# HOME MISSIONARY EXTRA. 

Battle Creek, Mich., April, 1894.

## THIS EXTRA.

Perhaps some have been wondering ere this, why the Home Missionary Extra has not appeared. We regret our tardiness, but there is some excuse for the delay. Returns from some of the States have been late in coming in, and we did not wish to give a partial report, so we deemed it best to print the Extra one month later than usual ; but we trust that the delay will be more than compensated for by the additional amount of matter given in this number. Our reports exceeded the four pages usually allotted to them, and it was deemed best to give to this Extra eight pages instead of four. This will give room for the article from Elder O. A. Olsen upon "Contributions to Foreign Missions." We bespeak for this a careful reading. Other interesting items will be found in this Extra. Taken altogether we feel that it is one of the most interesting numbers we have ever sent out. It will certainly prove such to all who will give the reports the study they deserve.

## CONTRIBUTKONS TO FOREIGN MISSXONS.

In sending out this Extra of the Home Missionany, we are very desirous that our brethren and friends should give it careful thought and study. You will see that it is largely filled with figures. Names of Districts, Conferences, and churches appear, followed by long columns of figures. At first glance these things may appear uninteresting, and it may seem as if there was nothing in them demanding your special attention. But if you will give the matter your careful thought, I am sure you will be led to realize that there is more to be attached to these figures than you may be aware of at first. These figures tell you what the contributions have been to the foreign mission funds in the way of First-day Offerings, during the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1893.

We are living in an exceedingly interesting time ; and it would be well for us if we would more fully appreciate its importance. The message is now going with greater power than ever before. The providence of God has opened the way for the work all over the fleld, in a most remarkable manner. Which-
ever way we turn we find doors open, and people anxiously calling for us to bring them the message of God for this time.

In our recent trip, visiting our work in different parts of the world, we have become very deeply impressed by the manner in which the Spirit of the Lord is moving upon the hearts of the people. Those who have not actually come in contact with these things can hardly appreciate their full reality. One event is following another with remarkable rapidity. We can but see that everything is fast hastening onward to the final consummation. At such a time as this we need to be thoroughly awake to the needs of God's work, every man standing at his post, faithful to the duty and work that God has given him to do. We are glad that many are awakening to sense these things more than they have in the past. But there is yet much more to be accomplished in the same line. There is to-day a greater need for earnest and intelligent workers in every branch of the cause than was ever seen before. We are also glad that many are offering themselves to the work ; and use can be made of every one who has a fitness to engage in the different lines of work. But many have not as yet come to an understanding of what is required in order to be a successful worker.

But in the midst of all this you can realize that the financial support of the work is a very important item, and that even if we have workers, we can do but little if we do not have the necessary funds with which to carry it forward. As we have said before, at different times, we cannot depend upon borrowed capital with which to advance the message. Every one can readily understand that. This being so, you can see with what interest we are watching the reports of the contributions, that are presented from time to time.

In looking over some of these figures I find that during 1893 the First-day Offerings have fallen considerably short of what they were the year before. For the last quarter of $1892, \$ 5068.87$ First-day Offerings was reported; for the last quarter of 1893 , only $\$ 3923.01$, thus falling short $\$ 1145.86$, which is quite a decrease. We recognize the fact that the year 1893 was not a favorable one financially, but
even under these somewhat embarrassing circumstances, you can see that $\$ 3923.01$ is a very small amount from such a large body of people. The reasons for this shortage I am not prepared to give. I cannot believe that it is because we have become so impoverished that we have not been able to contribute. It seems, rather, that we have not given this subject the thought and attention it should receive. The First day Offerings are one of the sources on which we depend for money to carry forward our foreign missionary work. Therefore you can see how anxious we are to have our brethren appreciate the importance of contributing continually to this fund. It is not the large donations from a few upon which can be placed our greatest dependence; but it is the small, continual contributions from the large number. This has always been the case in the past, and will continue to be in the future.

We hope, therefore, as we have said before, that our friends will give this matter careful study; that they will look these items over, and, by comparing the membership with the donations, an idea will be obtained of the average contributions per member.

