

pectations, beckoning us to go forward to the many regions beyond those already in a measure occupied, and we scarcely know what to do. Not to occupy these new places, this is indeed grievous to think of; and yet when we would occupy them we find ourselves on every hand "pulled up" (if you will allow the phrase) just through the want of men. Mr. Smith and I feel quite unable to *overtake* as we would the work we have felt compelled to *undertake*, and we are but waiting for reinforcements to undertake more especially in the large district cities in this department. Thus, then, you will not wonder that again and again we entreat your help, we entreat the abundant and fervent prayers of you all, prayer for us and the Church gathered in, prayer for more labourers. We have not ceased to mourn for our dear brother Musson's death, and yet we think we can already see (judging from the news from home) that the Lord of the harvest is bringing good out of this seeming evil, and that there has been no little sympathy and prayer and heart-searching in regard to the Church's response to her Lord's call to preach the Gospel to every creature called forth by this sad event. We hope and pray that our dear brother Swanson's visit to the various congregations, and his appearance at the Synod, will be greatly blessed to the end of raising up additional labourers to be sent forth speedily by the Lord himself.'

MISSION IN THE NEW HEBRIDES.

The following are some extracts from the Report of the Rev. Mr. Morrison, of the new Hebrides Mission, interesting as showing some of the lights and shadows of missionary life.

"It is now more than a year since I sent you my last annual report. In that interval of time we have been called upon to pass through deep waters; but in our afflictions the Lord was with us, and He has graciously brought us out of them.

In the month of December of last year, Mrs. M. was laid up with fever for three weeks.

In January I began to translate the gospel of Matthew.

In the end of January I baptized in Ebang (Pango) the chief and his wife with four other adults, and three children. In October last I baptized other five adults there.

In the end of January I was laid up of fever, which confined me to my bed for five weeks, and left me very frail for several weeks afterwards.

In March I began an addition of two rooms to our house accommodation, which, being of a very simple nature, was soon finished.

Resumed the translation of the gospel of Matthew in the end of March, which I finished in the end of July.

VISIT OF "DAYSPRING."

On May 13th, the *Dayspring* came from Sydney, bringing our supplies and the gospel of Mark in proof sheets. We went round to Havannah harbour to visit the teachers, whom we found well. Had friendly intercourse with natives from other villages besides Esem in which the teachers are stationed. Myself, with a few of our Erakor people, visited the island of Ekor, but could not prevail upon them to receive teachers.

Corrected the gospel of Mark in haste, and sent it back by the *Dayspring*, which returned immediately to the colonies.

VISITS OF NATIVES.

From the beginning of the year to the return of the *Dayspring* in August, we had a great many visits from chiefs and people from several inland tribes. Such visits at length became so frequent that our people