

story of redeeming love to the people by whom his brother and sister had been slain. Mr. McCulloch was compelled by the chronic illness of his wife to give up the Mission field. Mr. Morrison, after making a deep and permanent impression on Fate, after founding a Church there and translating a portion of the Scriptures into the Fatean language, was laid aside by illness, and by-and-by was called away from all his toil to the rest of the people of God.

Our Church sent forth more recently a young Missionary from Scotland, the Rev. James McNair, who now labours in the New Hebrides.*

Here, then, is the catalogue of our Foreign Missionaries to the New Hebrides. Our sister Church sent forth the Rev. J. Goodwill a year ago to join the thinned ranks of our force. He has reached his field of work; may the Lord prosper and bless him abundantly in it, and spare him long to sow and reap!

Three years ago the Synod determined to establish a Mission among the Coolies of Trinidad. Rev. John Morton, our pioneer Missionary in that island, has been in the field more than two years, and has laboured with the greatest faithfulness and not without promise of success. The Synod of last year authorized the Foreign Mission Board to call Ministers to occupy posts in the foreign field. In response to the Board's call the Rev. Kenneth J. Grant cheerfully devoted himself to the work, and on Tuesday, the 8th ult., left Halifax on his way to Trinidad, where he is to labour with Mr. Morton for the benefit of the Coolies. He goes from among us, the tenth Foreign Missionary from the Presbyterians of these Provinces.

Thanks be to God, that He has given to His servants so much of the spirit of self-consecration; and that He has made the Church willing to give up her men and her wealth for the benefit of the dying heathen. We rejoice to state that the Missionary spirit is taking hold of the youth of our Church. Our Sabbath-school children are doing their share towards the support of

the "Dayspring;" and several of our students have intimated their determination to offer themselves for foreign service.

Our Church has made but a beginning in this noble work of Foreign Missions. Hundreds of millions of heathen are still living and dying in ignorance of the Gospel. Christendom is less than half in earnest in diffusing the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus. More men and more means must be devoted to the work year by year, until there are as many ambassadors of Christ in the foreign field as there are pastors in the home fields. We may be sure that our own Church has not attained anything like the limit of her duty towards the heathen world. Thankful for what God has enabled us to do, let us aim higher and still higher that thousands in the New Hebrides and Trinidad and other lands may rise to call our Church their mother in the Gospel.

PREVAILING ERRORS.

The true Word of God is our standard and rule of faith. We have "subordinate standards" but these are valuable only as they interpret and state the teaching of the Scriptures. When we, Presbyterians, confront what we believe to be error, we bring it to the test, not of the Confession of Faith and Catechisms, but of the Bible. Our appeal is not to man's word but to God's Word. We grasp the sword of the Spirit, and if we wield it with skill, as our Lord did in His conflict with Satan, we shall be more than conquerors. It is of great value to be well versed in our Subordinate Standards, both for our own edification, and for purposes of defence against the assaults of error. But in the day of conflict our recourse must be to the arms and armour provided by God.

Never were there so many bold or insidious enemies of God's truth as are now in the world. They are as active as they are numerous. Hence urgent need of training all our people, old and young, in the truth as it is revealed in the Bible. The system of sound doctrine as held by our church should be instilled into the minds of

* Since the above was in type tidings have reached us of Mr. McNair's death.