

burning with zeal for the glory of God, and melting with compassion for the souls of men, she crossed with me the stormy ocean, and came to this country, which she did not view like many, as a place of temporary and reluctant exile, but which she adopted as her home, in which she wished to live, and labour, and die. With the greatest ardour she entered on the study of the native languages, and persevered in it amidst every distraction, till her acquirements in the two most important of those spoken in this quarter,* enabled her with ease and effect to communicate instruction respecting the true God and Jesus Christ whom he has sent. The difficulties arising from superstitious custom and corrupted feeling, which are in the way of female education, she found to be numerous and formidable; but she resolved, in reliance on the promises and assurances of God, to encounter them. She instituted and organized no fewer than six female schools, containing at an average between 150 and 200 scholars. She trained the teachers, making the least respectable of that class, the only persons who could be engaged for the work, the most efficient in the mission. Principally at her own expense, and with a great expenditure of strength, she visited the scholars and their parents at their homes, and sought to engage their affections, and thus secure their attendance. She not only superintended the schools, but even in her weakest state she daily spent several hours in them, particularly after she was successful in bringing most of them to the mission premises, hearing the children repeat their tasks, examining them, pressing home divine truth to their understandings and hearts, and praying with them. Several adult females she herself taught to read, and communicated to them a knowledge of the first principles of the oracles of God. The only two females whom I have baptized, and the wives and children and female relatives of the converts and servants, and two females who are at present candidates for admission into the church, are under the greatest obligations to her for a thousand kindnesses and services; and the day of the Lord may shew that to her instrumentality they owe their conversion and Christian progress. To the poor's asylums she frequently repaired with the view of instructing their destitute inmates. For a long period she held a regular weekly meeting with the wives and children of European pensioners and their descendants, both in the neighbourhood of the mission-house and Kolaba. Her services, when requested for the Bombay Sabbath schools, were not withheld. During the long journeys which I undertook with a view of proclaiming the glad tidings of salvation throughout the country, she managed with much fidelity and prudence the general concerns of the mission, and she always freed me from

many secular cares connected with its business. She was a principal attraction to many of my native visitors, and particularly to those distinguished among their countrymen for their education and intelligence, and with much ingenuity and tact did she seek their improvement and promote their welfare. She wrote several striking papers in native periodicals, calculated to advance the cause of the Redeemer; and to her pen the *Oriental Christian Spectator* is indebted for its brightest pages.* At a time when the religious discussions in which I have been engaged required the use of some volumes which I could not detain for a sufficient length of time, she spent many hours in copying large extracts from them; and even the whole of the *Vendidad Sade*, which few would read for hire, she translated from French into English for the use of some Parsis, and for the facilitating future reference, when a comparison with the original and Gujarathi translation might be attempted. She has left Marathi translations and compositions, prepared during the last year and a half, and almost all in a state ready for the press, in a quantity almost as great, if we except translations from the sacred Scriptures, as any published by any missionary who has yet come to the west of India. Amidst all these personal exertions, she ever communicated to me the most valuable counsel and the most exciting encouragement in my work and the many trials connected with its duties, and ever proved to me as it were a second soul. Most faithfully and tenderly did she discharge her duties as a wife and a mother; and most affectionately and disinterestedly did she prove herself a Christian friend to those with whom she was acquainted. The Spirit of the Saviour to a rare degree animated her in all her exertions; and the graces of the Christian character were conspicuous in her whole deportment. Her prayers for the nourishment of the divine life within her own soul, and for success in the propagation of the Gospel, prevented the rising sun, and they formed the engagement of many of her midnight hours. The records of her devotions, never intended to meet the eye of man, reveal an intimacy of communion with God, a humility of spirit, and an intensity and agony of desire for the advancement of the divine glory, which may well shame many thousands of the Lord's most devoted servants. In her removal from the scene of her labours and her arduous work, a loss has thus been sustained of which we all must be sensible."

These doubtless were exertions of which any man in the prime of life, and in the vigour of health, might be proud of having made; certainly no female, as far as we know, has ever exhibited any that can be com-

* Marathi and Hindustani. She studied Gujarathi with me for a considerable time, but she afterwards abandoned it for the Portuguese, connected with which she had greater prospects of usefulness, and which from its resemblance to other European languages with which she was acquainted, she found little difficulty in acquiring.

* Her reviews of *Mrs. Hudson's Life*, *Douglas on Errors in Religion*, *Dods on the Incarnation*, *Mrs. Simpson's Diary*, *Stebbing's Church History*, and *Chalmers' Bridgewater Treatise*, have been much admired; and some of them have been printed in other periodicals.