We are receiving very encouraging reports from all parts of the field. The Lord is greatly blessing his people, and the servants of the Lord are enjoying much freedom in their labor. Every week many new accessions are reported to the company of believers.

We are very grateful for these things. May the Lord grant that this may increase more and more. We have nothing but words of encouragement to speak to our brethren everywhere. We can look up at this time, as never before, and rejoice, knowing that our redemption is drawing near. But while it is day, it is our time to work. The night soon cometh when no man can work. Now is our opportunity. Now the way is open to spread the message and send forth the light of truth to all parts of the earth. Now we can all have a part in gathering sheaves for the heavenly garner. May the Lord help us to be faithful at our posts of duty.

This will be a very interesting year in the history of the message. We have reason to believe that we shall see the work extend more than in any previous year. And this being so, we shall need the funds that are coming in to carry forward the work, so that it may not be crippled or hindered in any way.

Being assured of your deep interest and sympathy, we know that you will give these things your careful consideration, and realize much of the blessing of God in so doing.
O. A. Olfen.

## FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT MISSIONS.

In 1800 , not over 50,000 converts in all heathendom ; now, over $1,500,000$, and five times as many adherents.
In 1800, not over seventy mission schools; now, about 14,000 , with 600,000 scholars.

In 1800, not over $5,000,000$ copies of the Bible ; now, more than that issue from the press every year.

In 1800, fifty translations of the Bible; now between 300 and 400 of the whole, or parts like the Gospel of Mark.

In 1800 , the population of the globe about $700,000,-$ 000 , of whom some $40,000,000$ were called Protestant; now, the population is more than double, and the nominal Protestants more than quadrupled!

The first convert among the natives of India was Krishna Chundra Pal, in 1800. Henry Martyn said it was a miracle as great as the raising of the dead ; now, every ten years the converts increase over eighty per cent. The first convert in Western Polynesia was King Pomare II. ; now there are 850,000 , and all Western Polynesia is evangelized.

Up to 1853, the Edict Board of Japan made it a capital offense for a Christian to set foot on the island empire. Now there are 30,000 professed converts, and 17,000 children in Sunday-schools.

Dr. Robert N. Cust reckons 223 missionary societies in the world; 113 in Britain and colonies; 56 in the United States ; 20 in Germany ; 14 in the Netherlands, and 20 in other lands. Many of these doubtless are small. Fifty have incomes of $£ 2000$ and upward, and twenty report over $£ 20,000$. At least ten of these have received three fourths of their funds from native converts! - Missionary Herald.
" In the town of Tshin-shiu a Chinese banker lately applied to Missionary Grant, with the request that he would recommend to him ten or more native Ohristians, to be employed in his business. He remarked that he had found that the Christians were the only ones in the place that could be trusted. A similar request had been previously addressed to the same missionary by another business man."

The Christian's great desire and delight is God, and by desiring and delighting he hath him. Delight thou in the Lord, and he shall give thee thy heart's desire - himself ; and then, surely, thou shalt have all. Any other thing, commit it to him, and he shall bring it to pass. - Robert Leighton.

## RECEIPTS FOR MISSIONS.

(Quaiter Ending Dec. 31, 1893.)

| First-day offerings | \$3,923 01 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sabbath-school offerings | 5,701 12 |
| Miscellaneous. | 8,318 34 |
| Total | \$1\%,942 47 |
| Annual (Christmas) wee | 32,470 36 |

## GIFTS TO THE $\$ 255,000$ FUND.

From October 1 to Deckmber 31, 1893.


## MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS TO FOREIGN MISSIONS.

From October 1 to Decenber 31, 1893.


GENERAL REPORT OF ANNUAL OFFERINGS, AND FIRST-DAY OFFERINGS FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.

