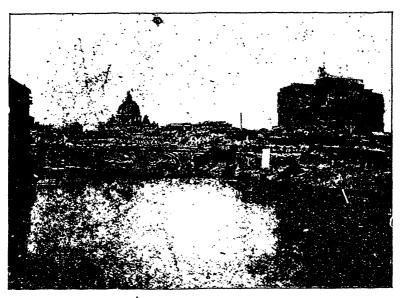
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OME is in many respects a changed city. It has felt the throb and thrill of the new life which is pulsing through all the veins of Italy. The breach in its walls through which Garibaldi and his red-shirts marched is yearly decorated with wreaths.

It is significant that the first man to enter that breach was not an armed soldier but a Bible Society colporteur. The fact is significant of much; especially that the principles of soul liberty taught in the Charter of the Christian's faith and hope are to be the guiding star of new Italy. Under the papal regime the Bible was a banned book, and Protestant worship could only be observed in the upper room of a ruinous house behind the cattlemarket without the walls.

All that is now changed. The Bible Society has a depot under the very shadow of the Vatican. The Methodist and Presbyterian Churches have two of the most magnificent buildings on the Via Nazionale. A Methodist Ladies' College is patronized by many of the highest classes, and has won the commendation of the King. Upon one of the most conspicuous of Rome's seven

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