

to the best reader, the writing books were brought forward and examined, and a small reward was given to the best written. After closing with singing and prayer, the children walked in procession with the flag of the island; and the day closed by all the people of the island sitting down to a rural feast in a large open space near the King's house.—*Rev. C. Barff.*

BENEFICENCE.

Alfred the Great, after his defeat by the Danes, fled into Somersetshire. One day a beggar came to his little castle and requested alms. The queen said they had only one small loaf remaining, which was not sufficient for themselves and some friends who were away in search of food, but with little hope of success. But the good king said, "Give the poor Christian one half of the loaf, He that could feed five thousand men with five loaves and two fishes, can certainly make the half loaf more than suffice for us. The poor man was accordingly relieved, and Alfred's people shortly after returned *with a store of fresh provisions!*

There is that giveth, and yet increaseth; there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

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TO OUR READERS.

Owing to the absence from town of the Editor, this number has been delayed in being issued, but we hope to publish next number in due season. Meanwhile we invite our readers to think over the affecting story of "the Christian Martyr at Delhi," and ask themselves the question if they too, under like or any circumstances, would be ready "to stand up for Jesus."