

what a pity, alas! alas! Though each scene in our Saviour's life was explained, no objection was made and when the explanation was finished the old lady said; pu t'so pu t'so, right, right. These words are "how t'ing", "good to hear." Then the young Empress asked the native pastor if he would not come when he had time and tell her more about Jesus.

Are you not all glad to hear these good tidings? We missionaries truly are. It is really an answer to prayer. Do you remember the week of Prayer. It was Saturday the twelfth of January that all nations and their rulers were prayed for: We observed the week of Prayer here at this station and remember we all prayed even the children, and how earnest we all felt. We specially prayed for the Emperor of China and the four hundred millions of Chinese that they might come to Jesus. Well that very day the twelfth of last January was the time when the Empress's grandmother asked the tailor to explain the doctrine of Jesus. This ought to encourage us to ask great things from God for the heathen in China, India, Africa, and the islands of the sea. We ask you all to join us in praying that the young Emperor and Empress may have their hearts opened to receive the Lord Jesus.

Your friend,
J. GORFORTH.

LETTER FROM ERROMANGA.

One of our missionaries in the New Hebrides, Mrs. Mackenzie of Erromanga, has written a letter telling how they teach the natives there. Would it not seem strange to have grandmothers sitting in school learning their A. B. C.? But you must hear her own words.

"We have early morning Bible reading at half past five. It takes fifteen minutes to gather them in and have singing and prayer. I then go in and take a class of elderly women. One of these has her second sight and reads well. One of her great-grand children has been attending school for several years, so you may have some idea of her age. She is always present.

The teacher "Solomon" has a class of men. We are in about an hour. During that time the girls in the mission house are having their morning reading. They read about half an hour, then Mr. Mackenzie goes in, questions each and has prayer with them. Then each girl goes to her allotted work while we have family worship.

Then breakfast. As we finish the children's school bell rings. Mr. Mackenzie takes charge of the advanced class, and others are conducted by the teacher and young men in the training class. At the close of the children's school Mr. Mackenzie dispenses medicine, then has the training class which occupies the whole forenoon.

There are also some European settlers on the island and the missionaries do what they can for their children. All this shows what a busy life the missionaries lead.

A SABBATH IN ERROMANGA.

"Our Sabbaths are equally busy days. The natives have an early morning prayer meeting. The forenoon service is from nine o'clock until eleven. We both spend from one till two with the settlers children. At two, bell for children's Sabbath school rings. I take the advanced class. At a quarter past three bell for adults. They are divided between Mr. Mackenzie and Solomon.

The year has been one of our busiest and perhaps one of our most encouraging. The kindness of the people to us and their readiness to assist in the Lord's work continues to increase.

We have still French settlers here but not very near us. The priest has gone away. His own countrymen refused to receive his services."

Yours affectionately,
AMANDA MACKENZIE.

If you know of any place where the CHILDREN'S RECORD is not taken and where it would do good, just forward the name of some one who will be willing to distribute them and a parcel will be sent free of cost. There are many mission stations and destitute places where there is little religious reading, why not have a parcel sent to them.