

# THE MISSIONARY HERALD.

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## ANNUAL SERVICES OF THE BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR 1867.

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*Monday, May 13th.*

### SPECIAL PRAYER MEETING.

A meeting for SPECIAL PRAYER in connection with the Missions, will be held in John Street Chapel, Bedford Row, in the morning, at eleven o'clock. The Rev. James Webb, of Ipswich, will preside.

### BIBLE TRANSLATION SOCIETY.

We are requested to state that the ANNUAL Meeting of this Society will be held in the evening at Kingsgate Street Chapel, Holborn, at half-past six o'clock. The chair will be taken by the Rev. Dr. Steane. The Revs. J. G. Gregson, late of Agra, W. Walters, of Newcastle, and H. Wilkinson, of Leicester, have kindly consented to speak.

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*Tuesday, May 14th.*

### ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING.

The Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Society will be held in John Street Chapel, Bedford Row. Chair to be taken at half-past ten o'clock.

For special business at this meeting, see the last year's report.

This meeting is for members only. All subscribers of 10s. 6d. or upwards, donors of £10 or upwards, pastors of churches which make an annual contribution, or ministers who collect annually for the Society, and one of the executors on the payment of a legacy of £50 or upwards, are entitled to attend.

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*Wednesday, May 15th.*

### ANNUAL MORNING SERMON.

The Committee announce with much pleasure that the Rev. Newman Hall, LL.B., of Surrey Chapel, will preach the Annual Morning Sermon on behalf of the Society, at BLOOMSBURY CHAPEL. Service to commence at eleven o'clock.

### ANNUAL EVENING SERMON.

On the same day, the Annual Evening Sermon on behalf of the Society will be preached at WALWORTH ROAD CHAPEL. The Committee have pleasure in announcing that the Rev. Richard Glover, of Glasgow, will be the preacher on the occasion. Service to commence at half-past six o'clock.

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*Thursday, May 16th.*

### PUBLIC MEETING AT EXETER HALL.

The Annual Public Meeting will be held in Exeter Hall, IN THE EVENING, at which  
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J. CANDLISH, Esq., M.P. for SUNDERLAND, has kindly consented to preside. The chair will be taken at half-past six o'clock.

The Revs. H. Dowson, President of the College, Bury, Lancashire; Hugh Stowell Brown, of Liverpool; D. J. East, of Jamaica; and E. Jenkins, Wesleyan Missionary from Southern India, have kindly consented to speak.

Tickets for the meeting may be obtained at the Mission House, or at the vestries of the Metropolitan chapels.

Friday, May 17th.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION IN AID OF THE BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Annual Public Meeting will be held in the evening, at the Metropolitan Tabernacle; the chair will be taken at seven o'clock.

WELSH SERMON.

On the same evening a Sermon will be preached in the Welsh language, on behalf of the Society, in Eldon Street Chapel, Finsbury. The Committee have the pleasure to announce that the Rev. R. A. Jones, of Swansea, will be the preacher on the occasion. Service to commence at seven o'clock.

Lord's Day, May 19th.

ANNUAL SERMONS.

The usual Annual Sermons and Services for the Young in the chapels of the metropolis will take place as follows:—

