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LORD, bless and pity us, shine on us with thy face,
That th' earth thy way, and nations all may know thy saving grace.—Ps. lxxvii. 1, 2.

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Foreign Missions.

NEW HEBRIDES.

LATER INTELLIGENCE FROM ANEITEUM.

We are happy to inform our readers that since the issue of our last number two packages of communications have been received from our missionaries, the first containing intelligence up till 20th June, and the last up till the 18th October. The latter was accompanied with portions of Mr. Geddie's Journal and specimens of books published in the Aneiteum language. On the whole the intelligence is remarkably gratifying.—The only exception is the fact mentioned in the last letter, that the Mission family had been severely tried by sickness. But we proceed to lay before our readers as much of these communications as our space will permit.

Aneiteum, New Hebrides, South Pacific Ocean, June 20th, 1855.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—

I send this letter by a Whaler which has called at this Island. She is on a cruise, and the Captain does not expect to call at any port for a considerable time. In the course of his voyage, however, he will pass near Sydney and Hobart Town, and he confidently expects to meet vessels at sea bound for one or other of these places and put my letters on board of them. As my present letters are sent at a venture they are fewer

in number than they would have been, had a more certain opportunity offered.

HEALTH OF MISSION FAMILIES.

I am sure you will unite with us in thankfulness to God for the measure of health enjoyed by the Mission families during another year. With slight exceptions we have little cause for complaint, and we have been able to prosecute our labours without interruption.—Never was health more required than it is at present, when our work presses on us on all hands, and taxes our energies to the utmost extent. To us God has indeed been true to the promise, "As thy days so shall thy strength be."

PROSECUTION OF LABOURS.

As regards our labours we continue to prosecute them with much encouragement, and, I trust, with some degree of success also. The Word of God spreads throughout the Island, and the demand for teachers is constantly made on us.—The work advances as fast as it can be successfully overtaken. As nearly as I can estimate at present, three-fourths of the population have embraced christianity, and those who are still heathen have abandoned many of their former revolting customs. The period I hope is not far distant when the whole Island will be under christian instruction and influence.

PRINTING PRESS.

The Printing Press presented to this Mission by friends in Scotland, has safely arrived. It appears to be an excellent article. We feel very grateful for