District No. 1. - Atlantic.

| Atlantic. | \$ 58888 | \$7039 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maine | 44183 | 13052 |
| Maritime Provinces. | 5275 | 1397 |
| New England. | 1,838 79 | 16536 |
| New York. | 98880 | 15269 |
| Pennsylvania | 57256 | 13760 |
| Quebec. |  | 700 |
| Vermont | 80509 | 4987 |
| Virginia. | 7970 |  |
| West Virginia | 33415 |  |
| Totals | * 5,700 53 | \$ 73945 |
| District No. 2.-Southern. |  |  |
| Florida | \& 14840 | \$ 1520 |
| Sonthern Mission. | 5659 | 1088 |
| Teanessee River......... | 32753 | 2866 |
| Totals.. | \$ 53252 | \$ 5474 |

Distriot No. 3.--Lake.

| Illinois. | \$ 1,577 60 | \% 14840 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indiana | 83674 | 5909 |
| Michigan | 7,261 01 | 35023 |
| Ohio. | 1,199 15 | 10654 |

Distrigt No. 4. - Northwest.

| Iowa | \$ 2,261 22 | \$ 29848 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Manitoba | 400 |  |
| Minnesota | 1,435 37 | 16884 |
| Nebraska | 62265 | 7600 |
| South Dakota | 75905 | 10502 |
| Wisconsin. | 2,305 95 | 24165 |
| Totals | \$ 7,388 24 | \$ 88999 |

District No. 5. - Southwest.

| Arkansas. | \$ 9150 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Colorado. | 37155 | \$ 4408 |
| Kansas. | 1,398 09 | 13600 |
| Missouri | 70918 | 23458 |
| Oklahoma. | 7920 | 384 |
| Texas. | 62526 | 5424 |
| Totals | 3,274 78 | - 47274 |

District No. 6. - Pactife.

| California | \$ | 2,867 | 54 | $\$$ | 625 | 81 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montana |  | 138 | 20 |  |  |  |
| North Pacific. |  | 500 | 00 |  | 265 |  |
| Upper Columbia |  | 658 | 11 |  |  |  |
| Totals |  | 4,168 | 85 |  | 94 |  |

Foreign Districts.



