

"But who are all these," said the Tahitians, "rising up on the trunk of the tree above Peter?" "Oh," said the priests, "they are the Popes, the successors of Peter." "Ah, we don't know about them," said the natives; "but never mind, we've got the root."

"And what are the straight branches that go off from the trunk?" asked the inquisitive Tahitians. "They are the different orders of the Church—monks and friars, and so forth." "We don't know them either," said the people; "but go on, we've got the root, so we can do without them." "But pray what are these twigs, dropping off at the extremities?" "Ah, they are the heretics, and they are falling quick into the flames below." "Indeed!" said the Tahitians; "then whereabouts are we?" "Oh," said the priest, "you are there," pointing up to one corner; "there's Luther,—a decayed twig, he is dropping off, you see, into the flames, and that's where he is, and where you and your missionary teachers will go, for you are all heretics!"

"Ah, well," said the astonished Tahitians, "such is the picture, and such is the meaning of it you give us; but, however, we've got the root, and so we think we cannot be very far wrong, and we mean to keep to that."—*Juv. Miss. Mag.*

THE LITTLE MISSIONARIES.

Mr Ammon, a missionary at Mulky, in India, says, in writing to some people in Europe: "There lately died a little child, who was tenderly loved by his mother; so much so, indeed, that she refused all consolation, and was likely to die. It hap-

pened that there were two little brothers of the child who had died at our school, who, seeing their mother so broken-hearted, said to her, 'Mother, we will tell you what we have learned at school about a man called Job. He was a good man, but the great God let Satan do him a great deal of mischief, though it was all for his good. His cattle were stolen, and all his children were killed by the house falling on them. The Lord at last gave him more than he had before, and it is so beautiful to hear about it.' The mother was comforted when she heard her children tell her about the afflictions of Job.

A CAFFRE PRAYING IN THE WILDERNESS.

Mr Gladwin, missionary in South Africa, was once on a journey with an attendant, a Christian Caffre. Night approached, and they lay down to rest under the shelter of a bush; they had no waggon, no tent, nothing to cover them but the bush, nothing to protect and shelter them but the good providence of God in whom they trusted. The night was cold, as the nights sometime are in South Africa. They slept soundly, and awaked in peace and safety. When they arose, Mr Gladwin desired the Caffre to pray. They knelt down in the desert; the Caffre prayed, "O Lord, we thank thee we have had a very good night; slept very well, only rather cold. *We have borrowed the night from thee, O Lord, and now we want to borrow the day.*" This was the beginning of his prayer, and we may learn a good lesson from it. We have nothing of our own, everything is lent to us by God.—*Id.*

Notices.

Monies received by Treasurer, from 20th March to 20th April, 1854.	
1854. FOREIGN MISSION.	
Mar. 25—From a friend to mission in New Brunswick per A. Fraser, Esq.,	£1 0 0
Apr. 12—Mr R. Smith, Truro, quarter, ending 31st March,	31 16 0
16—Mrs Robert McNaughton, per Rev George Walker,	0 5 2½
Joseph McNaughton, do.	0 1 8
Samuel McNaughton, do.	0 1 8
Isaac McNaughton, do.	0 1 8
Mr Jacob Olding, Pinetree, 5s;	
Mrs. Olding, 2s 6d, do.	0 7 6
10—Mr David Gilchrist, Dumbarton, Pickering, Canada West, as Treasurer of the U. Presbyterian cong., Pickering,	2 5 0
Western district Prince St. Church	

Penny-a-week Society,	2 17 ½
HOME MISSION.	
Mar. 25—Collection taken Primitive Church, New Glasgow,	£13 6 9
Apr 3—Ladies Missionary & Repository Society, South Mountain, Dalhousie, per Mrs Reid,	0 14 0
12—Mr Robert Smith, quarter ending 31st March,	15 7 9
SEMINARY.	
Apr. 2—Ladies' Missionary & Repository Society, South Mountain, Dalhousie, per Mrs Reid,	£0 7 0
Tatamagouche cong. in addition to former contributions, per Rev J. Byers,	0 12 6
12—Mr R. Smith, Truro, quarter ending 30th March,	15 0 11
15—Mrs James Blackie, senior, Green Hill,	0 10 0