

the Epicureans, Stoics, and the careless votaries of folly and amusement—into penitent believers; the voluptuaries of Corinth into self-denying disciples; the idolaters of Galatia, and Ephesus, and Philippi, and The-salonica, into saints and martyrs. See it pouring into the bosom of the Roman, the new sentiments of humility in respect to himself, and of brotherhood towards others; suppressing the shows of the gladiator and the crimes of poisoning, infanticide, and self-destruction; abolishing polygamy, slavery, and the parental power of life and death; mitigating the penal law; confining, within just limits, that of divorce; and bringing back to connubial life the blessedness of Eden, by raising woman to the companionship, the duties, and the confidence for which she was designed. See it, in after ages, humanizing the ferocious Britain; softening the Vandal; and teaching mercy to the Goth. See it scattering throughout Europe the seeds of truth, and justice, and humanity, and social order, from which have sprung those various institutions which render Christendom so superior in government, in knowledge, in the arts and charities of life, and in all the elements of individual, domestic, and national happiness, to the most favored portions of the Mohammedan and Pagan world. See it, from age to age, repeating its miracles of mercy, in the transformation and improvement of human character; changing the vulture to a dove, the tiger to a lamb; teaching the revengeful to forgive, and the miser to be liberal; purifying the hearts of the unclean, the hands of the fraudulent, and the lips of the profane; making the proud man humble, and chastening the desires of the ambitious; filling the bosoms of the poor, the friendless, and the afflicted, with resignation, cheerfulness, and hope; and converting, oftentimes, the abandoned drunkard and the profligate debauchee—the very plague-spots of the earth—into ornaments of society, and benefactors of mankind.—*Rev. B. F. Butler.*

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

AMERICAN BOARD FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.—

It appears by the report of the Treasurer of the Board, Henry Hill, that the total expenditures of the Board during the year have been \$318,955 93, and the total receipts \$318,396 53, leaving a balance against the Board of \$559 40. This is the first time since 1835 that the receipts have approached so near the liabilities. Of the receipts \$39,088 were from legacies. The increase of receipts above the preceding year was about 35 per cent, or \$83,207 23. About \$189,000 were received from New England, of which about \$103,000 were from Massachusetts. Out of New England, \$128,676 were contributed. The expenditures have been diminished \$7,767 77, or nearly 3 per cent. The Board has received also, in addition to the above, \$17,000 from the American Bible and Tract Societies.

The number of missions, is 26; of stations 85; of ordained missionaries, 131; 7 of whom are physicians. There are 11 physicians not preachers, 13 teachers, 9 printers and book-binders, and 10 other male and 170 female assistant missionaries. The whole number of laborers from this country, is 356; or 28 less than were reported last year. To these we must add 4 native preachers, and 138 native helpers; a number less than was reported last year, owing to imperfect returns from the missions,—and the whole number of laborers sustained through the treasury of the Board, is 488. Eight ordained missionaries, and 4 male and 12 female assistant missionaries, in all 24, have been sent forth during the year.

The number of mission churches is 59, and of church members in regular standing, 21,261, of whom 1,651 were received the past year.

There are 17 printing establishments, 31 presses, 4 type foundries, and 49 founts of type in the native languages. The printing for the year, was 64,499,767 pages; and the amount of printing from the beginning, is 354,338,077 pages.

Eight of the boarding-schools are denominated seminaries, and these contain 526 boys; the other 22 boarding-schools contain 212 boys and 386 girls; making the whole number of boarding scholars 1,124. The number of free schools is 618, containing 27,293 pupils.

INDIA.—*Rev. Dr. Scudder* was introduced by the President with a few appropriate allusions to his life and labors as a missionary. *Dr. S.* then addressed the audience in a most striking and impressive manner. Coming, said he, directly from a heathen land, I might tell you much of the darkness and death with which it is covered—much of the miseries of the 130 millions of perishing heathens among whom I have had my residence—a hundred and thirty millions of immortal souls posting to the judgment, deprived of all true knowledge, of all spiritual privileges, and who know nothing of God or of Christ, and among the thousands of whose temples, not one has been dedicated to the true God. I could tell you of their 30 millions of gods—gods, some black, some white, and some blue—gods of all shapes and all sizes, some human, and some bestial—some holding spears and clubs—some mounted on elephants, others on rats, on peacocks, and on serpents—gods in every form of beauty and deformity—gods dedicated to folly and to wisdom—to cruelty and revenge—to war and to peace—gods addicted to adultery, to theft, to murder, and to every vice comprised in the Apostolic catalogue of human crimes—and to vices which the Holy Ghost would not allow Paul to mention. I could tell you of Kuma, whose thirst could only be slaked with blood; and of men whose calling and profession it is, to steal their fellow-beings for sacrifice upon her bloody altars. I could tell of ceremonies in her service, at which the blood would curdle—of victims whose flesh