

the Presbyterian Church occupies Syria. The Methodist Episcopal Church has work in Bulgaria, the Reformed Presbyterians in northern Syria, and the Church Missionary Society in Palestine. These are the chief agencies at work and count a total of 637 foreign missionaries, yet according to the *Encyclopedia of Missions*, "the Church Missionary Society is the only one that has made a special effort to establish mission work distinctively for Mohammedans."

**Little Direct  
Work for  
Moslems**

Until recent years the difficulties of the problem and the terror of the Turk seem to have prevented direct work for Moslems, although by printing-press, schools, colleges, and hospitals many Mohammedans were reached indirectly and sometimes even incidentally. "The missionaries have devoted a relatively small part of their time and strength to the Moslem work. In Egypt, Syria, Turkey, and Persia the greater portion of the energy of the missionaries has been devoted to work for Copts, Maronites, Greeks, Armenians, Jews, and Nestorians. Apart from the schools (and the number of Mohammedan pupils in schools in Turkey is almost inconsiderably small), comparatively little has been done. Through medical missionaries many have been accessible and some have been reached, but we do not have, and have not had for years, a systematic and aggressive though