

as to be able to read simple sentences with general correctness." "A young priest asked for entrance. He laid aside his saffron robe, became a student of the school, and received the Christian name, Elijah Hutchinson.* This was the beginning, in Assam at least, of giving the converts new names. Mr. Brown's reasons for this policy were:

"The native children themselves are not only pleased with it, but it gives them a spur to greater exertion than their besotted opium smoking and bigotted companions can ever be induced to make. By adopting this course, we should not only do away with the vulgar associations connected with such names as cat, rat, dog, etc., and still more

* Little preaching booths.

to hear also that you are getting situation, schools and elementary work engross almost your whole attention soon see schools flourishing around you

While getting settled, the missionaries overlooked their surroundings and the vast possibilities of the development of tea. The tea plants that have for many years had attracted the Government. Thousands of them were

* As far as we know he never made a convert to Christian faith, but he did become a teacher in the Mission Schools according to the Board.

** A place six miles from Sadiya, south of the river.