

But looking at the whole circulation—173,086, great as are the numbers, "What are they among so many?"

The system of gratuitous distribution so long practised in many parts of India has been in some places *almost*, and in other places *altogether* discontinued. Many of the natives had received the Scriptures, and used them as waste paper. To prevent this, a small sum is now charged for each copy.

From four of the Auxiliaries in India communications have been received.

In *Calcutta* the newly appointed Bishop has become the Patron of the Auxiliary. The Bengali Bible, which before could only be procured in large size, and in two vols., is now printed in smaller type. A grant has been made to the Missionaries in Orissa to assist in preparing a new edition of the Orija Bible.

The issues of the Calcutta Auxiliary during the year have been 25,865 copies. These have been printed in eighteen different languages or dialects.

Special efforts are making to supply heathen schoolmasters with a New Testament, and such of their scholars as can read, with a Gospel. A clergyman gives an account of 127 villages visited, in which 125 New Testaments, and 235 Gospels were distributed. In another district 272 villages were visited, but only 76 schools found. The teachers and pupils were supplied.

*Allahabad* Auxiliary, last year, put 16,296 copies of the Scriptures into circulation. Of the Urdu-Arabic Bible the Old Testament has been completed to the first chapter of Ecclesiastes; the New Testament as far as the 23rd chapter of Saint Luke. With regard to the general work of this Auxiliary the Committee say:

"The Colporteurs who were reported last year as laboring under the superintendence of the Missionaries at Allahabad, Agra, Allypore, Azimgurh, Bareilly, Budaon, Benares, Cawnpore, Etawah, Futtehpore, Futtehpore, Fyzabad, Goruckpore, Ghazeepore, Jubbulpore, Lucknow, Meerut, Roy-Bareilly, Shajehanpore, and Sambhal, have been maintained, and three more are now laboring at Mynpoorie, Mynee Tal, and Seetapore. Your Auxiliary regrets that so little notice has been taken of a circular sent in November to the