

The Mission Field.

MADAGASCAR MISSIONS.

ACCORDING to a recent letter of a Missionary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Madagascar, the French invasion will go far to destroy the Roman Catholic following in the Island. He writes:

"Since last Monday we have had applications from over forty Churches who wish to join us. The week after next I hope to go down south about two and a half days' journey to visit a district in which are twenty-eight Churches, formerly Romanist, and now wishing to join us. The people say that the Jesuits, before they left, told them that if the war continued, and there seemed no prospects of their (the Jesuits) coming back, they had better join us in preference to the Lutherans or Independents; and the people seem to be acting upon that. Hardly a day passes without a deputation arriving on this business. Teachers are a great difficulty with us. Whatever the motives of the people, it seems clear that a great door is being opened for us, and we must do what we can, and hope for good fruits."

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If the Soul of a Sandwich Islander be worth as much in God's sight as the soul of an Anglo-Saxon, it is not unfair to answer the old, old question, "Do missions pay?" by a decided affirmative. Before 1870, at which time the church on the Island became practically self-supporting, \$1,220,000 had been expended in missionary work in that field. The number of native members admitted to communion as a result had been 55,300, or an expenditure of \$22,06 for each convert. How much successful work does that amount of money usually accomplish at home? How many churches, whose yearly expenses are \$8,000, add three hundred and sixty members annually to their communion roll?

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(From the Mail, Can., Dec. 14th).

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