

Religious and Missionary Intelligence.

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The Revolution in Hayti has seriously interfered with the mission work. Great fears are entertained respecting the future, as the head of the contending parties is a bigoted Romanist, and the priests are using their influence in his favour.

The missions in Eastern Africa are in serious peril. The heathen are raging as Mohammedanism is promoting slavery, so that the struggle for the truth cannot be otherwise than violent.

With a view to increase the ordinary income of the Missionary Society, District Conventions have been held throughout England with good results. Thanksgiving offerings have also been presented by several families, with a view to reduce the debt which has been accumulating during the last few years. At a Convention held at Birmingham, rooms were fitted up to illustrate life in India, China, Africa, Egypt, Palestine and Fiji, which were visited by great numbers of people.

Arrangements are being made for the Ecumenical Conference, to be held in New York in 1891. A meeting of the English committee was held in the Wesleyan Mission-house, London, a few weeks ago. Representative men from all the branches of Methodism composed the committee. It is expected that a large number will come from England to attend the Conference.

During the year 1888, 134 new Wesleyan churches were erected in England. From the report of the General Chapel Fund Committee, just published, it appears that 338 fresh cares received the official sanction of the committee, including the churches, school-rooms, ministers, horses and organs. The total cost of which will be more than one million of dollars. It is thirty-five years

since the said committee was organized, and during that time about ten million dollars of debt on places of worship have been paid.

Juvenile missionary meetings are often held in English Methodism. In some instances all the proceedings are conducted by the young people.

"The Forward Movement" is being worked most vigorously. At a Convention recently held at Bournemouth, the Rev. Hugh Price Hughes stated that he had seen a thousand persons saved in one week. John Wesley recorded in his "journals" as the most wonderful revival since the days of the Apostles, that upwards of 300 souls had been converted in six weeks.

The Home Mission Committee will recommend the next Conference to leave the Rev. T. Champness without appointment as circuit minister. His duties in training lay-evangelists have become onerous, and the applications from all parts of the connexion which are made for their services clearly prove that he will have enough to do in superintending this important agency.

The London Missionary Society have resolved to imitate Mr. Champness' example, by providing for the employment of a similar class of agents on some of their missions. The Congregational Board of London invited the Rev. H. P. Hughes to address one of their meetings, at which he explained at great length "The Forward Movement" of Methodism, for which he received a hearty vote of thanks.

Fraternal meetings have been held in various places among the Wesleyan and other Methodist ministers. These meetings are not only of a social character, but in some instances union prayer-meetings and sacramental services are held. All who have taken part express them-