

past three months, eight men and eleven women. Several others, whose testimonials are nearly ready, will probably be appointed before this item falls under the eye of our readers."

—The Methodist Episcopal Missionary Society.—The following table will show the increase in the income of the Society since 1884:

Years.	Conferences.	Legacies.	Sundry Sources.	Totals.	Increase.
1884	\$652,188 00	\$10,070 02	\$28,050 85	\$791,128 86	
1885	691,034 05	101,041 83	30,801 58	820,888 96	\$ 47,760 10
1886	830,503 87	133,038 21	21,577 80	995,128 47	165,240 51
1887	932,204 01	35,813 79	74,718 23	1,041,735 01	52,607 44
1888	928,506 38	41,083 07	30,001 10	1,000,581 21	58,846 20
1889	1,011,082 00	62,125 25	21,930 40	1,130,137 80	129,556 59
Totals	\$5,067,703 00	\$155,782 70	\$219,111 10	\$5,725,597 01	\$419,295 61
	Decrease in 1881			\$30,344 01	
	Decrease in 1888			44,314 67	\$ 64,658 71
	Net increase in the six years.			\$378,657 00	
	Total for quadrennium, 1884-1887			\$,634,478 10	
	Total for two years, 1888 and 1889			2,180,719 01	
	Amount received in six years			\$5,725,597 01	
	The income in 1889 is			\$1,130,137 80	
	The income in 1881 was			701,752 80	
	Increase in annual income attained in six years.			\$392,011 94	

The most encouraging feature of the above report is the steady increase in the conference collections. Almost one thousand dollars per day has been added to the annual income of the Missionary Society from collections only since 1884. The exact sum is \$561,823.10. This is the thermometer to watch. It marks the rising enthusiasm of the church for the great cause of missions. This is the first time we have crossed the Million Line by collections only.

The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions reports receipts from May 1 to January 31, 1889-90, to 1889-90:

	1889-90	1889-90.	Gain.	Loss
Churches,	\$130,951 43	\$179,229 89		\$1,631 54
Sabbath-schools,	14,241 90	17,268 18	\$2,926 28	
Women's Boards,	7,772 25	89,443 28	4,670 91	
Legacies,	34,425 84	51,246 19	16,820 26	
Miscellaneous,	24,197 63	29,184 49		1,573 14
Totals,	\$251,719 17	\$329,552 24	\$4,944 47	\$2,624 64
			3,694 64	
	Total gain, 1889 90,		\$70,842 77	

This gain is encouraging, but a much greater gain is needed in the three remaining months.

—The Board of Home Missions, of the same church, makes a good showing. Receipts in January \$94,191 76; last year for the same month \$47,509 58, almost twice as much.

—The Reformed Church in America.—Financial statement:
 Received in January..... \$9,955 15
 Previously acknowledged..... 57,897 89

Total from May 1, 1889,..... \$67,853 04

The excess of January receipts over those of last year: about \$500, and for nine months, to Feb. 1, \$23,527.59. There are still needed to make good the pledge of General Synod, \$33,147. But much more than this is needed if the way is to be made clear for the retention of all our work. The receipts from Feb. 1 to May 1, 1889, were \$48,817. There should be no retreat from this point if the work is to be maintained.

Miscellaneous—According to careful calculations made by a British clergyman of note, just published, Protestants have increased during the last hundred years from 37,000,000 to 124,000,000, or nearly fourfold. Roman Catholics during the same period have increased from 80,000,000 to 163,000,000, or twofold. The Greek Church during the century has increased from 40,000,000 to 83,000,000, also twofold.

—Six missionaries of the Southern Baptist Board have voluntarily decided to accept as salary only \$300 each person, with allowances for medical attendance and children when required.

—In different parts of the world, under the auspices of sixteen different societies, there are twenty-seven vessels engaged in missionary work. Six of these are employed in the Pacific Ocean, and sixteen of them along the coast or on the rivers of Africa.

—Moravian Missions.—In answer to repeated inquiries respecting this mission, we are asked to state, once for all, that the American agent for all Moravian Missions, no matter in what part of the world they may be situated, is the Rev. Robert de Schweinitz, Bethlehem, Pa.—J. M. S.

—Medical Missions at Home and Abroad publish a list of medical missionaries at work. There are 125 in all. The Free Church of Scotland employs 22, C. M. S. 19, Presbyterian Church of England 13, United Presbyterian Church of Scotland 12, London Missionary Society 10, Church of Scotland 5, Baptist Missionary Society 3, China Inland Mission 6, Indian Female Normal and Medical Missionary Society 5, Wesleyan Missionary Society 4, Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society 3, S. P. G. 3, various other Societies 22. They are distributed thus: 42 in China, 38 in India, 25 in Africa, 6 in the Holy Land, are scattered over Europe, Asia Minor, New Hebrides and Madagascar, 12 of the number are qualified ladies.