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ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOCIETY.

The Committee have pleasure in announcing to their friends, and the Christian public at large, the following arrangements:—

LORD'S DAY, APRIL 28,

* Sermons on behalf of the Society will be preached—

In the Southern District,

- CAMBERWELL, DENMARK PLACE CHAPEL. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Christopher Anderson, of Edinburgh; *Evening*, by the Rev. Jonathan Watson, of Cupar, Fife.
- PECKHAM. In the *Morning* by the Rev. T. Powell; *Evening*, by the Rev. R. G. Lemaire.
- WALWORTH, LION STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. James Sprigg, M.A., of Ipswich; *Evening*, by the Rev. Samuel Nicholson, of Plymouth.
- HORSLEY STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. James Puntis, of Norwich; *Evening*, by the Rev. T. Powell.
- CLAPHAM. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. John Edwards; *Evening*, by the Rev. Edward Steane, of Camberwell.
- LAMBETH, REGENT ST. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Eliel Davis; *Evening*, by the Rev. D. R. Stephen, of Swansea.
- WATERLOO ROAD. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. ———; *Evening*, by the Rev. ———.
- BATTERSEA. (A Public Meeting on Wednesday the 24th. H. Waymouth, Esq., Chairman)
- TRINITY CHAPEL (BOROUGH). In the *Morning*, by the Rev. W. Miall; *Evening*, by the Rev. Thomas Shirley, of Sevenoaks.
- NEW PARK STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Joseph Angus, M.A.; *Evening*, by the Rev. P. E. Butler, B.A.
- CHURCH STREET, BLACKFRIARS. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Joseph Davis; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. J. H. Hinton, M.A.; *Evening*, by the Rev. Frederick Trestrail, of Newport, I. W.
- MAZE POND. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. William Brock, of Norwich; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. James Edwards, of Nottingham.
- UNICORN YARD, TOOLEY STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. T. Shirley; *Evening*, by the Rev. B. Lewis.
- ALFRED PLACE, KENT ROAD. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. W. Young; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. John Adey; *Evening*, by the Rev. John Cox.
- JAMAICA ROW, BERMONDSEY. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. John Dyer; *Evening*, by the Rev. John Jackson, of Bath.
- DEPTFORD, LOWER ROAD. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. John Kingsford; *Evening*, by the Rev. ———.
- GREENWICH, LONDON ST. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. J. Wenger; *Evening*, by the Rev. W. Belsher.
- BUNYAN CHAPEL. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. J. Belcher; *Evening*, by the Rev. J. Wenger.
- WOOLWICH, QUEEN ST. *Morning* and *Evening* by the Rev. John Cox.
- ENON ST. *Morning* and *Evening*, by the Rev. ———.

* The above list is as complete as it could be rendered up to the present moment. Corrections or additions should be sent, without delay, to Fen Court, to be incorporated in the list.

In the Central District,

- SALTERS' HALL, CANNON ST. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. S. J. Davis; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. Samuel Nicholson, of Plymouth; *Evening*, by the Rev. T. Swan, of Birmingham.
- DEVONSHIRE SQUARE. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Jonathan Watson, of Cupar, Fife; *Evening*, by the Rev. J. H. Hinton, M.A.
- EAGLE STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. C. M. Eirrell, of Liverpool; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. Frederick Trest-trail, of Newport, I. W. *Evening*, by the Rev. Edmund Hull, of Watford.
- PRESCOT STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. James Edwards, of Nottingham; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. Benjamin Godwin, of Oxford.
- MITCHELL STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. B. Lewis; *Evening*, by the Rev. W. Miall.
- WINDMILL STREET. In the *Afternoon*, by Mr. W. Jones, M.A.
- LITTLE WILD STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. ———; *Evening*, by the Rev. ———

