

and also that he gave Mr. Fetler \$300,000 for his church in Petrograd. On these charges Mr. Fetler was exiled for the whole period of the war, and not only so, but eleven other ministers have been banished, ten of them to Siberia, and six churches closed. It is a time of great trial, but Mr. Fetler pleads for bitterness of spirit to be kept out of it, and for the opening "of our prayer window towards Jerusalem, "from whence cometh our help."

A remarkable revival is in progress in Finland. One of the ministers writes that it is the greatest they have ever had, and six of the ministers are working together in it.

Our Theological Seminary in Sweden has been having quite a struggle since war began. One-third of the students are away all the time doing military duty, taking a month and a half at a time. The people are making great sacrifices to maintain the work, however, and though prices have increased and wages have decreased, the contributions towards the educational work have reached almost the normal amount.

German Home Missions is suffering fearfully. They appropriate to needy churches each year 46,000 marks (\$11,500), but have sent out word that none of that can be sent out this year. What that means to the home missionaries and the mission churches can scarcely be imagined.

One of our Austrian Baptist ministers is among the prisoners of Russia. He has been sent to Siberia, but seems quite contented, and has started evangelistic work in his place of detention.

Our text-book for this year, "The Child in the Midst," has had a remarkable sale. The first edition of 100,000 was exhausted in October, and the second of 50,000 is selling well. This book

will be as good for Circle study next year as this. Next year's book is to be "The King's Highway."

The Waldensian Church, in Italy, is another religious enterprise in desperate straits because of the war. \$50,000 has usually come to them from Britain, Germany and other European countries. Lacking this now, the preachers, teachers and colporteurs are in danger of actual starvation.

A marvellous revival has been taking place among our British soldiers in England. Chapman and Alexander have been working among them, and 10,000 have joined the Pocket Testament League, and 3,000 have been converted. One of the notable things about it is that private soldiers, in many cases, are leading their officers into the light.

Self-exiled Canadians do not forget our soldiers. Methodist missionaries living in West China have sent \$150 back here to help in buying comforts for our Canadian soldiers.

August 1, 1914, the day of the declaration of war, was the 2,500th anniversary of the destruction of Jerusalem and the dispersion of the Jews.

Do the readers of "Twice-Born Men" remember "The Light Handful"? He has just rejoined his regiment, with the rank of corporal, and is probably at the front now. His father was in the famous charge of the Light Brigade at Balaclava.

The Mohammedan University of El Azhar, in Egypt, the oldest and largest one, has surely caught the progressive spirit of the age. The authorities have just decreed that all students who have been studying there 17 years must leave if they do not pass their next examination!