

Of the 344 Unitarian churches in the United States, no fewer than 252 are without pastors or stated pulpit supply.

A merchant of San Francisco has presented the Young Men's Christian Association with \$6,000 for evangelistic work.

The missionaries of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., have opened a boarding and day-school for girls in the city of Mexico.

Unitarianism does not flourish. Forty-two years ago Dr. Bellows found two churches of that denomination in New York, and now there are only three.

The Boston Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children have demanded of the Police Board the repeal of the licenses of nineteen liquor-dealers guilty of selling liquor to children.

The Presbyterian churches of Chicago have appointed committees to confer with other churches, "with a view to closing theatres on Sunday and putting a stop to indecent performances."

On the night of Washington's birthday every gambling saloon in Chicago was closed, for the first time in the history of the city. Its police have now demonstrated that all that is wanted is the will.

A young Zulu, aiding Rev. Mr. Pixley, missionary of the American Board, in carrying a translation of the Bible through the press, united with the Congregational Church in Auburndale, Mass., March 5th. His grandmother was the first native convert of the mission.

Chicago has a larger Hebrew population than any other city of equal numbers in the world. There are fifteen synagogues in the city, which have an average attendance of over 1,300 each, making in the aggregate about 20,000 Israelites who take part in religious services.

Europe.

Paris has now ninety-two Sunday schools, with 7,409 scholars, who are taught by 819 teachers. This shows a gain of six schools for the year 1881.

During the winter, Rev. Dr. Somerville, the Scotch evangelist, has had successful meetings in Frankfort, Strassburg, Carlsruhe, Gernsbach and Baden-Baden, in Germany. The Germans have gathered in large numbers to hear the truth from him, even though he has had to speak through an interpreter.

Austria is now the only country in Europe where aggressive Gospel work is forbidden.

The Moravian Brethren will celebrate, in the month of August, the 150th anniversary of the foundation of their missions amongst the heathen. It was in 1732 that the brothers Leopold and Dolby landed at St. Thomas, in the West Indies.

China.

The Southern (American) Presbyterian Board proposes to establish a new mission in Northern China.

Forty-four persons have been added to the Second Presbyterian church, Canton, Chinas during the past year.

The Roman Catholic bishop of Hong Kong says that the Roman Catholic Mission took 400,000 Chinese children last year to bring up in the faith of their Church.

A third Presbyterian church has been organized in Canton, with fourteen members from the First church, thirteen from the Second church, and one from the Chinese church of San Francisco. Two elders were chosen.

The mission of the Southern American Presbyterian Board in Soochow, China, have been able to purchase a plot of ground for a cemetery, and have received a proclamation from the Governor stating that it is the burial ground of the Protestants, and all men are forbidden to molest them when burying their dead, or to injure the graves. They consider this an important and an aggressive movement for their mission work and influence.

Japan.

Missionary work commenced in Japan only a few years ago, and there are already between seven and eight thousand converts to Protestantism. In China Christianity has been increasing at the rate of forty per cent. for the last five years.

The manager of a large pottery establishment in Yokohama, Japan, recently asked the missionaries to hold a service for his employes every Sabbath. In the afternoon books and papers are read to them. At the side of the large gate of the factory is this sign: "This is a rest day at this establishment."