

Till the language of the Natives should be learned, the Missionaries spend their Sundays at St. Mary's, where they preach, and visit the poor. There is a great disposition to hear.

The Station is within a day's journey of the Feloops. As the people from Sierra Leone, who are settled with the Missionaries, are all of this nation, it is hoped that speedy access may be had to that country by their means.

Mr. Baker, being appointed for the West Indies, it was not intended that he should remain longer than was necessary to establish the Mission. Mr. Bell was therefore sent, in November, to supply his place.

SIERRA LEONE.

Considerable advances have been made by this Colony, in population and strength, since the last Survey.

A Return of Schools, under date of January 1821, makes the number of Scholars at that time, Children and Adults, 1959. The particulars will be given under each Station.

FREETOWN.

The Chief Town in the Colony—in the Parish of St. George—inhabitants, exclusive of the Military, 4785.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

James Lisk, Schoolmaster.

Mrs. Lisk, Schoolmistress.

G. Fox, and Mrs. Fox, Native Assistants.

The Society has been long anxious to supply the Schools of Freetown with able Teachers. Death or sickness has removed or disabled several of those who were appointed to this charge, and under whom the Scholars were rapidly improving.

The Official Return, in January, 1821, made the total number

of Scholars 346; being 155 Boys, 84 Girls, and 107 Men and Lads: at the Christmas preceding there appear, however, to be 475 names in the books; but this was considerably less than the average of the preceding Quarters of 1820—some of the Boys having been put apprentice, and other circumstances operating as a hindrance.

At Lady Day, of last year, the names on the books were further reduced to 415; the diminution being chiefly in the Adults; a number of whom were sent to the Gambia with the late Rev. Robert Hughes.

At Midsummer, there were on the books 426 Scholars—being 185 Boys 153 Girls, and 88 Adults; but not more than 200 were in average attendance, chiefly on account of the want of accommodation, the School House having become unsafe.

WESLEYAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

John Huddleston, G. Lane, Missionaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Huddleston arrived on the 8th of November, 1820. Mr. Lane followed them.

The last Report states respecting Mr. Baker, at present at the Gambia.—

The labours of Mr. Baker, at Sierra Leone, were very successful; and his perseverance in them, notwithstanding repeated attacks of fever, was unremitting. The Societies under his care experienced considerable increase, and some New Places were opened for the Worship of God. A little before Mr. Baker left the Station, he writes—

“I am happy to inform you, that the work of God in Africa is making rapid progress. Many enjoy the realities of Religion, and many more are anxiously inquiring what they must do to be saved. Numbers of the blacks can now read the Scriptures for them-