

ing constant watering and succor lest he should droop and die, it would not surprise us if, through lack of such assistance as this, the newly engrafted plant drooped and fell away. But thank God, in circumstances where recession would be only natural, and a general languishing to be expected, we are able to report an inspiring amount of progress.

COCANADA.

Rev. John Craig,
Mrs. Craig,
Rev. F. W. Auvache,
Miss Frith,

Rev. J. Davis, B.A.,
Mrs. Davis,
Rev. Robt. Garside, B.A.,
Mrs. Garside,

Rev. H. F. Laflamme.

One ordained native Minister, Twelve Preachers, One Colporteur,
Nine Teachers.

All the reports from the missionaries are for the year ending June 30th. The Cocanada station has been, since the death of our lamented missionary, Mr. Currie, under the care of Bro. John Craig. It is certainly to be regretted that necessity seemed to require this arrangement, seeing that it meant the withdrawal of his personal supervision of the Adiku field, where so much had been done. But it was inevitable. In this report on the field Bro. Craig writes:—"It was my hope that I should be able to care for the Akidu field and part of this field without overtaxing my strength; but the event that saddened July, 1886, left additional burdens on my shoulders. From then till April of this year, I had the care of all the fields, and the work was almost too much for me. When Mr. McLaurin was leaving here in such a weak condition, I felt it would be a comfort to him and his wife were I to accompany him as far as Ceylon. I did so, and the change did me much good, and when I returned part of the burden was gone, Mr. Stillwell having taken charge of Tuni and part of this field. Still one connecting link was left. It remained for me to superintend the completion of the Mission House at Tuni. My trusted overseer, Kaniah, began work about the middle of May, but I am very sorry to say that he fell sick at Tuni, came to Cocanada, and died here on the 13th of June."

Building Operations.—A year ago the report stated three houses in course of erection. These have been finished. The Matron's house was occupied by Miss Beggs on the 1st of December. The Rest House was first occupied for a few days in January by Mr. and Mrs. McLaurin, and subsequently by Miss Hatch. "Other Christian friends," writes Bro. Craig, "not connected with our Mission, have found shelter under its hospitable roof." He goes on to say: "I take this opportunity to thank the Women's Societies for their donation of \$200 towards the cost of this useful building. The entire sum expended amounts to \$1,070. I have received a little over \$900, and hence require still nearly \$170.

The Zenana Workers' House was not ready for occupation till May. The cost of erection exceeded the estimates by over \$500. This balance has been generously supplied by the Women's Boards of Ontario and

Quebec, for which they do repairs have been attended to fall, and indeed in a corner provided with roads and no appear necessary all the time

Services of the Church.—have Sunday-school at 8 a.m. is held in the evening also. adhapuram in the afternoon, at the same time. The week instead of Friday as formerly Wednesday, and the girls have strong regarding these several tance, and the evidences of

School.—The principal s School. Day scholars of both these 34 are from the Cocanada Akidu field. Mr. Craig writes Beggs, who has been matron sewing lessons. Her help has the girls. The first death since than ten years ago, occurred had been a member of the Church before the throne. It is interesting attendance are members of the schools, attended by children of and there the work of filling the fully going on.

Evangelistic Work.—Mr. Mohammedan, continue their work. ences are very encouraging, at one is the case. Jonathan Burder, can. Mr. Craig says: "Cocanada district deserves all the labor bestowed:—In November a young hospital, was converted and baptised."

Work on the Field.—(a) Preachers to work as before, and they continue report of their work. "At such lessons appointed by me. During of a little catechism, prepared by lesson we took up all the Scriptures discuss the doctrine in the lesson in the Old Testament also, the words of Scripture, but giving own words." A valuable drill through fruitful of much good.