

villages, and also by its good works stirred up an English branch to send out a second Bible woman.

—On the first Sunday evening in April, under an impulse from the St. Louis Christian Endeavor Union, 50 missionary meetings were held in as many churches in that city. Over 100 short addresses were made, and for 35 of the services the Union provided the speakers.

—The Presbyterian Endeavorers support 20 home missionaries: 4 in Alaska, 5 among the Indians, 4 among the Mormons, and 2 among the Mexicans. During January of this year these societies sent three times as much to the Home Mission Board as they did during January of last year. In February their gifts were four times as large as in the preceding February. The Sabbath-schools made a threefold increase in January, and did nearly as well in February.

—In Madagascar there are a number of Societies of Christian Endeavor. Two or three months ago a native minister, Andrianaivoravelona, went out into the country one Sunday to speak at a meeting of these societies. He took as his text the words, "Come thou with us, and we will do thee good," and urged those present to bring others to Christ. They agreed to do this, and eagerly set to work, and as the result of their effort 223 people have been baptized, and 38 have already become full members of the Church.

#### AMERICA.

**United States.**—Probably never before has so much good news of such a kind come from Utah as during the last few months. Revivals are really quite common which are genuine, thorough, and continue for weeks together. And in the main this is but the joyous harvest which follows from fifteen or twenty years of seed-sowing in the schools. Those who were children when first brought into contact with the

Gospel are now adults, and the truth has power over their hearts and consciences.

—Seventy years ago the American Sunday-School Union was organized. At the sixth anniversary, the famous "Mississippi Valley Resolution," with great enthusiasm, was unanimously adopted. In many respects it is the most important resolution ever adopted in America. It read as follows: "The Union, in reliance upon Divine aid, will, within two years, establish a Sunday-school in every place where it is practicable throughout the valley of the Mississippi." This action aroused the nation. The society has organized, on an average, four new Sunday-schools every day in the year for seventy years, the total number being 92,500. It has brought 4,430,000 scholars and teachers into the Sunday-school, which is an average of 63,285 each year. It has created and circulated nearly \$9,000,000 worth of religious literature. During 1893 were established 778 Sunday-schools in destitute communities in the Northwest, with 3853 teachers and 21,425 scholars.

—"The strongest church in the United States is probably at Old Chief's Village, Red Lake," says the *Minnesota Missionary*, "where the Rev. Mr. Willis, assisted by the Rev. Mark Hart (a native clergyman), is laboring. There almost the entire adult population are communicants. Before 1878 there was not one, nor, with the exception of the Old Chief and his brother, one who had ever seen a Christian church. All in the place were utter heathen, and they came over in a body. Has there been a similar instance in our country?"

—The *Spirit of Missions* for April, from which the last item is taken, is especially characterized by articles overflowing with the genuine spirit of missions, containing matters of fact and Christian sentiment of great value to Episcopalians not only, but to all who love the kingdom of our Lord.

—The seventy-fifth Annual Report of the Missionary Society of the Methodist