

much afflicted. At one time we all despaired of the recovery of little Harvey, but a kind Providence has turned the shadow of death into morning.

Mr. McDonald, too, has been ill from cold, cough, and fever, and just as he began to resume his duties again he was thrown from the wagon, and in consequence was confined to the house a few days longer. He is now at work, in his usual health. You are already aware of the good service which he renders in connection with estate schools. He has eight under his constant supervision, and the advantage of this division of labour will show itself fully in the annual examination, as it now appears in the general efficiency of the schools. But I will not speak of Mr. McDonald's continuous labours on week-day and Sabbath, as it would anticipate his own report, which will doubtless be gratifying both to the Board and to the friends who generously maintain him.

Recently, Charles O. Soudeen and Lal Behari were chosen to the eldership, and in connection with the ordination services the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed; Mr. Morton assisted; twenty-one partook of the Sacrament. The weather was favourable, the attendance full, and the services impressive.

Having formed a session, we shortly after selected a managing committee of five members. Two were chosen by the Hindustani congregation, and two by the English, and one who can act as interpreter was chosen by both. This committee will gradually become acquainted with its duties.

We have also adopted a new plan of receiving the weekly contributions; but whilst we are hopeful, it would be premature to express an opinion of its probable success.

Further, we have chosen two of our young men, Sadaphal and Calipha, who have been very faithful, and who can read the Hindustani freely, to spend a part of two days weekly in spreading the truth among their countrymen. Each will receive 25 cents a-day, the pay for weeding a task. The congregation will pay them.

Even some who are unbaptized stand up in defence of the truth. To-day I was told of a man on an estate which we visit frequently, who was reproached by a Brahmin for deserting the ways of his fathers. He argued in defence of his views, but as the issue was doubtful, he sent to a neighbouring estate, to call in the aid of another more advanced than himself in Christian truth, to confirm his arguments. Neither of the two are baptized, but one is an applicant for baptism. We labour in hope of an abundant harvest.

Ever yours truly,

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AFRICAN MISSIONS OF UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The United Presbyterian Church has for years carried on missionary work in several places in Africa, especially in Old Calabar and in Caffraria. Rev. Dr. Robb, who has been for a long time engaged in missionary work there, has been obliged, in consequence of repeated attacks of illness, to leave Africa, and return to Europe. He was an accomplished scholar, and devoted missionary. He has left his mark on the dark future of