| WISCONSIN. |  |  | ATLANTIC. |  |  | ILLINOIS. |  |  | INDIANA. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aztalan, | \$100 00 | $\$$ | Brooklyn, N. X. | . ${ }^{\text {M }}$ \$226 85 | $\$ 1740$ | Aledo | $\$ 5960$ 2800 | \$4.47 | Bourbon, |  | $\$ 50$ |
| Ager, | \$100 | $100$ | Baltimore, | Md., 4154 | $106$ | Belvidere, | $2800$ | 918 9560 | Barbers Mills, |  | $938$ |
| Attica, |  | 100 | Church IIill, Ford's Store, | $\because 85$ |  | Bloomington, Bluford, | 8100 1350 | 2560 45 | Corunna, |  | 155 245 |
| Albany, | 695 1148 | 50 | Ford's Store, Millington, | " 941 | 761 2929 |  | 13 544 46 | 4.) 10 | Denver, Glenwood, |  | 245 300 |
| Antigo, | 1148 | 50 | Miockgon, Roek tall, | "، 3218 |  | Cbicago, Danish-N | or., 10800 | 756 | Grass Creek. |  | 300 90 |
| Beldenville, | 2615 | 97 | Shady Side, | " 500 |  | Chicago, Swedish, | 55.51 |  | Indianapolis, |  | 25 |
| Baldwin, | 1745 |  | Burlington, | N. J., 255 | 370 | Clifton, | 500 |  | Jonesboro, |  | 180 |
| Boscobel, | 350 |  | Camaden, | " 855 | 8.3 | Cottage Home, |  | 25 | Kokomo, |  | 402 |
| Brodhead, | 700 | 3) | Paulsboro, | 558 | 242 | Decatur, | 500 |  | Marion. |  | 342 |
| Chetek, | 2000 |  | Vineland. | " 2100 | 265 | Du Quoin, | 1287 | 260 | Mechañicsburg, |  | 175 |
| Clintonville, | 400 | 14 | Hollandville, | Del., 800 | 25 | Harvard, | 1000 |  | New London, |  | 288 |
| Clintonville, Danish, | - 400 |  | Wilmington, | " ${ }^{9} 95$ | 35 | Kankakee, | 2650 | 166 | North Liberty, |  | 305 |
| Debella, | 1570 | 96 | Washington, D | D. C., 20850 | - 217 | Keenville, | 3870 |  | New Marion, |  | 275 |
| Darlington, | 18922 | $2 \cdot 91$ | Individuals, | 500 |  | Lena, | 4187 | 645 | Rochester, |  | 325 |
| Eat Claire, | 900 |  |  |  |  | Lovington, | 341 |  | Salem, |  | 255 |
| Elroy, | 1134 |  | Totals, | \$586 86 | $\$ 7039$ | Mackinaw, | 250 |  | Wabash, |  | 966 |
| Eureka, | 6250 | 500 |  |  |  | Martinsville, | $\begin{aligned} & 1005 \\ & 1500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 65 \\ & 50 \end{aligned}$ | Individuals, |  | 593 |
| Fish Creek, | 1730 | 635 | TENNES | SSEE RIVER |  | Onaland, | 16 47 45 | 349 | Totals, | $\$ 89674$ |  |
| Flintville, | 300 5583 | 460 | Bowling Green, | \$ 100 | 8 | Ottawa, | 5950 | 267 | Totas, |  | 85909 |
| H. Mile Grove, | 21942 | 588 | Cross l ${ }^{\text {lains, }}$ | 555 |  | Pittwood, | 300 |  | PENN | VANIA. |  |
| Humbird, | 64.54 | 1410 | Graysville, | 10550 | 892 150 | Plum River, | 1575 | 122 | PENN | VANIA. |  |
| Kickapoo, | 500 | 100 | Nase, | 14885 | 1004 | Princeton, | 1500 |  | Albionl |  |  |
| Knapp, | 1350 | 1650 | Nashrille, Rio | 14885 |  | Princeville, | 150 5000 | 75 | Allentown, | 1600 | 1 14 100 |
| La Crosse, | 950 | 325 | Springwille, | 2930 | 112 | Proctor, Rockford, | 1000 2606 |  | Austin, | 310 | 100 110 |
| La Grange, | 1500 |  | Trezevant, | ${ }^{3} 35$ | 11 | Rockford, | 2606 2194 | 480 682 | Bear Lake, | 1900 |  |
| Lime Ridge, | 150 | 75 | Individuals, | 1650 | T 08 | Sheridan, | $160{ }_{21}$ | 310 | Birdsboro. | 600 | 213 |
| Leon, | $\begin{aligned} & 3150 \\ & 8775 \end{aligned}$ | 830 |  |  |  | Sadorus, | 621 |  | Bradford, | 500 |  |
| Little Prairie, | 87 785 | $8: 30$ | Totals, | \% 32753 | \$2866 | Saybrook, | 1000 |  | Conneautville, |  | 100 |
| Lind, | 2245 |  |  |  |  | Saint Anne | 868 |  | Corydon, | 1469 | 721 |
| Loyal, | 2245 860 | ${ }_{3}^{7} 838$ |  | ANSAS. |  | St. Elmo. |  | 250 | Edinboro, | 880 | 281 |
| Mackford, | 3435 | 1334 |  |  |  | Springfield, | 2860 | 391 | Elk Lake, |  | 600 |
| Madison. | 5085 | 250 | Altom, | 16 35 |  | Sterling, |  | 500 | Emporium, | 881 | 84 |
| Maiden Rock, | 1100 |  | Arconia, | 350 |  | Toledo, | 1275 | 27. | Fleetwood, | 800 | 265 |
| Maple Works, | 3618 | 168 |  | 1545 |  | Watseka, | 700 |  | Indian ${ }^{\text {aren, }}$ | - |  |
| Matiston, | 1500 | +65 | Beloit. | 1415 |  | West Salem, | 6110 |  | Indian creek, | 9 ¢o |  |
| Milton Junction, | 7188 | 576 | Centerville, | 5350 |  | Williamsfield, | 1000 |  | Lohnstown, | 18 880 | 181 1 48 |
| Milwaukee, | 10095 | 1030 | Clay Center, | 100 |  | Individuals, | 2768 | 1020 | Mebanon, | 880 | 188 800 |
| Moon, |  | 1 506 | Clyde, | 5500 |  | Totals, | \$1. | $\$ 14840$ | Mc Donald, | 293 |  |
| Monroe, | 2180 | 326 | Colony, | 1370 |  |  |  |  | North Warren, | 164. | 387 |
| Mt. Hope | 2180 | 60 | Columbus, | 100 |  |  |  |  | Oil City. | 1710 | 700 |
| M.t. Sterling, |  | 1289 | Concordia, | 9829 |  | NEB | KA. |  | Philadelphia, | 3315 | 2190 |
| Neenah, | 130 <br> 172 <br> 6 | 1289 800 | Dear Creek, | 2023 |  |  |  |  | Pitts ourg, | 2834 | 1954 |
| New London, Oakland, | 17276 7405 | 1200 | Devizes, | 2700 |  | Aurora, |  | \$107 | Port Allegany, | 2651 | 225 |
