

ef would not believe that they had come such a distance for
 other purpose than to tell them about God. He grew sus-
 picious and frightened, and at last left them unwilling to listen.
 They went away with heavy hearts. Soon a stranger, driving
 cattle, met them and entered into conversation. They told
 how they had gone to tell the words of God in a village near
 and had been turned away. The stranger proved to be one
 who had lived near to Cilume when the pioneers of this mission
 first arrived there. He told them how they dealt with the
 people; met together to sing and speak and how he had wished
 to know what words they were discussing, but they were not
 able to speak the language. The boys told him many things.
 He assured them a welcome if they would come to his village.
 They would go and tell the chief that "there was no reason to be
 afraid; these were good words he ought to hear." In one village
 they heard a woman telling her companion that "she had left
 a pot of mush on the fire and it was burning." She said,
 "Let it burn, I want none of my fellows to hear these
 words better than I." After singing a hymn in one of the most
 important villages visited, they were asked to sing again. A
 young man, standing near, said, "You think this is good, but if
 you went to Cisamba on Sunday you would see a very large
 house filled with people, and when the women and men all sing
 together these songs, your heart would be filled with wonder and
 you would feel like following these words." At another village
 a little child came up and greeted them, though they never
 remember to have seen him before. Then the little one called
 to his companion, saying, "Come, let us respond to the words of
 Jesus." He then followed the boys to the visiting place in the
 village and took a seat near to them, and seemed to listen with
 intelligent interest to the whole service. Such things as these
 have seem to indicate to the young men that there is a quiet
 work going on, the extent of which they do not know, and show
 them the importance of living the truth, for they know not who
 has heard the word, is thinking of the truth, and looking
 to their example. Pray that they may be kept steadfast
 and endowed with the power of the Spirit.

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DEAR MRS. SANDERS,—It has been raining all morning—an
 usual occurrence for the beginning of the wet season. It is the
 custom here—if rain falls all day—for friends to send each other
 presents. For instance, a chief will send his friend an ox,
 this year, and next year the friend will return the compliment
 by sending either a slave, or an ox, or a load of rubber, or a pig,
 according to his means. It may easily be surmised that an