

cessary, and private feelings

na, at P-kin, is translating the "Leap of Day," and that some "progress" have been made in the information that ten Protestants work in that city, is full

8. brethren. I cannot think except to a small part of the your mission. As for the are not been touched by the less or by some exhibition in their neighbours, they in part detest foreigners. At show face without any's aptuous epithets being and sometimes much rival in a very small matter, here is certainly worse than is yet visited in this report. so long as it does not blinding of the word, there's a of affection toward us in of pride and wrath, which is more within the sound of the a cold, callous, disparaging of us might effect.

en than this I cannot see my own desire, moreover, is to there is yet no missionary though I may have to be pleased yet, knowing the language, I reason why that should be, therefore should Mr. Ben to believe that it is the that he should abide a long I cannot see that this should journeying to Formosa along re preacher to second me with companionship. But this is the hence, and maybe there are grounds to consider then.

LETTER FROM MR. MACKENZIE

Swatow, Feb. 22, 1864. (A. SMITH intended to have you by this mail from Yuen-shieh place he left this six days yesterday afternoon, however, wrote him that he had been putting out the journey to Yuen-shieh his way had unexpectedly been to a large and important place on Tung-ow. He is there now, been enjoying good opportunities of preaching. Our new premises will be ready by the warm weather, and I have a commodious chapel, as our present number. On the first Sabbath of the

New Year, i.e., on Feb. 7th, we had the privilege of baptizing two adults at Tat-hau-pow. One of these is the son of an old man who himself was baptized about a year and a half ago; the other is the wife of A. Sang, the second convert of our mission in Tie-chew. While we would rejoice over every new convert to Christ, yet we feel specially gratified and encouraged when the Lord is pleased to lead to himself those who are members of the families of his people: hence we all rejoiced much at the baptism of the two above mentioned. The former of these is about nineteen years of age; he has been in our service for some months, and thus, though not exposed to the trials that such converts as earn their rice (not "bread") without any dependence on us, he has yet been more thoroughly under our supervision, and, so far as could be seen, seems to have indeed believed on the Lord. He was formerly a bigoted idolater, and a bitter opponent of his believing father: it was indeed a pleasing sight to see the father and son sitting together at the table of the Lord on the afternoon of the day on which the latter was baptized.

Besides the two lately received, there are three or four other candidates for baptism in this quarter: of these there is one at least of whom we hope soon to write that he has been baptized.

At Yam-teau there has of late been much trial—trial which has, we trust, been to the praise of God and to the increase of the faith of those tried. For the native Church there, and for all of us, we entreat your prayers.

ESTABLISHMENT OF TEN PROTESTANT MISSIONARIES IN PEKIN.

From the "London Missionary Magazine." Peking, January 2nd, 1864.

MY DEAR FRIEND,—I send you this note, via Russia, to inform you that I transmit the Chinese Hospital accounts by the English mail that leaves in a day or two. By the same opportunity I also send the report to be printed at Shanghai.

The river is now closed by ice, and our mails came via Chfoo.

In your papers of October I see some strong observations about the exclusion of Protestant missionaries from the city of Peking. That missionaries cannot gather crowds in the street is true; but they can do anything else they wish, so long as they act prudently; and there are now in this city the following ten missionaries doing their work as they have ability:—

- London Missionary Society: Rev. Joseph Edkins and wife, and Dr. Lockhart.

Church Missionary Society: Rev. J. Burdon; Rev. W. H. Collins, wife, and children; and Mr. John Fryer, school teacher.

Gospel Propagation Society: Dr. Stewart, and Rev. F. R. Mitchell.

English Presbyterian Mission: Rev. W. C. Burns, pro tem.

American Episcopal Mission: Rev. S. Schereschewski.

American Presbyterian Mission: Rev. Dr. W. Martin, wife, and children.

I do not know whether I informed you that the French Ambassador tells me that in Szechuen Province, at a place called Chang King, the people raised a disturbance against the native (Catholic) Christians, killed many, and destroyed property worth 400,000 taels. He has demanded satisfaction, and the local authorities are to pay the money. He says that almost every week he is applied to under similar circumstances; that the feeling is not so much against Christianity, as against foreigners, and against the native Christians as followers of a foreigner; and lastly, that this feeling emanates from Peking, but is only manifested in the distant places or provinces.

Yours very truly,  
(Signed) W. LOCKHART.  
Rev. Dr. Tidman.

COLLECTION, THIRD SABBATH OF MAY.

LAST year has been marked by an abundant blessing on the work in China, and it has opened many new doors to our missionaries. In the stations around Amoy, as well as in the neighbourhood of Swatow, many new members have been gathered into the Church; and in one village at least the spectacle has been witnessed of a people so weaned from their idols and so prepared for the Gospel as to make the feeling inevitable—"This is the doing of the Lord, and it is marvellous in our eyes." The field is wide, and it is open; the Spirit of the Lord is not straitened; our missionaries are in labours abundant, and their work has been all throughout most graciously prospered. It is for us to sustain them, and to send out that help which they urgently implore, and which the care of so many new converts demands.

It is earnestly hoped that no congregation will this year omit the col-