

If I went any further, I would have to go into the Atlantic Ocean. We worked at a mission for Roman Catholics. It was an Anglican mission. I was a clergyman of the Church of Ireland. My church was recognized by the Church of Ireland, and ~~xxx~~ I had, of course, as a clergyman my seat in the synod and they represented us at the synod of the church. It isn't a free ~~lance~~ lance organization. I may be prejudiced, but I always like to give my private opinions first so you will know what kind of person I am. I'm not very keen on free lance organization. They are very like mushrooms. They ~~come~~ come up and no ~~doubt~~ doubt they are succulent (I am very fond of mushrooms), but they disappear rather rapidly. I'm rather in favor of, shall I say, the standard denominations. I wish there were fewer of them but those that are there have a certain ~~written~~ solidity and a certain persistence and I think for that reason that ~~xxxx~~ missions that are associated with historic divisions in the Christian church, not because they are divisions but because they are historic, have a degree of permanence and value which you sometimes do not ~~have~~ find in, what for the sake of convenience we call free-lance efforts.

So I want to emphasize the fact that the Irish Church Mission to the Roman Catholics had the full sanction of the Church of Ireland. Not everybody in the Church of Ireland, of course. As a matter of fact I think it had ~~not~~ only the support of the minority but it had the full recognition of the church. When I ~~leaved~~ left for Australia, to my great surprise every bishop on the bench and including four who had retired subscribed and presented me with a beautiful silver salver worth well over fifty pounds. So that is just a recognition of the fact that I wasn't unextravagant, peculiar person running a little sectional mission. I might be a very useful person if I were extravagant and peculiar. I might run a sectional mission. I'm only stating that I was not extravagant, nor peculiar, nor did I run a sectional mission.

Now the method of the Irish missions I think would be a matter of importance