



ANTANANARIVO, CAPITAL OF MADAGASCAR.

On the return of Mr. and Mrs. Jones they were saluted by "Welcome! welcome!" from their former pupils. The chief gave ground for a school-house, which was commenced. The season, however, was unhealthy; heavy rains fell, the house was damp and all were laid up with fever. On Dec. 13th their child died; on the 29th Mrs. Jones followed, while the bereft husband and father was himself very low. In January, Mr. Bevan and family, whom illness had detained in Mauritius, arrived. Before January closed he and his little infant filled one grave, and in February his sorrowing wife followed. To add to the troubles Mr. Bragg turned against Mr. Jones, the only survivor, and so ill-treated him in his repeated attacks of fever, that on the 3rd of July he sailed for Mauritius, where he remained fourteen months, studying the Malagasy language and teaching.

In December, 1820, Mr. Jones opened a school with three pupils, in the capital, and the king laid the foundation of a residence with considerable ceremony. In May, 1821, Rev. David Griffiths arrived, accompanied by a small band of European artisans. These were followed the next year by Rev. J. Jeffreys and wife,