

come to the distribution, the whole does not probably exceed two thousand two hundred,—a sad falling off from what we are told by old people, who have known this lake for many years back, of the populous and flourishing villages which, sixty years ago, were to be found on many of its points and islands ; and were there any annals of preceding generations of this unhappy race in existence, no doubt the comparison of the population, at the time when white men first made their appearance among them with that of the present day, would tell a fearful tale of the ravages that the vices of nominal Christians have made amongst them. And shall the few that remain be suffered to dwindle to annihilation, without a vigorous effort, on the part of British Churchmen, to save from eternal destruction the remnant that is still permitted to exist ? To exist, as though a merciful God were, for a little longer, holding forth to the sons and daughters of England's favoured Church an opportunity of, in some measure, atoning for the countless and aggravated wrongs which these people have suffered from those degenerate ones, who came forth from the same fostering bosom of the Church, only to scatter the destructive poison of sin through the wilderness in which they sought a livelihood !

No—I cannot but hope, with a hope bordering on certainty, that, no sooner is it known, through the medium of the Venerable Society, that within the same space in which Rome has her two, and Dissent its three or four emissaries,—the former also