

matters in connection with the Training Home. The time for this conference has not yet been fixed.

The Committee to revise the By-laws have met and reported. Their report was adopted and will shortly appear in the LEAFLET.

Miss Cooper, a member of the Board, having retired on account of her marriage and removal from Toronto, Miss Patterson has been appointed to fill her place.

A letter from Mr. Russell, forwarded by Mr. Cassels, expressing the hope that an additional sum will be granted for the necessary improvements in the Girls' School building at Mhow, was submitted, and it was unanimously agreed that the increased cost be paid out of the Society's funds. The grant for the Mhow School will therefore be Rs.3,000 instead of Rs.1,500, to be included in the estimates.

Arrangements are progressing favourably for the Woman's Missionary Meeting in connection with the Presbyterian Council to be held in Toronto in the autumn.

FOREIGN DÉPARTMENT.

Africa.

The population of Africa is roughly estimated as 200,000,000, or nearly one-seventh of the whole population of the earth. One-fourth of these are Mohammedans. About 3,500,000 are Christians, of whom nearly one-half are Copts and Abyssinians, and the remainder Roman Catholics and Protestants in about equal proportions. There are 250,000 Hindus, chiefly on the east coast; and nearly 1,000,000 Jews, chiefly on the shores of the Mediterranean.

African paganism is very different from the polytheism of India. So far as a belief in a divine being exists at all, it is a belief in one supreme God. But this God is not supposed to