

tery bearing the name of "The Andalusia Presbytery" which has grown out of the mission of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, and is among the first fruits of the good work which that Church has done in the old land where the sway of Romanism has been so complete and lasting. The American Board also sustains important missionary work in Spain.

FRANCE.—The now well-known and widely-supported McAll Mission, begun chiefly for the French artisan classes in Paris in 1872, has, in recent years, extended its operations throughout all France. The latest published statement reports 134 stations, 21,706 meetings during the year, with an aggregate attendance of 1,237,688, and more than 600 active workers. This mission is, under God, doing an inestimable work of grace. It is not a new denomination, but seeks with increasing success to connect its halls with the Protestant Churches round about them. The de Broen Mission and other evangelical agencies are also carrying on a kindred work in Paris on a smaller scale.

We are accustomed to think of the Protestant churches of France as struggling for bare existence. This is true in a sense. They are few in numbers, poor in resources, and confronted on the one hand by the darkness of Romanism and on the other by a widespread and bitter infidelity. They do not, however, let their own trials and struggles engross their whole thoughts, nor do they limit their interests to work amongst their irreligious or Roman Catholic neighbours. It is a mark of their spiritual life that French Protestants carry on vigorous missions to the heathen. In the Island of Tahiti, virtually a French possession, they have four missionaries at work, and churches with a membership of 2,000. But the chief mission of the *Société des Missions Evangéliques à Paris* is in the British protectorate of Basutoland, in South Africa. There the French workers number nearly seventy, and the churches they have gathered contain more than 7,000 members. These Christians in Tahiti and Basutoland contributed themselves nearly £1,500 in 1890; £150 of that sum having been raised to carry on missions amongst the heathen round about them. Basutoland, as friends of missions well know, has been wonderfully and happily transformed by the Gospel of Jesus. The French Society has not, of course, been there alone. But it is a bright omen for the fortunes of the Reformed faith in their