

trances, are electric marine lamps, sending their light two miles. An electric railway is in operation on the grounds and carries passengers around the park.

The park contains forty acres, eighteen of which are planted with magnificent old trees, forming the finest park of its size in the world. Several acres of ground south of the building are under cultivation as a model farm, where not only all the farm products of Kentucky are raised, but where cotton and other Southern crops are flourishing.

The State displays of Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana, show very fully both the agricultural and mineral resources of those sections. The other displays of individual exhibitors are no less interesting, and came from all sections of the United States. Some of the most attractive are in the galleries. Some of the finest art and decorative displays, as well as many interesting novelties and manufactured products are in the galleries.

The Art Gallery is filled with the choicest works of foreign and American artists, loaned by prominent art collectors of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Louisville, a collection as a whole, never equaled on this continent. Gen. Grant, Gen. Sheridan, Belmont, Morgan, Newcom, Hoadley and Springer may be mentioned as contributors.

The Seventh Regiment Band, of New York, furnishes the music for the first fifty days, and will be succeeded during the last fifty days by Gilmore's Band, of New York. In the music hall in the building is the largest and finest organ in the South; and a well trained chorus of 500 voices gives a series of concerts together with the organ and band.

Every Tuesday there is a competitive display of cut flowers. On Thursday evenings there are magnificent displays of fire-works. Friday evenings are devoted to classical music. On Saturdays the price of admission after 1 o'clock is only twenty-five cents, and there are elaborate horticultural displays.

The press Associations of Alabama, Mississippi, Indiana, and the Northwest have been entertained at the Exposition. The reception of other associations will follow. On September 18th the Louisville Fair Association will begin its display of fine stock, the meeting lasting five days. On September 19th sixteen

divisions of the Knights of Pythias will have a competitive drill at the Exposition. There will also be a band contest between twelve bands. The Kentucky Press Association will meet here on September 20th. The Convention of the United Charities Association of the United States will be held in the Exposition September 24th and 25th. The The State Educational Convention will be held here at the same time. September 26th is Arkansas Day, when the Governor of the State will be present; and September 27th will be Texas Day, when the Texas Press Association will be entertained at the Exposition. The Governor and Legislature of Georgia will visit the Exposition. So will the Tennessee Press Association, and the Associations of North and South Carolina. The members of the Eastern press have also received invitations from the management. The Bankers Association of the United States will meet in Louisville October 11th. The fall meeting of the Louisville Jockey Club begins September 25th, and lasts twenty-one days.

The Carriage Annex, south-west of main building.

The Saw Mill Annex, and Model Farm, south of main building.

The Art Gallery, north of building.

The State Exhibits in north-western section of building.

Do not fail to see the galleries in main building.

Half rates on all roads.

#### Current Religious News.

Rev. W. P. Harvy, at a recent Kentucky Association, said that of the 1,300 Baptist churches in the State only 100 have preaching every Sabbath, 300 two Sabbaths monthly, and many of the remaining 900 not once a month.

At the Edwards Mission Sunday-school, Lamar County, Texas, a revival has been in progress for two weeks, resulting in the conversion of forty persons, many of them members of the Sunday-school. A Cumberland Presbyterian Church has been organized, having fifty members, and money contributed to build a neat house of worship. This Sunday-school was organized by a missionary of the Sunday-school Union.

James Robert, recently a Roman Catholic, is conducting Baptist services among the French Canadian quarrymen in West Quincy, Mass.

At a recent Chinese Bible Meeting, the first ever held in San Francisco, a congregation of some 500 Chinese men, women, and children, gave \$62.60 for the circulation of the Scriptures in China.

The Congregationalists of the State of Michigan have at last organized a society for the relief of the disabled and needy ministers and their families. Steps will be made to have the society incorporated at once.

The 92,295 Congregationalists of Massachusetts gave to charities last year an average of \$5.17 each and to all church purposes (including the charities) an average of \$16.47.

Thirty colporteurs are now employed by the British American Book and Tract Society, in Canada. They distribute Bibles and religious literature through the thinly populated districts of the interior, where book stores are scarce, and among the seaman and fisherman of the coast. Colportage is found to be the most effective way of reaching the Roman Catholic element, which constitutes a large factor in the population of the province.

The Presbyterian Synod of China reports one hundred per cent, increase of accessions to its membership in the past five years.

Arrangements have been made with the American Bible Society for printing the Mortlock New Testament, translated by Rev. R. W. Logan, the Hawaiian Bible in 18mo, and a volume containing the greater part of the Old Testament translated into Mpongwe, by Rev. William Walker, of the Gaboon Mission.

Our exchanges report a revival among the various missions in Japan. thirty-six persons have been added to the church at Annoka, and one church in Tokio reports an increase of fifty members. Charles Bishop (Methodist), says this year promises to be the long-awaited year of ingathering in Japan missions.

The Bishop has forbidden the Catholic churches of Michigan to raise money by raffles, fairs, excursions or balls.

There are, it is said, 50,000 colored Baptists in Kentucky. Their total contributions last year are estimated at \$5,000.

A wealthy lady of Newark, N. J., has agreed to give a new church to the Reformed Catholic Church, of Newark, which at present has ninety communicants of former Roman Catholics. The church will cost about \$60,000.

The Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church at Brooklyn, N. Y., was opened with jubilee services last Sunday. During the vacation the church was newly furnished with carpets and cushions, the building repainted, and the seating capacity increased. It is proposed by the church trustees to put up a new Sunday-school building on a lot adjoining the church.

The International Sunday-school lessons have been fixed for 1884. The first six months will be in Acts and the Epistles. The next three months will be in Psalms. The last three months will be in Proverbs, Kings and Ecclesiastes.

Nathan Henry Demarest, recently ordained to the ministry in the Fifth Avenue Reformed Church, is preparing to start for Japan as a missionary.

At the Colored Foreign Missionary Convention of the United States, which met at Manchester, Va., September 20, three missionaries were appointed who will sail for Africa December 15.

The thirty-seventh annual meeting of the American Missionary Society will be held in the Central Congregational Church in Brooklyn, beginning October 30.

Rev. T. H. Pritchard, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., will assume pastoral charge of the First Baptist Church, Wilmington, N. C., on the 1st of November.

The Baptists have in Utah Territory two ministers, two churches, and about one hundred church members. They employ also three female missionaries.

The aggregate cost of seven Protestant church buildings now in process of erection in New York city will be \$1,500,000.

Rev. A. H. Simons, formerly of Agawam, has become pastor of the Baptist Church at Porval, Vt.

A Baptist minister recently held religious services for the first time in Lovelock, Nevada, a place which has been settled twelve years.