

notwithstanding their oft-repeated "The *Argosy* has no politics"—they should not put forward the views of a man who would break from his party because they were trying to give aid to an oppressed minority.

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The regular inter-term convention of the Holy Name Society was held on the 11th inst. The principal feature of the gathering was the address of the Rev. Dr. A. McDonald, Spiritual Director of the society. After a reference to the aims and objects of the confraternity, the Rev. Dr. dilated upon the enormity of the crime of blasphemy and the great offence it gave to God and society. He urged upon all the necessity of enrolling themselves as members of the sodality, in order that they might be in a better position to prevent and combat all tendencies towards the vices prohibited by the second commandment. At the close of the address President Brown intimated that a reception would be held on the following Sunday, to give those who desired to join an opportunity to be professed.

The Mock Parliament, which had supplanted the usual debate shortly before Xmas. vacation, has been dissolved sine die. Whilst deliberating over Utopian measures, it proved a source of much profit and pleasure to all. The Unionists by force of their majority, assumed control of the imaginary government, and with Mr. McLennan as premier ably rebutted the severe criticisms which now and then emanated from the opposition benches. Mr. O'Keefe was leader of the opposition. The debates as a whole were interesting and betimes waxed warm. Amongst those whom we consider good debaters are Chisholm, Power (J. R.), Ryan, Browne, Barry, MacIntosh, O'Keefe and McDonald. By far the best discussion took place on the closing night. It was occasioned by a petition presented by P. M. G. Ryan for a change in the "Indicature Act." This petition was opposed vehemently