

# TALK OF THE DAY

Mr. Roosevelt the Favourite ∴ Why King Manoel Preferred England ∴ Religious Fervour at Oxford

## New Oxford Movement

**I**N mid-Victorian days there was a movement associated with Pusey and Newman which is known in history as the "Oxford Movement," and which constituted a revival in the Church of England.

Now a movement, less academic perhaps and less high-brow than Pusey's, and less related to one single church, has begun under the same name. It finishes to-day its gathering in Oxford.

## Back to Simplicity

**I** WAS hearing last night about the activities at Oxford. The movement, it seems, was started some time back as the first Century Christian Fellowship, and is an attempt

to revive the spirit and simplicity of the earliest Christian communities.

It aspires to form groups upon a non-denominational basis, and makes an appeal regardless of dogma and institution. In pursuance of this it has evolved an original method of association called the "house-party" and over 900 mustered in Oxford for this purpose last week.

## Twenty Nationalities

**T**HREE colleges, St. Hugh's, Lady Margaret and Hertford were hired, and devotees have been spending ten days as students in these cloistered precincts.

Over twenty nationalities were represented, and among visitors were Mrs. Johnson, the charming daughter of the late Mrs. Hoffman, who used to take Blickling Hall, and who stood as Liberal candidate at a recent election in North Norfolk; the Hon. Mrs. Villiers, Lord Wimborne's sister and mother of Mr. Amherst Villiers; Mr. Charles Bentinck, our Minister in Peru; Commander Sir Walter Wyndham, and Baroness Albertina von Heckeren, a relative.

## Pentecostal Fervour

**T**HE group gatherings were informal and the spirit, I was told, was pentecostal in its fervour.

The Bishop in Persia presided and Julian Thornton-Dewsbury, a "triple first," took the chair at many meetings.

A luncheon is being organised in Town on Wednesday at which Sir Charles Macara is to take the chair.