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THE VICTORY BY LOVE.

Neither shall they learn war any more."
Micah iv. 3.

THIS text was delightfully fulfilled on the island of Raiatea, in the South Sea, some years ago. The Christians here had destroyed the temple of Oro, god of war, and abolished as far as they could, his worship in the land. To the no small vexation of the heathen party, who assembled their forces at sea, and proceeded to attack them. The poor Christians were greatly distressed, but committing themselves to God in prayer, prepared for the battle. They hid themselves behind the bushes near the place where their enemies were landing, and being commanded by their leader to make no noise, lay still for the word of battle. As soon as it was given, up they jumped, shouting out, they terrified their enemies, who ran in different directions to escape beyond their reach. The Christians pursued and took many prisoners,

all of whom fully expected to be put to death without any mercy. In this, however, they were quite mistaken, for instead of this, every one that was taken was led up to the commander very gently and there told his life was spared, while a herald called out, "Welcome, welcome, you are saved by Jesus, and the influence of the religion of mercy we have embraced." In this way they continued to deal with every prisoner, till at last a very cruel chief was brought, who trembled much and expected only to be murdered. When he came up to Tamatoa, the conquering chief he cried, "Am I dead?" "No, brother," was the answer, "cease to tremble; you are saved by Jesus!"

After this the Christians ordered a feast to be prepared, and invited all their enemies to sit down and enjoy the food; but they were so affected by this strange course of conduct that no one could eat. At last one of them got up