

## A GLANCE AT MISSION WORK IN THE LAND OF THE TURK.

During my travels in the East I endeavored to obtain somewhat of an insight into missionary life, labor, and prospects, as we find them to-day in the down-trodden land of the Turk. While interested in the missionary efforts of all denominations, the work of the Presbyterian Church claimed my *particular* attention.

Although the title of my article would forbid my going outside the Turkish Empire, perchance I may be pardoned if I enumerate several European cities where the Presbyterian Church is doing good work. In Berlin there is a thriving cause in connection with the American Church, ministered to by Dr. Dickie, who was for some years pastor in Berlin, Ont. As the traveller leaves the railway station in Dresden, one of the first buildings that attracts his attention is a fine stone edifice upon which is printed in large letters "Presbyterian Church of Scotland." In Vienna the Free Church of Scotland has a prosperous mission under the Rev. Mr. Gordon. In Budapest they have also a large mission to Jews, with schools attached. Perhaps never did I enjoy a communion more thoroughly than the one in which I participated one beautiful morning last May, while in Rome. Dr. Gray of the Established Church of Scotland "holds forth the Word of Life" in the ancient city of "seven hills." In Florence, Venice, Milan, Geneva, and Paris the various missions of the Presbyterian Church are doing noble service in the cause of Christ.

In Constantinople a great educational work is being done by the American College. This institution is a large four-story structure, fitted out with all modern improvements, and confers all the degrees ordinarily granted by the home colleges. The first place where we came into close contact with the missionaries was at Smyrna. This ancient place is quite a large city of some thirty thousand inhabitants. It was the