

employed in some part of the salmon cannery, but now it is much larger.

A few weeks after we came here a collection amounting to \$43.50 was taken up to help to finish the new church here. Since then, two coats of white paint, with a dark drab trimming has been put on it, giving it a very pretty appearance.

Yesterday Mr. Holmes, of the British American Packing Company, asked me to call during the afternoon. I did so, and was greatly surprised by his handing me a cheque for \$150, with instructions to use it to buy an organ for our church here. Our people will be greatly pleased to have it. We thanked him for his kindness, and will at once procure the best instrument we can for the money.

Another collection was taken up to paint the Aberdeen church, situated about four miles up the river, at one of the canneries. At this \$26.10 was realized. Materials were procured, and last week we succeeded in making the outside look somewhat better. We need nearly as much more to paint the inside.

Facts and Illustrations.

A MAN at his wit's end is not at his faith's end.—
Matthew Henry.

AN infidel wrote upon his wall, "God is nowhere;" but his little child read, "God is now here."

THE receipts of the M. E. Church for last year for missionary work were upwards of \$1,000,000.

IN Ceylon many high-class Buddhists have joined the Salvation Army, and two stations have been formed.

IF I can put one touch of a rosy sunset into the life of any man or woman, I shall feel that I have worked with God.—*George MacDonald.*

OF the 12,000,000 of people in Mexico, 8,000,000 are pure-blooded Indians, and there is no translation of the Bible in any one of their languages.

THE Presbyterian women of India raised last year in their Missionary Societies and Boards, in cash and missionary boxes, nearly \$8,000 for home missions.

IT is stated that a nephew of the late King Cetywayo, after six years in Sweden in theological and other studies, has gone back to carry on mission work in his native land.

THERE are now in Japan 93 native preachers, and 169 theological students. By the close of the nineteenth century Japan will be one of the centres of Christian influence.

A GERMAN paper states that "at Vienna last year 363 Jews became Christians," and another paper says that "at no period since the first century have conversions from Judaism to Christianity been so frequent as they are at present."

A NUMBER of Dundee gentlemen have purchased a bark to be sent on a commercial and missionary expedition into the Arctic seas about Pond's Bay, to Christianize the natives. If the report is favorable from this expedition, a Polar mission will be carried out.

OF the 193 organized Churches in Japan, 64 are said to be self-supporting. Christianity in the Sun Rise kingdom will soon be able to stand alone, a native ministry will supply their Churches, and the contributions of their congregations will aid in spreading the Gospel in other lands.

BUDDHIST opposition in Ceylon is becoming more and more virulent; and one of the greatest hindrances to the Gospel, writes a missionary, is "the coquetting with Buddhism which has become fashionable among many Europeans." Buddha's birthday is now a government holiday in this island of Queen Victoria.

LAST year the native converts of Japan, with average wages of 25 cents a day, gave \$27,000 for mission work. Were the Christians of this Christian land equally zealous for the spread of the Gospel, instead of nearly every mission board being burdened by debt, their treasuries would be overflowing, and the calls from heathen lands would soon be answered.

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