

tion of squalor are the two opposite evils which the Christian and the missionary ought to avoid, although doubtless he ought to incline rather to bareness than to sumptuousness. Dr. Ellinwood's article is just the right thing. CHARLES C. STARBUCK.

"Andover, Mass."

We add a word on the subject from Sir William Hunter, who is constantly referred to as the highest authority on civil and political matters in India. In a recent address before the British Baptist Missionary Society he defines "Asceticism" as "merely a life of quiet self-denial." He speaks of it as one of the methods to be employed, and by no means the sole method. While he bears solemn witness to the valuable results which the celibate mission brotherhoods in India were

producing, he yet adds: "To the great laboring, toiling mass of the Indian people there could be no more beneficent influence than the daily coming in and going out among them of a Christian missionary and his wife and children. To millions of their Indian fellow-subjects the missionary family was the great daily object lesson of the Christian life. But besides these millions there were hundreds of thousands of men of a culture which demanded another method of attack." "This certainly," says the *Missionary Herald*, from which we get this testimony, "is a weighty testimony, and it commends itself to all who hold the doctrine set forth by Paul, 'I am become all things to all men that I might by all means save some.'" T. M. S.

VII.—ORGANIZED MISSIONARY WORK AND STATISTICS.*

Woman's Missionary Societies of Canada.

I. Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Presbyterian Church in Canada.

WESTERN DIVISION.

Secretary, Mrs. Shortreed, 218 Ontario St., Toronto, Canada.

Periodical: Monthly Letter Leaflet, Toronto.

Fields—The New Hebrides; Trinidad, British Guiana, West Coast; China, Honan; Formosa; Central India, and Indians of Canada.

Home Force—Presbyterial societies, 25; auxiliaries, 407; mission bands, 156. Income for the year, \$30,000.

EASTERN DIVISION.

Mrs. Burns, President, Halifax, N. S.

This division has 90 auxiliaries, 33 mission bands, and 4,000 members, and income for the year \$6,000. During the year two Presbyterial societies have been formed and six auxiliaries organized. Fields the same as Western Division.

II. Woman's Baptist Missionary Union of Maritime Provinces.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. John March, St. Johns, N. B.

This society occupies the same fields as the

general society. They have a successful work in India—schools and Bible women—but no statistics are at hand. Income for the year, \$5,000.

III. Woman's Baptist Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. H. Humphrey, Toronto.

We are obliged to use last year's annual report, as that for 1889 is not issued at the time we write, and as the society is organized into provincial divisions it is not quite easy to present a summary of their work in our brief space.

Field.—The stations in India occupied by this society are Cocanada, Samulcotta and Tuni.

IV. Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, Canada.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Strachan, 113 Hughson St., Hamilton, Ont.

This society is divided into five branches. There are 300 auxiliaries, with 7,173 annual and 300 life members, and 123 mission bands, with 3,511 members. Income for the past year, \$22,306; an increase of \$3,235.

This society has work among the Indians, the French, the Chinese in America, and Japan. Four ladies were sent to Japan this past year. They have a very successful boarding school at Tokio, with 150 boarders. A new school has been opened at Kofu.

Publication department in the *Missionary Outlook*.

[* The *Home Work* of the M. E. C. in our January number, page 76, second column, 20th line from top to 32d line, inclusive, got misplaced in the make-up, and connected with that of M. E. C. South, whose Home force was already stated. Please connect it with the previous Society, No. XII.—E.S.]