Dividends, sales of books, etc 488	15	8
Balance, March 31, 1888 1,811	14	6
Total £16,787	16	10
Expenditures.		
Chaplains, Missionaries, etc £3,315	12	10
Provincial and Foreign stations. 8,879	4	11
Sailors' Institute 785	9	4
	2	8
General " 788	7	4
Special Funds	10	11
Total payments£14,519	8	0
Investments 545	2	0
Balance, March 31, 1889 1,722	8	10
Total £16,786	16	10
Summary of work for the year:		
Meetings on board ship 1,661, on shore.	4,8	318
Attendance " 91,477, "	91,	27
Visits to ship lodging houses, etc	51,	63
" " the sick and families	8,8	35
Bibles and Testaments sold (English		
and Foreign)	8,7	68

Scripture portions distribut	ed	18,821
Tracts, magazines, etc. "		592,394
Free beds (London), 6,764.	Meals	39,781
The work of the Society	covers alm	ost the
whole world and is in mos	toordial re	letions

whole world, and is in most cordial relations with the American Seamen's Friend Society.

There is a printing press employing 40 men. This Society worked through the Basel and Barmen Societies for many years, but since 1633 has had the care of this work committed to it by the Missionary Society of New York, composed of members of several Lutheran and Presbytorian churches.

VIII.—PROGRESS OF MISSIONS: MONTHLY BULLETIN.

Africa.—Lieut. Taunt, of the United States Navy, is the commercial agent of this country on the Congo. His experience of the country dates back several years.

Lieut. Taunt has spent a sufficient time on the Congo to know the country and people fairly well, and we give an extract from his report recently received at Washington, given by the correspondent of the Boston Journal:

"The Protestant missions on the Congo are the American Baptist, American Methodist (Bishop Taylor's), American Faith Cure (Dr. Simpson's), the English Baptist, the Balolo Mission (English), and the Swedish Mission. The Roman Catholic are the Belgian and the French Missions. The American Baptist Mission, formerly Livingstone (English), is doing excellent work, and is in a flourishing condition. It is under the control of and supported by the Baptist Mission Board of Boston. Its five well equipped stations extend to the Equator on the upper river. Palabala, on the lower river, is the headquarters. The steam launch, Henry Reed, on the Upper Congo, belongs to this mission. The majority of the members are English, formerly of the Livingstone Inland, but now almost every steamer brings out American missionaries. The other two American missions are in anything but a flourishing state."-Missionary Herald.

But our correspondent on the Congo, Rev. Wm. Clark, of the A. B. M. U., writes us: "Lieut. Taunt's published statement that the A. B. M. U. is the only successful mission on the Congo, is not true. Both the B. M. S. and the S. M. S. have prosperous churches and schools."

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Africa. The Missionary Gleaner gives tidings of the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Cole, of Mpwapwa, at Zanzibar, while Mr. Price and Mr. Wood, being bachelors, remained at their perilous post. It seems that Bushiri, the Arab leader, arrived at Mpwapwa with 250 armed men on July 5. He assured Mr. Price that he had nothing to fear, but on the eighth of July a Christian native warned the missionaries that they were in danger, and they left by moonlight for Kisokwe, six miles distant. The next morning Bushiri's men broke into the mission house, and cleared out all that was of any use to them, and set fire to the place. The natives assure Mr. Price that he shall not be disturbed, and though the perils are great, he and his associates will remain. Though there are said to be letters from Mr. Mackay and others on the Lake Victoria, the Gleaner contains no definite tidings concerning the situation of affairs either at Msalala, or at Rubaga.

—The Royal Niger Co. has been so successful in suppressing the liquor traffic in its territory in Africa that very little liquor is sold in the interior. Cannibalism is also declining.

The first convert in the Upper Congo Valley was recently baptized at Equator Station. The valley contains 30,000,000 people.

—Miss Sharp, the well-known teacher in Africa, has ten students from the Dark Continent, who are prepared for a better education than her school proposes. She wants to send them to England to have them prepared for missionaries in Africa.

—Rev. David A. Day, a missionary stationed near Monrovia, in Liberia, writes thus: "I sat on board a boat at one of the promi-