PLACES.	MORNING.	EVENING.
Acton .. .. .	Rev. S. Newnam ..	Dr. Underhill.
Alfred Place, Old Kent Road		
Arthur Street, Camberwell Gate	Rev. W. Collings ..	Rev. J. Haslam.
Alie Street .. .. .		
Barnes .. .. .	Rev. G. B. Thomas ..	Rev. G. B. Thomas.
Barking .. .. .	Rev. D. Taylor.	
Battersea .. .. .	Rev. A. W. Heritage ..	Rev. A. C. Gray.
Belvidere .. .. .	Rev. G. M'Michael, B.A.	Rev. G. M'Michael.
Blandford Street .. .. .		
Bloomsbury .. .. .	Rev. W. Brock, D.D. ..	Rev. G. Gould.
Bow .. .. .		
Brentford, Park Chapel .. .. .	Rev. W. A. Blake ..	Rev. W. Barker.
Brixton Hill .. .. .	Rev. S. G. Green, B.A. ..	Rev. J. Angus, D.D.
Brompton, Onslow Chapel .. .. .	Rev. W. Sampson ..	Rev. W. Sampson.
Camberwell, Denmark Place .. .. .	Rev. C. Stanford ..	Rev. C. Stanford.
"    Cottage Green .. .. .	Rev. G. V. Barker ..	Rev. G. V. Barker.
"    Mansion House .. .. .	Rev. W. H. Payne ..	Rev. D. Jones, B.A.
Camden Road .. .. .	Rev. R. Roberts ..	Rev. J. Makepeace.
Castle Street (Welsh) .. .. .	Rev. T. E. James ..	Rev. T. E. James.
Chelsea .. .. .	Rev. F. H. White ..	Rev. F. H. White.
Clapham Common .. .. .	Rev. G. Gould.	
Commercial Street .. .. .	Rev. J. Russell ..	Rev. C. Stovel.
Colney Hatch .. .. .	London Mission	
Crayford .. .. .	Rev. W. Barker 21st	April this year.
Dartford .. .. .	Rev. A. Sturge ..	Rev. E. T. Gibson.
Drummond Road, Bermondsey .. .. .	Rev. J. A. Brown ..	Rev. J. A. Brown.
Dalston, Queen's Road .. .. .		
Devonshire Square .. .. .	Rev. G. W. Humphreys,	
	B.A. .. .. .	Rev. E. Edwards.
Ealing .. .. .		
Edmonton .. .. .	Rev. J. Edwards ..	Rev. J. Edwards.
Eldon Street .. .. .	Rev. R. A. Jones ..	Rev. R. A. Jones.
Forest Hill .. .. .	Rev. J. W. Todd ..	Rev. S. A. Tippla.
Gravesend .. .. .	London Mission	this year.

