

employed, who have made more than 14,150,000 family visits, and circulated about 15,700,000 volumes among the scattered and most needy spiritually of our population, including immigrants and Indians.

—The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, in New York, dedicated recently its new building, erected at a cost of \$475,000. The structure is 50 × 100 feet, on Twenty-third Street and Fourth Avenue, and is 8 stories high. The second story is taken up by the offices of the society; the third by the living rooms of the Superintendent and his family; the fourth by a play-room, a dining-room, and a reception-room; the fifth by a girls' dormitory; the sixth by a boys' dormitory; the seventh by kitchen, laundry, and servants' rooms; and the eighth is an open-air playground so arranged that it can be enclosed in stormy weather.

—Since it was opened by Dr. Muhlenberg, in 1858, St. Luke's Hospital has received for treatment more than 36,000 patients, and contains 152 endowed beds. A new building is ere long to be constructed upon lots already secured, consisting of 10 semi-detached portions, and which will afford facilities scarcely second to those of any other similar institution in the country.

—A marvel almost unheard of since the world began has really come to pass; for the famous Anti-Mission ("Hard-Shell") Baptists—at least a section of them—after fighting Sunday-schools, missionary societies, *et al.*, for fifty years, and nearly dying out in consequence thereof, have come to themselves at last, and for the future propose to bestir themselves looking after their children and sending messengers to bear the glad tidings to the heathen.

—The Southern Baptist Convention has representatives in Italy, Brazil, Mexico, China, Japan, and Africa; received last year \$154,686, and sent out 19 new men with their wives, and 6 unmarried women. The baptisms were

386, and the church-members number 2923. Besides there are 12,961 communicants in the Indian Territory.

—The American Friends sustain missions in Mexico, Jamaica, Japan, China, Syria, and Alaska, and also assist in the support of various others controlled by other denominations—*e.g.*, 4 women went out last year under the care of Bishop Thoburn.

—The United Presbyterians are at work in India and Egypt, where they have of foreign missionaries, 28; female missionaries, 51; medical, 3—total, 82. Native ordained ministers, 24; licentiates and theological students, 32; other native workers, 522—total, 580; total foreign and native laborers, 662. Native churches, 41; communicants, 10,641; increase during the year, 929. Schools, 264; male scholars, 9472; females, 2577—total, 12,049. Books distributed: Scriptures, 12,747 copies; religious books, 6482; educational, 19,226—total volumes, 38,455, or nearly 4 volumes for each communicant. Moneys raised: The total in the two missions for all purposes from the churches, Sabbath-schools, and missionary societies, and for school salaries and buildings and for books, \$37,496, or an average of over \$3.50 for every church-member.

## EUROPE.

**Great Britain.**—One day in February last Dr. Barnardo received 1413 separate letters containing gifts for his Homes, the total amounting to \$9750. On another day, more recently, the 1651 gifts that came to hand reached the goodly sum of \$12,500. But every day he needs \$750 for food alone.

—It was a fine example of Christian fraternity when the other day the Society of Friends sent a check for \$8930 to the Salvation Army for use in its social scheme.

—The Zenana Bible and Medical Mission publishes in *The Zenana* a table exhibiting its progress during the last