

candidates on their privileges and duties, and earnestly cautioned them against worldly-mindedness and apostasy from the cause of God. They then went down into the water, both ministers and candidates, and 170 persons were baptized on a profession of repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; a very large assembly were present to witness this interesting service, and all seemed to realize the solemnity of the scene, and to act as though they felt that God was present with them.—*Jamaica Baptist Herald*.

MOUNT HERMON, ST. THOMAS IN THE VALE.

On Sunday morning the 7th June the ordinance of baptism was administered by the Rev. R. Merrick to thirty-five persons in connection with the Baptist Church at this station, under the pastoral care of the Rev. J. Clarke.

A number of spectators were present, and evinced by their earnest attention the interest which they experienced in witnessing this solemn ordinance.

The congregation that attended the services of the day was so large, that though booths were erected around the temporary Chapel, many were compelled to stand in the open air. It is, however, pleasing to be able to state, that in a short time ample accommodation will be afforded to the numbers who are daily flocking to this station to hear the words of eternal life; a Chapel 74 feet by 48, and 24 high (so as to admit galleries) being now in the course of building.—*Ib.*

GURNEY'S MOUNT, HANOVER.

On Saturday, the 13th June, sixty-nine persons put on a public profession of faith in Christ by attending to the ordinance of Christian baptism, they were subsequently received into full communion with the Baptist Church meeting at this Missionary station, under the pastoral care of the Rev. E. J. Francies.—*Ib.*

GERMANY.

EXTRACTS FROM THE JOURNAL OF MR.

ONCKEN.

We would call attention to the following narrative, which cannot fail to remind the reader of the troubles in apostolic times, and in the days of the blessed Non-conformists.

Jan. 18, 1840.—The owner of the little vessel, who on various occasions took us kindly down the river when the ordinance of baptism was to be administered, called this evening and offered himself as a candidate for the same. I have looked upon this man

as changed in character for a considerable time, and of the duty of believer's baptism he was convinced long ago, but false views as to his qualifications have prevented him from rendering obedience to Christ's command sooner.

27.—The attendance was last night still more numerous; many new faces present, among them the husband of one of our members, who during the last five years has left nothing untried to induce his wife to give up her profession. Her great decision and faithfulness are already partially rewarded. He is already quite friendly to us, and at his request a number of our members, including me, were invited to spend an evening at his house. I have heard that he was well pleased with our company. Five new applicants for admission tickets, called to-day.

Feb. 1.—This morning our dear sister Z— brought me the joyful news that her husband (alluded to Jan. 27,) was now suing for mercy at the feet of Jesus. We wept together for joy, and then kneeled down to ascribe glory to Him who can, and who has in this case, changed a heart of stone into a heart of flesh. The enmity manifested by this poor sinner during the last five years, can hardly be described. He has pleaded on his knees with his wife to give up her religion—he has stood over her with a knife, to stab her if she would not comply,—but in vain;—our beloved sister remained as firm as a rock. The Spirit of the Lord strengthened her to endure all with meekness and to dread nothing. I shall never forget the affecting scene at her baptism. It was on a cold day in April. When she had come up out of the water she prostrated herself before the Almighty, and with uplifted hands implored him to make her faithful even unto death. The Lord has heard and answered. Her husband was induced by her entreaties to attend at our place of worship for the first time Jan. 27th, when I preached from John iii. 3. The discourse, as he states, made little impression on him. On the Wednesday following he attended again, after much entreaty of his wife; the sermon had no effect on his mind. We had on that evening a church meeting preparatory to the Lord's supper. As the Lord would have it, I gave that evening a very solemn exhortation to the church, on self-examination. To all this Z. was listening outside without our knowledge, and this was the appointed means to strike conviction to his heart. He waited till the meeting closed, when he asked one of our brethren to accompany him home, and when he had reached his dwelling, he said; "Now K—, it is all over with me." Br. K. remained with him till midnight,