

deeply affected, and acknowledged that "after all they were men and women!" Captain Stewart had seen no less than 10,000 of these natives drunken at one gathering: but at the last national festival at Honolulu, Dr. Anderson declared there was not one drunken man to be seen. The "Maine Law" has followed in the wake of the Gospel heralds, and has brought with it to the Sandwich Islands, the peaceable and happy influences which it has exerted wherever it has been practically adopted. Another interesting witness to the triumph of the grace of God in these islands was the Rev. Luther H. Gulick, M.D., born and educated there. He repeatedly addressed the Board, and by his fervent manner and graphic style engaged special attention. He has, before this, embarked for his native seas, to serve as Corresponding Secretary of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association.

During the meetings, the following returned missionaries also addressed us, and some of them repeatedly, viz.:—*Rev. Daniel Bliss*, from the Syria Mission, *Rev. Edwin E. Bliss*, from Western Asia, *Rev. George W. Coan*, from the Nestorian Mission, *Rev. W. Ireland*, and *Rev. Lilas McKinney*, both from the Tula Mission, *Rev. Allen Hazen*, from the Mahratta Mission, *Rev. John E. Chandler*, from the Madura Mission.

An interesting episode in the proceedings of Wednesday morning, was interjected by the Rev. George Trask, in a glowing address in behalf of the coloured free men of America, 500,000 of whom have been delivered by the hand of the Lord from worse than Egyptian bondage, since last meeting of the Board, and (said Mr. Trask) *four millions more are coming after them*, for he was confident that the freedom of the slaves was as fully assured, as was the life of the nation. He entreated the Board to consider what could be done for these Ethiopians, and what can be done with them, for the kingdom of God in Africa. The speaker urged that the Board is especially indebted to the African race. The departed John Angell James had said—'you American christians have a great mission to perform to the heathen; but never till you have done your duty to the heathen of your own land.' Mr. Trask felt that God is now holding this nation in a vice, and that the problem is not yet solved what he will do with it. Let justice be done to Africa, for God will not let us go free, till we do our duty by this people.

At a subsequent session, the following resolutions, presented by Dr. Bacon, Convener of the Business Committee, were unanimously adopted by the Board:—

"Nor is it any less a matter of thankfulness to God, on our part, that under his holy providence, controlling the progress of events, the ultimate and entire abolition of slavery on the North America Continent is henceforth, all men see and know, an inevitable and not distant result of the war which was begun for the purpose of securing an indefinite perpetuation and extension of slavery, by the establishing of an empire with Slavery as its corner-stone. Without offering, or implying any opinion on questions of constitutional right, and of ultimate necessity, we do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice in the certain overthrow of that hideous injustice, which has been the great opprobrium of our nation, the great demoralizing influence in our Government, and the great obstacle in the way of all Christian enterprizes and institutions, and which by converting millions of human beings into the material of a horrible traffic, and by the persistent denial of all human rights to millions of slaves for whom Christ died, has made this purifying of our land with fire, a divine necessity.