

Mission Field.

NOTES OF THE MONTH.

[From the S. P. G. Mission Field for December.]

At the Winchester Anniversary Meeting the Earl of Northbrook, G.C.S.L., formerly Governor-General of India, made a most interesting speech, to which his experience in India gave especial weight. Speaking on the subject of the Society's Mission to Chota Nagpur, he said:

"He supposed all who had heard anything of India were aware that among all the good work that had been done by our countrymen in India probably some of the very best and most lasting work had been done in connection with the aboriginal tribes.

"At Chota Nagpur, one of the most successful works done by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel was now in full vigor, and as he happened, during the time he was in India, to have paid a visit, and seen the Missionaries of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel at work, he spoke with some slight knowledge.

"He ought to say something about the nature of the population. The aboriginal tribes were called Kols, and were some of the most lively and cheery people in the world. Their habit was to meet any functionary travelling through the country—particularly Col. Dalton, the Commissioner, who was exceedingly popular—with dances; the girls, bedecked with flowers, would go and meet him with dances as he went through the villages. The religion they possessed was exceedingly rudimentary, and, as most people knew, missionaries in India had much fewer obstacles in dealing with the aboriginal tribes than in dealing with the Hindoos, and still more the Mahomedan population, because they had not to combat with the very great obstacle which caste presented to a change of religion on the part of a Hindoo. These Missions, both of them, had most excellent schools, and in these schools there were actually at that time, in 1874, a considerable number of young men training for the ministry of the Church, and they had a most excellent education.

"At the present time he believed there were no less than 14 native Kol ordained clergymen of the Church of England who had been brought up in the school, and were working among their fellow-countrymen. He met on that occasion one of the most excellent men he ever met in his life, viz.: Mr. Whitley, the missionary belonging to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, who really originated this particular Mission, and he was very glad to see a few years ago he was consecrated bishop and was now the Bishop of Chota Nagpur—he had never seen him from that day to this, nearly twenty years ago, but he trusted his zeal, his self-denial, would increase day by day the prosperity of the Mission. He was glad to no-

tice from the report this year there were at present not less than 13,000 baptized Christians belonging to the Mission at Chota Nagpur, out of whom a very large proportion—he thought as large as was to be found in any of the records of the Society—about one-half of the whole, were communicants.

(To be Continued.)

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S Brother, the Rev. Wm. N. Cleveland certifies to Mr. John D. Rose's sickness and cure. Mr. Rose's statement is as follows: "I, the undersigned, feel constrained to bear testimony to the value of your remedy for Dyspepsia. Last summer my stomach failed so entirely that I was unable for weeks to digest any food except an occasional cracker; meanwhile, I was reduced to a skeleton, and became so weak as to be unable to walk without staggering. Having seen in a Toronto paper your remedy advertised, I procured through my sister, a bottle of your medicine. Upon trying it I began at once to mend, and in a short time entirely regained my health, gaining in eight days 13 lbs. To-day I am well and hearty, which blessing, under God, I owe (as I think) to your medicine, K. D. C.

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