are Moslems,—surely a large and difficult field. Yet by preaching, the sale of Scriptures, and medical work nearly twenty thousand Mohammedans have been won over to Christianity, many of them at great cost and under severe persecution.

Encouraging Fruit of Past Efforts

When we consider how much the Moslem convert must risk to confess Christ openly, surely there is much to encourage us, and it is with joy that we can point to results in Moslem lands and to miracles of God's grace. These results have been direct and indirect. The latter have been far greater than the former and have in God's Providence prepared the way for the final assault and the victory.

Strategic Centers Occupied The preliminary work has largely been accomplished. It is a remarkable fact that every strategic Moslem center is occupied by Protestant missions. No less than thirty cities, with very large Moslem populations, are centers of missionary effort by printing-press, hospital, school, or college; and in each of them, directly or indirectly, the gospel reaches Moslems.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These cities are: Calcutta, 1,026,087; Constantinople, 1,106,000 Bombay, 776,006; Cairo, 570,062; Madras, 509,346; Haidarabad, 448,466; Alexandria, 319,766; Teheran, 280,000; Lucknow, 264,049; Rangoon, 234,881; Damascus, 230,000; Delhi, 208,575; Lahore, 202,964; Smyrna, 201,000; Cawnpur, 197,170; Agra, 188,022; Ahmadabad, 185,889; Tabriz, 200,000; Allahabad, 172,032; Tunis, 250,000; Amritsar, 162,429; Howra, 157,594; Poona, 153,320; Soerabaya (Java), 146,944; Bagdad, 145,000; Fez, 140,000; Patna, 134,785; Aleppo, 127,150; Beirut, 118,800; Karachi, 116,663.