

shops and hotels—the latter on the European plan—in Jerusalem, Jaffa, Caesarea and Haifa; in the expenditure last year of six hundred thousand dollars by the Greek and Latin Churches on ecclesiastical buildings; and finally, in a completed survey for a railroad from Acre to the eastern margin of the lake of Galilee, which when constructed will tap the rich pasture lands where tradition places the feeding ground of Job's extensive herds, as well as the plains of Esdraelon and Jezreel.

"Jerusalem," says Prof. William Wells, "appears to be enjoying a veritable 'boom,' though it seems almost sacrilegious so to say.



HAND-WASHING IN THE EAST.

It is growing in proportions with great rapidity, especially since the ban was broken that confined the city to the area within the walls. Since Bishop Gobat had the courage to build a school on Mount Zion, and Schneller to found an orphanage on the western elevations before the city, the latter has greatly increased in extent and population; dwellings with gardens have arisen, as well as churches and various benevolent institutions, in the waste surroundings of the city, especially towards the north and west. This growth is the more astonishing, as it takes place in a rocky and hilly soil with no trade or industry and no external beauty that ordinarily give life and activity to cities."

Mr. Oliphant, while evidently at home among all the varieties