

to be supplied with this valuable addition to our current Catholic literature. On the second evening the Rev. James Foley, of Farrelton, read a most instructive paper on "The Confessional and Personal Responsibility". The musical portion of the programme on both occasions was well sustained, and to the ladies and gentlemen who assisted, the Society is deeply indebted. Owing to a combination of circumstances, chiefly the number of other attractions during the winter, as well as the difficulty in procuring a hall in a central situation, the attendance was not so large as we would wish to have seen.

It may not be out of place here to remark that the question of the validity of the Orders of the Church of England is just now occupying a great deal of attention in England, many leading journals, headed by *The Times*, opening their columns to a discussion of the subject. Cardinal Vaughan has taken advantage of the occasion to declare the absolute inadmissibility of Anglican Orders, and it is highly satisfactory to observe that the position which Mr. Pope assumed in his paper, is so signally vindicated by such undoubted authority. To crown all, a high dignitary of the Church of England, Canon Taylor, writes to the *London Times* over his own signature, that Cardinal Vaughan is quite right, and that, in his sense of the word, the Anglican Communion does not possess valid orders and has never claimed to have them. This, we submit, is a sufficient answer to the pretensions of those individuals who, last winter, asserted in our local press, that intelligent Roman Catholics admitted the validity of the Orders of the Church of England.

Commenting on the letters which had appeared in its columns, the *London Times* sums up :

"Now, on some of these points we may venture to say a few words. A doubt has been raised by some of our correspondents whether Cardinal Vaughan, in professing himself unable to recognise Anglican Orders, speaks the mind of his Church. This we are convinced