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edged out into a sort of « Freak Mass » to be put on for those old-fashioned die-hards who still wish to attend such an outworn service. If this is true of the spoken Mass, it may be, eventually, even truer of the Sung Mass. At the moment in England we have not yet come to the English Sung Mass, and therefore in many places one can still hear the glorious heritage of the past sung in its traditional style and splendour. But the time is now fast coming ... Christmas, most probably, when the English Sung Mass will come into being. It will then be seen whether or not the Latin Sung Mass will become a « Curio - Concert ». I am sure that the immense pleasure that the Englishman derives from the Great Ceremonies may help him to retain his desire for noble choirs and great singing ... but it is surely significant that not only our own Cathedral but the two great Anglican Cathedrals of London are in dire straits with regard to finance and are appealing for aid.

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