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ment, and various other religious books, all of which, no doubt, are making silent, but powerful, impressions on the minds of those by whom they are read. Kirwan's Letters, and Andres Dunn, both of which have been translated into the language, are in great demand, and, no doubt, doing a good work.

The foregoing statements show that an important footing for the cause of truth has been gained in the capital of New Granada, and the Church has encouragement not only to go forward, but to redouble her efforts. It should not be forgotten, however, that she is as yet but in the incipient stages of a great work. Opposition may again arise, and become even more violent; dark nights and deep discouragement may overspread this work that has so happily been begun, but truth and righteousness, under the guiding hand of the great Head of the Church, must ultimately triumph over every opposition.

#### PROPOSED MISSION TO BRAZIL.

The Christian community have had their attention directed to Brazil for some time past as an inviting field of missionary labour, and as having special claims upon the evangelical churches of this country.

With a territory greater than that claimed by the United States, a climate alike varied and healthful, and a soil capable of yielding abundantly all the products, both of temperate and tropical climes, Brazil has as yet but a comparatively small population, and her rich and varied resources are still in a great measure undeveloped. Influences are at work, however, both in Europe and Brazil, that are rapidly drawing a large immigrant population to the latter country; and the day is probably not far distant, when Brazil will take rank among the most important nations of the earth in population and all the other elements of national greatness. It is a matter of great moment both to her present and future well being, that the mind of the nation be thoroughly imbued with sound religious views and principles; and these must proceed, in the first instance, from the evangelical churches of this country. There probably never has been a more favourable time than the present for the undertaking. Roman Catholicism, it is true, is the established religion of the country, but liberal views are entertained by the Government, and by a large portion of the more intelligent classes, whilst religious toleration has been



established by legal enactment. It is an interesting fact, too, that the first attempt made to colonize this country was by a company of French Huguenots, who had to forsake their native land on account of religious persecution, about the same time that the English and Scotch dissenters found an asylum in this country. The attempt proved a failure, but the remembrance of so praiseworthy an undertaking may be cherished, and the zeal of God's servants will no doubt be greatly quickened in future times, if they are called to suffer for the truth on ground that has already been consecrated by martyr blood.

One missionary, Rev. A. G. Simonton, a member of the Presbytery of Carlisle, and a recent graduate of the Theological Seminary of Princeton, is under appointment, and expects to sail for this new field of missionary enterprise in the early part of the summer. The mission must of necessity be somewhat experimental. His first object will be to explore the ground, ascertain by what means the native mind may be most successfully reached, and test the question how far the legal enactment in favour of religious toleration can be maintained. Should these investigations prove favourable, as there is every reason to suppose they will, the mission may afterwards be enlarged to any extent that circumstances would seem to justify.

In the meantime this young brother, and the great cause he has undertaken, is commended to the prayerful remembrance of the people of God.

### Mission to the Jews.

NEW YORK.—Rev. John Neander.

No material change has taken place in this department of the missionary work. Mr. Neander continues to minister to a German congregation, in which his labours are still attended with marked encouragement, while he also devotes a part of his time to colporteur labours among the Jews. For several weeks last fall he was laid aside from his work by severe illness; but, with this exception, he has been constantly engaged in the work of the Lord. He makes a report monthly of his visits to Jewish families; which reports, however, for reasons formerly mentioned, it is not considered expedient to print in the monthly publications of the Board. However guarded their references might be, the fact of such publication would become known,