

Canada will be able to say that he has been neglected by his Church, but when all who respect the doctrines, and love the services of our Church, shall have an opportunity of hearing those doctrines preached and joining in those services which they respect and love, is the desire and prayer of,
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MISSIONS OF FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

ANOTHER CONVERT GATHERED IN.—The Rev. Mr. McDonald, of Calcutta, communicates the intelligence that another convert, a young man of much promise had been baptized. He had been in the Bible class for eighteen months, during a great part of which period he had manifestly been under the influence of the truth, although he has been undecided on the subject of baptism. When he did make up his mind to be baptized, he was laid hold of by his relatives, and for a time kept a close prisoner, but he escaped and was received into the Church by baptism. His name is Behari Lal Chundra.

THE MISSIONARY SCHOOL AT POONA.—We copy from the Free Church Monthly Record the following interesting account of the missionary institution at Poona.

THE WORK OF A MISSIONARY TEACHER.—There are at present in our Institution about one hundred and fifty pupils learning English. They are mostly Brahmmins—intelligent and of engaging manners. They seem to thirst for knowledge, from whatever motive, and need no urging to diligence; and, it is an ardent desire that the knowledge of God and of his salvation may become as eagerly relished among them. Many of our youths manifest considerable interest in divine truth. Some we know have been under convictions of sin. Some seem even to wish further acquaintance with God, and *pray* for it; but the step of *decision* none have yet taken.

An interesting spectacle may be witnessed every morning in our Institution, when all the pupils with their teachers assemble in the hall for our opening service. Upwards of four hundred youths are then present, of whom nearly two hundred are over fifteen years of age. Including the teachers, who are twelve in number and who are young men of intelligence, there may be perhaps two hundred and fifty who understand an English address. Our large hall is crowded, the pupils in the centre being seated in eastern fashion on the floor, those at the ends on benches, and the teachers standing between the pillars along the sides of the hall.

The missionary from the desk at the end of the hall looks across a sea of bright faces, on many of which interest is evidently awakened, reads a portion of God's word, and strives to press it home on heart and conscience. To describe his emotions on such occasions would not be easy. He knows the enmity of the carnal mind against God, the early-planted deeply-rooted prejudices of his auditory, the superstition and sophistry in which they are nurtured from childhood, the wretched system of caste, &c., and might be damped in his attempt to find an entrance for the light of divine truth. Still, feeling Jehovah's promise—"My word shall not return unto me void, it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it,"—like a rock under his feet, he is strengthened to speak in all simplicity, earnestness, and faithfulness. Impossible that these proclamations of the truth should be fruitless, although doubtless there is the dread alternative that to many we may be "the savour of death unto death."

Besides this general address which is taken in turn by Mr. Gardner, myself, and Mr. Nanji Gokal (our native Christian teacher who speaks in Marathi), we have our regular Bible lesson both for the assistant teachers and the pupils, embracing all the classes, and affording us still better opportunities of explaining and enforcing the word. Our pupils are ready listeners, yet occasionally reveal