

globe. Now we are told that the good Dominicans are doing wonders among the poor Zulus.

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At the beginning of the year a statement got into print setting forth the fact that the English people were going over to Rome in large numbers. Several excited preachers in this country immediately jumped into print and declared the statement to be false. Nevertheless the first report is true, for a learned Jesuit, Father Bernard Vaughan—who knows what he talks about—tells us that there were 1,300 converts in the diocese of Salford alone, and over 2,000 in the diocese of Westminster. May the numbers increase, and God speed the day when England once more can claim her title of "Our Lady's Dowry."

PERIODICALS.

The Voice of the Deaf, is a yearly appeal in behalf of the Ephpheta Union of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in Chicago. This union at St. Joseph's Home, 409 South May St., Chicago, Ill., takes charge of Catholic deaf-mutes, and provides them with a home and education. The first number of *The Voice* is an illustrated paper, containing articles contributed by Miss Eliza Allen Starr, Miss Eleanor C. Donnelly and others. The dedication is written by Miss Eliza Allen Starr. She proposes three patrons of the work: St. Francis de Sales, St. John of Beverley and the Venerable Anne of Jesus. Of her she says:

But we have still another saint to call upon as the special helper; no other than a Carmelite, one of St. Theresa's own. When she took the habit in the monastery of Avila, she was addressed by St. Theresa in these remarkable words: "I receive you, my dear daughter, not as a simple novice, but as my co-adjutor in the work of reform."

This Carmelite nun, in the world Anne de Lobera, born at Medina Del Campo, Spain, the 25th of November, 1545, was the daughter of Don Diego of Lobera, and his wife, Donna

de Francesca de Torres. She was born deaf and dumb, but at the age of seven was miraculously cured by the Blessed Virgin. The circumstances of this wonderful cure, I have not been able to obtain even from the Carmelites themselves; but the fact is stated emphatically in the chronological table, giving testimony to her heroic virtues. At ten years old she made a vow of virginity and on the first of August, 1570, took the habit of a Carmelite of the strictest observance, under the name of Anne of Jesus. She was a shining light in her Order, founded many houses under great difficulties, worked many miracles, and was accounted a saint during her lifetime. She died on the 4th of March, 1621, at Bruxelles, and is known and honored everywhere as the venerable mother, Anne of Jesus. Do you think there is a deaf-mute in all the world who has ever heard of Mother Anne of Jesus that will not ask the prayers of this holy Carmelite nun, and even regard her as a special patroness?

NEW BOOKS.

Histoire de la Vie et du Culte de Ste. Jeannie de Toulouse, is the title of an interesting life of Blessed Joanne de Toulouse, the Carmelite nun, who received the veil from St. Simon Stock, and who was lately beatified by the Church. It is written by l'Abbe Baurens de Molinier and has been printed by a Belgian firm. The edition is on fine paper with red-lined edges and handsomely illustrated. The Rev. author has kindly consented to have the "Life" translated into English and published in our REVIEW. It will soon make its appearance in our pages, and we can promise our readers a most interesting and edifying biography of this saint, so popular in Southern France.

Manual of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Apostleship of Prayer, New York. (cloth, 316 pages, price 25 cents.)

This neat manual is a reliable handbook for the directors and members of the Sodality. It is published by those who have official charge of the Sodality. It is at the same time, a complete manual of devotions. The blue cloth binding with silver lettering, is very appropriate, blue and white being generally accepted as the colors of the Blessed Virgin.