

\$566. Received for tuition fees, \$596. Estimated value of mission property, \$95,250; namely, in Syria, \$9000; in India, \$10,700; in Egypt, \$75,550. The whole number of pages printed in Egypt was 220,000. The whole amount of money received into the treasury for foreign mission purposes during the year was \$53,865.14. Total expenditure was \$53,141.23; leaving a balance on hand, \$723.91 for entering upon the good work another year.

After much consideration the United Board of Foreign Missions have designated the Rev. J. P. McKee and wife to India, and have desired them to be ready to leave during this month. They will take the overland route, going through Egypt, and Miss Campbell will accompany them thus far to her field.

Large Presbyterian Churches.

The *Evangelist* gathers from the Minutes of the United General Assembly, some statistics in relation to the largest Presbyterian churches, Sabbath-schools, etc., in the country. The church of Rev. T. C. Cuyler, of Brooklyn, the great temperance preacher, takes the lead with 1,375 members. There are only four churches with over one thousand. Mr. Cuyler's, Lafayette avenue; the Brick, Rochester (1,253); Madison Square, New York (1,237); and the First Kensington, Philadelphia (1,137.) The St. Louis Second reports the largest Sabbath-school membership—1,650; Bethany, Philadelphia, 1,609; First Chicago, 1,452. The New York First is the largest contributor to Home and Foreign Missions, giving to the former \$53,610, and to the latter \$33,508.

Progress of Christian Work.

We extract some interesting items from the last number of *Evangelical Christendom*:—

SPAIN.

All through Spain the work of evangelization is going forward wonderfully. In Valladolid the congregation have presented a memorial to the authorities, representing their claims, and begging for the cession to them of a temple wherein to celebrate their worship. It bore 869 signatures. The present place of meeting we only possess till the middle of September, and large as it is, the congregation is so great that Pedro Castro has been compelled the last evenings to commence half an hour before the time of service. His health is very feeble yet his labours are incessant.

On a recent occasion, the Thursday evening service found him almost unable to speak, and exhausted with nightly work. He threw himself helplessly on the Lord, and experienced the truth that "God's

strength is made perfect in weakness." His address on "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden," led a hundred additional persons to come forward at the close of the service, desirous to enter their names on the books of the congregation, whilst on the Friday evening sixty or seventy more gave in their adhesion, who had not been able to approach the table on the previous evening on account of the crowd.

On the 17th July, the Madrid Committee opened the new chapel in the Plaza del Limon, which already unites a large congregation.

On the 7th inst. a Young Men's Christian Association was formed, with Carrasco as President. At a succeeding meeting 26 young men were enrolled as members, thus constituting the society, which has already entered upon its special activity.

CENTRAL ASIA.

Mr. Pagell, of the Moravian Mission, writes from Poo: "When our mission field seems barren there fail not events to inspire courage and trust. A young man came to us this month and stated his determination to become a Christian. His name is Dschanjang Zering, born in Poo, and 27 years of age, servant to a landed proprietor. Besides the clothes that he wore and a knife in his belt, he had nothing, not even a wooden covering for the night. It is scarcely to be credited how little the lower classes are cared for here. The young man had once been present at the preaching, and from his feelings it is clear that the Lord had given him the desire to hear and seek after the truth. We gave him shelter with us, and hope to provide him with field work; he will remain with us for instruction. Some twelve to fifteen adults attend our Sunday-school latterly, and fourteen children; a lama also assisting me with them. I give instructions besides once a week to elder children of a convert; they answer me well, considering the intellect of these poor people is less than we in Europe can conceive."

Brazil.

Rev. Mr. Blackford writes, "Two men were received to the church at Rio de Janeiro, on profession of faith on the first Sabbath of this month. Our services are well attended, and there are always some inquirers; but of late there have been a good many hindrances among members of the church." Mr. Schneider writes that a lot has been at last purchased for a church. The late Paraguayan war had greatly increased the prices of nearly everything, so that a larger sum than was collected for the chapel by Rev. Mr. Chamberlain would be needed.