

Europeans. The English Church stands second, with 139,000 adherents, of whom one half return themselves as Europeans; the other half consists of Kafirs, Fingoes, and 46,000 of mixed blood. The Wesleyans and other Methodists number 109,000, of whom 22,000 are Europeans, 63,000 Kafirs and Fingoes, and 19,000 of mixed colored blood. There are 66,000 Independents, 32,000 Presbyterians, and 17,000 Roman Catholics.

—Rev. Mr. Davidson, a missionary of the Scotch United Presbyterian Church, reports a remarkable occurrence in connection with a wedding at a farm in Adelaide. The bride and bridegroom were servants on the farm, and after the ceremony the people suddenly, unitedly, and eagerly called for a religious service, and some 200 sat down on the grass, listening while Mr. Davidson preached. The people were deeply stirred. An hour or two after he had reached home a messenger was sent for the evangelist to come and hold another service in the evening.

—It is Rev. B. F. Ousley, for seven years missionary of the American Board among the Batswa tribes in East Central Africa, that was owned by Joseph (not Jefferson, but his brother) Davis, and is now translating the Bible into the Sheetswa, a cognate of the Zulu. He is a graduate of Fisk University and of Oberlin Theological Seminary.

—The North German Society has a mission upon the Slave Coast, and adjoining that of the Basle Society upon the Gold Coast. At the end of last year the number of converts was 891, as against 800 twelve months before.

—Rev. Dr. Laws, of Livingstonia, gives these facts concerning the growth of the Free Church Mission on Lake Nyassa. The first missionary party arrived in 1875 and found all utterly heathen. Since then the first station, Cape Maclear, has developed into 6 centres occupied by Europeans, and 165 men, women, and children have

been baptized. Last year from 30 to 40 of the native Christians went out Sunday after Sunday to preach, walking for the purpose 8, 10, 12 miles in a broiling sun. There are 32 schools taught by about 150 native teachers. Several of the 8 languages spoken about the lake have been reduced to writing.

—Miss M. Copping, of Fez, Morocco, writes of treating 54 women and children in one day, some coming as early as five o'clock, though the dispensary was not open until 7.45. During January, February, and March the attendance of patients was of men 856, of women and children 1275, or a total of 2131.

Australia.—The Moravian Mission among the aborigines of North Queensland is supported financially by the Presbyterians and Lutherans of Australia. Though their numbers have been so fearfully diminished, the aborigines are estimated at not less than 150,000.

—According to the recent census of the religions of Australia, the Church of England has by far the most numerous following. Of Episcopalians there are 503,084; Roman Catholics, 286,917; Presbyterians, 109,383; Wesleyan Methodists, 87,489. There are other Methodists to the number of 22,589, with 24,113 Congregationalists and 13,118 Baptists. The greatest gain exhibited by any denomination is shown by the Church of England, which has increased from 342,359 to 503,084.

Madagascar.—In September last a Christian Endeavor Society was started at Ambohipotsy, which now numbers about 70 members, and in the nearer churches of the district 10 branch societies have been formed. At a united service for the 11 societies more than 300 members were present.

—Though there are now in this island 1360 self-supporting Christian congregations, it must not be inferred that Madagascar is already Christianized; for out of the 4,500,000 inhabitants there are probably 3,000,000 still living in heathen darkness.