

public and private teaching of the missionaries, have had the happy effect of awakening in the minds of many, both Catholics and Protestants, a degree of religious concern, which it is hoped will lead to extensive and permanent good.

GIBRALTER is the porch of Spain, through which are sent into that kingdom in its own language, many copies of the Holy Scriptures, and various religious Tracts. It may also be considered as the house of call for numerous vessels bound to different ports of the Mediterranean, whose crews may also be supplied with religious books for their own use, and for the benefit of others: and as the missionary there regularly preaches on the water, many persons who never land, have an opportunity of hearing the Gospel, of which they would otherwise be deprived during a long voyage: the mission therefore at this important fortress, has long been considered as one of great utility.

The importance of MALTA as a mission station is obvious, and from thence we trust devoted missionaries connected with all the Missionary Societies may ultimately obtain access to the interesting regions by which it is surrounded. "We have only" says Mr. Cook "to cast our eyes on a map of the Mediterranean, to be convinced of the immense importance of this island as a missionary station. See this little rock in the midst of a sea, whose shores uphold the thrones of the leaders of two of the most mighty divisions of the army of the Prince of Darkness. It faces France, Spain and Italy, who have particularly given their power to the beast, and its other opposing coasts have long been cursed by the iron rule of the false prophet. See this rock, with its crowded population speaking the languages of Rome and of Mecca, delivered into the hands of a nation, blessed with the light of divine truth, and the desire to communicate it; at a time too, when unusual political agitations seem to announce that the most important changes may be expected, where the Mahomedan power has seemed to be most firmly seated; and say, if such a providence does not address a loud call to the