viewed in the light of Holy Scripture, there seems a sad chaos & ignorance & sin, but does not the Spirit of God move on the face of the waters? & when it shall please him to say "Let there be light" there shall be light. There is a praiseworthy effort making to bring about what is called a union of the Old Catholics, that is to establish a universal hierarchy to unite the Anglican & the eastern churches & any Moravians who will submit to what they call a divine Episcopate. Much better would it be if they would devise a plan for uniting all who