

At the Annual Dinner of the British Medical Association in Manchester, there was a toast to the Clergy. The proposer told an amusing story about a man who frequently inbibed, and one day, when partly under the influence, he met the parish priest, and he unburdened his mind. He said that he had lived in the world for 65 years and he was still unable to make up his mind as to which was right—a good Catholic or a good Protestant. The old priest immediately replied: "Faith and sure you won't be in the nixt world sixty-foive minutes before you will know which is roight."

We are all much pleased to have our worthy Mayor with us to-night; we congratulate him on the able way in which he is conducting the civic chair. He is with us to-night, not only as representative of the city, but as an enthusiastic worker of the Western Hospital, and we know he is deeply interested in the welfare and success of Bishop's College.

While he is here, we would take the opportunity of bringing to his attention the question of the Civic Hospital, one of the most crying needs of our great city. If the members of the Council were all like-minded with him this question would soon be settled.

It is a great pity that all social and religious differences could not be set aside in a matter like this, which appeals to the common good of all.

Now, gentlemen, drink with me to the health of our guests. Let us "welcome the coming, speed the parting guest."

Mr. W. W. Kelly, from Jamaica, a fourth year student of Bishop's Faculty of Medicine, proposed the toast of "Sister Universities," by the following speech:—

Mr. President and Gentlemen:—

When the Committee selected me for the task of proposing this most important toast of "Sister Universities," I assure you I felt deeply honoured. On thinking over a possible reason for their selection, I came to the conclusion that it was because I am an Irishman, and as such supposed to be endowed with the gift of the gab. But, gentlemen, there are exceptions to every rule, and I have the misfortune to be one of those exceptions.

However, like every one who has a speech to make and who has had lots of notice thereof, I immediately set about hunting for ideas, for something to say, but my search was fruitless, and I vainly sought for inspiration.