



AN INDIAN GRAVE.

THE boys of the famous Rugby School in England entirely support a mission school in Masulipatam, in south India. There is now talk of adding mission work in the east end of London to this philanthropy.

OUT of the 555 adult converts baptized by the English Church missionaries at Amritsar, India, no less than 253 have been converts from Islam.

THE EMPEROR FREDERICK IN THE HOLY LAND.

A DIARY of the late Emperor Frederick has been published descriptive of his travels in Palestine. One paragraph reads: "I reached the summit of the Mount of Olives shortly before sunset, and had taken up such a position that the whole extent of the town of Jerusalem spread itself before me, gradually sinking towards the Brook Cidron; whilst on the opposite site the peculiarly beautifully-formed sides of the rocks of the Dead Sea, with the surface of the water and a part of the Valley of the Jordan, were to be seen in lovely grandeur. The rays of the setting sun illumined with golden red the town and the bare gray dreary mountains round Jerusalem, so that it seemed as if suddenly life and warmth had come into the landscape. At the same time the rocks of the Dead Sea took up this evening glow, and every minute the waters shone with a brighter life. Only now could I imagine the beauty with which the Bible connects the name of

the holy and exquisite town; only now I could think how the Saviour let His eyes rest with sadness on these fields and buildings, when He accused the inhabitants of not recognizing at the right time what was necessary for their peace. . . .

All my life I shall never forget this first evening in Jerusalem, when I watched the sun set from the Mount of Olives, when at the same time that great stillness of nature set in which at every other spot has something solemn about it. Here the mind could turn away from earth, and give itself up undisturbed to the thoughts which move every Christian soul on looking back at the great work of redemption, which had on this spot its most sublime beginning. The reading

of favorite passages in the Gospels in such a place is divine service itself."

THE wonderful change from the past in Japan is almost incredible. There are now 20,000 communicants connected with the various missions, and they increase by 500 a month. This is the best of all the wonderful advancement in the country. Twenty years ago there was no Japanese public journal; now there are more than 500 periodicals—daily and weekly papers and monthly magazines and reviews, and nearly all these publications are favorable to the Christianization of Japan.

A WEALTHY man, whose identity is not disclosed, has subscribed \$300,000 for the establishment of a Christian University at Nankin, China. Mr. Arthington, of Leeds, Eng., has offered \$75,000 for the beginning of mission work among the Indian tribes in the valley of the Amazon. A single donor has sent \$27,500 to the English Church Missionary Society. Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, of Boston, spends all her income of \$50,000 a year in charity, except what is barely sufficient to enable her to live plainly.

THE Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge has begun what ought to be a useful series of colonial Church histories, in small two-shilling volumes. The first is on "The Diocese of the Mackenzie River," and is written by Bishop Bompas himself.