

devoted to a protracted meeting. The arm of the Lord was visible in every stage of the meeting. Compared with what we have before seen at this place, we think the present a great work. The principal difference between this and other seasons of the outpouring of the Spirit witnessed at this place, is in the extent. A larger number of the people about us are arrested, and a much larger proportion of the inquirers are from distant parts of the field. Some of our church members are very much aroused to the duty of prayer, and are now able to understand, as they never did before, the meaning of Rom. viii. 26. There is in fact every evidence that this is a work of the Holy Spirit. But who shall feed these lambs which Christ has purchased with his own blood? Can we do it scattered as we are?

Mr. Coan writes—

“On the fifth instant (November) we commenced a protracted meeting, which continued for eight days. It was well attended to the last. Many came from the distance of fifty and sixty miles to hear the gospel. It was a season of deep and solemn interest. God’s word was with power, and his work was glorious. Multitudes wept and trembled, and hundreds evidently think they are converted. How many will bring forth fruits meet for repentance, remains to be seen. Of one thing we are sure, that God is in this place, and that he has spoken to many hearts. We expect to return with many sheaves for Christ.”

BURMAH.

That indefatigable Missionary, Mr. Kincaid, makes the following reflections on the state and prospects of the Burman mission :

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“The prospect of enlightening and saving the people of this empire, has greatly increased in my own mind, during my tour north. Not that I ever doubted its ultimate accomplishment, but obstacles appear less formidable, and ways of gaining access to the people less difficult. I may be too sanguine, “too much inclined to look on the bright side ;” but after four years’ acquaintance with the government of Ava, and after travelling the whole length of the empire, visiting almost every town, and city, and village, on the Irawadi, from the Martaban gulf to the Himalaya mountains, and forming an acquaintance with many of the provincial authorities, and learning with some degree of

exactness, the extent, habits, and character of the various tribes of Burmah, it will be allowed that I have had at least an opportunity of forming some idea of what can be done. Eight years ago, no one would have supposed it possible that a missionary could go to Ava, and for four years preach the gospel publicly, and baptize believers, and form them into a Christian church ; that, as a teacher of religion, he would be received kindly into the houses of princes and noblemen ; and that he would be allowed to travel about in the neighbouring towns and villages, giving books, and preaching to the people. All this has been done, in the most frank and open manner. Twenty have been baptized, and formed into a church. On the Lord’s day, they meet, and sing, and pray, and hear the gospel preached. Add to this, a great multitude have heard of God, and of the Mediator, and have read more or less of the Holy Scriptures. This, too, has been done in weakness, and with very insufficient means. Now, the field is better known—the prejudices, vices and habits of the people are better known. When all these facts are duly considered, there is much to inspire confidence in the use of those means which God has appointed for the conversion of the world. Obstacles there are, and will be as long as sin and idolatry exist, but they are not insurmountable, when encountered in the name and strength of Him who came to destroy the works of the devil.”

THE MAGAZINE.

In our last Number, we placed this question prominently before our readers,

IS THE MAGAZINE TO BE CONTINUED?

and left the solution of it to themselves, as the only persons who were capable of working it out. We concluded by observing that, unless *One hundred and fifty additional Subscribers*

were obtained for the third volume, by the 20th of April, the work must cease. We repeat the observation here, that those who would regret the failure of the present effort to establish a Religious Periodical in Canada, may exert themselves in time to render it successful.