

After the meeting was closed, the Christians had another meeting, at which they decided to take on themselves the keeping up of the library and reading-room; to bear all the current expenses, such as buying new books, magazines, etc., and lighting the room. They have subscribed very liberally for this purpose.

I was glad to hear from you, and to know that your health is so much better. Sickness is always trying, and specially so when there is some work one would fain be at. However, one is not always doing the most good when doing the most of what is called "work." And many who are never able to go outside of their own home yet bear "much fruit."

Miss Jamieson and Miss Scott will keep you posted now on their work in Neemuch, so you won't need many letters from me. Still, I'll try and do what I can.

MISSION STUDIES.

Missionary Work in the Islands of the Pacific Ocean.

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At this meeting you are to hear of the progress of the Gospel on the Island of An-neit-yum. The year 1852 was a memorable one in the history of the Mission for several reasons. In that year the first Christian Church on the New Hebridies was organized, with thirteen members—six men and seven women—who were baptised, and then partook of the Lord's Supper. About the same time a good church, large enough to hold five hundred people, was built and opened, and Mr. and Mrs. Inglis, missionaries from Scotland, joined the Geddies and settled upon the opposite side of the island, and from that time the progress of the Mission was steady and rapid. In course of time the whole island was supplied with schools, sixty in all, in which all the people were taught to read and write. Each school had its own neat school-house, plastered outside and in with lime made from coral; also a house for the native teacher, and a room for the Missionary to use when he came to visit it, and as the natives