

Bengal Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

REPORT for 1888. See Statistics Page 314 MISSIONARY REVIEW for April.

The reports of the presiding elders of the four districts, Ajmere, Burmah, Calcutta and Mussoorie, bring very forcibly before the reader the need of the great work. In some places, where there was urgent need of advance and increased effort, the word came to retrench, and the problem became a serious one how to hold the ground already occupied. The laying of the corner stone of the Jabulpore Mission buildings brought some grateful words from the chief commissioner, Mr. A. Mackenzie, C. S. The times have greatly changed in India since the day when the first American missionaries were peremptorily ordered out of the country. At present there are no warmer supporters of their work than many of the officials of the Indian Government.

Barsilly Theological Seminary of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, North India.

REPORT for 1888 shows two missionary professors, with six native assistants and three

special lecturers, one American on physiology and sanitation, and two native on methods of theory and practice of mission work. In the theological department there are 37 students, and in the normal department 30 students. The course of training includes specially Bible study, together with practical instructions in evangelistic work. The classics are those of the country, though occasionally Greek and Hebrew are taught

General Synod Evangelical Lutheran Mission in India, Baptized in 1888 by:

Rev. E. Unangst	Adults, 311 Children, 318	629
Rev. L. B. Wolf,	Adults, 11 Children, 14	25
Rev. B. John,	Adults, 140 Children, 271	411
Rev. M. Nathaniel,	Adults, 99 Children, 117	216
Total,		1,281

These statistics show that our work here is a grand success. Who will come to help to carry it on?

Malayalam Mission, Travancore, India.

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STATISTICS FOR 1888.

Districts.	Ordained Missionaries.	Ordained Native Preachers.	Other Helpers.	School Teachers.	Congregations.	Adherents.	Communicants.	Added during the Year.	Schools.	Scholars.	Medical Cases Attended.
6	6	19	213	363	266	44,633	5,356	356	295	13,229	27,657

Trevandrum station, including the city with a population of 57,611, and the district, covering 632 square miles, with a population of 253,280, has 48 congregations with 1,200 church members, 7,719 adherents, 59 schools and 1,712 scholars, new adherents 584.

Among the chief features of the work are Gospel lectures to caste Hindoos and others; open-air preaching and private conversation with enquirers; dissemination of Scriptures, religious books and tracts.

The chief hindrance is from the high caste Hindoos, alarmed for the safety of their traditional religious usages, and hostile to the low cast people who are glad to come to the preaching, so that care has to be taken not to open more places of worship than can be cared for. 1,439 Scripture portions, chiefly Gospels, were sold by the preachers, besides

those sold by the colporteur Bible women and at the depot.

The Medical work includes 1 Missionary, 9 Medical Evangelists in charge of Dispensaries, 2 Dispensers, 1 Evangelist, 1 Catechist, 1 Bible woman, 1 Colporteur. The patients included 10,503 Protestants, 2,694 Roman Catholics, 13,930 Heathens, 530 Mohammedans.

Zenana Work in India.—The Zenana Missionary Society of the Church of England reports that in 1888 it had 106 missionaries in the home connection, 139 Bible-women, and 349 native teachers. Under this missionary force 3,118 houses have been visited in which there are 2,707 pupils. This method of reaching the women of India is proving successful, and those who could not possibly be brought together in any public assembly are glad to welcome a Christian teacher in the home.