

“out for that purpose ; seeing also that when we are the
 “sons of God our continuance is still under their care
 “which were our progenitors, what better title could be
 “given them than the reverend name of presbyters or
 “fatherly guides ? The Holy Ghost, throughout the body
 “of the New Testament, making so much mention of
 “them, doth not anywhere call them priests ”.

The grand object of our Society is the diffusion of Catholic truth and its vindication whenever assailed within our territory. We are not aggressive ; we attack no creed and we allow no assault on our own. When we claim the courtesy of the Press, it is not to apologize for our religion, for we engage in controversy solely for the purpose of explanation or defence. This is a highly important and, at the same time, delicate part of our work, and our efforts have been attended with satisfactory results.

Twice was it necessary to communicate through the Press ;—once to correct some misstatements which had been copied from an English Magazine regarding certain pervers ; and again, to refute Mr. Rider Haggard's assertion, contained in one of his romances then being published in the paper addressed, as to the immuring of nuns in Mexico. These letters were widely copied in the Catholic Press.

Appended is a Statement shewing the distribution of the various publications.
