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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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LATER INTELLIGENCE FROM ANEITEUM.

Since our last, a letter has been received from Mr Geddie, dated Nov. 10th, 1856, nearly a month later than was previously received. We give it entire in the present No. Our readers, we are sure, will be gratified at the continued favor vouchsafed to the Mission, and the encouraging prospects on neighboring islands. We also give the conclusion of Mr Geddie's letter of August 22nd, and his letter of September 22nd, 1856. We were in error in stating in our No. for April, that extracts from Mr Geddie's journal had been received. These letters were all that came to hand, and we have thought it advisable to include the whole of them in our present No., though we have found it necessary, for that purpose, to exclude almost every thing else, because our next No. will be occupied with the Synod, and we think it desirable that the whole should be before our readers previous to the meeting of Synod.

LETTER OF 22ND AUGUST.

" (Continued.)

STATE OF WORK ON MARE.

Our brethren on Mare appear to be laboring with much devotedness, and with some degree of success. I could observe a great change in the appearance of the natives since my last visit to

Mare, before their arrival. The gospel by Mark is now printed in the language of the island, and many are able to read the word of God in their own tongue. Churches have been formed at each of the two stations, and the conduct of the members is very satisfactory. Messrs. Creagh and Jones are of opinion that not more than one-third of the population have embraced Christianity, and that the remainder are still living in all the darkness of heathenism. The Christian party make many efforts to spread the gospel among their benighted countrymen, but they will not listen to the word of God. Many declare their determination to live and die in their present darkness. But the opposition to Christianity is confined, in a great measure, to the chiefs rather than the people, as many of the latter are tired of heathenism and long for something better, but dare not avow their convictions. The days of heathenism are, however, numbered on Mare, and the word of God will, at no distant period, triumph.

BURNING OF MR. CREAGH'S HOUSE.

During our stay at Mare the dwelling house of Mr Creagh was burnt down. He was at Mr Jones's station when the event took place. As soon as word was sent to him he left for his station, and I accompanied him. The distance is about 12 miles, and the road lay over a level but barren country, without hill or valley to break the monotony. How unlike the New Hebrides where the islands appear