Dublin University as to the Catholic body, and in any ulti mate solution of it the fate and were very distinctly involved It had been argued that it would not in any way impair the prestige, the influence or position o Dublin University set to have a riva University set up by its side
there were very weighty grounds for doubting whether what was distinct Uni yersity it would be setting up a University which would be ultimately-perhaps not for one or two generationsbut still ultimataly would be the University of from 60 to 70 per cent of the population of Ireland At present, as things stood, the weight of influence, power, learning and refinement was on body in Ireland. That state of things would not last for dvanced some way in the oppo site direction. The establish ment of the Intermediate system of education and that very im perfect educational mechanism, the Royal niversity, had donea he higher educational status in the Catholic body. They had the Catholic body. They had rivalry between Catholic and Protestant schools at the Intermediate examinations to realise how rapidly the change wa dulum ofeducation and of men tal elevatton was swinging from its original position.
Suppose they had a distinctly lablished outside of Dublin Un versity, it might take one or two generations, but it would inevilably bring about this result that twould draw to itself the intel lectual power of that vast body and one thing that would inevi the University of Dublin would lose in that state of things its proud position as the Nationa looking at it merely from their point of view. Still he could not edutink that the history and its progress in the future were in some way or other close fortunes of Trinity College, and Ior his part he would be very sor
ry, while urging with all the in sistence that he could the claims of the Catholics of rightand, in this matter, he would be sorry that the obtaining of their rights and the secur ng of what might be called the school of life for them should be accompanied by any decline in great college. (Applause.)

## The Methodist Book Concer Why it was placed under the <br>  <br>  <br> om the Brookivn Times.

Ever since the subject of Cath Methodist Book Concern brought up in the last Metho dist East Conference held in St John's Church in April,there has the matter,and the Concern ha come in for much criticism thereby.It has been stated in rarious places that the major part of the it has also been stated that there were fifty foremen, mostly Catholics, and that they had the em-
ploying of new men. It was hard for a Methodist to get employment here, 1 Aotice of the A. P. A. But the Methodist Book Concern has up o to-day made no effort to eith and the matter has been more or less guesswork. The Times commented editorially last Friday
on the rumors in circulation in
regard to this matter published statement that the A. P. A. had placed a boyco on the Methodist Book Concern and the comments of the Time had the effect of bringing out of the writer of which the nam charitably withholds
"To the
In Times.
"Sir: In last Friday evening, 'Boycoiting the are Methole heade which it says the A.P. A. has done many picturesquely idiotic hings in its day, etc. He who little more careful and only state hat is correct.
The A. P. A. never claimed Methodist Buperintendent " of the himself a Protestant and hi knows better than that; then here are too many good Meth d. P. A. claims and proved hrough affidavits and proved Methodist convention that one of the foremen in the Methodist Book Concern was formerly a Protestant and married a Cathohimself, and that mostly all in departments were Roman Cors and lics, and when some Protestant applied for work they were askon answering in the negative, then they were told: You can't ploy Catholics.
"This was proved by affidaits to several Methodist minisnce, but was ruled the Confer Now, I am not a Methodist but if had been one for fifty years,
would be no longer. Respectfully,
"A.
A. ${ }^{\text {P. }}$
"Brooklyn, May 17,1897" General Agent the Rev. Dr Homer Eaton, when seen by he offices of the Concern to-day aid that much had been written that was. Dr.Eaton said: "We are making no attempt to either aff irm or deny these stories, but I
will tell you that they are not . It has been stated that some Well, you can see how ruth there is in that statesnent when I tell you that we have hem, one is a Catholic out man who has the employing of been for the past fifty years. do not think he would be very We are not amenable to the A. P A., and never mean to be. W are conducting our busines along business lines, and we ar not bothered much by this talk. No, it does not affect our trade, fo it is not true. There have been some letters written by member of our establishment, and one of
the writers leaves to-night. If it were is any talking to be done it will be dat hose on the not by those on the inside."



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