

<i>Polynesia.</i>		Bangalore,	1821
Tongataboo and others of the Friendly Islands,		Negapatani,	1822
		<i>Mediterranean Missions.</i>	
<i>Africa.</i>		Gibraltar,	1804
Southern Africa,		Malta,	1824
Western Africa,—Sierra- Leone,		Alexandria,	1825
		Zante,	1826
<i>India.</i>		<i>Europe.</i>	
Ceylon,		France,	1816
Madras,		Sweden—Stockholm,	1826
Calcutta,		Germany—Weinenden,	1831

Having given this condensed view of modern Missions, your Committee will proceed to make such selections of intelligence as may excite our gratitude, and promote our zeal in this good cause.

SOUTH SEA MISSIONS.

What are generally called the Friendly Islands, including not only the Tonga groupe, with Eua, or Middlebrug, but also the Hapai or Haabai groupe, Haafulahao, or the Vavau groupe, and Niua, or the Kebe's Islands; about two hundred islands in the whole, many of which are very small, and without inhabitants; but others of them are thickly peopled. Till very lately, the inhabitants were living in the grossest idolatry; but the "Sun of righteousness has arisen with healing under his wings," and many of the benighted natives of these islands "have seen a great light." "They now give glory unto the Lord, and declare his praise in the islands." For these things every friend of humanity will magnify the name of the Lord, "who only doeth wondrous things."

The friends of Missions will rejoice, that from eight to ten thousand persons have renounced idolatry and embraced Christianity in the last six years, at these islands. But many of these islanders are in a very dark and pitiable state at present. This must be the case except we had more help. We rejoice, however, for what the Lord hath done, and trust he will send more labourers into his vineyard. There are from six to eight thousand persons at this island (viz. Tonga) who are yet living in the grossest idolatry. The Tonga people have gods many, such as birds, fishes, reptiles, horses, canoes, clubs, whales' teeth, mats, plants, spirits of departed Chiefs, infernal spirits, &c. To these they apply in their distress, and offer pigs, yams, cloth, canoes, and property of various kinds. They pray, cry, and cut themselves, cut off the fingers of their children and friends, and sometimes strangle their friends, to appease their gods. Let then the friends of Missions help! There remains much ground to be possessed. A Mission of greater promise, or, we may add, of more extraordinary success, both as to the rapidity and the extent of its progress,

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