

with proverbial efficiency and fidelity; the office of "CHAPLAIN" is sustained by a gentleman eminently fitted for that important station; and the whole is under the supervision of a Board of Trustees, duly Incorporated.

In pursuance of our usual course we shall now present a brief, but consecutive view of the Society's operations, commencing with those in

EUROPE.

IRELAND.—This country continues to derive great advantage from the undiminished zeal and abundant labours of its devoted Missionaries. Through good report, and through evil report—under many disadvantages, and often in the midst of privations and vicissitudes, they proclaim "the Sinner's friend," and preach those vital truths, the cordial reception of which would make

"Every child of Adam free."

The Gospel, has not, your Committee, is sorry to say, free access to the mass of the population in Ireland; but it is a gratifying fact that in many places. The Roman Catholics manifest an ardent desire for religious instruction. May God hasten the day, when this "Green Isle," shall be disenthralled; may his word have free course, and run, and be glorified; and then the "little one shall become a thousand," and the "the small one a great nation."

GERMANY.—At Winnenden, in the Kingdom of Wirtemberg, the operations of the Society are still prosecuted by Mr. Muller, and his assistants. The spread of evangelical truth is opposed in various ways. Hindrances growing out of political excitement, and out of other causes are constantly rising up; but the spirit of religious enquiry extends; and many experience the saving effects of "the Gospel." There are, dispersed through sixty different places, upwards of one thousand individuals united together in church fellowship.

FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND.—At *Paris*, a considerable improvement in the English Congregation has taken place during the year; but the French department of the work has not recovered from the shock which it received from the late political convulsions.

The Teacher whom the Committee were enabled, by the liberality of the esteemed Treasurer of the Society, THOMAS FARMER, Esq., to place at *Bar-le-Duc*, is prosecuting his labours under circumstances of considerable interest. A great sensation has been produced in the neighbourhood. Several Roman Catholic villages are welcoming his ministrations. In some instances, the Municipal Authorities place themselves at the head of the movement, and offer the Parish-Schools, and even the Mass-Houses or Churches, for Protestant worship. The Priests have become alarmed, and are endeavouring to excite oppo-