few examples could be found. Enjoying the entire respect and confidence not only of the Queen and her people, but also of the foreign community, Mr. Howe, though to a considerable extent disabled from direct ministerial labours, was able to exercise a most important and salutary influence upon all classes, and his loss will be deeply deplored. Long protracted anxiety and failing health having compelled our dear Brother to leave the island for a change, he took advantage of the timely arrival of Mr. Ar- bouset, a Protestant missionary from France, and of Mr. Morris, from Raiatea, and, in company with Mrs. Howe, and her niece Miss Stonier, our Brother proceeded in the "John Williams" to Rarotonga, where, after a season of severe bodily suffering, he rendered up his spirit on the 9th of June, with a hope full of immortality.

The third death we have to record in the mission families, is that of Mrs. Jones, the wife of our devoted Brother, the Rev. William Jones, of Benares. Mrs. Jones was married in India, and, although personally unknown to the Directors, was held in high and deserved estimation throughout the missionary circle for her piety, intelligence, and consecration of heart and purpose to the service of her Saviour. She departed to her rest and reward on the 6th of August last.

The following extracts from correspondence will furnish fuller details respecting the last illness and deaths of the lamented friends to whom the above notices apply.

DEATH OF REV. T. S. HOOD, OF HOPE DALE, SOUTH AFRICA.

LETTERS FROM REV. W. ATKINSON.

"Punashcarp, July 13th, 1863.

"My dear Sir,—I do not know whether the beneficent tidings will have reached you of the death of our Brother, the Rev. T. S. Hood, late of Hopedale. But since it is possible that you may not have received the intelligence, I have thought it would be well that I should give you the particulars of his last days.

"His disease took place on Sabbath Day, the 5th of May. He had been in a declining and very precarious state of health for the last two or three years, and lately his complaint showed the symptoms of dyspepsia. He himself anticipated that his end would be sudden; and so it eventuated proved. More than once, indeed, the rumour was spread that he was no more. In November last I sent him an invitation to attend the Meeting, in January, of our South African Union, in Cape Town. He said in reply, 'I cannot promise to attend, as my health will not admit of any extraordinary exertion. I find that stillness and quiet enable me to do a little, but the slightest excitement casts me down.' Our Brother continued his usual labours, though with several interruptions, till the end of his life, as you will see from the following extract from a letter written to me by his bereaved widow—

"Hopedale, June 24th.

"I am very unwell: but after your kindness I could but write a few lines,

DEATH OF REV. WILLIAM HOWE, OF TAHITI, SOUTH SEA ISLANDS.

LETTER FROM REV. H. W. KRAUSE.

"Baronette, June 16th, 1863.

"Rev. and dear Sir,—In my last I informed you of the arrival, on the 7th of May, of our dear Brother, the Rev. William Howe, in Baronette, in a very dangerous state of health. Previous to landing, when near the shore, he said to his dear Brother to bed, and ascended the second day in relieving his most distressing Brother Howe would be decided, as it appeared to all that from its violence it could