| Ogdensburg, | 320 | 21 | El Dorado, | 350 |  | Arlington, |  | 753 40 | Pottstown, | 325 |  |
| Oxford, | 1400 |  | Eis City, | 4000 |  | Beaver City, |  | 45 | Raymond's, |  | 789 |
| Plainfield, | 1721 | 867 | Emporia, | 46 | , | Blair Countr |  | 28 | Reading, | 1610 | 1531 |
| Poy Sippi, | 458 | 744 | Fowler, | - 60 |  | Blair City, |  | ธ0 | Roaring Branch | 21.50 | 484 |
| Poy Sippi, Danish. | 1178 | 980 | Galena, | 355 |  | College View, |  | 1130 | Shingle House, | 305 | 20 |
| Pulcifer, | 1350 | 25 |  |  |  | College View, Scan |  | 395 | Shank, |  | 25 |
| Pound, |  | 175 | Grand stumit, | - 9205 |  | Chadron, |  | 800 | Spartansburg, |  | 200 |
| Racine, | 1200 | 83 | Ircentea, | 1550 |  | Fremont, |  | 800 | Sunbury \& No |  |  |
| Raymond, | 1920 | 339 | Herington, | 1265 |  | Ft. Calhoun, |  | 260 | berland | 500 | 879 |
| Richford, | 3100 | 200 |  |  |  |  |  | 483 | Titusvile, | 1293 |  |
| River Falls, | 1000 |  | Mutchinson, | 8807 |  | Hastings, |  | 430 | Williamsport, | 13600 | 904 |
| Robinson, | 3608 | 225 | Iola. | 820 |  | Lincoln, |  | 1090 | Washington, | 835 |  |
| Rayalton, | 1400 | 50 | Jefterson | 426 |  | Lime Grove, |  | 7 | Youngsville, | 735 | 50 |
| Sand Prairic, | 3638 | 2 15 <br> 2  | Kansas City, | 6575 |  | Lavaca, |  | 215 | Miscellaneous, | 8085 | 150 |
| Sextonville, | 68 | $\stackrel{2}{2} 8$ | Kirwin, | 100 |  | Omaha, |  | 200 | Totals, | \$572 56 | \$13406 |
| Sparta, | 6162 | 500 | Leavenwortli, | 1185 |  | Platte Centre, |  | 161 | Iotals. |  |  |
| Springwater, | 620 |  | Lebo, | 545 |  | Petersburg. |  | 40 |  |  |  |
| Star, | 245 |  | Lehigh, | 3867 |  | Nebraska City, |  | 100 | MIS | URI. |  |
| Stevens Point, | 1800 | 25 | Lowe, | 255 |  | Nery Era, |  | 150 |  |  |  |
| Trude Lake, | 620 |  | Moline. | 13311 |  | Individuals, |  | 948 | Appleton City, | \$ 300 | \$ 119 |
| Victory, |  | 2063 60 | Md. City, | 1000 |  |  |  |  | Antler, | 109 |  |
| Waterioo, |  | 60 | Newton, | 1204 |  | Totals. | \$692 65 | $\$ 7600$ | Armstrong, | 900 |  |
| Watertown, | 400 50 |  | Neodesha, | 400 |  |  |  |  | Carthage. | 6740 | 387 |
| Individuals, | 5511 | 1167 | Oronoque, | 443 |  | MON | NA. |  | Clearmont, | 350 |  |
| Totals, | 82,305 95 | \$241 65 | Osqukie, | 1715 |  |  |  |  | Economy, | 6100 | 500 |
| FLORIDA. |  |  | Ottawa, | 2493 |  | Absarokee, $\$ 2$ <br> Belgrade. 1225 |  |  | Gnyart, | 1538 | 85 |
|  |  |  | Otis, <br> Palermo. $\quad 960$ <br> Pal <br> 995 |  |  |  |  |  | Harrisonvil | 710 | 475 |
|  |  |  | Palco, | 500 |  | Butte City, | 1210 |  | Hamilton, | 1735 | 120 |
| Barberville, | \$1322 | * | Poetis, | 1305 |  | Bozeman, | - 75 |  | Half Rock, | 384 |  |
| De Leon Spring ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 500 |  | Preston, | 125 |  | Billings, | 720 300 |  | Ienderson, | 2285 |  |
| Rustis, | 1000 | 93 | Rotate, | 5043 |  | Grantsdale, | 300 4450 |  | Kansas City, | 4985 | 15 35 |
| Jacksonville, | 645 |  | Salina, | 840 |  | Helena, | ${ }_{9}^{44}$ | ${ }_{12} 84$ | Kingsville, | 1150 |  |
| Moultrie, | 3 1700 1700 |  | Severy, | 1490 3800 |  | Livingston, | 3285 | 1284 | Lowery City, | 5160 | 1030 |
| Orlando, | 1700 |  | S. Cottonwood, | ,18600 <br> 285 <br> 85 |  | Miles City, | 500 |  | Nevada, Palmyra, | 8375 420 | 10430 300 |
| Terra Ceia, | 4638 |  | Springside, | 300 |  | Virginir City, |  | 495 | Pleasant Hill, | $4 \%$ |  |
| Individuals, | 3675 | 1425 | Sterling, | 2330 |  | Individuals, | 1010 |  | Rock ville, | 1675 | 1500 |
|  |  |  | Stover, | 885 |  |  |  |  | Rich ILill, | 1706 | 380 |
| Totals, | \$148 40 | \$15 20 | Tampa, | 2657 |  | Totals, | $\$ 13820$ | \$21 34 | Rolla, | 2000 |  |
| MARITIME. |  |  | Tiayer, | 10.5 |  | SOUTHERN MISSION. |  |  | Springfeld, | ${ }_{3} 80$ | 413 |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lr}\text { Topeka, } & 4025 \\ \text { Toronto, } & 50\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  | St. Louie, | 2758 | 435 |
| French Village, N. S. 600 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Sedalia, | 4250 | $45 \%$ |
| Indian Harbor, " | 400 | 300 | Valley Center, | 250 |  | Ashville, N. O, | 875 | 100 | Stanberry, |  | 1200 |
| Tiverton, " | 1085 | 200 | Wamego, | 1810 |  | Huntsville, Ala, | 300 | 247 | Utica, | 1710 | 2550 |
| Truro, " | 200 | 245 | Wichita, | 9373 |  | Spartanburg, S. C. | 2500 |  | Unity, | 300 |  |
| Moncton, N. B., | 1640 | 602 | Yates Center. | 1702 |  | Welsh, La., | 1655 | 115 | Winston, | 1.5150 |  |
| St. Johns, "" | 1350 | 50 | Individuals, | 8500 |  | Indivi nats. | 179 | 514 | Individuals, | 14495 | 1975 |
| Totals. | 45\% 75 | \$1:397 | Totals, | \$1,398 09 | \$136 00 | Totals, | \$5659 | \$1088 | Totals, | \$749 18 | \$234 53 |



