

visit them again, acknowledging that having attended the three meetings I held in the neighborhood, they had been much instructed and edified. They are adherents of Mr McDonald; so was the family with whom I lodged at one time; but they left him some years ago. The Free Church missionaries have exerted themselves in these quarters; but the most of the inhabitants are unwilling to commit themselves until they are sure the Free Church will supply them.

Having now laid before you the report of my mission, it only remains that I call the attention of the presbytery to the necessity of a renewed exertion on our part to follow out upon a more systematic plan a home mission in connection with our Church. I am of the opinion that in the course of time it will prove self-sustaining. There is a loud call for help from us in all the districts that I have visited. The Lord, I trust, has already smiled upon our efforts. Your missionary was received with the utmost cordiality by every branch of the presbyterian Church, in all the places he visited, and the most pressing invitations were given him to renew these visits of mercy. The state of many of the localities which he has visited is truly desolate. Some have raised up their families, who have never seen a minister placed over them according to the constitution of the presbyterian churches. They appear to us as a branch of that church, and call for our aid. Shall we then stand still? Shall we allow our zeal to be spent solely upon our foreign scheme, disregarding the spiritual destitution of our brethren and countrymen at home? Our church has been from the commencement of her history in the colonies a missionary church. Can we forget the travels and privations of

Dr McGregor and other fathers in Nova Scotia, of Messrs Gordon and Keir on our

own island during her infancy here. The living and the dead among them call upon us to imitate them and become followers of them in their labor of love in the cause of Christ, and in their exertions on behalf of perishing sinners. With their example before us, shall we be wanting in zeal and liberality in our master's cause. The whole land is before us; much of it yet remaineth to be possessed. Many parts of the island are at present without the regular dispensation of divine ordinances, and other sects are making inroads upon them, and leading away many of the young and inexperienced from our common presbyterian principles.

The Lord in his providence has opened up for us the door of access to them. We are invited to come upon them with the message of salvation; and at this very crisis we have a solemn call to enter into districts that are ready to receive us, and welcome us among them. Your missionary would then suggest the formation of a home missionary society in connection with this presbytery;—that every family in our connection shall subscribe one shilling and sixpence annually to this fund; and that immediate steps be taken to provide an active and pious missionary, who can preach both in English and Gaelic, to labor in connection with the presbytery on the island. We have every reason to hope that we will succeed, and that the Lord will crown our efforts with a blessing. Let us be aroused at the call of our Master, who still says to his church, "Enlarge thou the plan of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of the habitations: spare not; lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left." Isa. liv. 2.

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Foreign Missions.

LATE INTELLIGENCE FROM ANEITEUM.

The first April packet from England brought a long communication from the Rev. John Geddie to the Board of Foreign Missions, dated the 2nd October last. In it are contained full details of the progress of the mission. The missionaries continued their usual labors on Sabbath and week days, and there were indications of success. The members of the mission had been for a time laid aside by sickness, but had all recovered. The usual opposition had been encountered, but on the whole their success was gratifying. The cruelties of Heathenism still continue, but some