PLACES.	MORNING.	EVENING.
Greenwich, Bridge Street .. ..	Rev. F. Bugby .. ..	Rev. B. Davies.
"    Lewisham Road .. ..	Rev. J. Makepeace .. ..	Rev. J. W. Lance.
Hackney, Mare Street .. ..	Rev. D. Katterns .. ..	Rev. J. P. Chown.
Hackney Road, Providence Chapel ..	Rev. C. Stovel.	
Hammersmith, West End Chapel ..	Rev. J. Lewitt .. ..	Rev. G. W. Humphreys, B.A.
"    Spring Vale .. ..	.....	Rev. W. P. Balforn.
Hampstead Heath Street .. ..	Rev. W. Brock, Jun. ..	Rev. J. Foreman (Ber- bice).
Harlington .. ..	Rev. T. Henson .. ..	Rev. T. Henson.
Harrow-on-the-Hill .. ..	Rev. H. Hill .. ..	Rev. H. Hill.
Hawley Road .. ..	Dr. Underhill .. ..	Rev. E. White.
Highgate .. ..	Rev. T. Brooks .. ..	Rev. T. Brooks.
Islington, Cross Street .. ..	Rev. J. P. Barnett .. ..	Rev. C. Bailhache.
"    Salter's Hall .. ..	Rev. J. Hobson .. ..	Rev. A. Mursell.
James Street, Old Street .. ..	Rev. A. C. Gray .. ..	Rev. W. H. Payne.
John Street .. ..	Hon. and Rev. B. W. Noel, A.M.	Hon. and Rev. B. W. Noel, A.M.
Kennington, Charles Street .. ..	Rev. C. Woollacott, April	21st this year.
Kensington, Palace Gardens .. ..	Rev. J. Offord .. ..	Rev. J. Offord.
"    Hornton Street .. ..	Rev. F. Johnstone .. ..	Rev. P. Griffiths.
Kingsgate Street .. ..	Rev. C. Kirtland .. ..	Rev. J. P. Barnett.
Kingston .. ..	Rev. C. B. Lewis, March	17th this year.
Lee .. ..	Rev. R. H. Marten, B.A.	Rev. A. J. Ashworth.
Maze Pond .. ..	Rev. W. T. Rosevear ..	Rev. W. T. Rosevear.
Metropolitan Tabernacle .. ..	Rev. C. H. Spurgeon ..	Rev. C. H. Spurgeon.
Norwood .. ..	Rev. S. A. Tipple .. ..	Rev. J. W. Todd.
Notting Hill, Cornwall Road .. ..	Rev. J. A. Spurgeon ..	Rev. S. G. Green, B.A.
"    Norland Chapel .. ..	Rev. J. Stent .. ..	Rev. J. Stent.
Peckham, Park Road .. ..	Rev. A. J. Ashworth ..	Rev. T. J. Cole.
Poplar, Cotton Street .. ..	Rev. J. Compston .. ..	
Plumstead, Conduit Road .. ..	Rev. J. Webb .. ..	Rev. J. Webb.
Regent's Park .. ..	Rev. J. P. Chown .. ..	Rev. F. Johnstone.
Romford .. ..	Rev. J. Davis .. ..	Rev. J. Davis.
Romney Street, Westminster		
Rotherhithe, Midway Place .. ..	Rev. J. W. Munns .. ..	Rev. W. Collings.
St. John's Wood, Abbey Road		
Shepherd's Bush .. ..	Rev. P. Griffiths .. ..	
Spencer Place .. ..	Rev. J. H. Cooke .. ..	Rev. J. H. Cooke.
Shouldham Street .. ..		
South Kensington .. ..	Rev. J. Pulsford, M.A. ..	Rev. J. Hobson.
Stockwell .. ..	Rev. J. Haslam.	
Stoke Newington .. ..	Collections later this year.	
Stratford Grove .. ..	Rev. G. W. Fishbourne ..	Rev. G. W. Fishbourne.
Tottenham .. ..	Rev. E. Edwards .. ..	Rev. C. Kirtland.
Twickenham .. ..		
Upton Chapel .. ..	Rev. G. D. Evans .. ..	Rev. F. Bugby.
Uxbridge .. ..		
Vernon Chapel .. ..	Rev. C. B. Sawday .. ..	Rev. J. Newnam.
Waltham Abbey .. ..		
Walthamstow .. ..	London Mission	this year.
Waltham Road .. ..	Rev. C. Bailhache .. ..	Rev. J. Lewett.
Wandsworth .. ..	Rev. W. F. Burchell .. ..	Rev. A. W. Heritage.
Westbourne Grove .. ..	Rev. W. G. Lewis .. ..	Rev. W. G. Lewis.
West Drayton .. ..	Rev. J. Gibson .. ..	Rev. J. Gibson.
Wild Street .. ..	Rev. G. Webb .. ..	Rev. G. Webb.
Woolwich, Queen Street .. ..	Rev. C. Clark, May 12th	this year.
"    Parson's Hill .. ..	Rev. W. Woods .. ..	Rev. W. Woods.

### JUVENILE MISSIONARY SERVICES

THE following Services for the young will be held in connection with the Missionary Anniversaries on the afternoon of Lord's-day, May 19th. The Services will commence at three o'clock, and close at a quarter past four.

The hymns to be sung are printed in the April number of the *Juvenile Missionary Herald*, and it is hoped that the tunes will be practised before the meetings.

