

90,000 in the Indian Archipelago; 45,000 to 50,000 in China; over 300,000 in the South Sea Islands—it will be seen that to-day already a whole series of coast-lands, and of islands more especially, may be regarded as Christianized and won for the Protestant Church.

Eighty years ago the total sum contributed for Protestant missions hardly amounted to £50,000; now the amount raised for this object is from £1,200,000 to £1,250,000 (about five times as much as that of the whole Romish Propaganda).

Eighty years ago the number of Protestant missionary schools cannot have exceeded seventy; to-day, according to reliable statistics, it amounts to 12,000, with far beyond 400,000 scholars, and among these are hundreds of native candidates for the ministry, receiving instruction in some of the many high schools and theological seminaries. At the beginning of the present century the Scriptures existed in some fifty translations, and were circulated in certainly not more than 500,000 of copies. Since 1804—*i.e.*, since the founding of the British and Foreign Bible Society—new translations of the Bible, or of its more important parts, have been accomplished in at least two hundred and twenty-six languages and dialects. There are translations of all the sacred Scriptures into fifty-five, of the New Testament into eighty-four, of particular parts into eighty-seven languages; and now the circulation of the Scriptures, in whole or in part, has amounted to 148,000,000 of copies.

THE NAME ABOVE EVERY NAME.

JEWEL of names in the casket of heaven;
Emerald of Hope to the sorrowing given;
Sapphire of Faith to light us above;
Unrivalled ruby of holiest love;
Saviour art Thou to Thy followers below.

Coronet bright, meet for the Eternal!
Heaven's choicest diadem, holy and pure;
Radiantly gleaming in glory supernal;
Immortality's gem, eternal and sure;
Salvation's chrism; living, burning flame:
The unutterable, exalted Name!