

The Church of England Society has commenced a mission at Lagos, which promises to become a highly important station. The whole of the interior of the Yoruba country is open to missionaries, and the people are remarkably disposed in favor of christianity. The Yoruba language—a vocabulary of which has recently been published—is supposed to be spoken by a population amounting to 3,000,000. The Yorubans are congregated in large towns, some of which contain from 60,000 to 70,000 inhabitants.—The Church Mission at Abeokute is making urgent appeals for a large increase in the number of European labourers.

Mr Livingston has published an interesting account of the newly discovered country in South Africa, northward of Lake Ngami. He describes it as a country abounding in deep rivers, whose banks are densely populated by a black, strong race, who possess a considerable knowledge of the useful arts. A way is prepared for the introduction of christianity, inasmuch as the Sechuana language—into which the Scriptures have been translated—is in general use among the natives. Mr. Livingston has determined on immediately commencing a mission in this remote region.

The American missionaries meet with encouraging success in their labours among the Zulus. There are in connection with that mission nine churches, containing 166 members, of whom seventy-five are women, a promising feature among a people who have long regarded women as articles of merchandize, and valued them according to their ability to labour in the fields.

Among the aborigines of America, residing within the limits of the U. States, there are, according to the latest reports, 94 ordained missionaries belonging to ten different societies, 9661 communicants, and 2402 scholars in boarding and day schools.

Among the Jews in the United States—supposed to amount to nearly 100,000—there are, it is said, hundreds who believe that Jesus is the Messiah, but having never experienced the power of the gospel, they have not moral courage to avow their conviction. Some of their teachers also acknowledge that they have no confidence in Judaism as a system for salvation, and secretly rejoice that christianity presents to their people an antidote to their sorrows, and a solace in their dispersion.—*Edinburgh Witness.*

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