NAME OF CHAPEL.	PREACHER OR CHAIRMAN.	SPEAKER.
Barking .. .. .		Messrs. Venus & Lester.
Battersea, York Road .. ..	Rev. I. M. Soule.	
Bloomsbury Chapel .. ..	Rev. W. Brock.	
Brentford Park Chapel .. ..	Mr. J. Exton	
Brixton Hill .. .. .	Rev. D. Jones .. ..	Mr. A. Anderson.
Brompton, Onslow Chapel ..	Rev. W. Sampson.	
Camberwell, Charles Street ..	Rev. T. Attwood .. ..	Mr. G. Freeman.
"    Cottage Green .. ..	Rev. J. Gregson.	
"    Denmark Place .. ..	Rev. A. W. Heritage.	
Camden Road .. .. .	Rev. S. G. Green, B.A.	
Crayford .. .. .	Services in April.	
Commercial Street .. .. .	Rev. C. Stovel.	Mr. J. Deane.
Devonshire Square .. .. .	.....	Mr. T. B. Meyer.
Goswell Road, Spencer Place ..	Rev. P. Gast .. ..	Mr. G. Rabbeth.
Greenwich, Bridge Street .. ..	Rev. B. Davies .. ..	Mr. C. Jordan.
Hackney, Mare Street .. ..	Mr. W. Appleton.	
Hammersmith, West End .. ..	.....	
Highgate .. .. .	.....	Mr. R. Colman.
Holborn, Kingsgate Street ..	.....	Mr. Rothery.
Hampstead .. .. .	.....	
Islington, Cross Street .. ..	.....	Mr. H. M. Heath.
James Street, St. Luke's .. ..	.....	Mr. J. H. Weatherley.
Lambeth, Regent Street .. ..	.....	Mr. Samuel Watson.
Lee, High Road .. .. .	.....	Mr. J. Watts.
Lewisham Road .. .. .	.....	
Maze Pond .. .. .	Mr. Hanwin.	
Metropolitan Tabernacle .. ..	Rev. George Kerry	
Peckham, Park Road .. .. .	Rev. T. J. Cole.	
Poplar, Cotton Street .. .. .	Rev. B. Preece .. ..	Rev. J. Compston.
Regent's Park Chapel .. .. .	.....	Mr. F. E. Tucker.
Rotherhithe, Midway Place .. ..	Rev. J. W. Munns .. ..	Mr. Inder.
Shoreditch, Providence .. ..	Rev. J. Martin.	
Tottenham .. .. .	.....	Mr. Chapman.
Upton Chapel .. .. .	Rev. J. W. Lance.	
Vernon Square Chapel .. .. .	.....	Mr. Robottom.
Walworth, Arthur Street .. ..	Rev. C. B. Lewis.	
"    East Street .. .. .	.....	Mr. W. J. Briggs.
"    Road .. .. .	.....	Mr. H. Keen.
Westbourne Grove .. .. .		
Woolwich, Queen Street .. ..	Rev. O. Lake.	
"    Parson's Hill .. .. .		
Wandsworth .. .. .		

## SEVENTY-FIFTH REPORT.

No friend of the Baptist Missionary Society will feel any surprise at being told that the year just expired has been one of unusual difficulty and concern. It is a year not likely to be forgotten. War on the Continent—pestilence, cutting down man and beast at home—the great commercial panic, with its wide-spread and disastrous results, have rendered it alike memorable and distressing.

The return to this country of so many honoured brethren, especially from India, seeking a renewal of their health, seriously impaired by prolonged labours in tropical climes—the effects of the famine in Orissa, which decimated the population of that province, on the entire population of Bengal—the painful events occurring in Jamaica—and the devastation caused by the hurricane which swept over the Bahamas, destroying much Mission property, and plunging the people into the depths of want and distress, have occasioned the Committee and Officers the deepest anxiety, and required frequent and anxious deliberations, as well as their most assiduous efforts, to meet the exigencies which arose. The almost universal depression in commercial affairs—the unexpected failure of enterprises but a little while ago deemed sound and profitable—and the feeling of distrust and apprehension still prevalent among all ranks of society, have unquestionably had an unfavourable influence on the pecuniary affairs of the Society. The Bankers, with their uniform liberality and kindness, went beyond the usual limits of accommodation; and towards the close of the financial year, the pressure on our resources was so severe that, if it had not been for the kindness and exertions of a few friends, who placed considerable loans at the disposal of the Committee, they could not have met the liabilities incurred. Happily the severity of the crisis is now past, and the result is less disastrous than was, at one time, anticipated.

