

coral reef on the island of Malo, about seven miles from Santo, and many of their valuable household goods and provisions were lost or quite spoiled, and they had to remain in Malo till the mission ship—*The Dayspring*—came to their assistance. They then settled on a small island, a few hundred yards from the south shore of Santo, on which was a native village, the people of which were very friendly, and from which it was easy to gain access to the mainland, so that it was considered the best site for the mission buildings. They had brought materials for a house, and put it up as soon as possible. The island is a lovely spot shaded by beautiful trees, and the house is both pretty and convenient. The people were said to be cannibals, but as yet the missionaries have seen nothing of it. They are rather fine looking, and seem to be more friendly and intelligent than those of the other islands. The people of ten villages near the mission station speak the same language, but three different dialects are spoken in the southern part of the island. Mr. Annand hopes by acquiring one language to be able by the help of teachers to instruct all these, but even then he says there will be three-fourths of the island where other languages are spoken uncared for. Before he had been there a year Mr. Annand began to speak the language of the tribe among whom he lives. A little church had been built, the people continue to be friendly, and a good many come every Sabbath to hear about the strange new religion, and do not work on that day. A school house has also been built, and a simple reading book prepared and printed, and a good many men and boys attend school, but they do not like the women and girls to attend either church or school, and say they don't think they need to learn about the book. They have with them two young natives who had been for some time in Sydney, and had been taught to read, and had knowledge of God and Jesus as the Saviour, and they hope these lads will by and bye make good teachers. At present, all that can be said of the work on Santo is, that it is in a hopeful condition, and we trust that God will so bless the labours of the faithful pair who have given their lives to it, that, ere long, they may have the joy of seeing, and we of hearing of many being brought to the Saviour.

The only other missionaries from Canada now on the New Hebrides are Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, who have been for a number of years settled on Efate, where also Mr. and Mrs. Mc-