

seen and heard our Missionary. He has travelled thousands of miles, and addressed probably, *four hundred* meetings, in less than eighteen months. Besides all this he has superintended the printing of the Psalms in the native language. These he takes back with him, a precious memento of ceaseless industry and burning zeal.

The Synod of our Church tendered to him the highest honour in its power to confer—the Moderator's chair. Other churches have exhibited every mark of confidence and of christian affection. The Presbyterian Churches of New Brunswick and of Canada have been moved to become fellow-workers with us in the New Hebrides Mission. The Church of Scotland Synod in this country has also resolved to engage in the same blessed enterprise.

Any notice of Mr. Geddie and his work would be sadly deficient if the invaluable services of Mrs. Geddie were ignored. At every stage of the work, from its inception to the present hour, her devoted piety and enlightened zeal, her practical good sense, her discreet firmness, her varied talents and accomplishments, and her highly valued correspondence, have proved of incalculable service. In every respect she has proved not only a model Missionary's wife, but herself a model missionary. Her visit home has told most powerfully upon the feelings and affections of our mothers and sisters in Israel; and if the mission has not more friends on her account, many of its friends have been stirred to more earnestness, and more love and zeal in the good cause.

Be it ours to cherish the remembrance of this visit, and when the missionaries have, (as Carey said of himself,) "gone again to the mine," let us hold the ropes!

THE LATE INTELLIGENCE FROM THE NEW HEBRIDES.

In past months it has devolved on us to be the bearer of heavy tidings from the New Hebrides. We had however thought it was scarcely possible that anything more sorrowful than what we have had formerly to record, could befall our mission. But

sad as was the tale of disease, and death among the natives, incendiarism, death of one missionary after another, the cruel murder of two of our agents and the flight of others, yet these occasioned us no such feelings of pain, as the intelligence contained in our present number. The events which we had formerly to record, trying as they were, we could look upon as dispensations of Divine Providence, filling our hearts with grief it is true, but occasioning no shame. But the tidings contained in some of the letters which we publish this month has filled our souls with a humiliation, which we could not have deemed it possible, that we could ever have experienced from that mission.

The leading facts having come to the knowledge of the public, having been even made the subject of very severe remarks in the Australian newspapers; the Board of Foreign Missions have published all the information which they possess. It is deeply to be regretted that the missionaries have not felt it due to their own character, to the board and church at home as well as to the interests of the mission, to have sent home fuller explanations regarding proceedings, which we venture to say are unprecedented in the history of modern missions. But from their own statements as well as from the information received from Sydney, there cannot be the least doubt of the main facts. It is too abundantly clear that an outrage disgraceful to all concerned has been committed by Commodore Wiseman on the natives of Tanna, and that proceedings of a similar character though not so disastrous in their consequences have taken place on Erromanga. At the former place, after a peremptory summons to the chiefs to come on board within two hours, commenced a regular bombardment on the plantations of the natives, which were of course totally destroyed, together with 20 odd canoes, and saddest of all, a number of lives. We would not presume to speak at this distance very decidedly on such a transaction from our own information. But having the views of the oldest and most successful missionaries in the South Seas regarding such a mode of procedure