

Board of Foreign Missions.

NEW YORK, APRIL 21, 1862.

Annual Meeting of the Board.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions is appointed to be held at the Mission House, New York, May 5th, 1862, at four o'clock p. m.

On Sabbath evening preceding, a sermon for the Board will be preached (D. V.) by the Rev. John M. Krebs, D. D., in the church on Fifth Avenue and Nineteenth street, Rev. Dr. Rice's, and a brief Abstract of the Annual Report of the Executive Committee will be read at the same time.

Recent Intelligence.

INDIAN TRIBES.—Letters have been received from the Chippewa mission, dated April 1st from the Iowa, March 31st; and from the Omaha, March 29th. The letters speak of the missions as making the usual progress. Mr. Dougherty reports the organization of a church in the neighbourhood of his station, composed of six members previously connected with the mission church.

SOUTH AMERICA.—We have received letters from Honda, March 13th; from Rio de Janeiro, dated to the 5th of February; and from San Paulo, February 4th. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, after some detention on the river, had arrived safely at Honda, and expected to leave that place for Bogota the next day. The latest accounts from New Granada are favorable to the Liberals.

Mr. Schneider gives an account of his arrival at San Paulo, in the southern part of Brazil, where an important field of labour was set before him. He also gives an interesting account of his visit to a settlement of Germans, before he went to San Paulo. Mr. Blackford had returned from his visit to the province of Minas Geraes, and his journal will be found in the former part of this number of our magazine.

AFRICA.—Our advices from Corisco are dated to the 18th of January. Messrs. Mackey and Clemens had the pleasure of receiving six converts into the church by baptism, as the fruits of missionary labour among the Kombe people by a native Christian teacher.

INDIA.—Letters have come to hand from Rawal Pindi, January —; Lahor, February 14th; Lodiana, February 17th; Ambala, February 28th; Saharunpur, February 17th; Dehra, February 3d; Futtehgurh, January 28th; Gorukhpore, January 8th; Calcutta, February 3d. The last reports the arrival of Dr. and Mrs. Janvier and Miss Beatty at Calcutta, after a most favourable voyage. Mr. and Mrs. Ullmann were at Gorukhpore, on a journey for Mrs. Ullmann's health, Mr. Ullmann engaging in missionary labours by the way. We learn with much regret the death of the second daughter of the Rev. J. Newton, the wife of the Rev. Mr. Ferguson, a Scotch chaplain at Sealcote; she was supported by a good hope through grace, and her last hours were full of peace. Mr. Rudolph mentions the admission of two members to the church at Lodiana, and the increase of orphan girls in the school to fifty-two. Several brethren had been making journeys to preach the gospel amongst the neighboring towns and villages, and were generally well received. A letter from Mr. Calderwood, at Ambala, mentions that he had been permitted to baptize four converts at that station, three men and one woman.

CHINA.—Letters have reached us from Canton, January 30th; Shanghai, January 28th; and Ningpo, January 18th. Mr. Happer gives interesting particulars of the converts whose baptism was reported last month. Two of them are teachers, and the other two assistants in a hospital. He mentions also the organization of a church at Canton on the 9th of January, having seven native members, as an occasion of great interest to the brethren. At Shanghai, the approach of the insurgents was creating apprehensions of collisions between them and the Europeans, as the English and French forces would defend the city. At Ningpo no material change is reported in the state of affairs. The way did not seem open for missionary labour among the rebels, then in possession of the city, though limited efforts to circulate the Scriptures among them had been made. They are described as being extremely ignorant of religious subjects.