

from our lips in unbroken melody ; even "the tongue of the dumb shall sing!" No tearful broken utterance yonder ; no farewells to utter ; no cold lips to kiss ; no muffled bells ; no yearning for

"The touch of a vanished hand,  
The sound of a voice that is still."

No choking, voiceless prayer ; all praise there! Joyful

"Praise shall employ our nobler powers,  
Our days of praise shall ne'er be past,  
While life, and thought, and being last,  
Or immortality endures."

—*Methodist Family.*

## A HEATHEN NATION EVANGELISED.

ONE of the most valuable contributions to missionary literature ever issued from the press is the history of the well-known Mission in the Sandwich Islands, by the Rev. Dr. Anderson, late Secretary of the American Board in Boston. This history possesses a special interest. It describes the work of just fifty years. The Mission was wonderfully complete in its agencies, its progress, its results ; it found the Hawaiians savage heathen ; it left them a Christian nation, organized into Churches under a native ministry, with a constitutional government, an elective franchise, a charter of freedom, a free trade, an increasing literature, and with a small but definite place among the nations of the world. By what means was this wonderful transformation produced ? Whence came this new religious, social, and civil life ? It came through the Gospel of Christ, lived and preached by the Puritan Christians of New England, who were sent as "messengers" by their brethren to those savage lands.

The Sandwich Islands lie in the North Pacific, midway between California and Japan, and just on the edge of the Tropic of Cancer. The large islands are four in number, of which Hawaii proper contains the great volcano of Mauna Loa, and Oahu contains the commodious harbor of Honolulu. The group