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"ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD-WILL TOWARD MEN."

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Survey of the Protestant Missionary Stations throughout the World, th their Geographical order.

The success already granted to the Christian Labourers among Jews, Mahomedans and Heathens, is but as the drops, which are sometimes the precursors of the abundant showers, but, at others, pass way and leave the earth comparatively unblest by the rain of heaven.

The Missionaries, in **E**l quarters of the field of the world, acknowledge the difficulties around them to be insurmountable by human strength and wisdom; and freely confess the need of patient faith, in most cases under disappointed hopes and few actual conversions. Some scoffers in these last days eagerly seize on such ingenuous ac-knowledgments; and labour to disparage and to expose to scorn the sacrifices which Christians are making, as a useless waste of money and toil, and even as a shameful dereliction of duties nearer home!

In the mean while, abundant proof is afforded that the Almighty Arm is still the same. Entire communities, as in the Islands of the Southern Seas, are turned from idols to the profession of Christianity, and numbers among them to the devout service of the living and true Goo; while, in other quar-

ters, as in Western Africa, the dews of heaven descend. in abundance, and convert barren deserts into the garden of the Lord.

## BATHURST.

A Settlement on the Island of St. Mary, at the Mouth of the Gambia.

## CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

We are sorry to report the death of the Chaplain at St. Mary's, the Rev. Robert Hughes, and that also of Mrs. Hughes. They arrived at Bathurst, by way of Sierra Leone, in March of last year, but survived little more than five months —Mr. Hughes dying on the 24th of August, and Mrs. Hughes on the 28th. One Son, about fourteen years of age, was left in England; but two others, very young, were with their parents at Bathurst.

Mr. Hughes had undertaken to act as the Correspondent of the Society, and to promote its objects He apprised the in the Gambia. Committee, that the Natives up the River were willing to send their Children to any Schoolmaster who would settle and suggested that an knowledge of agriculture would greatly conciliate the people to a Teacher, the loss of the Slave Trade having left them poor. Cotton, in particular, might be introduced with advantage. Should St. Mary's be made a Liberated Negro Station to any extent, it would immediately re-

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