

had his choice he would rather spend the next twenty years among the savages in Africa than in heaven among the angels.

In the territory which was embraced in the Stamford Circuit, one hundred years ago, and which was in reality the whole of what was then embraced by Methodism in New England, where Jesse Lee planted the Methodist standard, it is proposed to erect a large statue on the site of the old apple tree, where he preached the first Methodist sermon. There are now two hundred and seventy-five Methodist ministers labouring.

Buffalo Methodists are lively. They already have several good things, and are now reaching out for a theological seminary. They think that there is a demand for a school to accommodate Methodism in Central and Western New York and parts of Pennsylvania and Ohio. The *Buffalo Advocate* thinks that its city is one of the most desirable sites in the nation for such a school of the prophets, and the fulness of time has come for its inauguration.

At the late commencement of Drew Theological Seminary in New Jersey, twenty-six young men graduated. The trustees resolved to raise \$100,000 in addition to the endowment fund and to erect a new dormitory. The seminary is in a prosperous condition.

The Year-Book of the Methodist Boston University for 1889 contains nearly two hundred pages, and reports eight hundred and seventy-five students in all departments, amongst them being representatives from eighteen foreign countries.

A good work is being done in Honolulu among the Japanese by the Methodist Church. *The Friend*, a religious paper published in the island, ascribes it to the patient preparation of the ground by former workers, and the zeal and devoted labour of the present minister, the Rev. Mr. Miyama, a man of magnetic power, who thus bids fair to revolutionize the lives of his countrymen in Honolulu. During the last three months of last year he baptized eighty-four new converts, reclaimed

many erring members of the flock, and put new life into the Church. Among his converts were the Japanese Consul and his wife.

The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church celebrates this year its threescore years and ten. In that time it has disbursed more than \$20,000,000, or about twice last year's receipts by all the missionary societies, American and European.

The Methodist ladies in Chicago are labouring earnestly on behalf of the "Wesley Hospital," which in five weeks has made a record which amply pays for the work of five years. There are a dozen beds, and all are filling up. It is hoped that there will soon be fifty beds.

African News is the name of a magazine just started in Philadelphia. Bishop Taylor is the editor, and it is published in the interest of his African work.

A Deaconess' Home has been started in Calcutta. Mrs. Bishop Thoburn is in charge of it, and there are already inmates busy with plans and preparatory work.

Since the above statistics were compiled, land has been selected at Ogden, Utah, for a university. The citizens of Ogden have subscribed \$50,000 in cash, and an equal sum in land. Ogden is right in the heart of the Mormon territory.

The Japanese translation of the Old Testament has been completed, and the New Testament published at one penny is, by order of the Government, to be read in all the State schools.

Dr. Harrison, of the *Southern Methodist Review*, writes respecting Romanism in England, and says, that one hundred years ago the Protestants numbered twelve millions, and Roman Catholics one hundred and fifty millions; but to-day Romanism has less than she had a century ago in her household, while Protestants have increased to one hundred and forty-three millions.

Father O'Connor, the converted priest, has been the means of the conversion of 800 Catholics during the past five years.