In the Western District,

- JOHN STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Samuel Nicholson, of Plymouth; *Evening*, by the Rev. William Brock, of Norwich.
- HENRIETTA STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Edmund Hull, of Watford; *Evening*, by the Rev. F. A. Cox, D.D.
- KEPPEL STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. F. A. Cox, D.D.; *Evening*, by the Rev. James Sprigg, M.A., of Ipswich.
- GRAFTON STREET, SOHO. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. ———
- SOHO, OXFORD STREET. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. ———; *Evening*, by the Rev. ———
- BLANDFORD STREET. (Sermons will be preached on the 2nd or 3rd Sabbath in May)
- NORTHAMPTON STREET, ST. PANCRAS. In the *Evening*, by the Rev. George Pritchard.
- HAMPSTEAD. In the *Morning* and *Evening*, by the Rev. J. Castleden.
- HAMMERSMITH. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Eustace Carey; *Evening*, by the Rev. J. M. Soule.
- BROMPTON, ALFRED PLACE. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. F. Tucker, B.A.; *Evening*, by the Rev. C. M. Birrell, of Liverpool.
- KENSINGTON. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. J. J. Broad; *Evening*, by the Rev. Eustace Carey.
- ROMNEY STREET, WESTMINSTER. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. John Jackson, of Bath; *Evening*, by the Rev. James Puntis, of Norwich.
- BRENTFORD (New). In the *Morning*, by the Rev. W. Hancock; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. W. W. Evans.
- HARLINGTON. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. W. W. Evans.

In the Northern District,

- SPENCER PLACE, GOSWELL ROAD. In the *Evening*, by the Rev. S. J. Davis.
- HIGHGATE. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. ———; *Evening*, by the Rev. ———
- HENDON. In the *Morning* and *Evening*, by the Rev. J. Gundry.
- TOTTENHAM. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. D. R. Stephen, of Swansea; *Evening*, by the Rev. Robert Roff, of Cambridge.
- SHACKLEWELL. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. John Cox; *Evening*, by the Rev. J. Hoskins, of Camberwell.
- HOXTON, BUTTESLAND ST. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. J. Rothery; *Evening*, by the Rev. John Dyer.
- PROVIDENCE CHAPEL, SHOREDITCH. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. ———; *Evening*, by the Rev. ———
- EBENEZER CHAPEL. In the *Morning* and *Evening*, by the Rev. J. Mashingham.
- HACKNEY. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. Benjamin Godwin, of Oxford; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. P. E. Butler, B.A., of Keppel Street; *Evening*, by the Rev. Christopher Anderson, of Edinburgh.
- HOMERTON. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. D. Curtis; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. John Foreman; *Evening*, by the Rev. P. Dickerson.

In the Eastern District,

- LITTLE ALIE STREET. In the *Morning* and *Afternoon*, by the Rev. P. Dickerson; *Evening*, by the Rev. D. Curtis.
- STEPNEY COLLEGE CHAPEL. In the *Morning*, by the Rev. J. E. Goode, of Gosport; *Afternoon*, by the Rev. A. G. Fuller; *Evening*, by the Rev. ———

POPLAR, COTTON ST. In the <i>Morning</i> , by the Rev. Joseph Burton, from the Bahamas; <i>Evening</i> , by the Rev. James Upton. SHAKSPEARE'S WALK. In the <i>After-</i> <i>noon</i> , by the Rev. Joseph Burton, Mis- sionary from the Bahamas; <i>Evening</i> , by the Rev. T. Moore.	BOW. In the <i>Morning</i> , by the Rev. Charles Stovel; <i>Afternoon</i> , by the Rev. W. Norton; <i>Evening</i> , by the Rev. Jo- seph Burton, Missionary from the Ba- hamas. ILFORD. In the <i>Morning</i> , <i>Afternoon</i> , and <i>Evening</i> , by the Rev. John Girdwood, of Manchester.
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TUESDAY, APRIL 30,

The Committee of the Society will meet at the Mission House, Fen Court, at eleven o'clock, when the company of all Ministers of the Denomination, who may be in town, is requested.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1,

The Rev. THOMAS ROBERTS, of Bristol, will preach the General Sermon for the Society, at Surrey Chapel, Blackfriar's Road. Service to begin at half-past six.

THURSDAY, MAY 2,

The Annual Meeting of the Society will be held at Finsbury Chapel, Moorfields. Chair to be taken by the Treasurer, W. B. GURNEY, Esq., at eleven o'clock.

On Thursday evening, a Meeting for Prayer and Addresses, in reference to Missionary operations, will be held at New Park Street Chapel, in the Borough, to commence at half-past six o'clock.

Fen Court, March 20, 1839.

