

an account of the conversion of the last member of the family. His narrative is simple and interesting and shows how highly he prizes the blessings of the Gospel. We subjoin part of his narrative.

"Rejoice with me, for I have found that which was lost. Behold the truth and the fulfilment of the word of our Lord, 'This day is salvation come to this house' is literally fulfilled and verified.

"Oh, had I been a good scholar, I could picture out my rejoicing and thankful heart to show forth the mercy of God our Father on sinners, the work of the Holy Ghost in the ears of sinners, and the love of our loving Jesus for sinners, and fully to express the causes of my asking you to rejoice with me. However, I shall try to give a short sketch of the causes of my rejoicing. On the 17th August, 1862, I was baptised; my wife on the 4th January, 1863; and then my youngest brother, Jodu Nath Das, on the 6th December, 1863; and my neighbour, Lucky Monie Mittra, (widow) on the 23rd July, 1865. These were the ninety and nine, and the one was my younger brother, Baikanta Nath Das, that was left behind, gone astray, and who was wasting the things that had fallen to his share. He has returned, and I have found him safe on the 15th July, 1866, the Sabbath of our Lord.

"From the day after my baptism he was living with my uncles, and through their instructions he acted cruelly, and afterwards divided the little property with me, taking his share. A few months ago, on an evening, having an opportunity to speak, I told him of the Lord, and asked him how he was feeling, and to join us to serve the Lord Jesus; but the answer was not very favourable. 'He that is not against us is for us.' Observe the instrumentality of the Father to change the heart of sinners. Two Hindu Babus—namely, Ram Chandra Cowar and Beni Madhub Cowar—clerks of the East Indian Railway Company, who were students of the Free Church Institution, helped much in exhorting Baikanta Nath, and asking him to join us.

"Last Monday evening, the 9th July, when we were sitting together, he came and broke out saying, 'brother, what shall I do if I be put in great difficulty after I have joined you, for I am not educated?' I answered, 'You have learned a trade, and can earn for yourself; we must not expect to be always happy in this world. We have to suffer patiently; for it is better to suffer with the people of God than to be happy with devils.' He answered that it is through sin only I am put into all these troubles, and have lost my peace of soul. On the following morning he returned with the remains of his share of the property, and his wife with him, who is only a girl of eight years. She was made a seducing plot of my uncles, and the devil's device to prevent my brother from joining us. I speak not of my uncles only. It is a common practice among most of the Hindus to divert their sons from embracing christianity. Such persons are happy to see them with evil company, rather than see them speaking with or even looking at a disciple of Christ.

"On the following Sabbath, Baikanta Nath with his wife joined us in family worship, humbly kneeling by our sides at the footstool of our Lord our God. Oh, how happy we were! And any one would have been happy thus to assemble together a little band of believers to offer up prayers thanks, and praises to the Almighty Creator of Heaven and earth, under the roof that had been once the stronghold of Satan. Indeed, it was a joyful sight! The three brothers, with the wives of the first and second, our neighbour Lucky Monie Mittra, and two of her native Christian companions spending their holidays with us, and a country maid—eight in all."

From Kaffraria the Rev. Mr. Ross writes, giving an account of some of