

On Tuesday March 7th, the feast of the Angelic Doctor, His Grace Archbishop Duhamel assisted at the throne at High Mass in the University Chapel, and preached a very eloquent and instructive sermon to the students, taking as his text the passage from St. Luke, "What an one, think ye, shall this child be?" In the evening, the philosophers, in honour of their patron Saint, held a public entertainment in the Academic Hall. There were present, His Grace Archbishop Duhamel, Chancellor of the University, the Rev. Superior of the Capuchin Monastery, and many distinguished members of the clergy. The President of St. Thomas Academy Mr. P. Cullen delivered a brief introductory address in which he welcomed the large number of visitors and called attention to the fact, that upon the present occasion, the society had taken a new departure, in not confining the discussions to the more abstract and theoretical portions of science, but had extended it to the domain of Physics and Astronomy.

He then introduced Mr. A. A. Newman, who read a paper on the thesis "*Anima humana simplex, inextensa, spiritualis, a Deo creata, et naturaliter immortalis.*" His thesis was impugned by Messrs P. A. White and A. J. McKenna who proposed many objections that evinced a deep study of the subject under discussion. Mr. F. McDougall followed with an elegantly written paper on the philosophy of Hegel, in which he clearly proved the fallacy of this philosopher's reasoning.

Mr. Jos. McDougall then made a number of most interesting experiments illustrating the pressure and laws of the atmosphere, and the evening's entertainment was brought to a close by Mr. Jas. Murphy, who did full justice to his part of the programme, which embraced a series of explanations of the motions, eclipses and physical features of the Sun and Moon. The interest of his subject was much enhanced by lime-light views.