MANY friends of the Society, aware of the great increase which has recently taken place in the expenditure, will be solicitous to know what is likely to be the state of its finances when the accounts of the year are made up. We give the best information at present in our power, partly with a view to meet the inquiry supposed, but chiefly in order to suggest a hint or two, in reference to the coming anniversary, which must be given now, or not at all.

Generally, we are happy to say, the report is encouraging. A considerable increase has taken place in the receipts of the Society, especially in that portion of our income which is devoted to general purposes. This has been owing, among other causes, to the very generous efforts made in some particular districts, and to a disposition, which we trust is growing among our more opulent friends, to regulate the amount of their stated annual subscriptions more strictly in proportion to the relative magnitude of the object, and to follow the apostolic precept by giving *as the Lord hath prospered them*. Three gentlemen, at and near Manchester, for instance, have lately enrolled their names as annual subscribers of £50 each, and another has raised his subscription from ten guineas to thirty pounds. One munificent friend in the metropolis, has promptly followed the honourable example of 'the first three,' nor can we doubt that others, both in town and country, will 'go and do likewise.'

Our respected friends, who heretofore supported the 'Serampore Union,' have had, during the year, a large sum to collect, in order to discharge the claims from that quarter up to 30th of April last, from which date those stations became chargeable to the Society's funds. This circumstance has, of course, occasioned the amount of contributions from these friends to be less than they otherwise would have been, or than they will be hereafter; but, notwithstanding this, we believe we shall not be far from the truth, in anticipating that when the yearly accounts are closed, it will be found that the ordinary receipts have nearly covered the expenditure of the year—a circumstance not of frequent occurrence in our financial history.

Our readers, however, will not have forgotten that a sum of very nearly £4000

was due by the Society a twelvemonth ago. Towards the liquidation of this amount, £1320 was received at and shortly after the public meeting, so that, even if the present year, through the divine goodness, shall be found to have provided for itself, there is still a balance of £2680 unprovided for.

This balance of £2680, or, to state it in round numbers, £3000, will be immediately required, and it ought, by all means, to be furnished at, or before the Anniversary Meeting. The subject is mentioned *now*, in the hope that it will be so.

Hitherto but few, comparatively, of our friends and supporters, have co-operated in removing the encumbrances which have impeded the progress of the Society. The effort has not gone far beyond those who were present at the annual meeting, and on some of them it has rested with a disproportionate pressure. Of this *they* have not complained, but others will be too generous to permit such inequality to be repeated, and it appears to the writer that a comparatively moderate effort, promptly and simultaneously made, will suffice to raise the sum wanted, and thus enable the Society to enter upon the coming year without a debt.

The members of the General Committee are one hundred in number. A contribution of £30, therefore, made or procured by each, is all that is wanting to effect this desirable purpose; and it would be gross absurdity to imagine this could not easily be accomplished. Will each member of the General Committee, therefore, consider this proposal as affectionately, earnestly, and respectfully addressed to himself, and resolve to bring or send the said amount of £30, at least, on or before the day of the annual meeting? And, seeing that unforeseen circumstances sometimes prevent the accomplishment of the kindest purposes, and it is *possible* that all who have the 'will' to do this, may not find the 'way,' will other friends, not of the Committee, be pleased to provide for such contingencies, by devoting a moderate sum to this specific object?

The individual who ventures to propose this plan, trusts to be enabled himself to take a share in it, and to provide *his* quota of £30, by the day specified.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

JAMAICA.

Just after our last number went to press, two mails arrived from Jamaica. They sailed too early to bring us any intelligence from the Association at Montego Bay, but we lay before our readers a variety of particulars, respecting the different stations, taken from the letters which have come to hand.

ST. ANN'S BAY.

Mr. Abbott has furnished us, according to annual custom, with an account of the state of the churches under his care, which, we are persuaded, will be read with much interest and pleasure. His letter bears date 3d of January, 1839.

St. Ann's Bay, Jamaica, Jan. 3, 1839.

MY DEAR SIR,—I embrace the earliest opportunity afforded me, after closing the public services with which myself and people welcomed the new year, of sending you

a brief account of the stations under my care.

