

of the East. Perhaps the most significant thing about them is that they are of such a high standard that they are everywhere serving as the models for the new national schools springing up in so many countries.

The American Baptist Mission Society is planning to send out twelve new men to the Eastern mission fields this coming autumn, and the Home Mission Society has decided to undertake work in the "most densely populated republic on earth," San Salvador, in Central America.

Buddhism is making rather remarkable and startling progress in Europe. The mission in Great Britain was started only three years ago, but now has branches in Liverpool and Edinburgh, and counts hundreds of Englishmen and Scotchmen among its members. One Englishman and two Scotchmen have recently become Buddhist monks. On the continent, the first steps were taken six years ago, and now there are flourishing societies and well-edited periodicals in operation in Germany, Switzerland, Italy and Hungary.

A missionary from Rome, Italy, is warrant for the statement that Protestantism is advancing in Italy, and one of the great agencies in this is the work of the Bible Mission, which aims to give every Protestant Italian returning to Italy Bibles in the vernacular to distribute. Not only many of the people, but the priests, have come in such large numbers to inquire the way to freedom, that the Savonarola Institute, a non-denominational Protestant institution has been opened in Rome to give them training in Protestantism and in clerical pursuits.

King Khama, chief of one of the tribes of South Africa, has celebrated the jubilee of his baptism. At his capital, Serome, about 10,000 of his people gathered, and Khama made a touching address, re-affirming his loyalty to Christianity. Holding up the New Testament, which Queen Victoria presented to him so many years before on his visit to England, he repeated her words on that occasion: "Walk according to these words, and it will be well with yourself and with your people."

"The new church of the Basle Society at Kwanyako (Gold Coast) is a striking proof of the fitness of the negro for civilization and culture. The chancel, altar and font are in mahogany lathework, the benches of ant-proof Odum-wood, the floor solidly cemented, the walls of rammed clay, the roof of corrugated iron—all negro work, a triumph of negro industry over heathen sloth, a performance of negro civilization of far-reaching importance in this uncivilized land. This building, and many others on the Gold Coast, are not only signs of a growing Christian life, they bear favorable testimony to the mental gifts of the negro. This is not a race that is doomed to intellectual stagnation."—Der Evangelische Heidenbote.

A remarkable conversion has taken place in Japan. Kamada, the lawyer, who was appointed by the Japanese government to defend the assassin of Prince Ito, was so much impressed by the sincerity of the man, that he was led to believe in a supernatural being. The man was a Roman Catholic, but of course his crime did not spring from his religion, but from his mistaken patriotism. Kamada was considering this, when a Christian newspaper came into his hands, which gave him further light. The end of it was that this lawyer was converted and baptized last November.

The Governor-General of Korea has ordered that "all religions shall be treated equally, and due protection shall be accorded to their legitimate propagation." He has also retained a Christian judge at the head of the Judicial Department, and appointed another one to a high Government position.

A great conference of Christian Chinese leaders, preachers and evangelists was held in Hankow a few months ago. The president was the Chinese delegate to the Edinburgh Conference. Their method of carrying on their meetings may prove a model to other conventions. They held business and inspirational meetings during the day, and every night evangelistic meetings, at which the attendance was reckoned as 10,000.

Roman Catholicism is the all-powerful religion of Mexico. It is a paganized Roman Catholicism, adapted to the