



GATHERING PERUVIAN BARK.

Peruvian bark, which is used for medicinal purposes, is an important industry of the country, and so is the digging and shipping of guano, which, as a rich manure, is in great demand. It is simply a deep deposit of matter left by sea birds, the accumulation of ages, never washed away, because Peru has scarcely ever known such a thing as rain. But still it is rich, rich in products and gold and silver, as the well known verse testifies :—

"I would not change my native land
For rich Peru with all her gold :
A nobler prize lies in my hand
Than East or Western Indies hold."

Missionary work is being done in South America but not to such an extent as the friends of missions would desire. In British Guiana, on the north-east coast, Bishop Austin has labored with a little band of missionaries ever since 1842. He is now the bishop of longest standing in the English Church throughout the world, and his steadfast adherence to his work, amidst toils from which many young men would shrink, is among the cheering instances of modern missions.

At the southern extremity of the South American continent labors another bishop, the bishop of Falkland Islands. His jurisdiction extends to the main land where a good work is being done among the Patagonians. This mission is due to Captain Allen Gardiner, by whose enthusiasm the South

American Missionary Society was formed, and by means of which good work has been done for nearly thirty years.*

NEWFOUNDLAND.

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"I have now, thanks be to God, and to the venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, a multiplied clergy, additional churches, a well organized seminary for the education of future missionaries, and extended schools. But I want a drier and easier access to my clergy and school masters. I want the power, as occasion may require, of bringing them to me, or myself to them, and of facilitating their intercourse with the more distant points of their respective missions. I have often been compelled to mourn over the loss of precious days and weeks during our brief season of summer, in which I might have ministered effectually to the wants of a craving people, if I had possessed the means of getting to their isolated settlements."

On the bishop's return from Bermuda in the

* See English Church in Other Lands, by Rev. H. W. Tucker, Secretary to the S. P. G.