

friends, this is a calumny; for I tell you that the Holy Bible, even as translated by the Protestants, is the word of God; peruse it by all means; read it eagerly and constantly, and follow its doctrines; for it is the best of books, the surest guide, yea, the light of the Lord." This was too much for the quick-witted French; and hence the missionary says, that a lady who would not receive their tracts, sent for the colporteur and said to him, that she preferred being led to Protestantism by Mr. Weiss rather than by those who commend the Bible in public, but who, she knew, burn and destroy it wherever and whenever they can do so.

The movement among the young Jews, and a regard for the children of the French congregation, have led Mr. Weiss to open a day school, which, as yet, is attended by only nine scholars. He expects that by and by young Jews will come. There is also an evening school, opened for the benefit of those young men who are emplov, -d during the day; and this class, Jewish lads are beginning to attend.

From 430 to 650 Bibles, New Testaments, and Psalms, 600 pamphlets, and 4000 tracts have been put into circulation, partly given away, and partly sold. The Toulouse Tract Society have given him two grants, and some of these pamphlets, the missionary declares, "have been, so to say, swallowed and well digested in a very short time." May the Lord greatly prosper the active operations of this interesting mission.

2. *Hamburg, in Germany.*—We have two agents here. The first, Mr. John Elvin, is employed as a catechist, circulating tracts, and conversing with Jews as he finds opportunity. His reports indicate diligence on his part, and prejudice, obstinacy, and unbelief—as well as many "refuges of lies"—on the part of the Jews. The seed has been sown, and the hope is cherished that it will yet bear fruit. The second is the Rev. Isaac Salkinson, who resides in Altona, near Hamburg. He was the means of instructing two Jewesses, and preparing them for baptism; and he testifies that they are walking in accordance with the truth. During the year Mr. Salkinson carried through the press his Hebrew translation of "the Philosophy of the Plan of salvation," a book fitted to have a good effect upon the minds of intelligent Jews. The translation has been highly approved by competent scholars. Mr. Salkinson, after attending the Theological Hall, was, on the 23rd of November last, ordained by the Presbytery of Glasgow as a missionary for the Jews. As this is the first Jew that has been ordained by our church as a missionary to the Jews, in connection with the Synod, it is hoped that his labours will be greatly blessed, and that, by the abounding grace of God, he will yet be able to point to his converts, and to say, "You see how many Jews there are who believe."

3. *Aleppo, in Syria.*—The latest intelligence from the Rev. R. G. Brown states that, after having experienced great inconvenience for want of a suitable house, he had obtained one which "contains a fine room capable of receiving a congregation of 200." Mr Brown has met with Jews, and addressed them, both in public and in private. He has been gaining acquaintance with them; and he intimates that several young men seem to be inquiring, one or two hopefully, after the truth. And.

4. *Leipsig, in Saxony.*—During the course of last summer the Rev. Dr. Philip removed with his family to Leipsig. It was thought when he did so that this would form a suitable field for a mission to the Jews. A few months' experience, however, has shown that there are comparatively few Jews in this place, and that the prospects are not such as to make it dutiful to continue a mission there. It having been found, on correspondence with Dr. Philip, that there is no unoccupied field in Germany, where the Jews are assembled in sufficient numbers, or where, though numerous, as in Poland and in Hussia, there is liberty to preach to them, and no other field being open where his services could be employed, the Foreign Mission Committee were under the disagreeable necessity of deciding that the connection of Dr. Philip should terminate on the 1st of April last, a year's salary from that date being allowed him—an arrangement in which he has acquiesced.

Missions to the Jews are dictated by the finest sympathies of the Christian's