

—Berlin contains more than one million Protestants, yet, according to official statistics just published, there are sittings for only 50,422 in the Protestant churches.

—According to the census of 1881 there were in India 20,930,602 widows. Of these, 639,100 were under nineteen years of age.

—The Church Missionary Society's baptized native Christians in Ceylon are 6,378. The adult baptisms last year were 126, and there are 273 adult candidates for baptism. There are six Singalese and six Tamil native clergy, 150 Singalese and 187 Tamil native lay teachers, and 9,735 scholars in the 192 schools, 5,841 being Singalese and 3,932 Tamils.

—Central Asia, including Thibet, is the only large region destitute of missionaries; yet, at this late day, there is but one Protestant missionary to 200,000 pagans.

—Estimated British Contributions to Foreign Missions £1,220,000.
Equal to 3 times annual income of wealthiest nobleman.

Equal to 1-110 cost of liquors in the United Kingdom.
Equal to 1-25 of the Government revenue from their sale.

Equal to 1-25 of cost of British Army and Navy.

—Cardinal Larigorie, Archbishop of Algiers, who is deeply interested in Missions, calculates that Roman Catholics contribute only about 1-20 as much to this end as Protestants.

—The English Methodists have completed one century of Foreign Missionary work, at first without a distinct organization for this, which did not come until 1814. First published report in 1818. Their income then was £18,434, now £128,564.

—Americans claim to be sending 76 per cent. of the missionaries who go to Japan, 40 per cent. of those to China, and 18 per cent. of those to India.

—Seventy-three missionaries for India, China, and Palestine sailed October 20, on the steamer Khedive, of the well-known P. & O. line. They represented the Winter Mission to India, the China Inland, the Church Missionary, and English Presbyterian Societies.

—Boston, Jan. 5. Intelligence has been received by the American Board of Foreign Missions that the Turkish Government is revising its school laws, with the aim of suppressing the American and other foreign schools.

—Dr. Jessup, of Beirut, writes that "the Sultan of Turkey has set his seal of imperial approbation upon thirty-two editions of Arabic Scriptures, allowing them to be sold, distributed, and shipped without let or hindrance." Of the books issued by the Beirut press, 290 have passed under examination in Damascus by the government officials, and have received authorization.

—Evangelical Christianity in the United States. The following statistics are from advanced sheets of the "History of Christianity in the United States," by Dr. Dorchester, who has compiled them, as far as possible, from the

Minutes of 1887. They represent the year 1886, save in a few instances where they are from the official books of 1886, 1885, or 1884. Occasionally the Year Books say "congregations," but in nearly all cases the figures represent organized churches.

	Churches.	Ministers.	Communicants.
BAPTIST.			
Regular Bap., North..	7,348	6,273	681,585
Regular Bap., South..	14,346	7,542	1,065,170
Regular Bap., Colored	8,828	5,562	985,815
Total Regular Bap.	30,522	19,377	2,732,570
Other Bap. and kindred bodies	11,867	8,626	997,175
Total Baptist and kindred bodies :	42,389	28,003	3,729,745
CONGREGATIONAL.			
Congregational	4,277	4,090	436,370
EPISCOPALIANS.			
Prot. Episcopal	3,450	3,850	415,605
Reformed Episcopal	76	65	8,000
Total Episcopal ..	3,526	3,915	423,605
LUTHERAN.			
General Synod	1,440	910	136,983
United Synod, South.	360	180	29,483
General Council	1,835	903	258,408
Synodical Conference.	2,103	1,094	297,631
Independent Synods ..	1,923	813	206,120
Total Lutheran ..	7,573	3,990	930,630
METHODIST.			
Methodist Episcopal ..	12,013	12,075	2,002,452
M. E. South	10,951	4,434	1,086,377
African M. Epis.		1,882	475,000
A. M. Epis. Zion		2,000	350,000
Col. M. Episcopal		1,729	169,729
U. Amer. M. Epis.	150	60	21,000
Total M. Epis.	23,114	22,180	4,081,556
Protestant Methodist ..	1,713	1,570	123,709
Congregational Meth.	275	200	8,000
Independent Meth.	35	30	5,000
Free Methodist		514	16,828
Wesleyan Methodist ..	495	280	13,220
Primitive Methodist ..	63	53	5,002
Reformed Methodist ..	60	60	2,500
Kindred bodies	6,286	2,656	335,561
Total Meth. and kindred bodies.	32,071	27,542	4,601,416
PRESBYTERIAN.			
General Assembly	6,436	5,654	696,767
Gen. Assem., South ..	2,238	1,116	150,398
U. P. Ch. of N. A.	885	736	94,641
Cumberland Pres.	2,540	1,563	145,146
Cumberland Pres., Colored		200	15,000
Reformed Pres.	110	103	10,532
Gen. Synod of Ref. Presbyterian	54	32	0,800
Associated Ref. Syn., South	116	86	7,015
Welsh Presbyterian ..	175	84	9,563
Several other small bodies	400	300	25,000
KINDRED PRESBYTERIAN BODIES.			
Reformed (late Dutch) Church	547	547	85,543
True Reformed Dutch Church	13	8	564
Ref. (late Ger.) Church	1,481	802	163,980
Total Pres. and kindred bodies.	15,002	11,241	1,431,249