

country, and through Missionary efforts it is largely tinged with Christianity. For the higher education the Institutions of the Free and Established Churches of Scotland have done more than all the rest together.

There are twenty-four mission presses in India, Ceylon and Burmah. These have published in the course of the last ten years no fewer than 3,410 separate works, mostly of a Christian and educational character, in 31 languages and dialects. The number of copies of books and tracts printed amounts to 12,317,172, as follows:

Number of copies of the entire Bible in the vernacular languages.....	28,000
Number of copies of New Testament, Old Testament, and other portions of the Bible.....	1,164,003
Number of copies of Christian books.....	2,842,495
Number of Christian Tracts in the vernacular languages.....	5,707,355
Number of school books.....	2,375,040
Number of other books.....	200,370
Total.....	12,317,172

These facts and many others of like import were laid before the Allahabad Conference. Much time was spent in devotion. On the last Sabbath of the year the Lord's Supper was administered, the various denominations uniting in its celebration. On New Year's Eve the Methodists had their Watch-Meeting, in which the members of the Conference very generally united. As the old year was passing away the assembly knelt and joined in silent prayer, and as the new year opened, still kneeling, they joined in singing a hymn of consecration.

Allahabad is the principal Mission Station of the American Presbyterians, and it was at the invitation of the Presbyterian Synod of India that the Conference assembled. British officers largely aided the brethren in Allahabad in extending hospitality to their numerous visitors. The Conference was felt to be an epoch in India Missions. Especially remarkable was the part which eminent native Christians were able to take in its proceedings. Two of Dr. Duff's old pupils were noted above the rest for their wonderful eloquence, their correct scholarship, and their high-toned piety.

THE CENSUS.

The Census of the Dominion was taken in 1871. A volume has been recently published containing a large amount of statistics that may be profitably meditated upon by the Presbyterian Church. The fact stands upon the face of the Returns that our church has not fully kept pace in her growth with the growing population. Explain it as we may, we have fallen behind the growth of the population nearly one per cent. The following figures give the numbers of the leading Denominations:—

ONTARIO.

	1861.	1871.
Methodists.....	341,572	462,264
Presbyterians.....	363,384	356,442
Church of England.....	311,565	330,995
Catholics.....	258,141	274,162
Baptists, } ..		62,941
Free-will, Tunkers, &c., } ..	61,599	23,685

QUEBEC.

	1861.	1871.
Catholics.....	942,724	1,019,850
Church of England.....	63,322	62,449
Presbyterians.....	43,607	46,165
Methodists.....	30,582	34,101
Baptists, } ..		5,301
Free-will Baptists, &c., } ..	7,751	3,385

NEW BRUNSWICK.

	1861.	1871.
Catholics.....	85,238	96,016
Church of England.....	42,776	45,481
Baptists, } ..		42,729
Free-will Baptists, &c., } ..	57,730	27,863
Presbyterians.....	36,072	33,852
Methodists.....	25,637	29,862

NOVA SCOTIA.

	1861.	1871.
Presbyterians.....	88,756	103,539
Catholics.....	86,281	102,001
Church of England.....	47,744	55,124
Baptists, } ..		54,263
Free-will Baptists, &c., } ..	62,941	19,167
Methodists.....	34,055	40,871

The following figures show the percentage of increase:—(We quote the figures from the *Wesleyan*.)

ONTARIO.

Methodists, increase per cent.....	35.33
Presbyterians " "	17.48
Church of England " "	6.23
Catholics, increase " "	6.20
Baptists, all sorts, " "	40.63

QUEBEC.

Catholics, increase per cent.....	8.18
Church of England, decrease per cent..	1.39
Presbyterians, increase per cent.....	5.75
Methodists, " "	11.50
Baptists, all sorts, " "	12.06