

VII.—STATISTICS OF THE WORLD'S MISSIONS.

JEWISH MISSION STATISTICS.

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It is not generally known that our own day and generation has witnessed a growth of mission interest in the welfare of the once chosen people of God, which can compare favorably with the miracle of missionary activity that we see before our eyes in heathen lands. In the "Supplement," which Dr. Dalman has been publishing for the past two years to the quarterly called *Saat auf Hoffnung*, edited by that zealous and veteran friend of Israel, the translator of the classical Hebrew version of the New Testament, Professor Franz Delitzsch, of Leipzig, in the interests of Jewish missions, the former has collected the statistics of Christian work in this field, which are doubtless the most complete ever published. As a result of extensive correspondence and reading, Dalman has learned that there are 47 Protestant Mission Societies devoted exclusively to this work, laboring at 135 stations with 377 men and expending each year 1,800,000 marks (1 mark equal to 24 cents). In 1881 C. F. Herman had published similar statistics, but reported only 20 societies with 270 laborers and an annual income of 1,400,000 marks. In other words, in scarcely half a dozen years the activity in this arduous field has literally been doubled. And this does not include the other societies who engage in the work in addition to other mission enterprises, such as the British and Foreign Bible Society, the American Tract Society, and others.

Dalman's summary of this work is given in the following table, and the whole is translated for THE MISSIONARY REVIEW OF THE WORLD.

ENGLAND.

	Mission- aries.	Sta- tions.	Income (in M ^{ks} .)
London Society.....	135	29	733,250
British Society.....	31	20	206,880
Mildmay Mission.....	31	1	199,690
London City Mission.....	6	1	—
Parochial Mission.....	6	1	18,620
English Presbyt. Mission.....	3	2	23,500
Jewish Emig't Aid Soc'y.....	—	—	5,860
Barbican Mission.....	2	1	10,000
Total.....	216	55	1,187,870

SCOTLAND.

State Church Miss on.....	23	5	122,910
Free Church Mission.....	43	8	117,000
Scottish Home Mission.....	2	2	6,720
Edinburgh Emig't Mission.....	1	1	—
United Presbyt. Mission.....	2	1	6,000
Total.....	71	17	252,630

IRELAND.

Irish Presbyt. Mission.....	27	9	72,680
Total for the British Isles.....	312	81	1,513,180

GERMANY.

Edzard Endowment.....	—	—	—
Berlin Society.....	3	1	20,440
Berlin Proselyte Society.....	—	—	1,840
Saxon Society.....	—	—	2,310
Bavarian Society.....	—	—	1,710
Central Society (at Leipzig).....	5	1	11,000
Wurtemberg Society.....	1	1	3,200
Mecklenburg Society.....	—	—	—
Rhenish Society.....	4	3	21,600
Lübeck Friends of Israel.....	—	—	1,410
Strassburg Friends of Israel.....	—	—	260
Total.....	13	6	63,780

SWITZERLAND.

Basel Friends of Israel.....	1	1	10,350
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NETHERLANDS.

Netherland Aid Society.....	—	—	3,280
Netherland Israel Society.....	2	1	11,000
Christian Reformed Assoc.....	1	1	3,400
Total for the Netherlands.....	3	2	17,750

FRANCE.

Mission of Pasteur Krueger.....	—	—	1,200
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SCANDINAVIA.

Norwegian Central Society.....	—	—	22,810
Swedish Israel Society.....	4	2	31,220
Evangel. Fatherland Assoc.....	—	—	2,020
Swedish Mission Associat'n.....	2	2	1,570
Danish Israel Society.....	—	—	—
Total for Scandinavia.....	6	4	57,626

RUSSIA (i. e., the non-orthodox churches).

St. Petersburg Mission.....	2	1	3,800
Baltic Mission.....	2	1	5,000
Pastor Faltin's Mission.....	3	2	20,000
J. Rabinowitch's Mission.....	1	1	—
Total for Russia.....	8	5	28,800

NORTH AMERICA.

Episcopal.....	25	25	113,000
Hebrew Christian work.....	3	2	—
Missouri Lutheran.....	1	1	—
Zions Society.....	2	2	—
Chicago Mission.....	1	1	—
Methodist Mission.....	1	1	610
Wesleyan Society.....	1	1	—

Total for North America. 34 33 113,610

Of these, the oldest is the Edzard endowment (in Hamburg), established in 1667. This had no imitators until in 1808, when the great London Society was organized. Other societies were established in 1822 (two), 1830, 1835, 1836, 1841 (two), 1842 (two), 1843, 1844 (three), 1849, 1860, 1861, 1870, 1871 (two), (1874 (two), 1875, 1876 (two), 1878, 1879 (two), 1880, 1882, 1883 (two), 1884, 1885 (five), 1886 (three).

The missionaries labor wherever the chief centers of Jewish popula-