

man, and of the same faith with yourself, and I come to you with Bible in hand. I will try to read it and explain it to you, as well as to your household and your people. I have a sweet satisfaction in thinking that you are my sister in Christ Jesus. I know that you trust in Him; well, then, let us, in all our trials, do like that beautiful plant which grows in your dominions. In the morning it turns its golden head towards the sun, it follows him throughout his course until the evening, then it closes its petals. In like manner, let the eyes of our souls be always fastened upon the Sun of Righteousness, and may they hereafter, when we are removed from the light of this present world, open upon the radiant presence of the Lord in heaven. We are here like two shepherds, for kings have their subjects to guide, and ministers their congregations. We will talk about the churches of Tahiti, which are the flocks that the Lord has been pleased to commit to our care. I have spoken: 'peace be with the Queen.' She replied: 'My heart is strengthened, and my eyes rejoice. I was beginning to fear that you would not have arrived. I feel happy and grateful to have seen you: may the Lord be with you.' I then added: 'Peace be to this house. May the grace of God fill and fortify the heart of Pomare the Fourth. Madam, I know that you love our Saviour, and that you are assiduous in worshipping in his temple; and we will go together thither to pray to Him, and to tell Him of our joys and our sorrows. Your dear children will come thither also. I have observed that in all countries the lambs follow their mothers to the meadows and come home to the fold with them in the evening.' We have received an invitation for Monday evening at half past six. I shall have to present my family. M. Atger adds a few words of salutation, and announces that he will enclose a small remembrance from the Churches of France. The Queen was simply attired. She was moved even to tears by the affectionate regard that we displayed towards her.

"On the 7th of August, we had a meeting of the Church, preparatory to the Lord's Supper. It appeared to me a peculiarly edifying one. According to established usage, we proceeded, before retiring, to call the names over. When I pronounced the word 'Pomare,' without adding any title, and without laying more stress on it than on any other name, a mild voice answered, 'Present.' It was the voice of the Queen. I then thought it my duty to read the names of all the persons, unfortunately too numerous, who have quitted us to return to the world; and I took the opportunity of exhorting the brethren and sisters to do their utmost to lead back some, at least, of these lost sheep. On Sunday, the 9th of August, I preached before an immense audience.—

Almost the whole congregation of Papetoai (Moorea Isle) was present. A choir of young people, formed in that island, sang some hymns to very singular airs, but full of fire and rapture. About three hundred communicants received the sacrament of the Lord's Supper."—*Christian Work*.

## Religious Intelligence.

### Italy.

A paper has lately appeared in Florence entitled *Il Temporale*, which proposes to itself the problem of instructing the people how to overthrow the secular power of the Pope, without violating his spiritual supremacy, of putting in the pillory and of publishing all actions of true magnanimity as patterns of emulation. This paper has declared open war against the Jesuits, the Paulines, and, in short against all the reactionary party. Being conducted in a very popular spirit and well edited, it obtains a large circulation at its low price of three centimes. The German French Protestants of Milan wish to take advantage of religious liberty they now enjoy, to build themselves a church worthy of its object. The richest members of the community, in number 55, have subscribed towards this the sum of 76,000 fr., which added to what has been otherwise raised, makes a total of 90,000 fr. towards this construction. The purchase of the ground in a suitable position has already cost 33,000 fr.; the building will cost 87,000 fr.; and the internal fitting up, 10,000 fr. But a special collection, made by the friends of the community, in Milan, has already produced 15,000 fr., and they hope soon to obtain the required amount.

### Dr. Duff.

Dr. Duff writes from Cape Town on the 1st of February. He had an unusually rapid passage by the *Holtspar* from Calcutta. He says:—"Mr. Morgan of the Scotch Church very kindly came on board to take me on shore, and is lending the most effective aid in making the needful arrangements for my visit to British Caffraria, the seat of our missions, at the eastern extremity of the colony. The season for such a visit happens to be most favorable; and I am doing all in my power to start as speedily as possible. I find, however, that travelling in this colony is still encumbered by many drawbacks, delays and uncertainties.

"It will become me at the same time, to be of 'good cheer and take courage,' to lift up my Ebenezer, and say in all humility