

Smith, an active member of the Church Missionary Society's Committee. He will endeavor to show upon the strongest evidence that French influence has for a long time been used in plotting against the British power in Eastern Equatorial Africa, and that the hostilities are due far more to political intrigue than to religious strife. There is every probability that the Uganda missionaries will endeavor to remain in the country even though the British East Africa Company resolves to withdraw at the close of the present year.

Missionary Re-enforcements.—It has recently been decided by the Board of Directors of the London Missionary Society to locate the 100 additional missionaries, whom it is proposed to send out in the course of the next four years, approximately as follows: China and India, 35 each; Madagascar, 10; Africa, 15; Polynesia and New Guinea, 5. Late appointments include three Welsh students for work abroad. By the impetus of the "Forward Movement" chiefly, the funds of the Society "have arrived at a condition hitherto unprecedented during its whole history," an increased income of £35,000 for the year being reported.

A feature of the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Baptist Missionary Society was an international gathering over which Dr. George Smith, the Foreign Missionary Secretary of the Free Church of Scotland, presided, and America was represented by Dr. Pierson, to whom so much of the current missionary awakening in Great Britain is attributed. The Centenary Fund has reached £85,000. The Society has accepted for foreign service Mr. Cannon for South Africa, and Mr. T. Randall for Balololand, both students at Regent's Park College.

In view of the approaching jubilee of the Primitive Methodist Missionary Society, a special fund for extension work of £50,000 is to be raised, toward which £14,000 was promised at the conference in Norwich during June last.

Welsh Churches and Foreign Missions.—There is every probability that the Welsh Nonconformists, who have been accustomed to send their contributions for foreign missions through the channels of English societies, will ere long arrange to have their distinct organizations in the Principality. The Welsh Calvinists have for some time adopted this procedure, and the Baptists are beginning to follow on the same track.

Bequests to Missions.—By the will of Mr. Douglas Henty, a Chichester brewer, who died last February, and who at one time had several race horses in training, a sum of £50,000 comes to five missionary and Bible societies. On the settlement of the estate being completed, the executors are to give priority to legacies of £15,000 to the British and Foreign Bible Society, £10,000 to the London City Mission, £10,000 to the Irish Church missions, £10,000 to the Church Missionary Society, and £5000 to the Moravian missions.

A south of England member of the Society of Friends has just given the large sum of £20,000 to erect and endow a home for the training of missionaries.

The late Mr. Gawin Kirkham.—To this faithful preacher of the Cross, whose lamented death in May last deprived the Open-Air Mission in England of its director for thirty years, some form of memorial is contemplated. In conjunction with Mr. John Macgregor ("Rob Roy"), Mr. Kirkham was one of the pioneers of open-air preaching, and scarcely, at one time, was there a race or fair held in any part of Great Britain where Mr. Kirkham might not have been found preaching with intense fervor to hundreds and even thousands of listeners. He travelled on the same errand over the continent and in distant colonies. His journeys in 1891, in pursuit of his all-absorbing vocation, extended over 12,600 miles, during which he addressed at least an aggregate of 43,000 persons. By rare organizing gifts and unwearied devotion, Mr. Kirk-