

In the morning, attended prayer in the old chapel. *Mr Fowler* examined and addressed the children from the *magnificat*. They were not ready in their answers.

In the evening the Rev. Mr Shea prayed and I preached. It was very stormy, and few attended.

On the following day, though raining, I bid farewell to the settlement, with my sincere prayer that no untoward events might interfere with a work, so evidently of God, and attended with such blessed consequences to man.

In drawing this report to a close, I think I may say that proof has been given.—First, Of much having been done towards raising the Irish Roman Catholic out of that degraded state, in which, for ages, she has been; Second, that that has been done, not by themselves, but by others—not agreeably with, but in direct opposition to their own religious system; Third, that the present relatively high position which the missions occupy, is owing, not to civilization, but to Christianity; not to the teachings of industry, but to the word of God; that it offers a practical illustration of our Lord's command and promise, "*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.*" Matt. vi., 33.

And yet, it is confessed that *a beginning only has been made.*

True, the small end of the wedge has been put into the cleft side of Romanism in Ireland, but it must be driven home, by repeated blows from the hammer of God's word, ere the Irish nation's heart be opened. That dark and cruel system cannot be destroyed, except by His word, who, in the beginning said—"*Let there be light, and there was light.*" It is to be feared that, at present, this consummation is far distant; and even after this system of error should be no more, the work is far from ended. It is not enough to dispossess the mind of error, truth must take possession of it or the slave of superstition will become the dupe of infidelity. Nor will the enlightened christian feel that this even is enough. It is well to convince the mind of former error, and of "what truth is," but a *notional* reception of the Gospel will not meet man's immortal necessities. *He must receive the truth in the love of it.* He must come under its *humanizing and saving influences.* In a word, he must be saved from the *love, and power, and pollution of sin,* by the *love, and power, and sanctifying influences of God's truth.* You will see, then, that Ireland demands the sympathies of the Christian as much as ever. The questions that now press on the friends of this country, are—Shall clouds again shut out this partial