

Missions...	STATISTICS OF UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (AMERICA).												
	Stations.	Missionaries.		Native workers.		Churches, etc.			Schools, etc.			Contributions.	
		Outstationed.	Ordained.	Female.	Ordained.	All Other Native Helpers.	Churches.	Comm'ts.	Added during the year.	Sabbath.	Scholars.		Other Schools.
India.....	5	75	9	20	11	153	6,188	1,465	67	3,489	159	3,538	\$79,930
Egypt.....	5	100	11	17	10	128	2,624	2,346	78	4,285	97	5,701	6,974 00
Total.....	10	175	0	37	21	381	8,712	1,874	145	7,773	256	9,639	\$7,553 30

### VIII.—PROGRESS OF MISSIONS: MONTHLY BULLETIN.

**Africa.**—"There are to-day, within the lake region of East Africa, extending to the coast from Kilimanjaro in the North, to the highlands of the Shiré in the South (not reckoning some little out-stations), 44 Protestant missionaries, inclusive of the unordained, such as physicians, artisans, etc., male and female. A small number it is true, compared with the extent of the region, which is from five to six times as large as the whole German Empire; but then 15 years ago two little missionary attempts were all that was to be found there, and this advance has cost much, not in money merely, but in the sacrifice of human lives and health; for at least fifty men and several women have given up their lives for East Africa. There have not yet been great visible results; the baptisms which have taken place are perhaps about 1,800 in all, but the difficulties have been both numerous and peculiar."

—A correspondent of *The Christian* (London), writing from Gibraltar, says: "We have had very cheering news from Morocco. A wonderful work has sprung up among the Spanish and Jewish people of Tangier. Meetings, commenced two or three months ago, have been held in Spanish, addressed through an interpreter by some brethren of the North African Mission, and there has been an intense eagerness to hear the truth. The Holy Spirit has carried home the gospel message with conviction to many hearts, and a few days ago the brethren informed me that seventeen Jewish and Spanish converts were baptized, and others were waiting for baptism. The meetings have been crowded night after night, so much so that the friends in Tangier contemplate hiring a music-hall, at present used for midnight revelry and sin. This revival has aroused the enmity of both rabbi and priest, consequently bitter persecution has followed. Several Jewish inquirers have been beaten in the synagogue, converts have been dismissed from their employ-

ment, and the priests have offered bribes and made threats to the Spanish converts to induce them to cease attending the meetings, but so far the converts are holding firm."

—The mail steamer "Congo" from the West Coast of Africa and the Canary Islands brings news of the most revolting human sacrifices. The old king of Eboe died a few months ago, and his funeral ceremonies were made the occasion of the sacrifice of at least forty human beings. More were held in readiness to be sacrificed when certain traders arrived and put an end to the horrible butchery. Verily Africa needs the gospel.—*Indian Witness*.

—At Banza Manteke, on the Congo River, 69 were recently baptized in the Baptist Mission. The work is becoming increasingly encouraging at all the stations.

—Henry M. Stanley seems to be emerging safely from his long and dangerous experiences in Central Africa, and is expected at Mombassa, a port on the East Coast, in a little more than a month.

—A Christian tribe, surrounded by pagans, has just been discovered in the heart of Africa. They had never before seen a white man. While their religious ideas are crude, still they have a priesthood, the cross, and other emblems of Christianity. They are believed to have been exiled from Abyssinia about 800 years ago.—*Catholic Review*.

—The Southern Presbyterian Church propose to establish a mission on the Congo.

**Belgium.**—Consumption of liquor. It is stated that seventy million liter of whiskey are consumed annually, and that the amount is constantly on the increase. Within the last fifteen years the population has increased 14 per cent., but the use of alcohol 37, the number of the insane 47, of crime the increase was 74, and of suicides 80 per cent. With a population of about six millions Belgium annually spends 150 million francs for spirituous liquors, and but 15 million for public instruction. They