

friends. He was of missionary birth in the Hawaiian Islands, and of Massachusetts Scotch-Irish descent, a fine soldier in the War of the Rebellion, and at the call of the Government one of the first to undertake to look after the well being of the freedmen. In 1868 the school was opened, and ten years later Indian boys were also received. To the ordinary studies technical and industrial training was joined, and his burdens included not only those of instruction and discipline, but the heavier one of securing funds for current expenses, buildings, and endowment. The institute now has some 200 Indian and 560 negro youth in training for citizenship and usefulness.

—In New York City 4300 Jews, all men between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, have recently signified in writing their determination to become members of "Christ's Synagogue."

—It is a Hebrew merchant in the same city, Mr. Nathan Straus, who last winter opened a coal-yard where the poor could purchase fuel in small quantities at cost, or at about one third of what they otherwise would have been compelled to pay. The value of this exquisite benefaction appears in this table. The total number of tickets sold was nearly 54,000, and divided as follows:

30,501	five-cent tickets procuring	30 and 25 lbs.
13,573	ten-cent " "	40 " 50 "
1,799	fifteen-cent " "	60 " 75 "
2,933	twenty-cent " "	80 " 100 "
3,121	twenty-five-cent tickets	100 " 125 "

And be it further noted that, Hebrew though he be, this same Good Samaritan has secured permission to erect on one of the East River piers a building where during the hot weather will be sold sterilized milk for sick children.

—The *Student Volunteer* for March and April contained an excellent article from Robert E. Speer on "The Possible Perils of the Volunteer Movement." The same capital monthly states that a student in one of our Western theological seminaries is personally supporting

3 native workers in the foreign field. Two of these are young men under the direction of Dr. Hunter Corbett, of Chefoo, China. The third is a native ordained minister of the Gospel in India. The support of the first two costs \$30 each. The salary of the latter is \$120. So for a total cost of \$180 per year the Gospel is preached and taught by 3 earnest men in two of the largest mission fields of the world.

—Five services were held on one Sunday in a certain church in Albuquerque, N. M. In the morning the Presbyterian pastor preached in English; at half-past two a Lutheran missionary preached in German; at four o'clock a Chinese service was held; and in the evening and between these two afternoon services two other English services occurred. Doubtless Spanish services also are held each week.

—The last page of the Bible in the Gilbert Island tongue, upon which Rev. Hiram Bingham has been at work for thirty-four years, was read a few weeks since in the composing and press-rooms of the American Bible Society in New York. After the last verse of the last chapter of Revelation was set up in type and a proof taken, Mr. Bingham read the words aloud, his voice trembling with emotion. The superintendent of printing then led the way to the press-room, the type was placed in the form, and the last page of the first Bible in the Gilbert Island language was completed and the missionary's long task was ended. Mr. Bingham is the only man who has ever reduced a language to writing, completed a vocabulary, constructed a grammar, and translated the entire Bible and then revised all the proofs.

—The American Tract Society during its career of sixty-six years has issued over 12,400 distinct publications in 150 languages. Of these 30,000,000 volumes have been circulated, besides more than 415,000,000 tracts and 220,000,000 copies of periodicals. On an average 175 missionaries have been annually