

herrings she had followed into the harbour. Had she reappeared so near that there would have been a probability of my shooting her dead with the little fowling piece I had, I should have been sufficiently unromantic to have tried to secure her fur.

At the head of Sandwich Bay, about eighteen or twenty miles from where we lay, is a place called Cartwright, which I was particularly anxious to visit, as it is largely inhabited by "livyers," or "winter-livyers." The captain had intended visiting it in the boat, if not in the vessel, had wind and circumstances favoured, and depending on this I had made no great effort to obtain any other opportunity of getting there. But on my return to the vessel, I learned that he had decided on not going, and that even had his intention remained the same, his going through the discharge of cargo not beginning till so long after our arrival, and not proceeding so rapidly as was at first expected, would be so delayed as to render it at least unlikely that I could catch the mail steamer on her next trip South. I therefore at once arranged to go to "Siddeast," or S. East Bay, and try to get the men there to send me up early on Friday morning, in which case I should have spent the night as best I could among them so as to start as early as possible. I could not ask any of our men after a hard day's work to row me there, but Mr. Smith and our obliging steward accompanied me. We were unsuccessful. Though I pressed the matter as far as seemed advisable, the family at the house to which I went as most likely, decided, after consultation, that as they had hitherto had so bad a season and the fish were now beginning to be taken, their "share-men" would be dissatisfied if they were to lose a day.

We had a hard pull back, but I would gladly have had three times as much in the other direction. Probably my disappointment made me too ready to give up, and had I been more determined, I might have got to Cartwright in some way. Plans have occurred to me since, but "It's easy to be wise ahient the van," as says the Scotch proverb.

This was not all I missed by our delays. We were now within a hundred and odd miles of the southernmost station of the Moravian missionaries, and

had we arrived by the 20th, it was intended that the "Gulnare" should reach that point, in which case I should have had the delight of visiting another field of holy chivalry, and seeing with my eyes and treuling with my feet what had in my boyhood's dreams been almost the land of romance. O! prosy coal trucks, of what poetry have you robbed me!

FRIDAY morning was so stormy that probably the men at S. East Bay could not fish after all.

In the evening, as the coal had all been got on board, and this was to be my last opportunity, I spoke at considerable length, and as we had singing, it was almost like a regular service. Before we parted, Lieut. Maxwell and Dr. Leaning kindly shared with me their geological specimens, for which Dr. Honeyman owes them thanks.

*(To be continued.)*

#### **Another Missionary, and another Mission-field for our Church.**

A few weeks ago a member of St Matthew's congregation, Halifax, a lady eminently qualified in every way, after having well counted the cost, offered herself for Foreign Mission work in connection with our Church and in any field in which she would be most useful. It being thought that she was especially suited for Zenana work in India, a correspondence was opened with Rev. C. M. Grant, and his answer has just been received. He says:—"I received yesterday your letter about the noble offer of Miss ——. I immediately wrote to the Convener, asking for a reply before Tuesday at our ordinary India Committee meeting. Such workers as she is are the crying want in India at the present stage of missions. One good Christian woman, who is apt to teach, working among the women, can do more than a dozen men missionaries. The Zenanas are hot beds of idolatry; and in no country in the world have women more influence than in Bengal. The enlightened men do not dare to step out from idolatry because of the women. The vast influence of the past 40 years has been almost entirely operating among the men. We now need to have done among the women, what Duff, Ogilvie