

was the means of leading the Baptists of America to begin the Telugu Mission.

—Rev. J. A. B. Cook writes us from Singapore: "Rev. W. F. Oldham has left on a well-earned furlough after four years' hard but successful work in connection with the Methodist Episcopal Mission, especially in educational work. Owing almost entirely to him and Mrs. Oldham the Anglo-Chinese school was commenced, and they leave it with 325 Chinese boys in attendance, all learning English. In addition most effective mission work has been done in English, Tamil and Malay, and a beginning has been made in Chinese work. Mr. Oldham is about to introduce Methodist missions into Netherlands and India."

—The Duke of Connaught told Mrs. Leavitt that all the crime and nearly all the disease in the Indian army are caused by drinking, and that they could do with 40,000 soldiers instead of 60,000 if the liquor traffic were abolished.

India and Ceylon.—Misses Leitch have succeeded in raising over \$90,000 in Great Britain and the United States for Jaffna College, a school for training native missionaries in Ceylon. Of this amount \$20,000 were given by a personal friend of the ladies in America.

—Italy is more than ever open to evangelical truth. One indication of this is found in the fact that Pastor J. P. Pous of Naples, Moderator of the Waldensian "Table," has been honored with the distinction of Knight of the Crown of Italy. It is needless to say that the Waldenses see in this a new mark of the favor with which the Government views their approaching celebration of the second centenary of the "Glorious Return."

Japan.—The latest statistics of the Greek Church in Japan are as follows: Organized churches, 150; number of preaching places not given. There are 4 foreigners occupying the highest offices in the church, who are assisted by 20 native priests and 143 evangelists. The members count an aggregate of 17,025, who contributed last year the sum of 7,585 yen. In connection with the church there are schools chiefly devoted to the training of workers, viz: a Theological School, a Woman's Theological School, a school for evangelists, a preparatory school for evangelists, etc.

—There are now fifteen places in Tokyo, Japan, where the gospel is preached weekly by persons connected with the Protestant Episcopal Mission.

—The editor of the Japanese newspaper recently collected statistics of growth from all the Protestant churches of Japan, showing their increase during the last three years. From 38 churches they have grown to 151, and from 3,700 members to 11,000.

Moravian Missions.—The deficiency on the last year's accounts appealed for by the London Association in aid of the Moravian missions has been cleared off. It is estimated that the increased annual expenditure must not be less than 2,000*l.* to carry on the growing work.

Norway.—The Lutherans of Norway are very active in the work of foreign missions. The whole kingdom is divided into eight collecting districts; 900 collectors are regularly gathering contributions, and 3,000 societies are praying and working for the cause. The country, which is not rich by any means, gave \$50,000 last year. The Norwegians have 10 stations and 32 churches among the Zulus in S. Africa, and 300 churches, with 18,000 adult members, in Madagascar.

Siam.—Missions in Siam are being placed upon a strong financial basis. Gifts to the amount of several hundred thousand dollars have been recently made by the king and others for schools and other missionary work. Siam is called the Garden of the East. October 30 was the jubilee of the Baptist Mission in Denmark.

Syria.—Miss West, of the Amer. Board, opened a school for older girls last September in Oorfa with 12 pupils, and it has since increased to 38. Oorfa is a city east of the Euphrates and three days distant from Aintab, and has 30,000 inhabitants. Protestant work was begun ten years ago, and a church membership of 260 obtained.

United States.—The Jews in New York City have 49 synagogues, and constitute a larger population than in Jerusalem itself, numbering nearly 90,000. They form an influential element, many of them being bankers, merchants, editors and politicians. Although comprising ten per cent. of the population, they contribute less than one per cent. to the criminal classes.

—The Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions, of the Presbyterian Church, announce that its receipts for the last year amount to \$320,000, an advance over last year of \$94,000. Well done.

—At Northfield, Mass., where 500 students were assembled at Mr. Moody's, a cable-gram from Japan was read. It said that 500 Japanese students were assembled in Kyoto for the same purpose for which these had gathered at Northfield. In it were the words, "Make Jesus King; 500 students."

—The State Department at Washington has been informed of the recent very generous gift of the King of Siam, for the use of the American Presbyterian Mission, of one of the royal palaces, together with extensive grounds and buildings.

—The Columbia River with all the valuable territory about it was saved to the United States by a missionary. Now the annual yield of fish from the river amounts to \$15,000,000, more than twice as much as the country gives for foreign missions.

—Thirty-three missionaries have been sent out by the American Baptist Missionary Union this fall, of whom twenty-three are newly appointed.

—Dr. March, of Woburn, Mass., has made a journey round the world. He says: "I came