

consecrate themselves to Foreign Missionary labor, it will become the serious duty of all our ordained ministers, indeed it ought to be so now, to consider, each for himself, whether the call for additional labor do not address itself to his own heart. It is said of a certain Lazaretto where lepers are confined, that Moravians are found cheerfully devoting themselves to the work of piously instructing these devoted beings, who are forever shut out from society with any but such as are a prey to their own fatal disease. The gate that leads into this abode of Death, no sooner opens to give notice that the former missionary has fallen a martyr in his master's service, than another is prepared at once to enter, but only in a comparatively short period to give place to his successor. What devotedness does this manifest? Alas! how few of Christ's servants have the faith

and fortitude of these men. Oh for a larger measure of Christ's spirit to animate our ministry and Licentiates! then would there be many voices heard eagerly answering to our long, but vainly reiterated summons—Here am I, send me.

It will be observed, that the British and Foreign Bible Society have anticipated the petition of the Board, and the various Auxiliary Bible Societies that have interested themselves, in drawing the attention of the Parent Society to the claims of our mission; for assistance in printing the Scriptures.—The tenor of Mr Knolleke's letter affords every confidence that the favorable attention of the Committee will continue to be directed to the efforts, which are being made to introduce divine truth to the New Hebridean tribes, in their own tongue.

Foreign Missions.

Extracts from Mr Goddie's Letter:—

Aniteum, New Hebrides, Sept. 17, 1852.

MY DEAR BRETHREN,

I sent you letters by way of China, about two months ago, which I hope you have received. I rejoice to inform you, that we labour with much encouragement at present. Since the date of my last letter we have had several important accessions to our number. The man who set fire to my house last year has lately come over to the side of Christianity, and is now a warm friend. The heathen party wonder to see so many, and persons who were our formidable foes, leaving their ranks, while the Christian party admire and praise that power which can alone subdue the heart of man, and say, "This is the doing of the Lord." The cause of God on this Island, after many struggles, has risen triumphant above the most formidable opposition, and I cherish the pleasing hope, that the time is drawing nigh, when the religion of Christ will be the religion of this dark island of the sea.

I have already written to you about the arrival, and settlement, on this island, of the Rev. Mr. Inglis. Since his arrival, he has had a severe attack of an epidemic, which has gone the round of these islands,

and which has been fatal in many of them, a species of influenza. The presence of this esteemed brother on this island has been to me a cause of gratitude to God, as well as of encouragement in the missionary work. I enjoy excellent health at present, and I never needed it more. With school-teaching, printing, translating, building, and other departments of missionary labor, our hands are full, and we scarcely find time for necessary repose.

The sandal-wood establishment on this island is fast breaking up. There has been a great destruction of property. Those things that cannot be conveniently removed are committed to the flames. In a few months, it will be impossible to tell from external indications, that a foreign establishment existed on Aniteum. I wish that other memorials of their residence on this island could be as easily obliterated.

My dear Brethren, let us thank God for the measure of encouragement which we have enjoyed in his work on this island. May it arouse the church at home to more vigorous efforts in the cause. Send, I entreat you, more laborers and send men of the right kind. We want men of piety, energy, and devotedness, to the cause of God. and any others are worse than use-