

the crowd separates in peace ; the Christians blessed with twofold happiness which the soul, still imperfect, experiences when it finds supernatural gifts, and the innocent joys of life united in an attractive form ; and the pagans, grosser and more sensual in their ideas, attracted to a religion which, whilst raising the heart to the pure regions of thought, leaves notwithstanding, terrestrial though innocent pleasure to human weakness.

WE HAVE TWO BRANCH MISSIONS

attached to the principal one of Motsi-wa-ma-Jesu : the Mission of St. Joseph of Korokoro, at three-quarters of a mile from us, where we have a church and a school, and the Mission of St. Michael, four miles only from the mother mission. The conversions there were so numerous that we were compelled to build a larger and more suitable church, which is now in course of construction. The Christians meet every evening in their present small chapel to say public prayers. Whilst I am going to the sacred edifice I hear their sweet voices mounting to heaven. Men, women, and children all chant their prayers together in perfect harmony. The school is under the guidance of a French sister, assisted by a native sister. We here see the ceremony of numerous baptisms performed as at Motsi-wa-ma-Jesu. The Christians are fervent ; but the neighborhood of the *batolic* (literally deserter, the name the Caffirs give to the Protestants) necessitates continual vigilance on the part of the missionaries. To conclude our visit to the missions of Basutoland, let us go on fifty miles farther into the country where the chief Malapo governs, under the inspection of an English magistrate. It is a mission in its infancy. We are beginning to build a church under the invocation of St. Monica, which I dedicated at the commencement of the present year. This new mission is literally *in partibus infidelium*, since there is not as yet a single baptised Christian in it ; but the pagans come willingly enough on Sunday to hear the word of God, and to sing the hymns in the Sisoutou. Not a trace of the civilization introduced by the missionaries