

institution, taken as a whole, is not equalled, I believe for thorough efficiency, by any academy in the island ; and there can be no doubt that its fruits will tell in the most salutary manner on the future history of Jamaica."

The Rev. Adam Thomson says of this examination, " it was a delightful and a cheering scene—one of those occurrences from which the Christian philanthropist, and especially the Christian missionary, derives pleasure, and indulges hope ; and that, in so far as numbers are concerned, the Academy has not been in so prosperous a state, since his arrival in Jamaica, four years ago."

#### THE REV. H. H. GARNET IN MONTEGO BAY.

The Rev. Adam Thomson says, under date 19th December :—" On the evening of the former of the two days on which the examination was held, the Rev. Mr. Garnet, (a Negro Minister from America, who joined our Church in Scotland and was sent out to Jamaica) preached in the Presbyterian Church in this town. Our little chapel was more than filled on the interesting occasion. It is seated for about 350 persons ; but Mr. Garnet's audience was at least 500—composed, moreover, of all classes in the community. The discourse which was of a practical nature, was listened to with great attention, and was well calculated, under the Divine blessing, to produce a wholesome effect. It had reference to the obstacles in the way both of the moral and intellectual improvement of the inhabitants of this country in particular—especially of the young ; and gave evidence, I think, that Mr. Garnet has been a close observer of the state of things around him, during his comparatively brief residence among us, and has formed enlightened and accurate opinions regarding the characteristic habits of the population at large. His text was—"The slothful man saith, There is a lion without ; I shall be slain in the streets."

" It had been agreed that Mr. Garnet should, at the close of the service, make a collection to assist him in the erection of a school-house in a necessitous and neglected district, about five miles from his own residence in Westmoreland. He did so ; and thanks to his own persuasive appeal, the contributions amounted to £9—a sum which considerably exceeded expectations ; but which, however, is only about one-third of that required for the important and desirable object in view.

" Under the conviction that Mr. Garnet deserves every encouragement in his laudable efforts to do good in this island, I have used the freedom to write, on his behalf, to several persons in Scotland ; and I may be permitted to avail myself of this opportunity of expressing my earnest hope, that the aid of which he yet stands in need—£20 or £30—and which in our present embarrassed circumstances, it would be next to impossible for him to obtain here—will be generously furnished by those who so wisely sent him as a missionary to Jamaica—redeemed, it is true, from bodily servitude, but still, alas ! to a lamentable extent, groaning under the miseries of spiritual degradation and bondage."

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#### VISIT OF THE REVEREND E. JONES.

Our readers are aware that Sierra Leone, on the west coast of Africa, has for many years, been the place at which those Africans were landed who were rescued from slave ships by the British cruisers. The Episcopal and Wesleyan Churches have long had missions there ; and it is said that there is now at Sierra Leone about thirty thousand Christian negroes, belonging to more than a hundred African tribes, situated in all parts of Western Central Africa. Many of these