| Olympia, | 350 |  | Not rec'd by Treas., | 46327 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Royal, | 1100 | 75 | Bel'nging to prev. qr., |  | 18885 |
| Salem, | 32.25 | 100 |  |  |  |
| Seattle. | 2166 |  | Am'ts in gen'l rep't, | \$500 00 | \$265 71 |
| St. Johns, | 21750 | 700 |  |  |  |
| Troutdale, | $\begin{array}{r}20 \\ 27 \\ \hline 85\end{array}$ |  | WEST VIRGINIA. |  |  |
| Tacoma, ${ }^{\text {Victoria }}$, C, | 2735 750 | 3.10 |  |  |  |
| Vanconver, " ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 1100 |  |  |  |  |
| Vancouver, Wash., | 1464 | 136 | Amos, | \$850 | * 100 |
| Whatcom, | 3000 |  | Berea, | 100 | 102 |
| Woodland, | ${ }^{6} 20$ |  | Kanawha, |  | ${ }^{718}$ |
| Woodburn, | 1120 | 125 | Newburg, | $22 \%$ | 1108 |
| Whiteson, | 900 |  | Newark, | $\begin{aligned} & 2323 \\ & 13 \\ & 68 \end{aligned}$ | 985 589 |
| West Union, Wilkeson, | 472 |  | Parkersburg' Individuals, | 1368 26500 | 529 |
| Miscellaneous, | 770 | 617 |  | 205 |  |
| 'Totals, | \$968 ${ }^{2}$ | 36 | * Not rec'd by Treas. | $33415$ |  |

