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Rev. James Field Spalding, D. D., Joins the Catholic Church.

Rev. James Field Spalding. D. D., for the past twelve years rector of Christ Episcopal Church, Cambridge, retired from the ministry of that Church Sunday, and publicly amounced his conversion to the Catholic All., Spalding has been a prominent and influential member of the Episcopal elegry, and the news of his change of religions faith has created widespread interest. His letter resigning the rectorship of the church was read to his congregation four weeks ago. Since that time the services have been conducted by other clergymen, Dr. Spalding and tended by other clergymen, Dr. Spalding not caring, in view of the step he was about to take, to continue in the practical work of the rectorship.

Sunday the church was crowded to the doors. At the close of the regular services, which were conducted by visiting clergymen, Dr. Spalding advanced to the front of the chancel and begun his statement. It consumed fifty minutes in its delivery. It was spoken in a clear, firm voice, and in a manner which testified to the earnestness and sincerity of the speaker. The congregation listened with the deepest interest, drinking in every word which fell from the speaker's lips; and at the close of the service many of his old parishioners waited to take Dr. Spalding statement was as follows: I have not soft furned.

Dr. Spalding's statement was as follows: I have not soft there are any words of seripture which testing the control of the rectorship of the parish. If this statement is somewhat long, hear with me act, but if there were any words of seripture which I would like to put as an introduction to what I have to say, they would be those of St. Paul at his conversion:

"Who art thou, Lord?"

"Lord, what will thou have me to do?"

"I have promised to tell you today my reasons," personal and imperative," for resigning the rectorship of the parish. If this statement is somewhat long, hear with me patiently; it will be my last time of speaking to you, I I say some hard things, I ask you beforehand to orgive men. Only for some weighty

with many others I have asked again and again. Why do not the Bishops, particularly as the teaching-power of the Church, check these inroads, unless some of them themselves hold such ideas; or unless, as a body, they feel that they have no sufficient authority to prevent the tearing down of the ancient landmarks of the faith?

I might give many cases in proof of the march of this rationalistic spirit. I might cite writings by prominent English or American churchmen ranging in opinion all the way from Mr. Gore's essay in "Lux Mundi" to Canon Freemantle's "The Worl'd the Subject of Redemption," which entirely does away with Church and ministry; or Haber Novimber of Redemption, which entirely does away with Church and ministry; or Haber Novimber of an entire restorement of Christianity; or Heber Novimber of the near future, of an entire restorement of Christianity; or Heber Novimber of the near future, of an entire restorement of Christianity; or the creed, which are so recent and well-known that I need not characterize them here. Utterances, moreover, of eminent sen in sermons and lectures, and often on marked occasions, have been abundant and outspoken. Again and again have I heard a prominent clergyman of our Church utter such sentiments as seemed to me to be generously giving away the faith. I remember hearing one say to a gathering of students; "We have a creed to-day; we may have none to-morrow;" or again, later, compare the creed, in its use, to the last plank which saves the drowning man. I have heard a clergyman of largest influence among us declare that "there is no particular grace of the Holy Spirit given in the laying on of bands," I have heard the whole

NOTION OF GRACE SNEERED AT in a meeting of clergymen; and verify the example may have been found in a well-known book written by one of our leading doctors of divinity, where grace is spoken of as "an impersonal thing or substance," which St. Augustine pat into the place of the Holy apostles for theirs."

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died of the work of the Holy Spirit in the inspiration of the Bible vand in giving place to
the prophetic utterances of many "uncanonical" inspired writers of the nineteenth centry!

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nize in it a legitimate manifestation of Protestantism.

On your account, not my own, it still troubles me. You may more and more be affected by it. You must expect its presence, for good or ill, more and more. It is boasted in our day that "dogmatism and Protestantism are inconsistent, and a real union between them is inconceivable." and in immediate connection it is claimed that "the principle of Protestantism is the foundation of the noblest and fullest life of our times, and against it the attacks have been feeble, and are growing feebler every day."

There is a good dead of Protestantassumption here; but this much may be admitted to be true, as a recent writer has observed, that "for betty or for worse the Protestant world is committed to inquiry, and to lilerty." My comfort is that for in 'lividuals and for the world God will overrule this minguiry "for the interest of Pils truth in all who are seeking it; that this "liberty" may thus lead to the freedom with which

HIS TRUTH MAKES FREE.

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myself to tell you, that so I may be saved from misjudgment as to method or results, however liftle you may gray with either of the save no gypathy with carelessness and discontent, or because of grave founds; to give upone's own communion from some personal discontent, or because of grave faults in its workings, and then to rush into another, with no clear notion of what it teaches or stands for, is a folly which might be expected to be followed by bitter repeatence. I would not limit the action of the grace of God upon our heerts: "His spirit breatheth where He willeth;" He works in His own time; but certainly most careful deliberation ought to mark our steps of greatest responsibility. So I have tried to be as thorough in my investigation as ability and opportunity would allow.

I have read and studied a great many books of history, and theology, and morals, and devotions; writings of the fathers, and lives of the saints; thave examined the chief controversial quections and weighed the opinions of both sides; I have looked as much as I could into the moral and social aspects of Catholicism and Protestantism; all along I have accompanied my other reading with that of Holy Scripture, and I must say just here that the Charch which is so often supposed by Protestants to care all title for God's word is both most full of Scripture in the writings of its representative mea, and is, I think today showing itself the true guardian of God's word against the suble attacks of modern scepticism.

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The friends of the Nev. Father Kellett, a most exemplary priest well known in Canada but now residing in Texas, will be pleased to hear of the success which has attended his administrations in that far-off district. Recently have are slad to nate by the following extract from the success which has attended his administrations in that far-off district. Recently have are slad to nate by the following extract from the success which has attended his administrations in that far-off district. Recently have are slad to nate by the following extract from the control of the departure be was duly honored by his old partishioners:

**On Sunday evening a number of ladies and gentleme congregated at the residence of virt. F. J. S orck, to bid Rev. Father P. J. Kellett, of Gaiveston, farewell. These persons representations and from all walks of like. After conversable of died out somewhat a lunch was served by Mrs. Storek, and several different religious denominations and from all walks of like. After conversable of died out somewhat a lunch was served by Mrs. Storek, and several different religious denominations and from all walks of like. After conversable of died out somewhat a lunch was served by Mrs. Storek, and several different religious denominations and from all walks of like. After conversable of died out somewhat a lunch was served by Mrs. Storek, and supparations of a derivative of the conversable of the wash friends you have made in this community to bid you a restrictly farewell. But as a token of the days we have spent logether well as the wash friends you have made in this community to bid you a restrictly farewell. But as a token of the days we have spent logether well as the died of your conduct. We also give vote the days we have spent logether well as the considered unless made on the walk of the paraticle of your conduct. We also give vote the second of the difference of the manner of the second of the difference of the manner of the second of the difference of the difference of

and accepted the gift not as a mere gratuitous offering but as a true inpulse of feeling, and contrasted the human heart of this Palestine with that of the good people of the Holy Land centuries ago.

The party then broke up, each one shaking hands with the priest and bidding him farewell, and returned thanks to their host and hostess for the very pleasant manner in which they had been entertained.



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