

about seventy pupils in this district, who are taught by natives. There are two houses of worship, and about forty communicants. No decrease is apparent in the population within a few years.

On the fertile places, although the pasturage was good, yet no cattle were to be seen.

From Lihui, they pursued their way to Hanawale, which is a small fishing village at the mouth of a little stream. The country on this route was uninteresting, until they reached Wailua, the residence of Deborah, a chief woman of the islands, readily known as such from her enormous size, and the cast of her countenance. She has a person living with her called Olivia Chapin, who speaks English, and has learned how to extort money. Deborah has about forty men in her district; but they were absent, being employed in the mountains cutting timber to pay the tax to the king.

Near Deborah's residence are extensive fish-ponds belonging to her, which have been made with great labour: they are of different degrees of saltness. The fish are taken from the sea when young and put into the saltest pond; as they grow larger, they are removed into one less salt, and are finally fattened in fresh water. While our gentlemen were there, Deborah received young fish in payment of the poll-tax, which were immediately transferred to her ponds.

Wailua, (two waters,) was formerly a place of some importance. It is situated on a small stream of the same name, in a barren, sandy spot.

Deborah furnished them with a double canoe, to carry them up the river to visit the falls. Taking the western branch, they ascended it for two and a half miles.

There are many good taro-patches and sugar plantations on its banks. They landed in what appeared to have been an old crater, in form of a basin, with high perpendicular banks. The low grounds along the river are extremely fertile, producing bread-fruit, sugar-cane, oranges, &c. The latter, however, are suffering from the blight, and some of the trees were covered with a black smut, produced by a species of aphid.

In ascending, an insulated black rock is passed, known as the "Muu," which has been detached from a high rocky bluff, that is remarkable for the dikes visible in it.

They afterwards ascended the bank, two hundred feet high, and crossed about half a mile to the falls, over a plain covered with grass and wild sugar-cane. The stream was very small, running sluggishly, and passed over a precipice of barren rocks, one hundred and sixty feet in height. Although there is neither tree nor shrub along the