

and 326 were shoe-blacks, who earned during the past year £4,380. The miserable dirty children of London were the victims of circumstances. The extent of drunkenness arose from the miserable localities in which the poor lived. He looked upon the establishment of drinking fountains as highly beneficial. He wanted this to be a voluntary work. God forbid that government should interfere, if it interfered with the religious teaching there given. He would sooner have 23,000 children instructed in the truths of evangelical religion, than 100,000 under the secular system, or according to the notions of religious discipline put forth by the Privy Council.

The Rev. James Wilson of Aberdeen (Congregationalist), said that, when they commenced their ragged school in Aberdeen, he addressed an appeal for assistance to Queen Victoria. In two days he received a letter, which, if he felt at liberty to publish it, would warm their hearts. His letter enclosed a check for £20. Two years afterwards inquiry was made as to the progress of the kirk and school, and the Queen sent £25 more: and subsequently £50 more. Her Majesty supported three schools on the Balmoral estate.

CONTINENTAL MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

A correspondent of the *News of the Churches* gives a summary of what is doing on the continent for Foreign Missions. We condense it as follows: The *Moravian*, established in 1732. Its operations are in Greenland and Labrador, to American Indians, to West Indies: in South Africa, India, and Australia. 300 missionaries are supported at an expense of £13,000.

The *Basel Society* has 74 young men under training in the mission school at Basel: 65 missionaries employed, 69 native assistants, and 11 female teachers. The annual expense is £22,500.

The *Rhenish Mission* has a missionary college at Barmen, 33 stations, 42 missionaries. The expense is £6000 per annum.

The *Berlin Society* had lately 15 missionaries, supported at an annual expense of £5,000. It has existed 26 years.

Gossner's Society was for many years supported by his own exertions. It has existed since 1836. The principle of sending out men without theological training, to support themselves by their own labor, is not adapted to the state of the heathen. This mission furnishes the clearest evidence that it is better to trust to quality than quantity in missionaries. 19 missionaries of this Society are active in Australia, and 30 in America. 14 are employed among the heathen in India. It has raised £700 last year.

The *North German Missionary Society* has 12 missionaries, and expends £2,000 annually.

The *Leipzig Lutheran Society* employs 9 missionaries, and 45 teachers. The entire income is £3,000.

The latest German Mission is one founded by Pastor Harms of Hermannsburg. The plan is to send out colonists to form the nucleus of a Christian Church, who are to get as many heathen as possible baptized.

The Dutch Mission to the Dutch Colonies, and the Paris Mission, have 12 missionaries in South Africa.

EXTRACTS RELATING TO THE REVIVALS IN IRELAND.

Rev. W. Arthur, author of the "Tongue of Fire," in writing of the effects of the revival says:

"Ballymena was notorious for drunkenness: with a population of about 7,000, it had 120 public houses. Yesterday, Mr. Lindsay told me that one of his travellers met a traveller from a distiller returning from Ballymena, who said, 'There is no use of going into that country; the people will neither drink whisky nor buy it.' As to Belfast, almost every church of all denominations is daily open. In the streets, groups surround any one in the evening who stands up to address them. In a short walk, I found three in the lowest part of the town. 'They show no excitement whatever, and the speakers, so far as I have heard, are calm, and not more than ordinarily impressive. Cases in which conviction is accompanied by physical prostration are frequent, but less so than they have been. Last night, Mr. Hanna said in his pulpit, that he believed he spoke within limits when he said, the last three weeks, tens of thousands had been awakened in Belfast and the neighborhood. In Sandyrow, the former scene of riot and mischief, the policemen say that there is now no drunkenness and no trouble of any kind."

An Interesting People.—The *Pittsburg Dispatch* says: "Rev. James Sinclair, formerly a resident of this vicinity, is now in charge of two Presbyterian congregations on the border between North and South Carolina. He informs us that the greater portion of the population of five counties in that part of North Carolina, are of Scotch descent, and the Gaelic language is spoken even by the slaves—some of whom understand no other. Part of his addresses are in the Gaelic, and his father is also preaching in that language in the same vicinity. Many of the ancestors of these people were driven from Scotland during the troubles of the 'Pretender' or Stuart dynasty—having been pardoned under the gallows condition of becoming exiled to the colonies of the Carolinas. Mr. Sinclair says they are a most excellent, hospitable, quiet people."

A Direct Contradiction.—We are authorized to state—and, of course, we do so without risk of being put down—that, since the commencement of the "Revival" movement in the North of Ireland, not a single case of religious or hysteric mania has been admitted into our District Asylum for the Insane. The fact we commend to the special attention of Mr. Coroner Wakley, the editor of the *peo*