During the year just ended, I have been favored with repeated tokens of the Divine favour, and though, as a family, we have experienced much domestic affliction, my own health has been uninterruptedly good, and I have been most mercifully assisted in the discharge of my various duties. During the past year, seventy-four persons were added to the church at St. Ann's Bay, by baptism, and sixty-eight to the church at Ocho Rios. Seventy-four members were dismissed from the church at St. Ann's Bay, to form a church at "Coulart Grove." The number of inquirers and sunday-school children has greatly increased, and I have married 128 couples. The numbers at the several stations are as follows:—

	Members.	Inquirers.	S. School Children.
St. Ann's Bay	227	783	428
Ocho Rios .	203	538	236
Coulart Grove	74	241	84
Total . . .	504	1562	748

I feel peculiar pleasure in stating that,

while I do not think that myself or deacons have been unwatchful or unfaithful. We have not, except in one instance, been called upon to discharge the painful duty of excluding a member from the church. That there has been no conniving at sin on my part, I feel perfectly conscious, and that the members have not been partakers of others' sins by hiding them, I feel almost equally certain.

In proof of this I may mention that the only other case of discipline which has been brought before me, was one in which an assistant class leader was charged by his brethren with neglecting one of the class during sickness, and for this he was publicly reproved. Our church meetings have been well attended, and the business of the church has been most harmoniously conducted; in short, nothing has occurred to mar our peace, or to induce me to retract a single expression used in my last annual account, in reference to the zeal, kindness, and general consistency, of the people, whom I most sincerely love, and with whom I hope to spend the remainder of my days.

Were not those who have so unwarrantably aspersed the character of our members bigoted and blinded by party zeal, they would examine for themselves, and see with their own eyes, the wonderful change effected in the hearts, as evidenced in the lives of the great majority of our people, instead of eagerly laying hold of and exaggerating the unsupported accusations of a polluted and time-serving press. But the truth is, men who have been bred in the atmosphere of slavery, think it perfectly impossible for a man with a black skin to have any thing but a black heart, or to possess a character for any thing but cunning, deceit, and falsehood—evils which he unhappily, though of necessity, acquired, under the tuition of his fairer-skinned oppressor, but which the gospel has already subdued, and will eventually destroy.

I can most conscientiously say, that so far as I have had an opportunity of judging, the discipline observed in our churches here is equally rigid with that maintained in our churches at home; and though the majority of our members are confessedly deficient in scriptural knowledge, (for which, not they, but their oppressors who kept them so long in ignorance, are to blame,) yet they gladly listen to the advice of their spiritual instructors, and as cheerfully follow it. The zeal and liberality of very many of them, is such as should make more intelligent and prosperous Christians blush; and they live as orderly, peaceably, and holily, as any body of professing Christians I have ever seen or read of. A few years since, the Christmas, and other holidays, were spent by the negroes, instigated and supported by the

whites, to drown care and induce contentment with slavery, in riotous and bacchanalian scenes of the most barbarous and disgraceful character; drunkenness—the promiscuous intercourse of the sexes—fighting, and almost every evil, were the result. But now how changed!

During the rejoicings at the proclamation of freedom in August, not a single riot, quarrel, or case of drunkenness occurred; nor during the past Christmas holidays, which have lasted three times as long as at any former period, have I heard of the least disturbance, or of more than two persons who were seen in a state of intoxication, and they not professors of religion, throughout the whole of this extensive district.

We had public services on Christmas Day and New Year's Day here, and on the following days at Ocho Rios, and though on former occasions our services were liable to interruption from the din in the streets, this year not a drum was heard. The hideous disfigurement of body usually practised, was unseen; the war-song was unheard; the goomba, conch, and other instruments of idolatrous revelry, were cast aside, and while our chapel was crowded on each occasion, the streets and grog-shops were almost entirely deserted.

Surely then some good has been effected, and though it may not equal our wishes, or the unreasonable expectations of those who do little more than complain, while they leave others to labour, we rejoice to say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

I cannot forbear mentioning, by way of showing that our people are not so fond of lax discipline, or of sin, as their assailants would have you believe, that they have brought me information of a dancing party, the only one which, to the best of my knowledge, has been held during the holidays in this district; and though not a single member had the slightest connexion with it, yet two or three inquirers are accused of having participated in it, and if proved guilty, they will be reproved, and their names will be erased from the list of inquirers at our next sabbath service. At the last church meetings held at the stations during the past month, I, as usual, called over the names of all the members, and made inquiries as to the regularity of their attendance upon the means of grace. I most solemnly besought them, if any one of them had been guilty of any sin, or knew that any of their brethren had been, of which the church was ignorant, candidly to confess it, lest I should make a false return of the actual state of the church, and paused at the end of each name, that all might have an opportunity of speaking. But no acknowledgment was made, and on

my putting the following question—"Do you then authorize me to state to the Association on your behalf, that you dwell together in love and peace, and that you are striving to live in the fear of God, and to keep all his commandments and ordinances blameless?"—every hand was held up; and I left them with the pleasing hope, that if I met them no more on earth, I should meet them with the glorified church before the throne of the Eternal, and unite with them throughout eternity in celebrating the triumphs of redeeming love.