## HOW MUCH DID YOU GIVE?

We give below a table showing the amount per member given by each of our home Conferences, both for the Annual or Christmas offerings, for 1893, and the First-day Offerings for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1893:-

Annual or
Christmas Off. First-day Off. Amt. per capita, Amt. per capita.
Disthiot No. 1 :

| Atlantic | \$ . 874 | \$. 104 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maive | 1.008 | . 297 |
| Maritime Provinces | . 131 | . 034 |
| New England. | 3.239 | . 201 |
| New York | . 867 | . 133 |
| Pennsylvania | . 472 | . 113 |
| Quebec. |  | . 052 |
| Vermont | 1.900 | . 117 |
| Virginia | . 507 | . 076 |
| West Virginia. | 1.622 |  |

District No. 2 :

| Florida . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | \$ | 1.067 | $.1 \% 0$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Southern Mission . . . . . . . . | .109 |  |  |
| Tennessee River. . . . . . . . . . | 1.470 | .032 |  |
|  | .129 |  |  |

District No. 3:

| Illinois . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\$ 1.571$ | $\$ .147$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Indiana . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | .621 | .044 |
| Michigan. . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1.318 | .073 |
| Obio. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | .939 | .083 |

Districin No. 4:

| Iowa. | \$.912 | \$. 120 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Manitoba. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  |  |
| Minnesota | . 643 | . 075 |
| Nebraska. | . 430 | . 052 |
| South Dakota | . 751 | . 139 |
| Wisconsin | 1.095 | . 114 |

District No. 5:

| Arkansas. | \$ . 260 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Colorado | . 663 | $\$$ | . 078 |
| Kansas. | . 697 |  | . 067 |
| Missouri | . 837 |  | . 276 |
| Oklahoma | . 355 |  | . 017 |
| Texas. . | 1.204 |  | . 104 |

District No. 6:

| California | $\$ 1.059$ | \$. 231 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montana | 1.749 | . 270 |
| North Pacific. | . 454 | . 241 |
| Upper Columbia. | 1.269 | . 071 |

Quite a wide range is covered by the figures presented above. Perhaps a comparison of the Atlantic with the Pacific States, or the Northern with the Southern States would be an unfair comparison, because in the wide domain covered, conditions in one section would not necessarily extend to all other portions of the country. Doubtless taking into the account the offerings of the Conferences in the same districts would more correctly represent the comparative amounts given by the various States to our foreign work.

Thus in District No. 1, we have New England giving \$2.23 per member in Christmas Offerings. From this the scale falls to 50 cts., 47 cts., and as low as 13 cts. per member in other States of the District. In First-day Offerings, Maine gives the largest amount per member.

But two Conferences and one mission field are found in District No. 2. From Florida there came $\$ 1.06$ for each one of its membership in Christmas Offerings, and from Tennessee River Conference came 12 cts per member, the highest in First-day Offerings.

Among the four Conferences of district No. 3, Illinois stands at the head in Christmas Offerings, with a donation of $\$ 1.57$ per member. Michigan follows hard after, with $\$ 1.31$ per memebr. Illinois also gave the largest amount per member in First-day Offerings.

District No. 4 contains five Conferences. At the head of these stands Wisconsin on Christmas Offerings, giving $\$ 1.09$ per member; but South Dakota leads out in offerings to the first-day fund, with 13 cts. per member. Other Conferences in this district fall as low as 5 cts. per member in First-day Offerings, and 43 cts. per member in Christmas Offerings.

