

He says:—"We have all been much interested out here with the accounts of the revival work going on at home, especially that in connection with Messrs. Moody and Sankey. During one of our evening prayer-meetings I was giving some little account of their work in Scotland and Ireland, and I especially dwelt upon the wonderful power of prayer, and the way in which blessings always succeed prayer, and Mr. Moody's rule never to go where much prayer has not been offered for a blessing on his work. The students appeared surprised to hear of such large gatherings and of the number of true conversions; I reminded them that our God out here was the same as their God in Ireland and Scotland, and He was just as ready to bless us if we would only ask Him. Afterwards they held a meeting amongst themselves, and arranged that there should be a prayer-meeting every day at noon in the little room which had been set apart for that purpose, and a general prayer-meeting every Saturday night at 7.30. At these meetings, which they manage entirely themselves, portions of Scripture are read, hymns sung, and prayers offered. They acknowledge that these little gatherings for prayer have helped to increase Christian fellowship and love amongst them, and I trust greater blessings will follow. I am now trying to get some of Sankey's hymns translated into Urdu, and I hope we shall be able to sing them at some of our meetings."

Mr. Fuchs, of Benares, tells the story of a converted Hindoo devotee, which seems to afford some hope God has raised up a Mr. Sankey for that stronghold of idolatry. He was a wandering musician, a proficient in his profession, and since his conversion a year ago has begun to sing Christian hymns and tunes to the accompaniment of his violin, instead of the im-

pure heathen songs which he wished entirely to forget.

The people were delighted to hear him, and the boys have christened him Daud or David, under which name, when he understood its origin, he was gladly baptized. He now accompanies the Catechist to the Bazaar, and not only sings but preaches in a simple sort of way, and is beloved by all who know him. Now if Mr. Sankey were to write this Hindu brother "David" a little note, addressed to the care of the Rev. J. Fuchs, Benares, and tell him how much good God has enabled him to do with his voice and his instrument, might he not be greatly cheered and encouraged to go and do likewise?

From Ahmedabad we hear of a *Hindu female evangelist*, a still greater innovation than a Hindu Mr. Sankey. A young and accomplished girl, daughter of a native judge, preached before a congregation of Hindu ladies, about forty in number, in the temple used by the Prathna Somaj for their prayers. The subject of her address was the Unity of the Godhead.

Five hundred and eighty-nine baptisms have lately taken place in connection with a series of special prayer-meetings, held at the C.M.S. Stations in Travancore, India. This revival is not directly connected with that in the Syrian Church, but quite distinct, and seems to have been accompanied by much contrition, consecration and earnest faith.

THERE are 290,000 inhabited towns and villages in Bengal and the North-west provinces of India alone. Calculate how long it would take to visit and preach even once in each of these; and how much it would cost to place one Bible in each; and how many