

TOPICS DISCUSSED BY CATHOLICS IN ENGLAND

MEMORIES.

February, 1798. Gal... 1881, Michael Pavitt... 1824, O'Con... 1829, the bill was... 1836, the well known... 1861, the Southern Com...

The annual dinner of the Catholic Association, says the London "Universe," took place on Tuesday at the King's Hall of the Holborn Restaurant, and proved a magnificent success. The spacious hall was crowded with upwards of 400 guests...

make themselves a power in the State (loud cheers). The toast having been enthusiastically drunk, the Right Hon. the Earl of Denbigh responded, being greeted on rising with loud cheers. He said he had to thank them very heartily for the toast which they had just drunk...

The toast of "The Hierarchy" was proposed by the Very Rev. Father Bannin, P.S.M., who remarked that it was particularly pleasing for him to do so, because it gave him an opportunity which was not often afforded of thanking Their Lordships very heartily indeed for the kindness and help they had always given the association (cheers).

But let no one say that this Act is absolutely fair (cheers). England will never, I trust—certainly not at the present day—be satisfied with anything in the shape of godless schools (cheers). Religious education of some sort or other is given at the present time in all provided schools throughout the land.

And let me say what a comfort it is to me in the many questions I have to consider to know that there is such a body of Catholics gathering together in London as the members of this Catholic Association.

The next toast was that of "The Visitors," proposed in a speech brief and to the point by the hon. secretary and treasurer of the association, Mr. Valentine M. Dunford, K.S.G. The speaker said he desired to take that opportunity of expressing to His Grace the Archbishop the loyal co-operation of the members of the Catholic Association in the work he had set them to do (cheers).

MISSIONS TO NON-CATHOLICS.

Requests and Donations.

The lectures for non-Catholics by the New York Apostolate Fathers at the Church of St. John the Evangelist are attracting large congregations, even at the noonday course. A number of ministers are among the faithful attendants, some of them taking notes. Rev. Dr. Guinon and Father Courtney alternate in giving the lectures, and one of them usually ushers the non-Catholics to the front pews in the middle aisle, which are reserved for them.

conversion of the Gentiles to the Risen Christ. What was the cause of this revolution? The facts in the case are now beyond dispute. The two epistles to the Corinthians, as well as Romans and Galatians, are universally accepted to-day as the genuine writings of St. Paul. They vouch for the historical accuracy of the threefold account of the conversion in the Acts.

and political office. He wanted the truth. He was willing to sacrifice everything earthly for its attainment. 'I count all things to be but loss, for the excellent knowledge of Jesus Christ my Lord. For whom I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as but dung, that I may gain Christ.'

centuries this open question has been decided by theologians in three ways—first, condemning infants to bodily pain; secondly, placing them in a state of natural happiness; thirdly, trying to secure their supernatural happiness.

CHRIST IN AGONY. 'Couldst thou not watch one hour with Me?' 'Twas thus the suffering Saviour spoke, When, in the throes of agony, His chief apostle He awoke! 'One little hour,' 'twas favor small To ask from those who pledged their lives To Him who was their Lord and All, But,—flesh is frail, and weakness thrives!

AN IRISH CENTENARIAN. An old woman named Rose Keenan, of Killyfast, Co. Meath, has just died at the age of 103 years. Up to about four years ago she was able to go out about the country from house to house, and received much kindness from the neighboring population.