

into the African language. It has made college presidents of some of our bootblacks. It has made preachers of truth and righteousness out of our hotel boys. It has made college professors of the first order out of cotton-pickers. It has given us lawyers and doctors of whom you cannot be ashamed. It has filled hundreds of public school-houses with teachers who give honor to their profession."

—After 31 years of most laborious and devoted service, and at his own request, Dr. M. E. Strilby retires from his place as Senior Secretary of the American Missionary Association, a society which has no peer for benefits spiritual and intellectual conferred upon the Freedmen.

—Luther Sunday was inaugurated by the General Synod in 1883, and since then 12 annual offerings have been made, each one larger than the preceding, until the sum total for 1894 was over \$10,800, the entire 12 offerings aggregating over \$70,000.

—It is pleasant to find the following in the *Assembly Herald*, in an article under the heading, "The Embargo Lifted :—" "One of the most distressing consequences of the heavy deficit with which the Board of Foreign Missions closed its last fiscal year was its action declining to send any new missionaries to the field unless special funds were provided for the purpose. To the praise of God's grace and the honor of the Presbyterian Church we now record the fact that provision has been made for 32 missionaries under appointment, leaving but 2 or 3 still to be provided for. This has been done without any pressure from the board other than a statement of the facts."

—The first Chinaman to enter the ministry in New York State is Hui Kin, who was ordained recently at University Place Presbyterian Church. He has been educated under the care of the presbytery, and has been very successful in mission work among his countrymen. He will hold Chinese services in

New York, and hopes eventually to organize a church of converted Chinamen.

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—Between 5000 and 6000 tons of opium are sent from India to China annually, as an article of English trade, from which the Indian Government derives at the present time an annual revenue of about \$32,000,000. And what is this but an enormously large and odorous fly in the ointment of British Christianity, which grievously pollutes the air of this lower world, and smells to heaven.

—Look, indeed, on that picture, but also on this. The spiritual vitality of the Church of England is undeniably proven by the large number of faithful men in her communion who at much sacrifice of worldly gain give themselves to the ministry of the Word. The Rev. J. W. Ingram, the head of Oxford House, writes of the spiritual needs of the East End of London and numbers of young men who are ready to give themselves to this work. He says :

"It is the pick of the universities, the captains of the boats, and men who are the life of the universities who want to come into East London work. We will provide 1000 men if you will provide stipends for them. They only ask food and lodging ; and if you will give them that they will come and work for you."

A church which produces such men as these need not fear that *Ichabod* will be written on her temple walls. She remains established in the hearts of the people and endowed with the Holy Ghost, and will not suffer from any form of disestablishment and disendowment which Parliament may enforce upon her.—*Indian Witness*.

—The North Africa Mission hopes "the coming winter to increase the number of missionaries in Egypt. It is just over three years since the first party of our workers went there. They have been encouraged by the entrance