

A Pentecost at Aintab, Turkey.

Dr. Graham, a colleague of Dr. Post in Beyrout, an eye witness of the late remarkable work of grace in Aintab, gives this account of it:

"There are three native Protestant congregations in Aintab, self-supporting and prosperous, with a natural increase from the native membership. The immediate human instrument of the revival was Mr. Jenanyau, a native of Tarsus. He had met Mr. Moody and caught his spirit. The nightly services began in the church that is numerically the smallest of the three. Soon crowds came. On the first Sunday night the place was filled to the door; the windows, the yard, and even the low roofs around were crowded. A remarkable feature was the attendance

of women, who were in the majority. Fifteen hundred would crowd the place to hear the Word; and then the church would be emptied, to be immediately filled again for another service. Work was also begun in the other churches. The work continued with increasing power among Armenians, Catholics and Moslems. The city was never so moved. At the end of four weeks upwards of 600 converts had been added to the churches. The effect on the old Armenian churches was beyond estimation. Armenian women would take their Protestant sisters with them to their own churches and call on them to testify, which they did with great effect. The fruit gathered was almost exclusively from others than Mohammedans. Prayer should be offered for like results among them also."

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VII.—PROGRESS OF MISSIONS: MONTHLY BULLETIN.

Africa.—Alarming tidings of the ravages of the Arab slave traders and conquerors in Africa reach us through Mr. James Stevenson of Glasgow, chairman of the African Lakes Company, whose operations are in the Lake Nyanza country. From this source we learn that those traders still pursue their work of conquest, slaughter and extermination, on lines extending from the Mozambique coast directly west to the countries once depopulated by the old west coast slave trade, north to the Victoria Nyanza, and thence north of the Equator from sea to sea, and to the Nile. West of the Great Lakes, an area 1,000 miles in length and 400 in breadth, has been made a desert, and for 90 miles along Lake Tanganyika, a once populous section has been entirely depopulated. Reference to a map of Africa will show the extent of this cruel desolation of lands recently densely peopled by thrifty, peaceful and industrious natives. All missionary work in this section of Africa is endangered.

—Mr. Stanley has brought a suit into the Consular Court at Zanzibar against Tippu-tib, for losses connected with his expedition, growing out of the Arab chieftain's breach of contract and bad faith. It seems that Tippu-tib has funds at Zanzibar which can be attached, and the evidence of his bad faith is said to be of a startling character. Mr. Stanley knew him well and had no faith in him personally; but believes that by employing him on a salary of \$120 per month he prevented his entering upon some marauding expeditions on the Upper Congo, by which thousands of lives would probably have been destroyed.

—The committee appointed by the Anti-slavery Conference at Brussels to report upon

the most available measures for the suppression of the slave trade has rejected the English proposals for a maritime blockade of the East African coast, and adopted those of the Belgian delegates. The latter look to the extirpation of the evil in its places of origin by the organization of African territory under European rule, the establishment of police stations at strategic points, and the institution of steamboat service on the lakes and rivers, the opening of railroads, and the prohibition of the import of arms and ammunition.

—There are three Roman Catholic and eight Protestant missions in the Congo territory. They support 23 stations and 95 missionaries. The Protestant missions are supported by Americans, English, and Swedes.—*Illustrated Christian Weekly*.

—Thirty colored missionaries for the Sudan mission were secured by Dr. Grattan Guinness during his recent visit to the South.

—The work of the Baptist Missionaries on the Upper Congo is greatly helped by medical practice among the natives, who suffer from many diseases.

—The Gospel of Matthew has been published in the Fiot tongue of the Lower Congo, by Mr. Westlund.

Brazil.—The Baptists of Bahia, Brazil, have recently purchased for church purposes what was formerly an inquisition building. Parliament there has recently promised liberty of worship and civil marriage.

Burmah.—An Association of Baptist Churches in Upper Burmah has been formed. It is called the Qung-pin-leh Association, from the place where Dr. Adoniram Judson suffered his cruel imprisonment.

—The translation of the Old Testament into