

During the past year three new churches have been formed, viz. at Beawr, Aleppo, and Ikor-hiong. Two new stations have been opened, one in India, and one in Africa.

The amount received for Foreign Missions during the year was £19,624 14s 10d, and the amount expended £21,503 3s 6d.

SEED NOT LOST.

One of the greatest consolations of missionaries, amidst all their discouragements, is the assurance which they have from time to time, that their labours are not altogether in vain, that some of the seed which they sow is not lost. The following account of the death of two converts of the Mission at Kingston, Jamaica, taken from the *Record* of the United Presbyterian Church is in this respect cheering. May many of those who enjoy greater privileges be equally prepared for the last call.

The Rev. Mr. Watson says :—We have had two of our members removed by death—one an old, intelligent, and very excellent black woman. She was amongst the earliest members of the Church, and remarkably attached to it; seldom seen out of her place, and then only from personal illness, or from being engaged in waiting upon others. She was greatly sustained in her last illness by the consolations of the Gospel. Valued highly my visits to her, and spoke with great energy of Christ and his redeeming word. She died in great peace, and gave proof that she was resting on the sure foundation.

The other was an interesting woman, who was one of the many in Jamaica that never knew the care or the affection of a father, the only child of an aged mother, her chief support, labouring willingly and incessantly at the needle for the supply of their mutual wants. She was a most affectionate daughter, decidedly pious, and most exemplary in her deportment, and highly esteemed by all who knew her. She was regular in her attendance upon church, and from her earliest years had been one of our Sabbath School children, and in due time became a Sabbath School teacher, excellent in character, and devoted to her work, setting a fine example to the young people of her acquaintance by the interest she manifested in all that concerned her class. She was suddenly seized with fever and sore throat, and though suffering much pain, bore her short illness with great cheerfulness and resignation. Between the paroxysms of pain, and while able to speak, she was herself the comfort of those around her, holding up Jesus as the only Saviour, and urging all to immediate acceptance of his grace and sacrifice. She seemed most affectionately urgent that her mother would take comfort from the many promises of the Gospel, several of which she quoted, and repeated with most touching earnestness. A good many of the members of the church, both old and young, visited her bed, and to each she had an appropriate word of advice or encouragement. Some of the most beautiful hymns in our collection she repeated aloud; and portions of them were read and sung at her request. She continued in this delightful state of mind two days, and died rejoicing. Her lamp was trimmed, her lights were burning, her feet were shod with the preparation of the Gospel peace; she had on the white robe of the Saviour's imputed righteousness, and was ready at the early age of twenty-four, to meet the Bridegroom—to go in with him to the marriage supper of the Lamb; and there she abides for ever a glorified trophy of redeeming mercy and glorious free grace.

MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE LOWER PROVINCES.

The September number of the *Record* of the sister Church in Nova Scotia contains various communications with reference to the missions in the South