THE DOCTBINE OF INTENTION.

Church; and further I believe that the true Church is the Holy Roman Apostolic Church. But if I am not a real Catholic I am not in that true Church. What then? Why, there is no salvation for me! If so I am as badly off as the Protestants whom I have always regarded as heretics, and out of the pale of salvation. As badly off? Yes I am worse off. Rightly or wrongly they are at any rate free from doubt whilst I have nothing but doubt. They reject the grace of the sacraments, and the efficacy of good works, asserting that faith in Christ Jesus is sufficient to secure salvation. One of their favourite texts is "He that believeth cn the Son hath everlasting life," and another "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Having this faith, or supposing that they have it, they are peaceful and hopeful, whilst I am unhappy and hopeless.

Protestants when they have been converted to the faith of our Church often speak of the peace of mind and assurance that they feel. This is what we might expect after they have been tossed about by the uncertainties of the numerous Sects. But they have probably never heard of the doctrine of *Intention* and so they are in happy ignorance; but a little further information would tend to disturb their minds, and rob them of their boasted assurance.

Then as to ourselves we speak of *certainty* in our Holy Church and perhaps boast a little as being in this respect far superior to all the heretical Sects, but

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