

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.—Several encouraging incidents connected with missionary operations in India are mentioned in the Record of the Free Church of Scotland. Among these we may include several recent baptisms at Poona. Mr. Mitchell the missionary writes at follows:—

"I must write very briefly, for I am just about to start from Punderpoor, the great place of pilgrimage, of which I spoke in my last letter. Already thousands are flocking to the shrine of Vithota there; and I am anxious to be present before the wildest portion of the ceremonies has commenced."

"But I must briefly refer to some recent admissions into the Church. On Sabbath last, three of the pupils were baptized. We had intended that the sacred rite should be dispensed on the same day to an interesting man who has for a good many months been an earnest inquirer, both he and his wife giving every evidence of deep feeling. Circumstances prevented their being baptized on that precise day; but they were admitted at a church meeting for prayer, held two days ago. These five cases of admission into the Church have cheered us. The pupils of the boarding-school are well known to us, and we could not hesitate in regard to them. Nor could we but exceedingly rejoice in the many proofs of sincerity which the man to whom I have referred—Premdas—afforded. He is a Gosavi, a religious teacher, with numerous disciples; and we trust that his example may lead many to solemn consideration. He is upwards of forty—I should think full forty-six—(a native seldom knows his age), and a vigorous, energetic man. His wife has been in England as an ayah (lady's attendant), and doubtless among the causes conspiring to detach her mind from heathenism, the recollection of what she saw in England must find a place. Premdas is about to proceed forth in the first instance with us to Punderpoor, and then he will probably go among some of his quondam followers, and declare to them that he has only now found the only true God."

"We had a very solemn communion season lately; and at the thanksgiving after it, there was more earnestness and devotion manifested than I have yet witnessed in our native church. May the Lord visit us, and revive us, and cause us to rejoice in him!"

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In Caffraria the progress of the Presbyterian mission is said to be wonderfully encouraging. The number of communicants at the different stations is 577, of whom about a sixth part were added in the course of last year. Success still continues. On one Sabbath in August twenty-two persons, of whom fourteen were adults, were baptized at Burnshill. The adults had been under instruction for longer or shorter periods, between two years and fourteen months. As these converts are spread over a considerable extent of country, it is reasonably believed that their influence will be extensively felt for good.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—In Jamaica the fruits of the revival appear in the steadfastness of the converts amidst great temptations, love to one another, sympathy with the afflicted, growing liberality and attachment to the ordinances of religion. The Rev. W. Lawrence, writing from Mount Zion station, says: "The congregation was never in a more interesting and prosperous condition. The revival has been attended with blessed results at this station. Many were awakened, and not a few have been hopefully converted, and although several candidates and two members have relapsed, yet most are holding on their way. One hundred and twenty-five have been added to the roll of members, and there is still a large class of candidates."

At Ikimetu, Old Calabar, the February *Record* gives the account of the reception of the first convert, a young man of the name Egboangwan. Another young man is in a hopeful state. At Old Town the hopeful death of a boy is mentioned. His name was Abanga Ekpyong. In his sickness he declared that it was Jesus Christ alone who could help and save him.