

The *Missionary Notices* for October, among other interesting communications, contains one from the Rev. F. Woodman, Treleaven, in South Africa, giving an account of a visit to Fourteen Streams, whither he had been invited to "marry certain couples, baptize both adults and children, give tickets, and preach to them." No missionary had ever visited this place before. Mr. W. went as soon as convenient, and after a toilsome journey reached the place, and in due time commenced religious service, which continued from 4.30 until 9 p.m. He renewed tickets to eighty members, all of whom except one paid a shilling for his ticket, and that one, evidently an old man in poverty, paid sixpence. The persons thus received into the Church had been brought to a knowledge of the truth by means of the labours of one Daniel Molife, a Kaffir, who eight years before was a heathen living in Natal. There he heard the Gospel from the Methodist Missionary, and was converted and became a local preacher and class-leader. Two years afterwards he removed to Fourteen Streams, where he found the people all heathens, but soon began to preach to them, got them to build a church, and formed them into classes as they accepted Christ, though he kept some of them on trial as much as five years. He soon became a man of influence both with the chief and the people generally. In this way he laboured for six years, and no one knew of this Church save a Church of England missionary, who repeatedly made overtures to Daniel and his people to join their Church,

but, true to their convictions, they remained firm, and even the Chief deferred his own marriage nearly two months until a Wesleyan Missionary could be secured, though he could have been married before by a Clergyman of the other Church.

The government daily paper in Tokio, consents to insert an advertisement of the Scriptures, which is regarded by the missionaries as an important concession.

The Theological Seminary and Training School has been removed from Yokohama to Tokio. Dr. Maclay says that both schools are now conducted in a house rented in the Foreign Concession of Tokio. He is hopeful that the removal to Tokio will be a great advantage to the mission.

There are still heroes in the Mission field. An itinerant writes from Kansas:—In going the round of my appointments yesterday, I had to strap my clothes on my back and swim the streams.

The corner-stone of the Seney Hospital, at Brooklyn, New York, was laid September 20th. This grand Methodist Hospital is being erected through the munificence of Mr. G. I. Seney, who gave the land, valued at \$40,000, and \$200,000 in cash. Mr. Seney is a worthy son of a distinguished and devoted minister, now deceased, of the New York Conference. The Editor of *Zion's Herald* prays that the days of Mr. Seney may be many, to shovel out the gold that God shovels in, as during the past three years he has given in Christian charities at the rate of \$1,000 a day.

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## BOOK NOTICES.

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*The Lives of John and Charles Wesley.* By JOHN WHITEHEAD, M.D., with steel portrait. Cr. 8 vo. pp. 572. Toronto. William Briggs. Premium volume given with this magazine for 40c.

Every historian of the progress of England during the eighteenth cen-

tury now admits that one of the most noteworthy events of that period was the rise and progress of Methodism under the leadership of John and Charles Wesley. Indeed, looked at in its broadest aspects, no event since the conversion of the Roman Empire, except, perhaps