

immortality; and, from an humble shed in the camp of the captives, his happy spirit took its flight up to "the glorious hill of God"—the "fount of life, the eternal throne, and presence chamber of the King of kings," where all the prisoners' bands are loosed, and their captivity forever at an end.

### SANDWICH ISLANDS.

Letters have recently come to hand from a number of the stations at the islands, bringing intelligence of the most interesting character, giving reason to believe that the Lord, with whom is no restraint to save by many or by few, is at this period of embarrassment and perplexity in many respects, pouring out his Spirit extensively and with much power, imparting spiritual light to the benighted minds of that people, and gathering multitudes of them into his kingdom.

On the first of March Mr. Chamberlain writes from Honolulu to the American Board of Missions:

The Lord is showing us that when money fails, his Spirit can operate; that his divine influences are not dependent upon the temporal prosperity of the churches or of the mission. He is, we trust, pouring out his Spirit more generally and abundantly upon the churches in these islands, than has ever been known before. Eighty stand propounded at this station, and many more are hopefully converted. At all the stations on this island, there is evidence of the presence of the Holy Spirit; and it may be said, at about all the stations on the islands. It is our confident expectation that not a station will be left unvisited. That all who now appear to be converted will hold out to the end, we cannot presume to expect; but that a harvest of souls will be gathered into the kingdom, we do not entertain a doubt. Let all the praise be ascribed to the sovereign grace of God.

Mr. Bingham, writing from the same station on the 3d of March, remarks—

This is emphatically a year of the right hand of the Lord to the Hawaiians. There is a shaking and noise among the dry bones. The Spirit of God is most manifestly hovering over the islands. The gospel is the power of God. The brethren at Hilo and Waimea on Hawaii are counting hundreds of converts. At all the stations on that island it is believed that the Spirit of God is present and specially operating on the hearts of the people. Where the missionaries travel and preach, they believe God's blessing immediately attends his truth, and is followed by conviction and conversion.

For three months past there has been a waking up at the stations on this island. First here, then at Waialua, then at Ewa, then at Kanohoie. I proposed a circle of protracted meetings for the four stations, once a month, from the first of January, commencing here. The proposition was met by a readiness on the part of the churches and brethren, which indicated favourably, and the preparatory measures were salutary. The first occupied the first week of January, the second a week, three weeks later at Waialua, and the third is now in progress at Ewa.

About the middle of November I spent a Sabbath in the valley of Menoa, preached and conversed with numbers individually; an increased attention there was immediately obvious.

The Sabbath that closed the last year was at Honolulu an interesting day. Preaching seemed to chain the audience, and I have reason to believe that numbers in the church and out, felt resolved to spend the days of the new year, if allowed to see them, in a better manner than any former year. Our protracted meeting commenced the next morning, as the first rising sun shewed himself in the east. Our large house was well filled. Scores, if not hundreds, have declared that on that day they chose the Lord, and gave themselves to him. While writing this sentence a native man came into my study and said, he had lived in sin till the last day of December last, when he repented and gave himself to the Lord, (in his own district, four miles distant,) and has served him till now and means to do so unto the end.

There are hundreds in this place, who, within three months, have apparently reformed, professedly repented, and are ready to pledge themselves to the service of the Lord. A large portion of these refer to the protracted meeting the first week in January, as the time when they first resolved to be the Lord's, or when they were brought with clearer light to resolve anew to go to Christ and consecrate themselves to his service. Another class refer to the protracted meeting a year ago, and others to periods still earlier. Several petty gamblers have brought their cards and burnt them, and are urging their companions to forsake their ruinous courses.

Among those of whom it may be said, "Behold he prayeth," may be numbered Kehekili, (Thunder,) a stout-hearted heathen chief, who long resisted the claims of the gospel, but now appears to love the truth. He came to me "by night" more than once during the protracted meeting, desiring to converse on the salvation of the soul, and would readily, at my instance, kneel down with me in my room and pray with apparent