

### MELICAN HEATHEN.

A Chinaman applied for the position of cook in a family which belonged to a fashionable church.

The lady asked him :

"Do you drink whiskey ?"

"No, I Clistian man."

"Do you play cards ?"

"No, I Clistian man."

He was engaged and was found honest and capable. By and by the lady gave a progressive euchre party, with wine accompaniments. John did his part acceptably, but the next morning he appeared before his mistress.

"I want quit."

"Why, what is the matter ?"

"I Clistian man, I told you so before. No heathen. No workee for Melican heathen!"  
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### "LIVE OR DIE PUT ME ASHORE."

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The following interesting story is from the pen of Dr. John Hall, of New York, in the November *Gleanings for the Young*.--

It is nearly two generations since a boat's crew left their ship to reach the Hervey Islands. One of the passengers upon that boat desired to land, but the boat's crew feared to do so, as the cannibals were gathered together on the shore; but, holding up the Bible in his hand, he said, "Live or die, put me ashore." They would not go near the land; he plunged into the surf and held high the book. He reached the land. The cannibals did not kill him, but he won their favor, and lived among them, and, for aught I know, he died among them.

Thirty years afterwards another ship reached the same Hervey Islands, bringing literally a cargo of Bibles. They were all wanted, and were taken with the greatest eagerness, and paid for by these people. This was the result of the labors of that heroic young man who said, "Live or die, put me ashore."

I was preaching to my people some time ago on behalf of the Bible Society. I mentioned this circumstance in illustration of the fact that it is not so long, after all, between the sowing and the reaping.

When I came down from the pulpit and was standing in the middle of the aisle, there came up to me a tall, manly-looking gentleman, a man that looked as if he might be a descendant of one of the old Vikings, and said, "You will excuse me for coming

up to speak to you and introducing myself: I am Captain." "I am in command of Her Majesty's frigate—, and I take the liberty of coming to speak to you in reference to what you said about these islands: I was there with my ship, I saw these people, and then I saw the circulation of the Bible among them, and I never saw such Christianity in all my life as among the people of these islands." Said he, "They reminded me of those people of whom you read in the Acts of the Apostles."



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