

tore down and burned his house and drove him out. At present, the man is living in a poor shed, under a tamarind tree, engaged in teaching a school of poor boys. What his influence is in the town, we could hardly tell from the short time we were there. I fear, however, it is not very great, for it is one of the hardest towns I have ever been in—full of idol temples and Brahmins.—*Rev. Mr. Churchill.*

From Miss Frith.

In a letter, posted at Aden on the 27th October Miss Frith says:—"We expect to reach Aden to-night, and to-morrow will have left the Red Sea and be on the Indian Ocean. It has been very warm the last week. We have had to sleep on the deck for a few nights. Last night the wind was very high and now and then we were not only refreshed with it but with the spray as well. Our voyage on the whole has been very pleasant, and I have enjoyed it very much. Our kind Heavenly Father has opened up many ways of doing good, which I hope will prove as 'bread cast upon the waters to return after many days.' We expect to land at Madras about the 7th or 8th of November."

THE WORK AT HOME.

Ontario and Quebec.

THE NEW YEAR, 1883.

To the women of the Baptist Churches of Ontario and Quebec the year whose advent has just been celebrated comes bearing with it responsibilities with which no preceding year has been laden. There is now in the Foreign field, a lady appointed by the Canadian Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, as their Zenana worker in Cocanada, but appointed by the recommendation and special request of the Women's Societies, who have, through their representatives, pledged themselves to provide for her support and the means wherewith to prosecute her work. They have also promised to continue to sustain all the School and Bible work in the Cocanada, Tuni and Akidu Fields—work, which from its commencement, has been their peculiar care. The women are abundantly able to do all this—and more. Let but the circles be as vigorous and active in the future as they have been in the past and not only will the close of the year find that all the obligations of the Boards have been fully met, but that a larger cash balance than ever remains in their hands. Let this be a year of earnest, self-denying work for the Lord and Master Jesus Christ, then, indeed, in the highest, best sense, it will prove to be a happy year.

Estimates for 1883.

Mr. Coutts, the Secretary of the F. M. Society, publishes in the *Baptist* the following statement of the money required for the mission during the current year. In transferring it to our columns, we have italicized those items assumed by the Women's Societies; in addition to which the Ontario sisters have sent \$500 to Samulcotta since October, and part of Mr. Timpany's salary will be provided by those of the Eastern Convention:—

"At the last meeting of the Executive of the Foreign Mission Society, it was decided to publish the estimates for the current year, so that the churches and friends of

the mission may know just how the money is spent, and what the needs of the mission are.

COCANADA.—Salary, Rev. A. V. Timpany, \$1,200; *Girls' School*, \$400; *Other Schools*, \$250; Preachers, \$200; Colporteur, \$40; *Bible Woman*, \$50; *Schoolbooks and Tracts*, \$25; Travelling by Boat, \$100; Taxes, \$45; *Zenana Work*, \$100; Contingencies, \$100.—Total, \$2,250.

TUNI.—Salary, Rev. G. F. Currie, \$1,200; Preachers, \$130; *Bible Work*, \$30; *School*, \$100; Travelling, \$80; Contingencies, \$50.—Total, \$1,590.

AKIDU.—Salary, Rev. John Craig, \$1,200; Preachers, \$260; Colporteur, \$40; *Village School*, \$300; *Girls Boarding School*, \$200; *Books and Tracts*, \$70; Tent, \$80; Travelling, \$100; Building, \$200; Contingencies, \$50.—Total, \$2,500.

SAMULCOTTA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Salary, Rev. John Mc aurin, \$1,200; Native Teacher, \$100; Students' Support, \$500; Books, &c., &c., \$100; Building three Dormitories, \$300; Clearing Compound and temporary outbuildings, \$100; Balance due on building account, \$450; Balance due on furniture, \$130.—Total \$2,880.

Miss Frith's Salary, \$500; Deficit from last year, \$900; Interest, \$150; Agents salary for six months, \$300; Postage, stationery and travelling expenses of Secretary in interest of mission, \$100; Travelling expenses of Agent, \$100. Total, \$2,100.—Grand Total, \$11,580.

The estimates as sent by the missionaries included \$1,500 for a mission house at Tuni, which is much needed. The Board regrets that this item had to be struck out, especially as Brother Currie had commenced making preparation for building with the hope that the grant would be made. Will not some friends give something specially for this object as a New Year's Gift? "

PARIS, ONT.—The sixth annual meeting of the Paris Circle of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society was recently held in the Baptist Church, Paris. Tea was served at six o'clock to a number of invited guests, and friends from a distance. At 7.30 Rev. Mr. Grant took the chair, and conducted the preliminary devotional services. An interesting report of the work of the past year was read by the Secretary, Mrs. Dadson. The circle has a membership of 63. By weekly contributions of two cents per member, \$64.40 has been raised during the year, besides a special collection of \$28.35, for "zenana" work. The children's mission band contributed \$26.74, making a total of \$119.49. Mrs. John Arnold, President of the Circle, supplied additional information, respecting the aims and operations of the general Society, in an excellent address. Rev. D. D. McLeod charmed every heart by his noble and eloquent words of christian counsel and encouragement. Rev. Mr. Bates, of Goble's Corners, gave a striking and suggestive sketch of the progress of Christianity, emphasizing the fact that the ratio of its progress is increasing enormously with each succeeding year. In the absence of expected speakers, Mr. J. D. King was also called to the platform. Appropriate music was furnished by the choir. We must not omit to mention that an elegant quilt, made by Mrs. Rickert and her mother, Mrs. Fitch, and presented by them to the Circle, was on exhibition. The quilt was inscribed with a number of names, in indelible ink, each name representing a contribution to the Society's funds of 25 cents—the whole amounting to some \$16. After rendering this excellent service to the mission cause, it was finally presented to Mrs. Grant.