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Numerous friends of missions in other lands having desired a separate edition, the third revised and enlarged German edition was published, and was taken up in a few months. Now this larger fourth edition, with the latest statistics, is issued. The numerous letters sent to me, even from China and Formosa, containing hearty thanks for the laborious and careful work, and new information as to the present condition of affairs, have been used in this edition. An English edition, issued a short time ago (by J. Nisbet & Co.), was sold in a few weeks. Also a French edition, a Dutch, and an American edition by the Congregational

Publishing Society (Boston), are ready for the press. A Swedish edition has been coming out since the middle of January in the numbers of the "Missions-Tidning," Stockholm. A number of royal consistories have recommended the book in the warmest manner to their ministers.

Thus the Lord has already, in the short time since the little book's appearance, laid a rich blessing upon it. May he continue to use it for the removal of many prejudices and the furtherance of his kingdom!

Bonn, June, 1880.

THE AUTHOR.

NOTE TO THE AMERICAN EDITION.

PROFESSOR CHRISTLIEB requested the Congregational Publishing Society to issue a translation of this book made under his own eye, and on which he should receive the usual copyright. His request was acceded to, and public announcement made of the fact. While the book was passing through the press, about three-fourths in type, with additions forwarded by the author to incorporate which there had been a slight delay, a Scotch-English translation of the third edition was put upon the American market, to the prejudice of Professor Christlieb. Few will think it strange that he complains of this as an injustice, and fewer still among American Christians will wish he should be deprived of his honestly-earned copyright.

This volume contains the most recent statistics, and the amendments and additions of the fourth German edition, which appeared in July. A few of the new paragraphs which overran the foot-notes are printed as

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Addenda. A full and copious index has been added, indispensable to such a book.

We are permitted and authorized to say, that the proof-sheets of this edition have passed under the eye of one of the secretaries of the American Board.

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