

of the nation's own Messiah, under whose sceptre alone it is to enjoy peace, blessedness and holy greatness. It rejects the apostle's symbol of the olive tree, in the eleventh of the Romans, not merely confounding Jew and Gentile dispensation, denying that the once good olive tree has, for a season, become evil, and its branches cut off to make room for the grafts of the wild olive tree. This is emphatically and preeminently the time of the wild olive tree, whereas this theory not only confuses the wild olive with the good, but denies that it is the grafted branches of wild olive tree that are now bearing fruit and receiving a blessing. When the dispensation of the wild olive, or Gentile shall end, then, but not till then, shall the blessing and the glory return to the good olive, that is, to "all Israel."

To esteem external national prosperity as God's special mark of favor, is to carnalize all the prophets, and to degrade, not only the glory of the latter day, but present privilege in Christ; for what a poor thing these privileges and the glory must be, if this sinful nation of ours, that seems ripe for judgment and rejection, be the exhibition of these, the fulfilment of Jehovah's promises to the beloved people.—*Sunday at Home.*

HOME PIETY.—Enjoyment in religion depends on observing little home duties—or fireside piety. An occasional effort to do some great thing may ease the conscience a little while: but it is only the spirit of Christ carried into the family, and into every day life,

softening the temper, and rendering the heart affectionate which can impart an habitual elevation and serenity of mind.

MISSION WORK AT GOVINDPUR.

A NEW STATION IN MAUN CHOOM, BENGAL.—REPORT ON A VISIT BY ONE OF OUR CONVERTS.

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The following account of mission work at Govindpur is from the pen of our distinguished student-convert, Nitya Gopal Mukerji, M. A., who was baptised somewhat more than a year ago. After passing the last M. A. examination, in which he took the highest place in the university, he required change and rest and I encouraged him to visit Govindpur. While there he joined heartily in the work of our mission agents, Babu Wooma Charn Banerjee and Kangali convert, Bissonath our second convert, and Ram our Santal preacher, who form the staff of the station at present. I gave a short account of the opening of this station in my report for 1880, which appears in the annual volume of Reports for that year. The following letter gives a vivid and accurate description of the work we are now prosecuting in that region. That work has been even more successful and encouraging than I had ventured to hope, and requires to be only faithfully supported to make rapid progress.* Another important Hindu convert has been baptised since this letter was written. The writer, I may remark, is just entering upon regular courses of study