

China.

China proper contains eighteen provinces—six reaching the coast, and twelve wholly inland. The former are, of course, best supplied with missionaries, yet thus is their present state:

	Population.		
1. Chih-li.....	31 millions	—	13 missionaries.
2. Shan-tong...32	"	7	do.
3. Kiang-su...43	"	15	do.
4. Chel-kiang..30	"	11	do.
5. Fo-kien.....16½	"	18	do.
6. Kwang-tung 21	"	22	do. 8

Still worse is the condition of the inland provinces. They stand thus:

1. Hu-pih.....	30½ millions	—	5 missionaries.
2. Kan-suh....16	"		No missionary.
3. Sz-chuen...24	"		do.
4. Yu-nan....6	"		do.
5. Shen-si....11	"		do.
6. Shan-si....15½	"		do.
7. Ho-nan....25½	"		do.
8. Gan-hwuy..39	"		do.
9. Kiang-si...25½	"		do.
10. Hu-nan....20½	"		do.
11. Kwel-chan. 6½	"		do.
12. Kwang-si...8	"		do.

If Chinese Tartary be added to these, it will stand thus:

Chinese Tartary, 83 millions—No missionary.

Such a record is truly appalling. The Divine Redeemer looked only on a few thousand, when, seeing the multitudes, "He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd."

NOTICES, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, &c.

The ornamental cover of the *Record* was designed by Mr A. R. Garvie, and was executed by T. Nelson & Sons, Edinburgh. We regret that there is a mistake in one of the scripture references. One *i* is omitted in the reference to Genesis. The 28th chapter, not the 27th, was intended. The mistake was the engraver's.

We have earnestly to urge ministers, elders, and all others who take an interest in the affairs of the church, to use their influence to increase the circulation of the *Record*. No other periodical is a substitute for it. We have still on hand a considerable number of the *Records* for January.

When at all possible pay your *fifty cents* to the Agent when you order the *Record*. Small sums are easily forgotten, and to *don* for them is very disagreeable. Agents complain to us that they have often to make up neglected sums out of their own pockets, thus involving them not merely in trouble but also in positive loss.

NOTICE.

Persons receiving subscriptions for the Widows Fund will please forward the amounts to the Treasurer as soon as possible after receipt, so that the money may be at once invested for the benefit of the Fund.

HOWARD PRIMROSE,

Treasurer M. W. and O. F. P. C. L. P.
Pictou, January 19th, 1867.

MISSIONARIES WANTED.

The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, having been authorized by Synod to engage the services of one or more Missionaries to the New Hebrides, invite Ministers and Probationers to consider prayerfully the urgent call for Evangelists in that dark and destitute portion of the earth.

Applications or letters of inquiry addressed to the Secretary will meet with immediate attention.

By order of the Board,

P. G. MCGREGOR, Sec'y B.F.M.

Halifax, Oct. 24th, 1866.

The Treasurer acknowledges receipt of the following sums for the funds of the church during the month past:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

West River cong., per Rev. G. Rod-dick.....	\$29.00
Rockville Missionary Society, per Mr. Alfred Dickie.....	13.75
Maitland Missionary Society.....	5.93
A New Year's thank-offering from a Presbyterian, Cornwallis, per Mr. R. Murray.....	20.00
St. John's Church, Halifax, per Rev. J. Forrest.....	30.50
Congregation of New Annan, per Rev. J. Watson.....	8.00
Knox Church, Pictou, per Mr. James Patterson.....	20.00
Brookfield, for 1865, per Rev. J. D. McGillivray.....	9.00
Brookfield, for 1866, per do.....	9.35
Middle Stewiacke and South Branch, per do.....	21.07
Primitive Church, New Glasgow, per J. W. Carmichael, Esq.....	82.40
Mrs. Magnus Taylor, per do.....	1.00
A. C.....	12.00
Sydney Cong, per Dr. McLeod.....	150.00
St. Ann's, C. B., per Rev. A. McIntosh, per Rev James Thomson:	67.50
A member of Central church.....	4.00
A friend.....	4.09
A member of Central church.....	2.00
Mr James Weir, Roger's Hill.....	1.00

HOME MISSIONS.

Maitland Missionary Society, per Mr. Alfred Dickie.....	\$5.93
E. F., Maitland, per do.....	0.62
A New Year's thank-offering from a Presbyterian, Cornwallis, per Mr. R. Murray.....	10.00
Cong. of Musquodoboit Harbour, per Rev. E. McCurdy.....	20.00
Knox Church, Pictou, per Mr. James	