

## Other Missions.

### FATE OF THE MISSIONARIES OF FUTTEHGURH.

(From New York Observer.)

We have received from the Mission House, New-York, the following extracts from a letter of the Rev Joseph Owen, dated at Calcutta, Nov. 6th. Mr Owen had made great exertions to learn all that can be known concerning the missionary families of Futtehgurh. It seems painfully certain that they were put to death at Cawnpore, in company with a large number of Europeans, early in the month of June. Mr Owen says:

"I have a sad tale to tell about Futtehgurh. I would have mentioned it sooner had I not been indulging some faint hope that it might not be true. About the end of June a rumor reached us at Allahabad that all the non-military residents of Futtehgurh had left that station, in several boats, and while coming down the Ganges, were arrested and all murdered at Cawnpore, in number 132. This led us to fear the worst regarding our dear brethren and sisters of the Futtehgurh station. A few days afterwards, however, we heard that the regiment at that station had not mutinied, and this gave hope that our dear friends might still be safe. Several days after General Havelock's column reached Cawnpore, I received from Hanukh, (Enoch,) one of our Futtehgurh catechists, a letter informing me that the station of Futtehgurh, had been destroyed, that he had with great difficulty escaped and reached Cawnpore and that all our dear missionary friends of the Futtehgurh station had been massacred at Cawnpore. I immediately wrote to Hanukh to come over with as little delay as possible to Allahabad. At the same time I wrote to Mr Sherer, a gentleman in the Civil service, who had accompanied Havelock's column, asking him to give Hanukh any needed assistance, and inquiring for any particulars he could give me about the missionaries of Futtehgurh. He wrote that he knew nothing beyond the fact that they had undoubtedly been murdered, and kindly furnished Hanukh with expenses for his journey to Allahabad. In a letter of an officer with Havelock's force, I saw the statement that the missionaries of Futtehgurh were supposed to have been murdered, with others, in Mr McLean's Indigo Factory

at Mehaidee Ghat, a place on the Ganges between Futtehgurh and Cawnpore. But Hanukh gave the clearest statement of any I have yet received. I requested him some time since to write it out. He did so partially, and I requested him to add several particulars which he had given me verbally. His paper was not ready when I left Allahabad, and, though I wrote long since for it, it has not yet been sent me. His statement, as I recollect it, is this:

"On the 13th of May the brethren at Futtehgurh heard of the Meerut outbreak, and were warned to be in readiness for the approach of the mutineers. They went with the residents into the fort a few times when danger seemed most imminent. The rest of the time they were all together in the compound at Rukka, and met daily for prayer. A native landholder promised to give them protection in case of an outbreak, and they had native costumes prepared for making their escape. The brethren took turns in watching at night. While they were thus occupied, Bro. Freeman wrote me a letter, one of the last he ever wrote, which I received and answered just as our postal communications were closing. Probably my answer never reached him. His letter perished with all my other correspondence. He took a desponding view of the state of things, mentioned the murder of the missionaries at Delhi, said the list of those massacred at Delhi, when known, would be even more frightful than we had imagined: "but," said he, "perhaps none of us will be here to read it." At length the commanding officer advised all the non-military residents to leave the station and proceed to Cawnpore or Allahabad, or some other place of safety. They embarked on the night of the 3d of June on several boats, but did not actually leave before 1 or 2 o'clock on the morning of the 4th. Hanukh says our missionary friends went on the boats of Mr McLean and Mr Guise, brother of our valued friend Dr Guise. I have just received a short note from Ishwari Das (Adam), dated Futtehgurh, June 5th, saying that they were living in daily fear of an outbreak, and that all the non-military residents had left in boats.

"A letter has appeared in the Bengal Hurkaru, a Calcutta daily paper, written by one of the very few Futtehgurh sur-