

shows Russian and Roumanian Jews far in excess of one hundred thousand, and the average increase by immigration is about twenty thousand per annum. The committee propose using the Hirsch fund in educating these people so as to become self-sustaining by entering trades or occupations which are new to them, and to enable them to amalgamate rapidly with the people among whom they work or dwell. Classes have been opened for teaching children sufficient English to prepare them to attend the public schools; for instructing adults in English, in American history, methods and customs; for fitting girls for other occupations than tailoring, for making men handy with tools, whereby they can more rapidly obtain remunerative employment. It has been proposed to teach them various trades, and put some at agriculture, and so scatter them in different vocations. With the aid of the employment bureau of the United Hebrew Charities, positions have been found for a large number of men, the Hirsch fund paying the expense of transporting them to the points where they are to work, and in some cases tools have been given them."

Samoa.—A South Sea Communion. At the close of a service several hundreds remained to commemorate our Lord's death. For bread the natives have often only the kernel of the cocoanut, and for wine only the milk of the cocoanut, the natural bread and wine of the country. The scene was very striking. Only fourteen years since the mission ship first approached the island. Then they were only a herd of naked savages. Now "clothed and in their right minds," numbers of them gather around the table of the Lord. There seemed hardly any point of resemblance between preacher and people. We were of different races; spoke different languages; were of different coloring; ate different kinds of food;

were clothed with different clothing; and were of different habits and ways of life. Yet I never realized the oneness of the human family more than I did that day. The poet says, "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin." But one touch from the hand of Christ can do far more than that. It can abolish all differences, makes us feel that we are the children of a common Father, saved by a common Saviour, heirs of a common inheritance, pilgrims to a common home.—*Samoa, Past and Present, by Rev. Charles Phillips.*

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—A Chinese society of Christian brethren, organized in East 39th Street, New York City, has, on the first floor, a room for religious meetings, and, on the second, apartments for the sick and homeless. It began with twenty-six members, who paid \$70 per month for the house.

—A school for the Chinese, opened at Kelley's, North Carolina, called the "Oriental Academy," began with seven pupils direct from Canton, and is on a farm, and the system is industrial. It is designed for Chinamen wishing to be educated, but prevented by race prejudice or lack of funds from entering an American school. The school is non-sectarian, is under the auspices of leading Chinamen, and will offer opportunities for self-support.

—In the Sabbath-school of the Clarendon Baptist Church, in Boston, whose pastor is Rev. Dr. A. J. Gordon, is a class of one hundred of native Chinese. They support three of their countrymen as preachers in their own land.

—A united prayer-meeting in connection with the week of prayer, for woman's work in the mission-field, was held in Exeter Hall, Friday, January 9th, at 3 P. M. Representatives of various zenana societies were