

table Church constituency. The average attendance is 200. Of late the Church has been more than usually well-filled—filled indeed to overflowing, with anxious hearers of the gospel. There is a prayer meeting on the Wednesday evenings, attended by about thirty; another on Sabbath evening, in the Church, attended by twenty-five; a third in the interval at mid-day, which includes in it forty-five; while on the first Sabbath of every month, there is one after sermon in the evening, when about one hundred and fifty altogether attend. There is a juvenile class attended by thirty-two, a number of whom are learning to read the Scriptures in the Gaelic language. In token of the influence the gospel is exerting upon their minds, and of the deep interest they take in the services of religion, it may be mentioned, that the people contributed last year upwards of £80 for the maintenance of the ordinances of the Gospel.

LISMORE.—This station has been the scene of very unusual interest during this last year. A very remarkable awakening on the subject of religion has taken place through the Island,—an island which, up to a very recent period, was noted only for its ignorance and abounding wickedness, and which to the eye of the religious observer, presented only the features of spiritual desolation and death. “The people who were thus sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death, the day-spring from on high, through the tender mercy of our God, hath visited, to give them light on the things which concern their salvation,” “and to guide their feet in the path of life.” And now, under the preaching of the gospel, and in answer, it is to be hoped, to earnest believing prayer on the part of a few, who wrestled for themselves and their fellow-sinners around, a change not less pleasing than remarkable has taken place. The most intense and lively interest has been awakened in reference to the concerns of the soul. The mass of the inhabitants, formerly thoughtless and careless, have been seized with one all-pervading spirit of anxiety and of inquiry on the subject of salvation; the house of God, hitherto but partially attended, is now crowded with earnest and devout worshippers; the word, wherever it is preached, is heard with melting tenderness; and while not a few have been led, under the constraining influence of divine love, to yield themselves to God thro’ Jesus Christ, in the case of multitudes both of old and young, the agonizing cry everywhere still is, “what must we do to be saved?”

As showing the marked character of the change which has been produced, one or two extracts from the most recent reports in reference to the present, as compared with the past state of things in the island, may not be uninteresting. Although our station in Lismore has existed for some years, Mr. Wood, who is at present the located missionary there, in a letter, under date no farther back than 31st October last, thus describes its state and prospects, and the moral condition generally, of those whom it was intended to benefit:—

“Were I,” he says, “to give an opinion of the religious state of the