

MISSIONS OF THE ENGLISH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

CHINA.—The *Messenger* for September, contains several letters from the missionaries in China. At Amoy and Pechuia the missionary work progresses. The Rev. W. C. Burns was at Amoy, and labouring with his accustomed earnestness. A revised edition of the hymn-book was being prepared, containing in all 49 hymns. At Amoy a member of the church had died, an old woman aged 74. She died in faith, enjoying much peace, and earnestly exhorting her relations to lead lives of christian devotedness. At Pechuia, a man had been admitted into the church by baptism.

Another missionary, the Rev. H. Cowie, formerly in the employment of the London Missionary Society, has been appointed to China.

CHRISTIAN CONVERTS AT CALCUTTA.—It gives us very great pleasure to inform our readers that within the last ten days, four young men have been admitted into the visible Church of Christ by baptism, in connection with the Free Church Mission. On the 11th June, the Rev. Jagadishwar Bhattacharjee of Mahanad, four miles south of Pundooah, baptized a youth of the name of Purna Chandra Bose, a pupil of the English school at that station; and on last Sunday, the 15th June, the Rev. Dr. Duff baptized at the Free Mission Church, Cornwallis Square, Calcutta, three young men of the names of Ashutosh Haldar, Mahendra Nat Sarkar, and Haran Chandra De. The four young men, one of whom is a Brahman, and the other three Kayasthas, have an intelligent acquaintance with the doctrines of our holy faith. We trust that their example will be followed by those hundreds, and we may say, thousands, of young men, who have received Christian instruction in Mission schools, and who are yet 'halting between two opinions.'—*Indian Reformer*.

WESLEYANS IN THE FIJI ISLANDS.—The following statistics, presented at the "District Meeting" in June last, exhibit wonderful results of Wesleyan missionary effort there; the second column of figures showing the increase during the last year. At this meeting, two native ministers "were ordained to the full work of the ministry," and eight, after examination, were unanimously recommended as assistant missionaries.

		Increase.
Number of chapels.....	344	.. 36
Other preaching-places.....	247	.. 85
Catechists and assistants.....	231	.. 3
Local preachers.....	400	.. 24
Full church members.....	11,251	.. 927
Scholars.....	31,566	.. 4,857
Attendants on public worship.....	67,489	.. 7,322

—*Missionary Herald*.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARIES AND THE ENGLISH AMBASSADOR.

Sir Henry Bulwer, having understood that the American missionaries were soon to disperse, spontaneously signified his wish that, before their departure from Constantinople, they would do him the favour to take luncheon with him and thus give him information of their respective localities. His Excellency proposed the following day for the interview. At a late hour on the 17th messengers were accordingly sent to Bebek, Hasskein, and Ortakein, conveying the invitation to the leading members of the auxiliary. The hearty good will with which those gentlemen accepted the invitation, and the readiness with which they adjourned a meeting appointed at Hasskein on the affairs of their own missionary operations, was just what was expected of the men, and we English appreciate and thank them for their good feeling. Nearly twenty gentlemen assembled on the 18th, among whom were Revs.—Goodell, D. D., of Hasskein;