The enlargement of our chapel at St. Ann's Bay, by a new roof, seventy feet by twenty-five, is rapidly progressing. The foundation-stone was laid on the 26th Oct., by brethren Knibb and Clark, and the building will, I trust, be completed in about three months. Though the church was, previous to the commencement of this addition, considerably in debt, yet the continually increasing state of the congregation, induced them, though entirely dependant upon their own resources to defray the cost of its erection, to undertake the task—pledging themselves to renewed exertions to enable me to complete the work, which pledge they are nobly redeeming.

When completed, the chapel will accommodate about 1800 persons, and will be a neat, substantial, and durable building. The church and friends at Ocho Rios, who sadly need a more safe and commodious place of worship, than that in which they at present meet, which is fast going to decay, and for whom I would have begun a chapel long since, had I had the means at command; are cheerfully devoting a portion of the first fruits of freedom to this object; and though very many of them are compelled by their former owners to pay shamefully exorbitant rents for their cottages, or leave them and go they know not whither, yet they will, I think, raise a sum sufficient to warrant my commencing a plain substantial chapel for them, by the time I have finished the one at St. Ann's Bay.

At Coultart Grove I have observed the same order of services as in 1837, and on those Sabbaths when I am absent, public service is conducted by a black young man of promise—a deacon of the church at St. Ann's Bay, named Isaac Higgin, who also conducts the day and Sunday Schools at that station much to my satisfaction.

I was induced in May last, by the importunity of a few who cared for their souls, from the borders of Clarendon, within a mile of the centre of the island; and by their representations of the painfully benighted state of that district, to pay them a visit. I found their account alas too true. The whole district was totally destitute of the means of

grace—there being no place of worship or school nearer than Brother Clark's station, which is twelve miles distant, and almost inaccessible to them, owing to a lofty ridge of mountains, which runs between the two places.

The inhabitants, except a few who had occasionally attended Brother Taylor, at Old Harbour, a distance of thirty miles, appeared to be in a state of heathenish darkness. Ten acres of land were kindly offered as a donation by a gentleman favourable to our mission, of the name of Tabois; and a number of people offered to raise a shed at their own cost, if I would occasionally visit them.

I immediately accepted the offer—took possession of the land—preached on it under some trees the same morning, and, after the service, placed in the ground the first stick towards the intended erection. The people have since then raised a thatched shed, fifty feet by twenty-five, with which they must be content until funds can be collected to raise a more durable and comfortable building.

I spent two days with them the week before last, and preached in the shed each day, and though the services were held on their working days, as I could not well deprive my other and larger stations of a Sabbath, from three to four hundred persons were present.

The distance is so great, it being fully twenty-eight miles from hence, and the roads so bad, that it takes me about eight hours to reach it; so that it will not be in my power to visit it frequently. I have however sent an intelligent and pious member of the church at Coultart Grove, named Henry Beckford, to reside there and conduct public service three Sabbaths in each month, and also to attend a day school.

On the fourth Sabbath, the people from that quarter are to meet me at Coultart Grove; but to do this, the whole of them will have to walk sixteen miles, and many of them eighteen and twenty. But in the absence of more efficient aid, I can make no better arrangement for them. Oh, that you had funds to spare to send a laborious missionary to that destitute part of the island! He would have a range of more than twenty miles, many parts of which are densely populated, to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ, without entering upon another's labours, for the ground is uncultivated; or without seeming to interfere with the claims of any other denomination, for it is possessed by none. Far be it from me to under-rate the labours of such men as my friends Higgin and Beckford. They are, I believe, eminently pious and devoted to the service of God, and had they been favoured with a

tolerable education in early life, they would be all that I could wish them to be. As it is, they are in every sense of the term, native assistants, and are, I hope, doing much good; but until recently they were slaves. I purchased the freedom of J. Higgin in April last, but H. Beckford continued to wear the galling yoke until the 1st of August. They have not—could not be supposed to have, that learning and information, that knowledge of the Scriptures, and confidence in themselves, requisite to the sole and efficient management of a station, and they are situated too far from me to admit of my rendering them any very material aid in the prosecution of their studies.

