

ECHOES.

THE Lutheran Church is said to have, throughout the world, over 50,000,000 baptised members.

THE Southern Presbyterian Church in the United States has 85 American missionaries on its foreign staff.

THERE is said to be great distress amongst the poor people of east London, many being on the verge of starvation.

THE Emperor of Japan has selected as the first president of the first Japanese Parliament a member of the Presbyterian Church.

THE Christian Endeavor Societies are now said to have over 700,000 members, there being a gain of 110,000 in six months.

THE Cape General Mission has made itself somewhat famous by declining to receive donations from any one engaged in the liquor traffic. Who next?

MR. W. T. STEAD, the well-known English journalist, says that his ideal "Church of the Future" will include atheists, run a theatre, and be the proprietor of a public-house!!

THE Methodist Episcopal Church, South (U.S.) has in China, missionaries, 11; wives of missionaries, 10; other ladies, 11; local preachers, 6; exhorters, 5; colporteurs, 1; native members, 345; probationers, 134.

THE Rev. J. T. Gracey, in the *Missionary Review*, points out that there is saved, over and above all expenses and possible contingencies, by the Protestant Christians of the United States, *five hundred millions of dollars per year!*

ON January 19th last, two deaconesses from the Chicago Training School left for China, Miss Collier and Miss Hanzlik. The former is to be supported by the students at the Training School, and the latter by a lady in New Jersey.

REV. JOHN MORTON, D.D., the pioneer missionary of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in Trinidad, has declined the offer of permanent Secretary of the Foreign Mission Committee, Western Section, made him by the last General Assembly.

DR. B. C. ATTERBURY, Pekin, says the Emperor of China is blamed for the late floods. He went, as is the custom, to several temples, during the dry season, to pray for rain, which soon came in such abundant quantities that floods ensued. And now there are loud complaints against the Emperor, who was, the people say, too zealous, and should not have invoked so many deities!

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