

draw upon supporters identified with long-established agencies.

The Salvation Army derives a princely income from the Christian public, whereas, General Booth does not aid any other organization, even those traveling on corresponding lines to his own.

Interest was shown at the Manchester Auxiliary of the Wesleyan Society, attended by the Rev. W. H. Findlay, M.A., of Negapatam, and the Rev. Professor Patterson, of Madras, in the presence of two old-time Wesleyan advocates of missions. One of the veterans, who presided, Mr. Geo. Cussons, was within a few days of completing his eighty-eighth birthday; the other patriarch, Mr. John Napier, has already entered on his ninetieth year. The occasion was made deeply memorable by the masterly defence of educational work amid the great centres of population in India. Professor Patterson held that the policy which had been maintained for many years by the Protestant missionaries in regard to this phase of activity was wise and justified by its results.

—Liberty of the Press in Turkey. The *Neshra*, an Arabic newspaper published by the American mission in Beirut, Syria, was suppressed without cause, months ago, by orders from Constantinople. Efforts have been made, by interviews with the local authorities and by petitions to Constantinople, by the intervention of the United States consul and of the ambassador, to secure permission for its resumption, but all in vain until the present time.

An Arabic paper from Beirut, received here recently, publishes the following notice of the Sultan's gracious edict, from which our readers can judge of the nature of the "liberty of the press" in Turkey, and of the restrictions to which the missionaries are subject in their work. This is a literal translation of the Arabic copy:

"Word has been received from the illustrious Department of Instruction at Constantinople, addressed to the government guarding the interests of Syria, to the effect that there has been issued an imperial order in favor of Mr. Henry Jessup, a subject of the honored American republic, based upon a statement and petition addressed by him, permitting him to publish the *Weekly Neshra*, which had been previously suppressed, this permission being granted on the condition that the paper shall not treat of any political matters, nor of any occurrences whatsoever which may take place within the empire or outside its borders, but shall treat solely of religious, scientific and moral questions. But this permission is restricted by the condition that nothing shall be printed in it which directly or indirectly opposes any of the religious beliefs current in the governments ruled and guarded by the Sultan, and also by the condition that a copy of the contents of the paper be sent before it is printed and published to the government censor that he may sanction its printing and publication after he has ascertained that in no respect, in single words or in sentences, has there been any infringement of this condition. The exalted local government will inform him of the nature of this concession."

Turkish soldiers, hemmed in by bayonets and cannon, shout at the close of their daily reviews, "Long live the Sultan!" American Christians interested in the redemption of Turkey will wait for further proofs of the fostering care of the Sultan's government before heartily echoing this prayer.—*Church at Home and Abroad*.

Jews.—Baron Hirsch gives \$10,000 a month toward the relief of the Jews exiled from Russia and seeking homes in the United States. The *American Hebrew* says:

"A census of the district south of Houston street and east of Broadway