It will be remembered that the Society began the year with a debt of £2,408 8s. 7d.; the deficiency of the present year amounts to £2,688 4s. 10d., making together a debt of £5,096 13s. 5d. The present deficiency almost wholly arises from two causes—the reduced advances from the Mission press in Calcutta, and the necessary increase, owing to the greatly augmented cost of living in India, of the income of the missionaries and native preachers. As all other Societies having agencies in that country had done a similar thing, it was impossible for your Committee to refrain from a like act of

consideration for the comfort of their brethren. The progress of civilization among such a people as the Hindus, the extension of railways, the construction of great public works, and the wider diffusion of education among all classes, are matters for rejoicing. But they raise the price of labour and provisions, and consequently the cost of living, especially to European families.

The entire income of the Society for the year is £30,105 8s. 1d. Making allowance for the large donation of the Treasurer in 1866 of £1,000, it will be seen from the balance-sheet, that the contributions from the Churches have not fallen off, but are somewhat in advance of those of the previous year. The Widows' and Orphans' Fund suffered from the storm which swept over the whole island on the first Lord's day in the year, affecting some congregations so seriously that their collections were postponed. The smaller and poorer churches continue to manifest their wonted zeal in regard to this object; and the letters which accompany the remittances are full of interest, and afford decisive proofs of their unabated sympathy with the widows and orphans of departed missionaries.

The Committee notice with unfeigned pleasure the growing zeal of their young friends in the various congregations, who continue steadfastly to support the Native Preachers' Fund. Only on one previous occasion have their contributions reached the present amount. They raised in 1866 £489 0s. 2d.; but in 1867 they have sent up £512 18s. 8d. as the product of their New Year's cards. It will, of course, be understood that that amount is wholly in excess of what is raised for various other objects in the Sunday-schools. The total amount raised by young people, for all purposes, is £ . . . . . Of this large sum the schools which constitute the Liverpool and Birkenhead Auxiliary have contributed £ . . . . ., besides the cost of a new boat, which they sent out to Mr. Thomson, at Cameroons, and on which the African Mail Company, on a request being forwarded to them, remitted all charge for freight.\*

The Committee regret that the grants from the Bible Translation Society are below the average of past years. But doubtless that Institution, in common with many others, has suffered from causes similar to those already adverted to. They can only again commend that valuable Society to the liberal support of all those who hold to the great principle of the faithful translation of the entire Text of Scripture, translators being left free to carry out their own conscientious convictions without any restriction being imposed on them as to the treatment of particular words.

There is nothing in the expenditure for the year to call for further special

\* Information not yet complete. Particulars will be supplied in the published report.

remark. It has varied in every station ; in some cases being more, in others less, than it was last year. It may suffice to say that to the expense of sending relief to the Bahamas beyond what was received to meet it, no one will object. The response to the appeal issued by the Committee, when the tidings reached them of the disaster which had fallen on the people, was liberal and prompt ; and their own measures were prompt and decisive. Both here and in America, the directors of the Great Steam Companies permitted packages of provisions and clothing to be shipped free of freight, which kindness the Committee suitably acknowledged. Nor will any friend object to the cost incurred in defending the Rev. E. Palmer, pastor of Hanover Street Church, Kingston, from the unfounded charge of sedition brought against him ; nor to the expenses of our brethren in Jamaica, in seeking to rebut before the Royal Commission the calumnious allegations in the despatches of the late Governor Eyre. To have left our brethren to struggle alone in so severe a trial, uncheered by the sympathy and support of the Committee and friends at home, would have been unworthy of the past history of the Society, dishonouring to the memory of such men as Coultart, Tinson, Burchell, and Knibb, and unjust to the beloved brethren now labouring in Jamaica. Great principles, affecting the rights and liberties of all classes of Her Majesty's subjects, were involved in these events ; and persons to whom these principles are dearer than even life itself must rejoice that they have been so nobly vindicated by the Lord Chief Justice of England.

