

and were of 15 nationalities last year. The school-teachers made in the year 6800 visits in the homes of the children, and 12,600 garments were distributed, besides shoes, quilts, coal and food tickets, and, through the generosity of the *Tribune* coal and food fund, 500 of the families were supplied with groceries or with coal.

—There are about 60,000 Italians in New York City. The number of Catholics among them is to the number of Protestants as 100 is to 1. The Catholics have 5 distinctively Italian churches in the city: St. Anthony of Padua, whose parish numbers 7500 and where 1100 infants are annually baptized; St. Joachim, which claims 10,000 in its parish; the Church of the Most Precious Blood, whose parish numbers 20,000; the Church of Our Lady of Loretto, numbering 10,000, and in Harlem the Mount Carmel Church, with a parish numbering 1100. Earnest missionary work is carried on among these Italians. The Protestant Episcopal Church has an Italian church, San Salvatore, which numbers between 300 and 400 members. The Methodists have 2 missions, the Baptists 1, and the City Mission Society, whose work is mainly supported by the Presbyterian Church, has a flourishing mission at Five Points, from which 43 converts joined the church last year.

—During the year 1893-94 appropriations were made from the John F. Slater Fund for the education of freedmen to the amount of \$40,000, divided, in sums varying from \$1000 to \$5000, among 16 institutions in the South. For the coming school year the board has appropriated \$45,000, if needed.

—For ten years the Congregationalists have been pushing mission work among the Slavic population of this country, and the work has spread into 10 States, with 32 stations and out-stations, in which 36 missionaries are at work, with 10 churches and branch churches and 554 members, 16 Sunday-schools with a membership of over 2900;

a well-established Slavic department in Oberlin Seminary and a Bible readers' school at Cleveland, and reaching not only Bohemians, but also Poles, Slovaks, Lithuanians, and Magyars.

—After nearly a half century of waiting and most persistent effort, Utah seems at length in a fair way to become a sovereign State in the Union. Though the risks attending this venture are not small, and various phases of fanaticism are likely to revive and take a new lease of life, with no inconsiderable mischief as the result, yet, on the whole, it is probable that nothing better could be done in the miserable matter. Polygamy and theocracy are not dead by any means, but are doomed, and ere long will be actually found *in articulo mortis*.

—The Hawaiian republic was proclaimed on July, 4th, under the presidency of Sanford B. Dole; no opposition to the new government has since made its appearance. President Cleveland has given it formal recognition, and hence large measures of blessing seem to be in store for this island group.

—According to the *Catholic Herald* there are about 152,000 colored Catholics in the United States.

—Though no Protestant mortal knoweth just how much it means, and time only can tell, yet it is to be counted a significant event when Mgr. Satolli, the Catholic delegate apostolic, has declared himself so plainly and emphatically upon the liquor traffic. Some of the bishops are certain to transform his words into deeds, and not all saloon-keepers will be able from henceforth to maintain their standing as "good Catholics." The world moves when this great Church can turn aside a bit from things theological and ecclesiastical and trouble itself with the morals of its adherents.

Canada.—In the Canadian Colleges' Mission 14 institutions are associated, and over \$2000 were expended last year.

—Bishop Bompas, of Athabasca,