Coming to District No. 5 we find Texas giving $\$ 1.20$ per member for Christmas Offerings, and Missouri leading out in First-day Offerings at the rate of 27 cts. per member.

In District No. 6 the largest amount per member was given by the Montana mission field, amounting to $\$ 1.74$. In First-day Offerings Montana is also found in the lead, but the other Conferences are not far behind.

We trust that all of our brethren and sisters will
study this table, and that they will determine what was given per member by their home Conference, and then go a step farther in the application, and ask themselves if they gave as much individually to the cause of Foreign Missions as they might have done for the year that has just closed. There is much food for thought in these reflections. Are we withholding from the Lord that which belongs to him in tithes and offerings?

Of course in the comparison that we have instituted, we have taken into account the fact that there exists in some Conferences, much more wealth than in others. This may account in many instances for the disparity in the amounts given per member. The work of donating to the Lord's treasury is an individual work, a relation which exists between us and the Lord, and we trust that in view of the great work before us, and the pressing calls made upon our treasury, that every member of our churches will take it upon himself to see where he can give up needless luxuries, and possibly some of the comforts of life, and donate them to the spread of the gospel message.

Men and means are needed to carry the truth into the regions beyond. A great work is before us, and it requires from us as the Lord's stewards the utmost faithfulness in the use of the talents with which we have been intrusted.

The reports that have been given of the progress of Christianity in Japan have not been overstated. The growth has been most remarkable, and the promise for the future is full of cheer; and yet this does not mean that Japan is Christianized, nor does it mean that she does not still need missionaries. An English missionary, writing to the Church Missionary Gleaner, states the following facts, which may well be pondered by all Christians: "To-day there are forty millions in Japan, and not forty thousand Protestant Christians; that is, one in one thousand. For every two Christians there are five Buddhist temples, not to mention Shinto temples. There are ten thousand more head-priests of Buddhism than there are Protestant Cbristians, and for every single Christian of every denomination, at least two Buddhist priests (not head-priests). So there is a. population of over thirty-nine millions of Japanese without a single Christian among them. Once more, if all the Christians in Japan were congregated in the city of Osaka ( 500,000 ), there would be in that one city four times as many heathen as Christians, and.
not a single Christian in any other part of the country. No, Japan is not yet a. Christian country; and there is room and need for hundreds, if not thousands, of missionaries and native evangelists, if this people is to be saved ere the Lord come."Missionary Herald.

This table from Field News includes the work of all societies engaged in Syria and Palestine, numbering more than a score, and proves conclusively that even in this most discouraging of fields the gospel is making great gains.

|  | 1881. | 1891. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Foreign laborers. | 191 | 237 |
| Native laborers. | 481 | $65 \%$ |
| Organized chnrches. | 26 | 45 |
| Average congregations. | 6,910 | 8,604 |
| Commnnicants. | 1,693 | 3,974 |
| Schools | 302 | 328 |
| Total of pupils | 14,624 | 18,837 |

June 9, 1892, a young married woman died in Jushan, Kiangsi, the only Christian in the place. As the fruit of her triumphant death-bed scene, twentyfour were baptized on the following August. This was by no means the only influence, but seems to have been the crowning one.

According to this bit of missionary experience the Sunrise Kingdom must be inhabited by a people possessed of infinite leisure, as well as of patience and powers of endurance. Arriving in 'a small village, "he is told of a preaching service arranged for the evening. Half-past seven comes, eight, half-past eight, and still there is no move toward the preaching place. Finally about nine o'clock, the pastor, with some reference to the fact that the people are slow about coming together in such hot weather, leads the way to the meeting. But few people are gathered; but our presence is the signal for the coming of a good number, and by a quarter past, the time the meeting really begins, the house is fairly well filled with people, squatting on their heels on the straw mats, and an equal number at least standing outside, in front of the open house. A young physician of the village presides, and makes an opening address of half an hour, the evangelist follows with a somewhat longer speech, and he in turn is followed by the pastor in a stirring address of nearly an hour! It is therefore considerably after eleven before the missionary begins to speak."

