

manner, accorded to our Secretary the privilege of making the people at large better acquainted with the object and claims of the Society's work. To such favors, with the blessing of God, we are largely indebted for the measure of success that has crowned the work of the year.

NOTICE OF THE WORK OF THE RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY OF LONDON.

This excellent Society was organized in 1799. It has, therefore, entered upon the eighty-third year of a prosperous and brilliant career. In the words of the Committee in its last report: "This Society has aided the laborers of every Protestant Christian Mission in the world, through whom 'the leaves of the tree of life' are widely scattered. The messengers of truth sent forth by this Institution find their way to many places which are altogether inaccessible to any other agency. They have passed the Wall of China and have entered the palace of the 'Celestial Emperor.' They have instructed the Princes of Burniah, and opened the self sealed lips of the devotee in India. The sons of Africa have received them in their bondage, and have learned the liberty of the Gospel. They have preached Christ crucified to the Jew and also to the Greek; and they have made known to savage as well as civilized nations, the peaceful truths of the Gospel. In our own land, the soldier has perused these publications with benefit in his barrack, the prisoner in his cell, the afflicted in the hospital, the indigent in the poor-house, and the coast-guard at his lonely station. Persons of all ranks have been instructed by them, and many, through the Divine blessing on these means, have been brought from 'darkness into marvellous light.'"

Below we give a summary of the work of the Religious Tract Society to March 31st, 1881:

1.—Publications.

The year's circulation from the London Depository	69,089,460
Total annual circulation, including the issues of Foreign Societies	81,089,460
Languages and dialects in which the Society has published	130
Total circulation in eighty-two years, about	2,012,047,900
New Publications during the year	627
Number of Publications issued in eighty-two years, about	16,221
Publications at present on Society's Catalogue, about	10,000

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