Could I have kept them with me for a year or two, or sent them to some one better qualified to instruct them, the advantage to themselves and the stations would have been immense. I had however no alternative but to abandon the Clarendon station, and to deprive Coultart Grove of public worship three Sabbaths out of four, or to send them forth to do their best. That they do their best I feel perfectly confident, and that they are able to do so well, considering the few opportunities they have had of improving their minds, and the short space of time that has elapsed since they have been able to call their time their own, and have dared to think and act for themselves, reflects the highest credit on their diligence and perseverance. Each of them delivered an address at the Anniversary of our Auxiliary Missionary Society, which was held at St. Ann's Bay on the 6th ultimo., with much propriety and acceptance, and if they continue studious and humble, I shall have great cause to bless God for raising them up amongst us. I do not ask you to assist in their support, hoping to be able to accomplish this out of our school funds, and by collections in the churches; but if the Committee would present each with a copy of the Tract Society's Commentary, a Concordance, and any other suitable book, I should be thankful, as they greatly need them, and would be highly gratified with such a mark of your attention and favour. But my sheet is full, I will send the station accounts in the sheet which encloses this, and I am,

My dear sir,

Very sincerely and affectionately yours,

THOS. F. ABBOTT.

MANCHIONEAL.

From Mr. Kingdon, Dec. 13, 1838:—

"You will be glad to hear that the cornerstone of our new chapel has been laid. This interesting event took place last Tuesday evening, in the presence of a goodly number of labourers, and several of the neighbouring gentry; my excellent brother-in-law, Mr. Anderson, laying the stone. I was disappointed in not being able to procure the assistance of any of my brother missionaries, from various circumstances of distance, sickness, or pre-occupation. It will please you to learn, that means for meeting this formidable undertaking are becoming greater. Mr. Anderson is promised the proceeds of some lectures on Jamaica ornithology about to be delivered by Mr. Hill, Secretary to the Governor in the Special Justice Department; and Mr. Anderson intends to give us the sum which may be realized by one of his lectures on the ancient and modern state of Africa. These I take thankfully, as earnestness of the successive helps to be raised up for the completion of this very needful undertaking. And, though not aware of the reception which may be given to any solicitation of friends in England, I hope that we may receive freely what we cannot realize here. Nothing can be plainer than the structure about to be erected. Mr. Anderson has kindly engaged to get lithographed a sketch of the architect's plan of the chapel. I hope to be able to forward you a copy shortly.

(To be continued.)

DOMESTIC.

DOVER.

On Lord's Day, January the 13th, two sermons were preached by the Rev. Eustace Carey, at the Baptist Chapel, Pent Side, and on the following evening a large and respectable public meeting was held in the same place, Wm. Stace, Esq., junr, in the chair. The Rev. E. Carey, as the deputation from the Parent Society, Rev. W. Copley, of Eythorn, T. Anderson, Countess of Huntingdon's Connexion, P. Briscoe, of Folkestone, S. Lillycrop, &c., &c., addressed the meeting. The collections after these services amounted to £19 16s., and a considerable interest in favour of the operations of the Society, was excited, which we trust will be found after many days. S. L.

LIST OF FOREIGN LETTERS RECEIVED.

EAST INDIES.—Rev. James Thomas, Calcutta, (no date) Nov. 20, Jan. 4; John Lawrence, Digah, Oct. 16; Andrew Leslie, Mouhyr, Aug. 27, Sept. 23; W. Carey, Cutwa, Sept. 2; Henry Beddy, Patna, Nov. 9.

JAMAICA.—Rev. J. M. Phillippo, Spanish Town, Nov. 12, Dec. 28, another, no date, Jan. 8; Wm. Knubb, Falmouth, Nov. 6, 29, Dec. 10, another, no date, Jan. 4, 8; John Clarke, Jericho, Nov. 7, Dec.

