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very fairly and with sufficient fulness for his purpose, and he shows with much clearness how unsubstantial they are. The work should be a "Dissuasive from Popery," and we therefore recommend it, though we are sorry to find that the Reformation is characterised as somewhat of a schismatic movement. Query : what would England be now had there been no Reformation, and if that had not been as thorough as it was? Mr. Gore concludes that though there is " much to be regretted and reformed in the teaching of the Anglican Church of the present day, yet there is no even unauthorized practice of the English Church he would not as soon be responsible for as the withdrawal of the chalice from the laity." Mariolatry and the undue exaltation of the Pope he also strenuously condemns. Mr. Gore believes that the imperfections in the Church do not prevent her fulfilling her true function, and he is quite sure that the Anglican Church is a true branch of the Church Catholic.

How They Kept the Faith (4) is a thrilling story of Huguenot faithfulness and constancy. The faith, as represented in the person and conduct of Réné Chevalier, is somewhat severe and sombre, yet the book is full of characters of great attraction by their sweetness and gentleness. This charming tale is one which may well be put into the hands of young persons of either sex, for the lessons it contains are such as all young people ought to learn; and such terrible episodes in Christian history ought not to be forgotten, although we hope and trust that never under any circumstances will it be possible for such things to recur.

The Shepherd Psalm (5) is the title of a little work on the 23rd Psalm, by the Rev. F. B. Meyer. It is intended for the use of sick and infirm people and for private reading. It is full of good thoughts well expressed, and will be very useful for the purpose designed. It is prettily got up.

To those who are contented with a very moderate amount of amusement, *Political Wit and Humour* (6) may suffice to while away an hour, which might be worse spent than in reading this work. The contents are culled from the speeches of a number of leading politicians, past and present, but it requires some wit to see the humour, and some good humour to appreciate the wit. The compiler regrets he has not been able to give more space to Mr. Labouchere, which will be a matter for regret, or otherwise, as the case may be,

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