

lowing Sabbath the collection for foreign missions had to be taken.

A church near Toronto has a "Look-them-up Committee," composed of half a dozen earnest and willing workers. Their duties are to look up absentees from church services, and look up new arrivals in the town and invite them to Church. Other churches might have a similar committee.

The oldest church structure still standing in North America is believed undoubtedly to be the original first church erected in Salem, Mass., in 1634, and now carefully protected, still standing in the rear of Plummer Hall in that city.

Some years ago eleven teachers, natives of the South Sea Islands were murdered in New Guinea, and just recently news has come to hand that the Rev. E. B. Savage, the native teachers under him and the crew of the London Missionary Society's cutter, *Mary*, have been murdered by the natives in South-eastern New Guinea. Mr. Savage was ordained a missionary in 1885.

November 20 was the fiftieth anniversary of the death of the Rev. John Williams, the martyr of Erromanga. The Presbyterian missionaries celebrated their jubilee in the New Hebrides, where they have seventeen missionaries, numerous native teachers, about 1,500 native communicants, and many thousands who are under Christian instruction.

One thousand Christian Chinamen are reported to be connected with the Congregational Churches in Oregon and California.

Mexico is called a Christian country, yet, according to Bishop Hurst, 8,000,000 people have never seen a copy of the Bible.

Fifty-four ministers of the Free and United Presbyterian Churches in Glasgow united lately for a three weeks' special work on the south side of the city. This new departure has inspired a hope that it may soon extend throughout the country.

Rev. Josiah Tyler who has been a missionary among the Zulus for more

than thirty years said he had a great deal of trouble in South Africa on account of New England rum. He said that a distillery near Boston had contracted to furnish 3,000 gallons of rum per day for seven years to an English firm doing business in Zululand.

The Bible has been translated into sixty-six of the languages and dialects of Africa.

Dr. J. O. Peck says, eighty years ago the two Baptist Churches, the "hard shell" and the regular Baptist, were equal in numbers. One resolved to give nothing to foreign missions, the other consecrated themselves to the salvation of the world; and one has now 46,000 members, and the other has 3,000,000. The success of the Church is just in proportion to the work it has done for foreign missions.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Grattan-Guinness, of London, have launched the first missionary ship designed for the work in the Upper Congo Mission. Mrs. G. states that, with more work on hand and a larger number of students than ever before, there is not at this moment the means to meet a single week's expenses. The directors of the Mission have to look up for daily bread.

Miss Priscilla Barclay, writing on her way to the China Island mission field, says, "There is a place in Sumatra where for forty years the heathen have been asking for a missionary. The Mahomedans are going there, but as yet no missionary of Christ."

It is said that Tollman Wheeler, the wealthy Chicago grain shipper, who died a few weeks ago, left the Episcopal Church about \$600,000 in bequests.

At the recent meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Missionary Board a statement was made that a gentleman, who withheld his name, had promised to give his whole fortune to the work of education in one of the countries in which the Society is at work.