

We purpose, for the ensuing year, giving some notes on the S. S. Lessons.

The "Children's Presbyterian" will be continued, as in the present number. Young people will you try to get some subscribers for your own paper.

America.

THE cheering news comes from Mexico that the Protestant Christians of that country, of all denominations, now number 10,000.

THE Rev. Dr. Thomas, of Chicago, who has been expelled from the Methodist denomination, intends to organize an independent congregation in Chicago.

Two thousand six hundred Hebrew exiles from Southern Russia have arrived in New York, and 10,000 more are expected. Hebrew colonies are to be formed in Louisiana and Virginia.

DON PEDRO, Emperor of Brazil, a country absolutely Roman Catholic, offers to pay the expenses of those Protestant ministers who may be disposed to come to his dominions to preach the Gospel.

A RECENT issue of the *Deseret News*, the organ of the Mormons, states that the "praying circle" of the Mormon Church was engaged in continual supplication for the death of President Garfield.

LITTLE more than forty years ago the Fiji Islanders were all savages. Now out of a population of 120,000 there are 102,000 who worship regularly in the churches, and these contribute \$15,000 a year to religious objects.

THE women of Chicago Presbytery contributed \$10,000 last year to missions, recently sent out two young ladies to India, have 62 flourishing societies in the 46 churches and the various Sunday schools of the Presbytery.

THE Northfield Seminary (Mr. Moody's) opened with 105 boarders and about twenty day-scholars. The main building is so full that Mr. Moody's private residence and one other house have been taken to accommodate the overflow.

THE American Board of Foreign Missions closed its fiscal year on the 31st day of August. The Report states that the

receipts for the month of August were about \$73,000. The receipts of the year just closed were in advance of the previous year, but the expenses of the year exceed the income by about \$2,000.

Dr. Storrs, the great pulpit orator of Brooklyn, has won golden opinions from those who have listened to him from year to year. Their opinions have taken a corresponding form, and on the completion of the thirty-fifth year of his ministry in the church of the Pilgrims a check for \$35,000, certified, was handed to him, with many kind words from those who love him well. It is simply an addition of \$1,000 per annum to his salary in the past years, and his services have been worth it all.

Europe.

NEAR Nevers, in France, over 100 persons have signed a document declaring that they are adherents of Protestantism.

THE Free Italian General Assembly met lately in Florence. Father Gavazzi was re-elected moderator.

THE Greek Testament in the ancient tongue is now, by order of the Greek government, read in its schools, of which there are 1,200, with 80,000 pupils.

INCREASED observance of the Sabbath in Paris is shewn by the fact that in the St. Roch quarter six thousand tradesmen now close their place of business on the Lord's Day.

THE venerable Dr. Dorner, Professor of Theology at the University of Berlin, author of many valuable theological works, has been compelled by chronic sore throat to discontinue his lectures. He is already very old and will probably never again resume his activity as a teacher.

MOODY and Sankey are at work in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England, and are attracting large audiences. One of the journals says:—"Mr. Moody has altered but little in appearance since he quitted our shores, and but for the tinge of gray which has crept over his head it would be difficult to realize that he is eight years older than when he last visited Newcastle." The same earnestness pervades the meetings as in the former time, and noonday prayer-meetings are crowded by young and old.