

by instalments as fast as the editorial and printing departments can supply them, was passed.

—More than 30 of the younger clergymen of the diocese of Durham, England, have addressed a communication to their bishop (Dr. Westcott), placing themselves subject to his direction as to going into the foreign mission field. They say: "We think that those who stand at the Church's watch towers may be willing to organize and direct us if they are once convinced that we are willing to obey orders and thankful to have them to obey."

—Some 750,000 patients were treated last year in the Dufferin hospitals of India or in other hospitals officered by women.

—For some years the adult baptisms in the Church Missionary Society missions have been between 3000 and 4000 a year, or an average of about 10 per day for every day in the year. In the past year this average has been maintained without including Uganda; but in Uganda so large a number of adult converts have been baptized in the year, that the ordinary total is nearly doubled. Among the items are: West Africa, 325; East Africa, 116; India, 2013 (the largest figure on record); Ceylon, 133; China, 659 (503 in Fuh-Kien alone, even in such a year!); Japan, 292. Then for Uganda the number returned is 2921; and the grand total cannot be much under 7000. There have also been over 8000 baptisms of the children of Christian parents.—*Intelligencer*.

—The great society named above has 975 Europeans as its representatives in the foreign field, and 311 native and Eurasian clergymen. The communicants number 57,779 and the adherents, 212,640.

—The natives of the Dark Continent have lost a devoted friend by the death of Horace Waller, whose sagacious counsels on African affairs were never darkened by the shadow of self-interest. As a youth Mr. Waller was an engineer,

and for some time a member of Livingstone's famous Zambesi expedition. In 1860 he joined the Universities' Mission to Central Africa, and was associated with the first bishop, Bishop Mackenzie. The latter part of his life Mr. Waller spent as rector of an English country parish, but his voice and pen were always at the service of the Dark Continent.

The Continent.—The McAll Mission has had its share of suffering from lack of funds to carry on its regular work. So great was the deficit at the close of its last financial year that it was decided to close the four halls in Lyons and give up the meetings in other towns. The news comes from Lyons, however, that the Baptist and Presbyterian churches in that city have come to the rescue, pledging themselves to support the four stations. One of the most encouraging features of this mission is the increasing interest of the French Protestant churches in its work. A new hall has been opened by the evangelical church in Grenelle, Paris, which meets all the expenses of the enterprise, and several pastors have succeeded in interesting their young people in practical service at the McAll *salles*.

—In connection with the death of Baron Hirsch the *Christian Advocate* employs such phrases as "liberality unbounded" and "a career without a parallel," and declares that "since 1890 he has dispensed in beneficence over \$15,000,000 a year." And certainly the world never before saw combined such ability and such disposition to bless humanity by bestowing such vast sums.

—Waldensians, English Wesleyan, American Methodist, English and American Baptists, Free Italian Church, Plymouth Brethren, Unitarian and Reformed Catholic are all at work in Italy. About 250 missionaries, pastors, and evangelists are engaged in the work, or in the proportion of 1 to 150,000. Multitudes of Italians have not yet heard the Gospel as preached by evangelicals, tho all might hear it. According