APPEAL TO THE PEOPLE.

English Catholic Bishops on the Education Question.

A BILL TO BE INTRODUCED TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF CATHOLICS.

The following important joint pastoral letter by the united Hierarchy of England has been issued:—

The Cardinal Archbishop and Bishops of the province of Westminister cannot allow the occasion of their annual end-of week meeting to pass by without renewing their appeal to the Catholics of England to rally in close and determined union around their chief pastors in support of the great cause of denominational educa-

The justice of the claim put forward in the draft Bill adopted unanimously by the Cardinal Archbishop and Bishops in January last ought to be more and more urgently pressed home upon the minds of the electorate of the country, and upon statesmen and politicians. No efforts should be spared to convince the English people that the public Elementary Schools used by parents determined that the secular education of their children shall be associated with definite religious training cannot be thrown upon private charity (and thus be placed at a fatal disadvantage with Board Schools) without national reproch, and dishonor in a Christian country like

England. The electorate must be persuaded and convinced that all denominational schools, faithfully complying with the requirements of the Education Department, have a right to receive an equal proportionate share with Board schools of all public moneys, whether paid from rates or taxes, for educational purposes, and that liberty should be granted to open new denominational schools wherever required by a sufficient number of parents and children. The Bishops feel that their educational policy should be made a test question at the polls, and that no candidate or Government is worthy of their support which refuses to meet the just claims of the denominational schools. They have resolved to invite all Catholic members of both Houses of Parliament to support their policy and to press its acceptance upon the Govern-ment of the day. They invite all the Catholic clergy and laity of England to use their best endeavors to inform and convince the public mind of the justice and the importance of giving full recognition to these parental claims which form part of the natural law, and this with a view to the permanent happiness and welfare of the country. Finally, the Bishops have appointed the committee who drew up their draft Bill to take counsel with experienced statesmen as to when the Bill shall be brought before Parliament, and they have commissioned their committee generally to watch the education movement in the country and in Parliament, and to advise upon the practical measures to be adopted as circumstances develop, and as the mind of the country becomes more clearly defined.

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