

on living human bodies, as rollers. It was considered the honourable thing for a wife to be strangled when her husband died. Sometimes a dozen or more wives of a chief were thus put to death and buried with their husband.

One of the first triumphs of the missionary was in getting the life of one of the wives of a chief spared. When the order came

TRUTHFUL FOLIAGE, FIG. 1.



that she should live, the holder of the strangling-cord indignantly exclaimed, "Then I suppose we are to die like nobody now!"

From immemorial ages, such had been the state of these savages. Must they remain so forever? So it seemed to human reason. But the Gospel is, indeed, the power of God unto salvation unto every one that believeth. It has made a man and a Christian of the brutal Fijian cannibal. It can save and ennoble the