

domestic missions. The reports of the Woman's Board represent it as having had an active and prosperous year. Two young women were appointed missionaries to China. The Board of Church Erection received \$12,207.

—The women of the Canada Presbyterian Church sustain two societies, the eastern and western, the first named covering the maritime provinces. The western section had its beginning only 16 years ago, and has grown rapidly ever since. From 49 auxiliaries, in 1881, the number has now become 519. The first year's income was but \$1005.39; in 1890 it had increased to \$31,107, and last year passed the \$33,000 mark.

EUROPE.

Great Britain.—The late Mr. Douglas Henty, a brewer of Westgate, Chichester, has left benefactions amounting in all to £50,000 to the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Church Missionary Society, the London City Missions, the Irish Church Missions, and the Moravian Missions.

—During the last four years the Church Missionary Society has accepted 267 candidates, more than double the number in the four years preceding. Six hundred clergymen are found among its representatives, of whom 280 are natives. Of its 360 missionaries, including laymen, 153 are university graduates, no other large English society having a proportion so large. Of its missionaries 23 have been made bishops. The baptisms of adults were 3250 last year.

—The Wesleyan Missionary Society cannot be set down as a "failure," if this statement is true: "There can be traced to its work a constituency representing about 2000 circuits, 11,000 chapels and preaching places, 2592 missionaries and ministers, and 430,247 members." Its Fiji achievement ranks among the most notable in the whole history of missions.

—According to the fifty-seventh annual report of the Society for Promoting Female Education 'n the East (in ze-nanas, harems, and schools), the income last year was \$31,435. Its fields are found in India, Africa, and the Levant. A force is maintained of 39 missionaries, 8 assistants engaged in the country, and 76 other native helpers; and in the 74 schools (with the 64 more assisted) are found 10,112 scholars. In particular the Protestant orphanage for girls in Nazareth belongs to this society, and 2 day-schools for girls and 5 others in neighboring villages.

—A few weeks since the twenty-sixth anniversary of Dr. Barnardo's Homes was held in London. Exeter Hall having proved too small for the accommodation of the thousands applying for tickets, the Royal Albert Hall was secured. Since the beginning of this philanthropic work \$636,836 have been received for all purposes, 19,000 boys and girls have been rescued from poverty and moral degradation, and 5015 have been placed out in the colonies. Last year 5416 children were wholly maintained and 803 others were partially fed and clothed and placed under training.

—By the Established Church of Scotland 7 new parishes were erected and endowed last year, and the whole number created and endowed since the "scheme" for that purpose was set in operation has been 397, and the cost of this great permanent work has been \$6,800,000.

The Continent.—Between 1838 and 1858, or between his sixty-fifth and his eighty-fifth year, Gossner, the founder of the missionary society which fittingly bears his name, paid from his own resources 33,000 marks, and received 300,000 from others. Besides he sent out to the heathen world 141 missionaries. Surely this was bringing forth fruit in old age. What honorable names are his and Pastor Harms's!

—The Rhenish Missionary Society (Barmen) had an income last year of