

languages may be thus compared. The selection chosen was entitled, "The Son of the King."

While it bears the character of fable we have good reason to believe that there is much of the same wisdom as that contained in ancient Greek mythology, so well interpreted by Bacon and Ruskin.

#### REV. FATHER HARTY.

That the end of the Gaelic League is no mere fancy but something really tangible was amply demonstrated to even to the most sceptic by the Rev. Father Thos. Harty, of Ireland, in an address delivered in Irish before the Society, on the evening of March 5th. Father Harty is himself a Gaelic Leaguer, and, although he has learned the Irish language in his prime, he spoke so fluently that the more advanced students understood him, while the beginners appreciated his sweet-flowing accents.

After his address in Irish, he spoke in the vernacular. He set forth the aims, the work and the progress of the Gaelic League in Ireland. He showed that this organization was working a marvellous change in the country and the people. He laid great stress on the point that Home Rule might be beneficial to Ireland but that something else is required to hold the people together to keep them from emigrating, to preserve the Irish individuality and national identity.

To this work the Gaelic League has bound itself and has so far met with unqualified success. The people are becoming educated, the Irish language is being taught in the schools, Irish industries are multiplying, and emigration is diminishing, all through the efforts of the Gaelic Leaguers who no longer think it a disgrace to speak Irish, but are proud of their ability to do so. They no longer look towards England for manufactured goods, but patronize their own manufactures.

The address of Rev. Father Harty was thoroughly appreciated by those present especially as it came from one who was in the best position to speak on the question. The members, as a result, realize more than ever the practical service they are rendering, by co-operating in this country, in the work carried on in the mother land.

#### IRISH LITERATURE AND DRAMA.

On March 12th, Mr. Anthony Power read an excellent paper on