But whatever difficulties and trials the Committee have had to encounter, none have caused them so great a concern and sorrow as those which have fallen upon their honoured and devoted friend, Sir Morton Peto, who for twenty-five years has discharged the duties of Treasurer with a zeal, liberality, and kindness known to all ; but only fully known to those who have had the pleasure of acting with him in office. At the earliest opportunity, after the events became known to them, they tendered to him an expression of their feelings in the following resolution :—

That the members of this Committee have heard with great solicitude of the anxieties which have fallen on their honoured Treasurer through the recent course of public events. They earnestly pray for the speedy termination of the trial through which he is passing, and that it may be specially blessed to him and all the members of his beloved family. The Committee embrace this opportunity of heartily thanking the Treasurer for the numerous and valuable services he has rendered to this Society, and trust that he may long be spared to promote the glory of Christ and the welfare of his fellow-men, in this, and all other relations which he sustains.

This resolution was forwarded to Sir Morton Peto by the Chairman, W. H. Watson, Esq.

At their next sitting that gentleman read the Treasurer's reply, which was ordered to be entered on the minutes:—

May 24, 1866.

My dear Mr. Watson,

I am this morning in receipt of your kind letter of yesterday's date, enclosing me a copy of the resolution of the Committee of the Missionary Society, passed at their meeting on Tuesday last, with reference to the anxieties occasioned to my firm by the recent course of public events. I beg that you will convey to my valued friends and colleagues on the Committee the expression of my grateful appreciation of their kind feeling and sympathy with me in this severe trial, as well as my earnest desire that their prayers may be answered, that its influences may be beneficial and abiding. I am thankful to be able to give them the assurance that there is every prospect of my being able to make an early and satisfactory arrangement of all matters, as the result of an investigation of our affairs is even more favourable than we had anticipated. With renewed expressions of grateful esteem and regard, I am, dear Mr. Watson,

Very faithfully yours,

(Signed)

S. MORTON PETO.

Some months having passed by, and the hope expressed in the closing sentence of this letter not having been realized, the Committee received the following communication:—

9, Great George Street, Westminster, March 6, 1867.

To the Committee of the Baptist Mission.

My dear brethren,

In the year 1846—20 years ago—I was elected co-Treasurer with our much-esteemed friend Mr. W. B. Gurney, and at his death became the sole Treasurer, and your most kind and fraternal resolution in May last led me to feel how deeply you sympathized with the heavy and unlooked-for affliction which befel me.

The office I hold has a pecuniary aspect, and I feel on that account, and THAT ONLY, it is undesirable that I should, while my firm's affairs are unsettled, continue to hold it.

With this conviction, I feel it my duty (my very painful duty) to resign the office which, from the very pleasurable association with yourselves and the officers, I have highly prized, as an opportunity of being associated in the promotion of a work at once combining the greatest responsibility with the greatest interest.

With assurances of sincere Christian love and regard,

I am, my dear brethren,

Sincerely and affectionately yours,

(Signed)

S. MORTON PETO.

The letter was ordered to be placed on the minutes, and to be suitably acknowledged by the Secretary in terms of deep regret, but unabated regard, and deferred for consideration to the Quarterly Meeting of Committee, to be held in April. Meanwhile, a Sub-Committee was appointed to take such steps as might be deemed advisable to meet any exigency which might arise.

The Committee having given to the whole question a most careful and prolonged consideration, passed the following resolution, and the Chairman,



W. H. Watson, Esq., Revs. Dr. Gotch, and C. M. Birrell were appointed a deputation to wait on Sir Morton, and present the resolution to him.

Resolved,—That this Committee have heard with unfeigned sorrow the letter now read from their honoured friend and treasurer, Sir Morton Peto, tendering the resignation of his office; which resignation, for the reason therein stated, and that only, they are reluctantly constrained to accept.

