

Pittsburgh, beginning in the First Presbyterian Church in that city on the 28th of March, and continuing three days.

The American Board sent out last year forty new missionaries, including nine ordained men, two physicians, and thirteen unmarried ladies. Fifteen laborers of both sexes were sent to Africa alone.

There were last year in the Territory of Utah twenty-three schools under the direction of the Presbyterian Mission, employing thirty-five teachers, and having an attendance of about 1,600 pupils. Since then there have come on ten or twelve more teachers, and eight or ten new schools will be organized.

Here is an argument for temperance which is worth whole reams of declamation. Judge Noah Davis said last Sunday night in the city of New York that in twenty-five years experience on the bench he had found that three-fifths of all cases of personal violence were caused by the use of intoxicating liquors.

#### South America.

The gospel of St. Luke has been translated into Patagonian by the Rev. Theodore Bridges, who has labored among the natives of that country for twenty-five years.

#### Britain.

The English Baptists have now at least 400 missionaries, in charge of nearly 600 stations and sub-stations, with an aggregate membership of about 40,000.

It is stated that there are in Great Britain 355 Baptist preachers who were trained in Mr. Spurgeon's Pastors' College, and the result of their labors has been the gathering in of 43,336 persons by baptism into the churches.

Great Britain is proposing to France, Germany, and the United States some effective treaty measures for the prevention of the coolie trade, or rather coolie kidnapping, with all its outrages, in the South Sea Islands. With all deference to pessimists and croakers, the world does really move in the interest of humanity.

The Salvation Army has just taken the old Skating-Rink at Regent-circus, London, at a rental of £1,000 a year. The building will be opened by "an exhibition of trophies" in the shape of a

gathering of ex-convicts, thieves, drunkards, roughs, and bad characters of both sexes who have been reclaimed by the Army. None but teetotalers in future may join the Salvation Army.

#### Europe.

The Commission appointed in Germany to revise Luther's translation of the Bible has brought its work to a close.

Rev. Henry Lansdell, who has been travelling in Russia, says that in no other country has he found so great eagerness for the Scriptures and good books.

It is estimated that as the result of the persecution of Jews in Russia 100,000 Jewish families have been reduced to poverty, and property has been destroyed to the extent of £16,000,000.

Rev. Dr. Trowbridge, President of the Central Turkey College at Aintab, in a recent address stated that the American missionaries had established 400 schools, which were attended by 15,000 scholars.

Dr. Dorner, of Berlin, the eminent theologian, has been compelled by chronic sore throat to discontinue his lectures in the University, and it is not likely that he will ever again resume his activity as a teacher.

The Pope recently, in presence of all his available Cardinals, bewailed greatly his distressed condition as a prisoner in the Vatican. He cannot discharge his spiritual functions without territorial sovereignty. That is the trouble.

A writer in the *Catholic Presbyterian* states that a new breath of Christian life is passing through the ranks of the students in German universities. The German Churches are also becoming more orthodox, and less ashamed of the Gospel of Christ.

Thirty-two American lady missionaries are now at work in the Turkish empire. They conduct boarding and day schools, and do other educational work, as well as much direct missionary work among the women. They have thirteen girls' seminaries with 463 scholars.

NOTABLE MEASURES.—A colportage law has lately been passed in France, allowing any Frenchman to hawk religious books. The cemeteries have been declared national property, hence away go burial squabbles over Protestant graves, and Protestant soldiers and all Protes-