

members, gave \$573,750 and \$725,367 (besides \$315,342 from the Woman's Society and for Bishop Taylor's work); the Southern Baptists, numbering 1,100,000, gave \$244,334 and \$114,325; the 1,161,666 Southern Methodists gave \$245,836 and \$304,917; and the 1,188,876 Lutherans gave \$268,358 and \$55,676.

—The Protestants of the world number about 137,000,000, says James Croll, of Montreal, and may be classified approximately as follows:

Lutherans.....	35,000,000
Methodists.....	25,000,000
Episcopalians.....	22,000,000
Presbyterians.....	20,000,000
Baptists.....	17,000,000
Congregationalists.....	6,000,000
All other denominations....	12,000,000

—England will send a commission to this country to inquire about our experience in Russian-Jewish immigration. Since 1891 about 200,000 of these refugees have landed in England, while but 180,000 have come to this country. The commission will ask how the Russian Jews have behaved here, how our immigration laws tend to protect us from excessive influxes, and what our public opinion holds on the subject generally.

—San Francisco has 35 kindergartens, with 3108 children enrolled, and an income of \$43,732. In the 13 years since the work began, over \$400,000 have been given for endowments, and 14,346 children have received training.

—Twenty years ago Jerry McAuley started a rescue work at 316 Water Street, New York. It was looked on as an experiment then, but is now accepted as one of the permanent religious institutions of the city. The attendance last year was larger than for many years; 34,957 people came to the meetings, nearly all either drunkards or saved drunkards; 2475 have knelt for prayer; 5060 were helped to lodgings, at a cost of 15 cents per night; 10,000 were helped with a meal. The annual report says: "Hundreds who came in were so nearly dead they seemed almost

incapable of exercising a bit of faith or comprehending what was said; but when we would get down on our knees before God, somehow the day began to break, and they would feel their load of sin and cry to Jesus for help."

—When, February 16th, Rev. Cushing Eells died at Tacoma, Wash., another honored missionary pioneer went to his reward. His birth year was 1810, and after graduating at Williams College and Hartford Seminary, in 1838, he set out with his bride for Oregon, a journey of five months, and there expended his energies to the utmost for upward of half a century. To Whitman College, of which he was the founder, he gave some \$11,000.

—The Wesleyan Home at Newton, Mass., is now ready to receive the children of the missionaries of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

—The children of the Presbyterian Church (South) have undertaken to raise \$10,000 for a steamboat to run on the Congo, one half for the cost of construction, and one half to meet the expense of transportation past the lengthy rapids to be left behind before Luibo, on the upper river, can be reached. An issue is to be made to the Sunday-schools of 10,000 shares of stock.

—At Seattle a letter has been received from New Metakakta, Alaska, known as Father Duncan Mission, giving particulars of a fire, February 7th, by which 28 houses were destroyed in two hours. The people were suffering for want of clothing and shelter. The fire destroyed about a quarter of the town, entailing a loss of \$12,000. No man can be named in the mission field more enterprising and heroic than William Duncan, and no doubt the money needed to repair this loss will be forthcoming.

—A missionary among them writes: "I notice that the Alaskan children learn English more easily than Indians do, but they know so little of the world except their own mountains and the sea. One day some of the very little ones were looking at an illustration of