

Are we in earnest in the cause of missions? Have we the mind of Him who stooped so low and bore so much for perishing souls? Then let no flimsy objection be offered as a cloak for sloth and unbelief against the trial of a plan which will furnish laborers for the harvest. Try it; *try it*. Lay the matter before God while you pour out your soul in behalf of those who are going down in darkness to eternal despair; and rise in the strength of faith and go speak to this young man and that, and ask if he will join a class to undergo a training for the army of Christ abroad. Should it take the best of our youths, the cause deserves it; the home field shall not lack; Barnabas and Saul were not the feeblest men in Antioch when sent on their mission. First class men as fully educated and ordained missionaries will still be wanted to officer the army; the others will be their powerful helpers, occupying stations and preparing the way for ordained pastors.

John Knox and his coadjutors, covered the lowlands of Scotland, when as yet there were few pastors, and few charges prepared to receive them. Scripture, history, reason, and experience proclaim the plan to be right and wise. Who will adopt it? The writer has bespoken his class of four and may, God willing, have his quota of two ready a year hence. Who will follow? Where are our large congregations? A class of ten should be found in them. Spurgeon has a class of 100 young men under training for evangelistic operations. Our ancient church of Scotland, the Culdees, had a mission class wherever they had a congregation. Let us enquire for the old paths of apostles and martyrs, and confessors, who are now with Christ, and walk in them. Then God, even our own God shall bless us and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

Do your utmost, Mr. Editor, to secure this mission class in every church; hundreds may go forth from them; and the blessed results both at home and abroad may be incalculable and eternal. These are not the momentary impulses of an enthusiastic brain, but the oft recurring thoughts of years. May the Lord bless the wide dissemination of these ideas.

P. S.—My communication in the January No. has just been received. A few misprints have occurred which mar the sense. The word "Let" which begins a sentence near the bottom of the second column should be "Yet." The word "British" at the foot of the third column should be "Romish." In the middle of the fourth column, the sentence—"it is for the church to waken it at the call of her captain; the age, &c.,"—should be—"it is for the church to make it at the call of her captain, the age, &c.," having a comma instead of a semicolon after captain.

Our Foreign Mission.

Letter from Rev. D. Morrison.

Erakor, Fata, May 19, 1864.

REV. JAMES BAYNE,

Dear Sir,—It is now six months since I wrote to you. In that interval, however, I wrote to various other parties, some of whom, no doubt, acquainted the public with anything in my communications calculated to enlist christian sympathy more deeply in this most important department of the church work—the evangelization of the heathen.

CLIMATE AND HEALTH.

We have now passed our first summer in Fat, (for as such the natives call it.) We are thankful to say that hitherto we have both enjoyed excellent health. We had no sickness to speak of, with the exception of once or twice that Mrs. M. suffered a little, temporarily, from too much exposure to this tropical sun.

This month and the last are the foreigners' scourge in Fat. So we take as good care of our health as possible, at present. These months are the sickly season even of the natives. Some days and weeks I am kept very busy both practising medicines and learning how to do it.

Our thermometrical indications are as follows:—

	Morn. 6 A.M.	Noon. 1-2 P.M.	Night. 9-10 P.M.
Highest temp.,	81°	89°	82°
Lowest "	63°	72°	67½°

It was only occasionally these extremes were reached. Our greatest heat is the season of your greatest cold, and *vice versa*.

There was great mortality among our flock within the last six months, fifteen having been in that time removed from us by death; eight of whom were church members.