

The change which has come over the English Church in the last twenty-five years, the new life, vitality and power with which she is meeting the exigencies of the age, are simply marvellous.—*American Quarterly Church Review*.

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### MISSIONS IN IRELAND.

On the 11th of April a meeting of the Irish Society was held in Dublin, under the presidency of the Earl of Mayo. This Society makes the Irish tongue, and the Irish Bible, and the Irish school, and the Irish teacher, and the Irish missionary, its main and *distinctive* instrumentalities. From the report of this meeting we gather the following items of information. The progress of the Society's operations during the past year seems to have been satisfactory. The agency now comprises 17 missionary clergymen, 2 lay agents, 78 Scripture readers, of whom 20 are inspectors of Irish schools, 16 mission schools in which 600 children are under instruction, 246 Irish schools in which 7,580 pupils are being taught to read the Irish Bible. The Committee states that the Church at Kilmalchedar, near Dingle, is at length about to be erected for the use of the converts of that Parish, where no church has been in existence since the Reformation.

The new Church at Cappamore was consecrated during the past year, which is the third church erected during the last four years in that neighborhood, all of which were called for by the successful labors of the Irish Society. The income of the Society for the past year from Ireland was £5,271, and the English and Foreign contributions £8,783. The meeting was addressed, among others, by the Rev. A. P. Hanlon, Vicar of Mountshannon, who gave a very interesting account of his advocacy of the Irish Society, during a visit which he paid, as a deputation from the Society, to the United States and Canada. Nothing could be more enthusiastic than the interest which the Bishops and Clergy of the Church in North America took in the working of the Society. Mr. Hanlon was invited to the General Convention of the whole American Church at Richmond; and, in the midst of a press of business, an evening was set apart for him to explain the proceedings of the Irish Society. Before he returned to Ireland he succeeded in organizing auxiliaries to the Society in Seventy places in America; and the Rev. G. G. Gubbins, Rector of Ballingarry, has just sailed for the United States, in order to follow up the work which Mr. Hanlon has so successfully commenced.

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### PROGRESS OF THE CHURCH IN INDIA.

Not unfrequently, writers of the Madame Pfeiffer stamp, in returning from the East, tell us that they saw nothing of the progress of the Gospel. The present Bishop of Calcutta, in his late Charge, has the following:—

“Seventy years ago, the subject of Missions was regarded in England