

alone can grant me health. But should He be pleased to call me to himself, I shall cheerfully obey the call."

On one occasion subsequent to this, when he heard his relations whispering among themselves as to the best means of getting a devil-ceremony performed forcibly, he lifted up his voice in broken accents, and said to his Christian instructor, "I owe no thanks to them; they want to ruin my soul." Here his voice failed; but after a while he proceeded to address his relations thus: "If any of you tie a thread or charm, in the name of the devil round any part of my body, when I am senseless, you will have to answer for it before the judgment-seat of Christ." He continued to entreat all around him to desist from such an attempt, which would be an injury done to him, and an offence offered to God.

Mr. Lalmon was praying with him when he died. He expired without the least struggle, in the faith and hope of Christ. Some of his last words were, "Christ is love; Christ loves me; and Christ died for me. I do not fear to die, for Christ can save me; Christ loves me! Christ loves me! O my Saviour, grant me grace; have mercy upon me, and save me."

I should greatly rejoice if I could think that all were sincere Christians who profess themselves to be such; but painful facts prevent the possibility of this. How-

ever, the work is the Lord's, and in his name I proceed; and I trust that no discouragements will ever be able to damp my fervour in prayer, or my activity in exertion.

I firmly believe the days of the Son of man will yet come in this island. The name of our Lord Jesus shall yet be magnified. We read of a faith which "subdued kingdoms;" and I pray for a faith before which the kingdom of Budha and Satan may fall. O to be endued with "power from on high!"

"Arise of the Lord awake, awake,

Thine own immortal strength put on;
With terror cloth'd, hell's kingdom
shake,

And cast thy foes with fury down!"

At Matura, things are passing on, much in the usual way; however, I am far, very far, from being satisfied with this. Mighty wonders, I firmly believe, will shortly be effected by the "Spirit" of "the Lord of hosts." While we are employed in preaching to the poor Heathens of this country the glorious doctrine, precepts, and promises of "the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom he sent" into the world; will he not give to our perseveringly believing prayer, wisdom rightly to teach his doctrines, power effectually to enforce his precepts, and proofs satisfactorily to demonstrate the truth of his promises?

MISSIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

ALBANY.—*Extract of a Letter from Mr. Ayliff, dated Somerset, September 10th, 1830.*

SINCE we have been preparing for our removal to Butterworth, we have been much gratified with the conduct of many of the Dutch inhabitants of this place, as well as the English, in supplying us with little things, which will prove of essential service at our station. May the Lord reward them for their kindness an hundred fold.

In my last communications to the Committee, I stated that one part of the labour of this Circuit was directed to a company of poor lepers, among whom there was a prospect of usefulness. Since then, thank God, our expectations have been realised; for the Lord has made one of them a happy partaker of his pardoning grace, and she was admitted into the Christian church a few days since by baptism. The following extract from my

Journal will give you an account of that transaction:—

Tuesday, September 7th, 1830.—Visited the lepers this afternoon, and at this visit baptized Antja Rotenburg and her child. When I arrived at the place I found Antja sitting by herself, which gave me a good opportunity of having some close conversation as to the state of her mind. I found her in a good frame, and from her conversation I felt satisfied that she was growing in grace. On my arrival, she said in a very feeling manner, "O Sir, I am glad you are come. I was longing to see you; for I have such a strong desire to learn; this desire is stronger than ever it was; and I wanted to tell you that the desire of my heart is so strong to pray, that even in the night I cannot sleep above an hour at a time, and