

little or, for a little, lower than the angels through or by means of* the suffering of death that he by the grace of God should taste death for every one of his brethren or of the seed of Abraham. This the apostle saw; he could say, we see the son of man, who was made for a little lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honour, and though we do not yet see all things put under him, we know that is soon to happen, for he must reign till he hath put all things under his feet, and then he shall deliver up the kingdom to God the Father, that God may be all in all.

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* Dia, with accusative, may express by means of. (Winer.)

Missionary Intelligence.

LETTER FROM REV. G. L. McKAY.

Formosa, Tamsui, May 3rd, 1872.

REV. WM. REID,

MY DEAR SIR,—I now write to you from the place I intended to visit when I wrote last, and from the region where I expect hereafter to labor for the Lord Jesus Christ. Combined circumstances induced me to leave the south so soon. Having decided to remain in Formosa, the next question of importance was, which part of it should our church occupy, so as to co-operate with the brethren of the E. P. Church, and at the same time have a distinct field? After going through the southern and getting information regarding the central part of the island it seemed clear I should proceed northwards. To make Takao on Tai-wan-foo my head-quarters, and begin work in the midst of stations already planted, would be unadvisable—to go beyond them would be altogether impracticable. One Treaty Port (Tamsui) remained unoccupied; to it I determined to go, and was glad to learn that the brethren were anxious for the Canadian or American Church to take up the northern field, and at once offered several stations which they supposed were nearer Tamsui than Tai-wan-foo. The road however from the former place they never travelled, and as they were now preparing for a journey overland, and as I felt a growing desire to live with Chinese entirely, so as to hear their language spoken daily, I determined to proceed to my future field, and there remain, if the Lord should prepare the way. Whilst meditating upon these things the British Steamer "Hai-loong" entered the harbour bound for Tamsui direct. I went on board with Rev. Mr. Ritchie on the morning of the 7th March. At Tai-wan-foo Dr. Dickson joined us and after a pleasant sail up the channel, came into port at Tamsui Sat. 9th, 3. p. m. On inquiry I found the way was prepared to remain;—and at the same time to accompany the brethren to the above mentioned stations. Early on Monday morning with our servants and guide we set out on the journey. For three days our course lay in a southerly direction, at first over a beautiful table-land with pasture fields—numerous villages and groves of firs on the banks of streams,—all of which in the distance had the appearance of Scottish scenery. Afterwards we crossed rich plains, fertile valleys and sandy hills. The fourth day we turned eastwards, and passed through a barren district, then a tea-growing region. When half a mile away from the nearest station (on the afternoon of the 5th day) men, women and