

Missionary News.



NOTHER great field for missionary endeavor is opening up more and more in the Straits Settlements, where Chinese immigrants are pouring in in ever increasing numbers. The work of evangelization, it is said, would prove comparatively easy and would result in tides of native missionaries returning to their own land. Here, as elsewhere, opportunity spells responsibility.

All missionary fields do not prove so encouraging as our own. The work of the Norwegian and French Missionary Societies in Madagascar have been so hindered by the persecution of the French Governor-General that the number of native Christians has decreased, fewer heathen have been converted and the Mission schools have decreased from 860 to 390. But these heralds of the cross are not disheartened. They believe this is a time of testing and seed-sowing, out of which they and their converts will come stronger, and abundant harvests will be reaped.

A new missionary society has been formed in Hungary among the Lutherans. Protestants in Hungary have been so few and despised that never until just recently have they found it possible to get beyond the Jerusalem and Samaria part of the Great Commission. They now, in conjunction with the Leipzig Missionary Society, are to do work in India and East Africa.

It may be a new thing to some of our readers to know that in almost every country in continental Europe are to be found flourishing Missionary

Societies which are sending the good news to all parts of the earth. Hungary's part has been noted just above. A strong society in Sweden maintains missions among seamen in German, British, French and Italian ports, besides work in South Africa and South India. Denmark is represented in India and China. Holland finds its field of labor in the Dutch East Indies and New Guinea, and Queen Wilhelmina lends her active support to all this missionary endeavor. Germany has as one of its organizations a German Students' Missionary Federation with branches in eleven Universities. The French Republic, overwhelmed in Catholicism and infidelity, still has a missionary organization doing its work in Africa, Madagascar and Polynesia. Switzerland is largely represented in German West Africa, Transvaal Colony and Portuguese East Africa. And so the story continues. Truly it is a great host with whom we are working towards one and the same end.

In Kettering, England, there was recently a very interesting ceremony, when a brass tablet was unveiled on the wall of the house where Carey originated the modern missionary movement in 1792. Among those present were Rev. S. Penrose Carey, the great-grandson of William Carey. They showed Carey's cobbler's tools, and also the box in which the first collection for modern missions was deposited.

The work among Hindus is not all done in India. There is a prosperous Canadian Mission to Hindus in the Island of Trinidad, where these people are employed in the sugar and cocoa plantations. Out of a population of