

will be brought forth to the glory of his grace. No means appear to have been more blessed than the affectionate, and, I may add, personal, application of truth at the time of morning and evening prayers.

On the first Sabbath of the present month thirty-one were received to the church on profession of faith. The week following was devoted to a protracted meeting. The arm of the Lord was visible in every stage of the meeting. Compared with what we had 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 large 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 genuine 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. Lyman states that much interest was manifested by the people of the island in the boarding-school for training teachers which had been established at Hilo. One chief subscribed twenty dollars, and the natives of Kaavaloa had contributed forty dollars more. Others seemed disposed to aid in sustaining the school, rather than it should be suspended from deficiency of funds received from this country.

Mr. Coan writes—

"On the first Sabbath of the present month thirty-one persons were added to the church on profession of their faith in Jesus. We expect to receive as many more at our next communion. God has wrought a blessed work among our poor people in the course of the past year. To him be glory forever. The fruits of penitence and reformation are constantly springing up around us, and we have every encouragement to 'abound in the work of the Lord, for as much as we know that our labour is not in vain in the Lord.' Nothing is a plainer matter of fact than that the Gospel of Christ 'is the wisdom of God and the power of God unto salvation;' and it is a heartfelt, consoling truth, that those who sow in tears shall reap in joy.

On the 5th instant 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 work 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."

*Letter from Mr. Bingham, dated April, 1838.*

"The Lord has condescended to bless the preaching of the gospel by four missionaries here to an unusual degree, and we are all ready, with united voice, to glorify God for his goodness, and for his wonderful works among the Sandwich Islanders, by the power of his word and Spirit, manifested freely at all the stations at the present time, and wherever the truth is proclaimed. To our latest breath, and to eternity, there will be occasion to remember this year of the right hand of the Most High. The Spirit of God is showered down upon the whole extent of the Sandwich Islands; and those of us who have seemed to think that the gospel could hardly gain a lodgement in the hearts of this people, because of their alledged stupidity, or ignorance, or want of conscience, are now constrained to admit that they can be as readily affected by the word and Spirit of God as any class of men with whom we have been acquainted. About five hundred have been recently selected on this island (Oahu) for admission to the church, and in part admitted; and on Hawaii nearly three thousand have been admitted within the last year. There may be much chaff and many tares in this mass—many who, on trial, may be found to need to be converted lest they perish; yet we trust Christ has a precious seed among them, a chosen flock, redeemed by his precious blood, who hear his voice, and shall never be plucked out of his hand.

I have preached the last four days seven times, travelling in this district twenty-five miles, the first and the last time to the regular congregation here, very large; and once standing on the threshold of Mr. Smith's large school-house, and addressing a congregation twice as large as could be accommodated within. A mother and a daughter came last Sabbath twelve miles to hear me, and returned home the same day. The next day, when I visited their place and preached, the little girl came to me after the services were ended, and said she had forsaken her sins, and now chose the Lord. Last evening a man and his wife came here from that place, where there has been but little attention heretofore given to