

with the church. There was no house in a number of miles, and as the old man possessed considerable wealth, and now felt a deep interest in religion, he determined to build a church on his own land. This he did.—Many others now became interested in the subject of religion, a church was organized and a minister employed to preach once a month to the people. A great change was produced, not only in the family first named, but in the whole community. Intemperance, the desecration of the holy Sabbath, and many other vices, have been abandoned; and a commendable interest in the cause of religion has taken their place. What a change produced by one Bible! God's Word shall not return unto Him void, but it shall accomplish what he pleases, and prosper in the thing whereunto he hath sent it.—*Bible Society Record.*

LYING WONDERS OF POPERY.

Kirwan in one of his "Letters from abroad," in the *New York Observer*, gives an account of his interview with Dr. Raffles, of Liverpool.—During their conversation, Dr. R. related some incident illustrating the absurdities of popery, and the gross frauds practised by the priests upon their ignorant and superstitious people. Of these the following is a specimen:—

An Englishman in Ireland was introduced to a popish chapel there, when souls were to be delivered from purgatory. The place was brilliantly lighted. The priest sat at a table on which the relatives of the departed, whose souls were to be released, laid money as they passed. Having collected his wages, the priest commenced his operations; and soon announced that the souls were liberated, and would speedily make their appearance. Immediately a part of the floor opened, and there issued from it small living creatures of red colour, to the joyful amazement of all present. One of these creatures jumped near to the Englishman, who seized it, and, putting it in his pocket, rushed out. Breathless, he soon entered the parlor of his friend, exclaiming, as he flung the living creature upon the table, "there is a soul just delivered from purgatory." It was found to be a frog dressed in red flannel! He was told as he valued his life not to reveal the deception, at least until he had crossed the channel.

Whilst it is difficult to give credence to a story like this, those ac-