

EUROPE.

Great Britain.—Says the *Toronto Evangelical Churchman*: "The London 'May meetings' of religious and benevolent organizations are very numerous, and are well attended. Exeter Hall is the Mecca, and this great hall has become associated with all the philanthropic and reformatory agencies in Great Britain. The world once sneered at these meetings and the 'saints' who attended them. Even Lord Macaulay spoke of 'the bray of Exeter Hall.' But Exeter Hall has won the day. The *Daily News* fully expressed the changed sentiment of the London clubmen and the newspaper writers when it said recently: 'The May meetings used to be pelted with some cynical ridicule at one time. They are pelted with no ridicule of any kind now. They have had their baptism of fire, and have come out unscathed, and have only now to go on and do their work.'"

—The following are the approximate statistics of the Church Missionary Society: Stations, 324; European missionaries—ordained, 322, lay, 71; wives, 249; unmarried women, 121; total, 763; native and Eurasian clergy, 281; native lay teachers, 4196; native Christian adherents, 196,638; native communicants, 51,046; baptisms during the year, 10,712; schools, 1798; scholars, 72,860; income in 1892, \$1,414,025.

—The interdenominational mission, formed twenty years ago by Dr. and Mrs. Grattan Guinness, has now 3 colleges, 130 students from 40 different countries, several mission centres in London, chiefly in the East End, and is represented by between 600 and 700 men and women in the foreign field. The balance sheet shows that the expenditure now is over £20,000 a year.

—In spite of all its drawbacks, the Salvation Army has attained to a prominent place among the hosts of the army of the Lord. Its work is carried on in 21 languages. There were 3070 stations controlled by 10,816 officers.

There are 19,758 local offices and 12,229 bandmen; and it is estimated that about 7,000,000 persons are reached some way or other each week. The total income is \$100,000.

The Continent.—Somebody having absurdly asserted that it costs from £300 to £1000 to convert a Jew, a Hamburg missionary replies that in that city 78 were led to accept the Gospel at a total expense of only £234, or exactly £3 each!

—At his recent and much-lamented death, Mr. McAll left behind as the fruit of his twenty years' toil regular services held in 43 meeting places, with 7400 sittings in and round Paris, 89 in the provinces and 6 in Algeria and Tunis, a total of 138.

—His Holiness of the Vatican, at his recent jubilee, was able to increase his exchequer by the sum of 9,000,000 francs from the gifts of the faithful.

—How dense the darkness in the Czar's domain, since of the population of the Russian Empire but 25 per cent of the men and 2 per cent of the women can read and write! And yet the national government appropriates scarcely \$5,000,000 annually for education for a population of more than 100,000,000. It has been officially declared that if 3250 new schools be founded each year, it would take 260 years before every one of the present population could read and write. Better let the Jews and the Stundists alone, and send forth schoolmasters by the ten thousand.

ASIA.

Turkey.—"The Sultan of glorious Sultans, Emperor of powerful Emperors, distributor of the crowns of infidel rulers that are seated upon thrones, the shadow of God upon earth. I who am the Emperor, the Asylum of Justice and the King of Kings, the centre of victory; I, who, by the real Almighty, the Fount of happiness, am adorned with the title of Emperor of both Lands and, by the crowning grandeur of my caliphate, am graced by the title of