

financial prosperity—a state of things so unusual with Mission Boards as to make us “take notice.” They asked for \$63,985 last October, in order to close their books without debt, and thought that a great undertaking. Not only did that amount come in, but \$2,750 over and above.

A worker from Washington, U.S.A., tells in “Without the Camp” of a visit to the Lepers’ Home in Iceland, where are gathered 100 lepers. She could not speak one word of Icelandic, they could not speak one word of English, but they had a “glowing conversation” in Esperanto, which, she says, they spoke better than she did. She was able to recite the Twenty-third Psalm to them in Esperanto. They are very grateful for their knowledge of the language, as it makes them feel they still “have a hold on the world.”

Christian missionaries in India for many years have been working to show the evils of caste. Intelligent Hindus are coming to see them more and more, and just now there is a movement being organized to hold a conference in Bombay, the object being to “focus the growing conviction of the Hindus that caste is a great evil.” Preparatory to this, a statement has been prepared, and is being distributed as a leaflet.

We know here in Canada with what readiness the Swedes receive our Baptist message, and it is interesting to know of the strength of our faith in their home land. A General Convention has just been held there, with about 400 delegates in attendance. They have now 55,000 members in Sweden, and have a theological seminary at Stockholm with 54 students. Growth is steady and satisfactory.

“‘Brothers, worship God.’ It was all I said as I got off my pony to greet

a little company of Karens whom I met as I was touring among the jungles. I went on, and soon forgot the incident. But they did not forget it, and now they are calling for a teacher to come to their village and teach them the worship of God.”—E. N. Harris, Burma Missions.

We have noticed here before the activity of Mormonism in this country and in other countries. Sweden and Norway have so far wakened up to the menace that they have both set apart money for lectures to warn the people against Mormonism, and Sweden is expelling all Mormons from her shores.

A message from China through Miss Mary Smart, formerly of Stark’s Corners, Que., and now a missionary in Wonan, China, will be welcome to many:—

“Since last I wrote you, many changes have taken place in China. Of the revolution, I have no doubt you have all read. Just what it will mean to China remains to be seen, but already there are results. It is the testimony of many missionaries that there is a deeper interest manifested by the people in the Christian religion, meetings are more largely attended, and the sale of books has increased greatly. Only a few days ago a proclamation was issued in this city ordering the destruction of all idols in the public temples. At first the people greatly feared, and no one dared to destroy them, but finally five men, who were well paid, destroyed the idols during the night. This is also being done throughout the Empire, and now the question is, to what are the people going to turn to worship? How earnestly we long that they may turn to the Living God.”

“Two weeks ago I had my first experience in itinerating. Miss Duncan,