

regular pastors are aided by 20 evangelists, 60 teachers, and 14 colporteurs. The total number of communicants is 4266, an increase of 192 in the last twelve months. The reports complain that Catholic parents send their children to the elementary classes of the Waldensians, but withdraw them as soon as they are old enough to participate in the religious instruction of the schools.

—The Methodist Episcopal Church has 6 missionaries in Italy and 24 native preachers, and a church membership of 743 with 198 probationers in addition. The Sorbian Baptists occupy 12 stations with 15 ordained missionaries, and have gathered 272 into churches. The American Board sent its first representatives to Austria in 1872, and now sustains 2 with 17 native helpers. The 3 churches have a total of 364 members, and the schools have 104 pupils.

—No less than 15 Protestant societies are at work in Spain, occupying 115 houses or rooms as chapels and school buildings. The American Board has 3 missionaries and 33 native helpers, 18 churches with 349 members, and 604 pupils in schools. The American Baptists in Spain and France together have 18 missionaries and 13 churches, with a membership of 900.

—In nineteen years the Protestant churches of the United Kingdom contributed to foreign missions £21,166,164. During the last half of the period the gifts were greater than during the first half by £665,315. The increase was 64 per cent on the part of the Church of England, and on the part of the Dissenting churches was 24 per cent.

—George Müller has under his care 75 schools, of which 13 are in Spain, 2 in Italy, 2 in the East Indies, and 7 in the English colonies. In May of last year these schools contained 6250 pupils, and the total number since the first one was opened in 1834 was 112,937. The expenses have been \$489,-

000. Mr. Müller planned to go out as a missionary to India, but insuperable obstacles prevented. But, remaining at home, he has been able to raise and distribute for missions \$1,116,800.

—The Denmark societies in 1888 contributed to foreign missions \$33,422.64. The Danish Government has a mission in Greenland with 6 stations and 6 ordained toilers, and the Danish Missionary Society has 7 ordained men in India.

—In 1889 the Netherlands Reformed Society had in Java 60 churches with 5937 members distributed through 397 villages, and last year the number had increased to 70 churches, 6734 members, in 411 villages. The contributions of 18 Netherlands societies to foreign missions amounted to 315,134 gulden (\$137,319).

—The Protestants of Germany and German Switzerland are said to contribute for foreign missions at the rate of but 12 centimes each, and those of France but 45 centimes. Now the centime is only the one hundredth part of a franc, or the fifth of a cent!

—The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel held its 190th annual meeting May 7th. The receipts reported for the year were £164,382, an increase of £26,000 over the previous year. As a consequence, the Society had enlarged its work, especially in New Guinea and Korea. The number of ordained missionaries, including eight bishops, on the Society's lists was 660—in Asia, 220; in Africa, 142; in Australia and the Pacific, 17; in North America, 215; in the West Indies, 34; and 32 in Europe. Of these 127 were natives laboring in Asia and 29 in Africa. There were also in the various missions about 2300 lay teachers, 2600 students in the Society's colleges, and 38,000 children in the mission schools in Asia and Africa. The Bishop of Calcutta in an address called attention to the very important position of India as resulting from the fact that her population were