

the power should make a wrong use of it, the remedy is to remove them.

Much discontent has been caused, and the usefulness of the missionaries impaired, by the control which the Board of Missions exercises over their conduct. The restriction on the liberty of the press, and the extravagance complained of, is not justly chargeable to the convention; for, constituted as the Board is, it is impossible it should be otherwise, and the effect naturally arises from employing an irresponsible body. I am well satisfied that harm results to the cause from want of full confidence being extended to those who are engaged in these duties.

Lahaina being the great resort of our whalers in these islands, a survey was made of the roadstead. The chief reason for resorting to this place is, that their crews are more easily kept in order, and have not that temptation to visit the shore that is experienced at Honolulu; besides, provisions are in greater plenty, particularly potatoes, which are raised in abundance on the highlands of Maui.

Lahaina contains about three thousand inhabitants. More order reigns here than in any other town of the same size I have seen in Polynesia. This is to be attributed to the influence exerted by the authorities, and to the absence of foreigners, and their attendant grog-shops.

To Mr. Richards, Dr. Baldwin, Mr. Andrews, and their families, we are much indebted for many kind attentions during our stay.

The Rev. Mr. Baldwin is the pastor as well as physician of the place, and preaches both in the native church and in the seamen's chapel, which has been erected here by the subscriptions of the whaling fleet. This was nearly completed at the time of our visit, and is intended to accommodate about two hundred persons.

The native church is a large building, capable of containing one thousand eight hundred persons, and the usual congregation is about one thousand two hundred.

This district is well supplied with schools, containing between eight and nine hundred scholars. Some of these are under the superintendence of David Maro, the native teacher, and author of several tracts before spoken of.

The district of Wailuku is composed of valley and upland. The soil in the former is extremely rich and well watered; the upland, also, produces good crops when sufficient moisture can be had. Potatoes, corn, sugar-cane, and sweet-potatoes, are the chief products of the windward side of the island.

In some places there are extensive woods, the trees in which are of