In publishing the above extracts Mr. Paton desires us to state that he will have great pleasure in forwarding to India any letters which the various schools may wish sent to their protegees. Such letters (for convenience of transmission) should not be too long, and should be written on thin paper. We hope that the answers will be written in English, or it will puzzle us sadly to make out the Hindostani.

## A CHILD'S LAST QUESTION.

A LITTLE boy, on his death-bed, was urging his father to repentance, and fearing he had made no impression, said, "Father, I am going to heaven: what shall I tell Jesus is the reason why you won't love him?" The father burst into tears; but, before he could give an answer, the dear boy had fallen asleep in Christ.

## A RAILWAY TO JERUSALEM.

About a month ago (says a letter from Jaffa of the 4th of December), a British war steamer came into our roads, and landed some engineers, who immediately started for Jerusalem with the object, it was said, of making a survey for a railroad about to be made by an Anglo-French company. They reported, on their return, that it was very easy to accomplish the undertaking by laying out the line, not along the present route from Jaffa to Jerusalem, but along an older one of the time of the Crusades, passing by the Village of Syda. The engineers embarked again on their arrival, and the steamer put to sea.—St. James Chronicle.

## THE ORPHANAGE IN INDIA.

We learned with much pleasure, the other day, that our zealous little workers in this good cause in Canada are finding active fellow labouters in Prince Edward's Island. A good example is often contagious, and thus it seems to be proving with this effort. The Sabbath School at Charlotte town lately determined on doing something, and a box was placed to receive the children's offerings.