

their widowed fortunes, and to take what remained of life's journey together in mutual help and comfort, as "heirs together of the grace of life." On the Wednesday following Bridi's baptism, therefore, the Church doors were thrown open, and a merry peal rang from the towers. And the bride and bridegroom, plainly but decently dressed, as became their station, exchanged vows in presence of a large and deeply interested congregation, and after being commended to the gracious guidance of the God of Abraham and of Sarah, received the congratulations of all the Christian brothers and sisters, with faces that beamed with glad content. And so the poor lone widow, who came seeking a son, has found both a Saviour and a husband, and has proved in her own happy experience that "all the promises of God are yea and amen in Christ Jesus."

#### MEDICAL MISSION AT BEAWR.

When Dr. Husband was removed from Beawr to Ajmere, to commence medical missionary operations there, he was succeeded by Dr. James Sommerville, who had for a short time after his arrival in Rajpootana been engaged at Nusserabad. The large number of orphans at Beawr, and the removal of the Rev. John Traill from that station to Jeypore, rendered expedient the transference of Dr. Sommerville to Beawr. The following view of Dr. Sommerville's work as a medical missionary will be perused with much interest by those who are alive to the great importance of the medical element, so largely developed and so hopefully prosecuted in our Rajpootana Mission. Dr. Sommerville's statement embraces a period of about twelve months:—

"I was glad," says he, "to be able to give some assistance to the brethren at Nusserabad in the medical part of their work, occasionally in the bazaar, as requests came, but mostly at the mission bungalow, to which considerable numbers resorted for advice and medicine. I found that our brethren there, particularly Mr. William Martin, had acquired a wide reputation in this department. Many persons came from distant villages, some returning for a renewal of benefits formerly obtained, others present for the first time, and all attracted by the kindness and skill which the missionaries had shown.

"The dispensary and hospital at Beawr are situated in a busy thoroughfare, and near the eastern gate of the town, and stand close to a cluster of small fanes, sacred to the god of smallpox; so that we might not inaptly be supposed to have thrown out a twofold challenge to the devotees of idolatry.

"The lower part of the building consists of two divisions, formerly used as shops, of two apartments each, those in front opening directly to the street, and separated by a partition wall. The upper consists of six small rooms, having free communication with each other, the centre one being occupied by the hospital assistant, who resides here. One of the lower divisions is devoted to seeing patients and prescribing, the other is allotted to dispensing medicines.

"Since the opening of the dispensary on 1st March last, such members have taken advantage of it as at least to afford ground for encouragement. Compared with Nusserabad and Ajmere, our resident population is very much less than that of either of those places; the civil dispensary which we have scarcely, however, interfering with our numbers.

"During Dr. Husband's incumbency—March and April—325 new cases are recorded; and if the numbers who availed themselves of his services from the beginning of the year till the period of his removal be reckoned,