

the land, who farm out the arrack shops. "If the government," said he, "would forbid the use of arrack, no one would dare to drink." Drunkenness is one of the principal sins of this city.

24. Early this morning I started for Kabin, to see the native Christians, who had long been waiting for a visit from a teacher. About sundown, landed from our boat, and started for the village, distant about two hours' walk. I found the zayat located in the jungle, with no house in sight.

25. Early this morning the Karens began to assemble, and in a short time nearly sixty had seated themselves before me, about forty of whom were Christians. To see such an assembly collecting in the forest was truly affecting. Who could refrain from weeping? At seven, before breakfast, I preached to them through an interpreter, from Eph. i. 18—"The eyes of your understanding being enlightened," &c. At 10, met again for the examination of candidates for baptism. Five gave good evidence of a change of heart; the church was unanimous in receiving them; they were baptized; and the "wilderness and solitary place was made glad," while songs of praise ascended to the Most High. In the evening the church assembled to commemorate the sufferings of the crucified Saviour.

26. Early in the morning left for Mergui, as it was not safe to protract my stay in the jungle, at this season of the year. Reached home about eight in the evening.

30. To-day, at the zayat, many assembled, and opposed with great bitterness. They charged me with coming to their country to destroy their religion. I told them not to be angry, for if their religion was true, it could not be destroyed, but if it was false, the sooner it fell the better. "Show us your God, and we will believe on him," is a continual declaration of the Burmans, reminding me of the Psalm, "Wherefore should the heathen say, where is their God."

Jan. 4, 1839.—Have made an excursion with Br. Mason up the Tenasserim; was absent ten days; performed considerable preaching, and found some hopeful inquirers. One Karen chief, who has about twenty houses under him, promised to serve God, and build a zayat for a school the next rains. He is a man of a good mind, and talks Burman as well as Karen.

7. To-day started with brethren Mason and Hancock, to visit the Karen villages, lying between here and Tavoy, connected with this station. On the eighth reached Kabin, and spent the day with those interesting disciples.

9. Started early in the morning for Thingbong. Having three mountains to cross,

made our day's walk very wearisome. In the evening, reached the village in time to have a season of worship with the Christians.

10. To-day met for the examination of candidates for baptism. Three out of five were received, and baptized in the name of the Holy Trinity.

NOTICES FROM INDIAN MISSIONS.

CHEROKEES.—Rev. E. Jones, writing from the Cherokee country (west), under date of May 14, gives the following cheering summary of recent baptisms, (in addition to 41,—19 males and 22 females—baptized at Chetata, and 7—3 males and 4 females—at Savannah Branch, before leaving their native country:—)

Br. Bushyhead baptized three females in the Gasconade, Missouri, on Sabbath, Feb. 3, 1839, and after our arrival, at a very interesting meeting, ten or twelve miles south of his residence, eleven gave a satisfactory account of a work of grace on their minds, and were also baptized by him on Sabbath, April 14. Three were males and eight females. On the following Sabbath, April 21, three females were baptized at Batty's Prairie, also by Mr. Bushyhead. On Sabbath, April 28, at the temporary meeting place, twelve miles south of Br. Bushyhead's, I had the pleasure to baptize ten hopeful converts—one male and nine females. So that in the midst of unfavourable circumstances and many inconveniences, we have the welcome assurance that it is the pleasure of the Lord to prosper his work among this people, giving efficacy to very imperfect instrumentality, for advancing the interests and extending the bounds of his kingdom.

He adds:

Our brethren are quite active in seizing opportunities to hold meetings in the various encampments and settlements; and very interesting and profitable seasons have been enjoyed by them on many occasions. I sincerely hope, if the Lord should spare our lives, we shall yet witness and enjoy much of the glorious effects of the power and grace of our blessed Redeemer.

I have fixed on a place of residence, about two miles south of Br. Bushyhead's, which will be at a convenient distance for uniting our efforts in the work of translation, which is greatly needed. I have made arrangements to have some temporary cabins prepared, to shelter my family when they arrive.