

ADVERTISEMENTS.

MISSIONS IN TURKEY.—Our readers may not be aware that at this moment there are more than eighty places, towns, and villages, throughout Turkey, where organized congregations have been gathered, and the Word of God is regularly preached. These and all who adhere to them, are recognized by the government as Protestants, and now enjoy civil and religious liberty to an extent unknown hitherto in that part of the world. In some of these places, churches have been formed by a careful selection from those who profess evangelical doctrine. Discipline is administered in scriptural simplicity, and, as under the "Acts of the Apostles," the Word of the Lord is multiplied greatly, sounding forth in all the regions round about.

REFORMERS IN TURKEY.—Lord Stratford de Redcliffe has addressed a circular to all the British Consuls in the Levant, informing them of the important decrees, issued by the Sultan, for effecting various salutary reforms in the administration of the laws; doing away with a number of long-existing abuses and abolishing the trade in slaves in Georgia and Circassia: and urging on the consular agents to give every assistance by advice and exhortations to the Turkish authorities, who, in carrying into execution the said decrees, will in all probability have to contend with long-established prejudices and national traditions.

MUNIFICENT GIFT.—Mr. James Leishman, for many years a merchant in this city and an office-bearer in the church, and now an Elder of the Potterrow United Presbyterian Congregation, Edinburgh, impressed with the conviction that it would be for its advantage, to possess a place of worship in a more convenient and acceptable locality, has offered to pay as his contribution to the congregation for this purpose the sum of £1000 Sterling and to relieve the trustees and congregation of all responsibility as to the debt on the present Church of Potterrow.

FRENCH PROTESTANT CHAPLAINS.—Mr. Fred. Monod has written to the *London Record* that the Rev. Em Frossard, of Bagneres-de-Bigorre, and M. A. Richrich, an ordained Minister, have accepted the post of Chaplains to the French Protestant Soldiers in the Crimea. "Hopes are entertained that others may soon follow, and I feel sure that they will be accompanied by the good wishes, and prayers of many in your country. As concerns our Government, they have offered no opposition, and have even granted our Chaplains a free passage on board their vessels, and some other facilities.

CHINESE REVOLUTION.—We are glad to see that the Committee of the Chinese Evangelization Society have already presented a memorial to Lord Clarendon, praying that in any revision of existing treaties ample security may be obtained for the free exercise of the Protestant faith and worship, and the propagation of Christianity in China.

THE BISHOP OF NEW ZEALAND has taken leave of his friends at Eton and Windsor, and will in the course of a few days, sail from Southampton in his own vessel for his distant diocese. During his stay in this country, since May last, the Bishop has collected upwards of £10,000, to aid him in his mission.

A MARTYR'S MEMORIAL.—A proposal is under the consideration of the Protestant Alliance, for erecting in Smithfield Market, a memorial to the Protestant Martyrs, the first of whom, John Rogers, was buried in that place, just three hundred years ago.

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