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The Sandwich Islands, or God seen
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As long ago as the year 1806, a vessel came into New York, bringing two copper-colored boys from the Sandwich Islands. Little was then known about the Sandwich Islands, except that they were in the Pacific Ocean, on the other side of the globe, inhabited by savages, who killed Captain Cook the great navigator. One of these boys the captain took to New Haven, where his family lived; and when it was known among God's people that the poor lad was a heathen, a great interest was felt, for a missionary spirit was just kindled in New England, and the heathen, perishing without a knowledge of the Saviour, were beginning to excite the sympathies of Christians. They determined to teach this poor Sandwich Islander, and he soon left the captain's house to live in the family of Dr. Dwight, President of Yale College. His native name was Obookiah, and Henry was soon after added for his Christian name.

At first, Obookiah had a dull, heavy countenance; but as soon as he began to learn, his face brightened, and,

"What dis? what dis?" showed how anxious he was to improve. Obookiah soon saw the folly of idol-worship. "Hawaii gods!" he cried; "they wood—burn—they no see, no hear, no any thing; we make them—God make us." After a while he was sent to school at Andover, and the pious instructions which he received were blessed to his soul. Obookiah felt himself a poor sinner, but when he found that Jesus could wash his sins all away, he went to Jesus, and prayed, "Lord, save me, or I perish." Then he said, "The Lord Jesus did appear altogether lovely, and his mercy was welcome to a sinner as I." What a blessed change was this for the poor heathen: once his mind was "all black, very black," his heart "mud, all mud:" when the knowledge of God and his Son Jesus shined into him, what light and comfort did he experience. "When out in the field, I can't help think about heaven," he says. "I go in the meadow—work in the hay—my hands, but my thoughts in heaven, all the time—then I very happy."

Obookiah's first and chief desire now, was to prepare himself to go