

charge of twenty-nine children, and two mission families. The ship calls at Samoa, Rarotonga, Tahiti, and other islands on her way home.

#### PRINTING PRESS.

I wrote last year requesting a printing press for this mission, and Mr. Inglis wrote at the same time to the Mission Committee of his church, requesting a supply of type. The type has just come to hand, and the Rev. Dr. Goold of Edinburgh writes that a press for the Aneiteum Mission has been made up in that place, and is now on its way to Sydney. The letter is dated June 16th, 1854. I see from a copy of the "Missionary Register" that something has been contributed for the purchase of a printing press for this Mission, but as one has now been provided by our friends in Scotland, it will not be necessary to move further in the matter.

#### BELL WANTED.

It is impossible for persons at home to appreciate the value of such a convenience as a bell to the Mission here. Besides our Sabbath-day meetings, we have two or three meetings with the natives, every week-day, Saturday excepted. Now as natives have no means of ascertaining the time, but by looking at the sun, which is often obscured in these latitudes, there is much irregularity in their attendance at our meetings, and much time lost. While I write these lines a bell for the station occupied by Mr Inglis is just landing on the shore in front of my house.

#### MISSIONARIES COMING.

I am glad to learn from one of your letters that a candidate has at last appeared for the Foreign Mission. Make every effort to send two missionaries at the same time; it would even be better to retain one a year or two at home rather than that he should be sent alone. It will always be an easy matter to locate two missionaries on any of the islands that are open; but if one only should come his settlement would cause us considerable embarrassment. But should your efforts to secure two men in Nova Scotia fail, the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland might be induced to send one, and their missionary and ours might labor harmoniously and happily, on Tana, or any other isl-

and, as Mr Inglis and I are doing on Aneiteum.

#### THEIR PROSPECTS.

Any missionary coming to this island must calculate on trials and dangers during the first years of his work, but he must not be discouraged. We will not recommend any field of labor to a missionary brother, which we would not occupy ourselves. But the difficulties and dangers of missionary enterprise in these islands are greatly lessened now that the true object of missions is becoming better understood by the natives. Missionaries will now be welcomed on islands where a few years ago they were dreaded as the harbingers of disease and death. If it is any satisfaction to our younger brethren who may embark in the missionary work on these islands, I may remark that Mr Inglis and I hold ourselves in readiness to accompany any missionaries from our own or the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to their destination, and remain with them until their work is fairly begun.

#### LETTER FROM CANADA.

The following letter from Canada will gratify our readers as showing the increasing interest of our sister church in the progress of our Mission:—

PARIS, C. W., Jan. 30, 1855.

DEAR SIR,—I forward to you £2 10s. currency. I have been charged with this duty by the United Presbyterian congregation, Paris, C. W. You will apply the above sum, according to their request, to sustain the Mission of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia to the New Hebrides.

By your kindness we have received for some time your Missionary Register, and we are so much pleased with it we long for its monthly visit. In our monthly missionary meetings it is read; and we are much comforted when we learn what the Lord is doing among you at home, and especially when we learn what he is doing by the labor of your faithful missionary in Aneiteum, and surrounding islands. These isles are waiting for his laws: they doubtless will soon become his. How comforting it is to work, when the Lord