

Abraham Pilo, who had been during the first part of the past year in connection with our mission, has continued his work at Mitylene. He also visited Aivali on the mainland, where he was as successful as in the former place. He sold last year 397 Bibles, 1361 New Testaments, and 510 parts, making a total of 2268 copies.

Traacts in English, Greek, Judeo-Spanish, Hebrew, Italian, French, and German, have been distributed.

May the Lord accompany our labors with His blessing, that the good seed sown in His name may spring up in due season, and bring forth abundant fruit !
—H. & F. Record.

The Secret Oath of the Jesuits.

• (From the True Catholic.)

We give the secret oath of the Jesuits, which has been found in several of the colleges from which they were expelled, and is to be seen in MS. at the end of a work of their own, published in Venice 1596, and now in the library of the British Museum. No one can read its contents without perceiving how thoroughly untrustworthy must be every word of promise given by a Jesuit when it affects the interests of the Papacy; nor can even the blindest Protestant fail to see how exactly this oath explains what Jesuits are at the present moment doing in the Church of England. We know the indignant denial which they would give to our allegations; but what is an oath to a Jesuit as against the good of his Church? What belief are we to place in their denials, when one of their writers—viz., Sanchez—advises everybody on taking his oath to say “*uro*,” I burn, instead of “*juro*,” I swear, in order that his conscience may be lighter!

THE OATH OF SECRECY.

“I, A. B., now in the presence of Almighty God, the blessed Virgin Mary, the blessed Michael the Archangel, the blessed St. John the Baptist, the holy apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, and the saints and secret host of heaven, and to you my ghostly father, do declare from my heart, *without mental reservation*, that his Holiness Pope Urban is Christ's Vicar-General, and is the true and only head of the Catholic or Universal Church

throughout the earth; and that by the virtue of the keys of binding and loosing, given to his Holiness by my Saviour Jesus Christ, he hath power to depose heretical kings, princes, states, commonwealths, and governments, *all being illegal without his sacred confirmation*, and that they may be safely destroyed: therefore, to the utmost of my power, I shall and will defend this doctrine, and his Holiness' rights and customs, against all usurpers of the heretical (or Protestant) authority whatsoever; especially against the now *pretended* authority and *Church of England* and all adherents, in regard that they and she be usurpal and heretical, opposing the sacred mother Church of Rome. I do renounce and disown any allowance as due to any heretical king, prince, or state, named Protestants, or obedience of their inferior magistrates or officers. I do further declare, that the doctrine of the *Church of England*, of the Calvinists, of the Huguenots, and of other of the name of Protestants, to be damnable, and they themselves are damned, and to be damned, that will not forsake the same. I do further declare that I will help, assist, and advise all or any of his Holiness's agents in any place wherever I may be, in England, Scotland, and Ireland, or in any other territory or kingdom I shall come to, and do my utmost to *extirpate the heretical Protestants' doctrine*, and to destroy all their pretended powers, *regal or otherwise*. I do further promise and declare, that *I am dispensed with to assume any religion heretical for the propagation of the mother Church's interests*, to keep secret and private all her agents' counsels from time to time, as they entrust me, and not to divulge, directly or indirectly, by word, writing, or circumstance whatsoever; but to execute all that shall be proposed, given in charge, or discovered unto me, by you my ghostly father, or any of this sacred convent. All which I, A. B., do swear by the blessed Trinity, and blessed Sacrament, which I am now to receive, to perform, and on my part to keep inviolably; and do call all the heavenly and glorious host of heaven to witness these my real intentions, to keep this my oath. In testimony hereof, I take this most holy and blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist; and witness the same further with my