They cannot, however, do this without placing on their records the expression of their grateful remembrance of the eminent services he has rendered to the Society since 1846, when he was associated in the Treasurership with the late W. B. Gurney, Esq.; and as sole Treasurer on the decease of that gentleman in 1855. Nor can they forget that, during this extended period, he has largely devoted, with unhesitating promptitude, both time and property to further the objects of the Mission—watching over its proceedings with anxious solicitude, supporting the officers and Committee in their deliberations by his presence and counsel, manifesting to the Missionaries, whether at their respective posts in the field of labour or at home seeking a renewal of health, a generous and unfailing sympathy; and endearing himself to all by his Christian courtesy and kindness.

They regard the loss of his services as Treasurer with great concern, somewhat abated, however, by the conviction that the Society will continue to have in him an earnest and devoted friend. And, while tendering this tribute of continued confidence and affectionate respect, they desire to add the most emphatic assurance of their warmest sympathy with him in the trials through which he has been called to pass; and they earnestly and prayerfully commend him, Lady Peto, and the family to the grace and love of God.

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#### THE MISSIONARIES.

Since the issue of the last Report three missionaries have been summoned to their eternal reward: the Rev. James Allen, of Ceylon; the Rev. James Williamson, of Sewry, Bengal; and the Rev. H. P. Cassidy, of Poonah, in the Presidency of Bombay. Mr. Williamson joined the Serampore Mission in the year 1822, and was engaged in the service of Christ in India for the long period of forty-four years. In the early months of his career, while perfecting his studies at Serampore, he was the companion of Mr. Mack, assisting the native evangelists in preaching the Word in the surrounding villages. In August, 1825, he was solemnly designated to the work of a missionary, and in a day or two after left Serampore to take charge of the Mission in Beerbhoom, where he remained till his death. From the first, Mr. Williamson devoted much of his time to itinerant preaching, to which pre-eminently evangelistic work he continued devotedly attached to the last. In the closing days of his useful life he was often carried in his chair to the well-known spots in the bazaar, where he had been wont to proclaim the message of Peace and Love. The native church he was permitted to gather has furnished many excellent labourers to our own and other Missions. Though

never large in numbers, its members were well trained under his affectionate and earnest care, and have been living examples to the heathen of the power of Divine grace.

The Rev. James Allen went out to Ceylon in 1845. First in Kandy, and since 1850 in Colombo, he laboured with great diligence in the service of his Master, frequently visiting the churches in the jungle, and carrying to the dwellers in the forest the Word of Life. He gave unceasing attention to the spiritual interests of the native Christian community, striving to quicken in them every Christian grace, and to lead them in the path of self-support. His labours among the English-speaking population of the colony were constant, highly appreciated, and productive of much good. For twenty-one years, with the interval of one visit to his native land, he faithfully toiled in the vineyard of the Lord. He fell at his post, and when his labours had reached their greatest efficiency.

The Rev. H. P. Cassidy joined the Society in 1852, when he was encouraged to return to Southern India, where he had previously laboured in connection with another Society. Relying on the providence of God and the goodwill of those to whom he preached the Word for his support, he sought to announce the Gospel to the Mahratta race. Success to some extent followed his self-denying labours; but that independence of home aid which he cherished, obliged an attention to secular employment which materially curtailed his usefulness as a missionary to the heathen. His Christian temper and devotedness won the esteem of all, and he has left behind him, among all classes, a sweet savour of Christ.

The obituary of the year has not been confined to these excellent brethren. On the 2nd April, the widow of William Knibb departed to her rest, having spent forty-one years in Christ's service in the land of her affections and adoption. On the 12th November, our highly-esteemed missionary, Mr. Lawrence, of Monghyr, was called to bear the irreparable loss of his beloved wife, just as she had completed the thirty-fifth year of her residence in India. When her health, always feeble, would permit, she endeavoured by all the means at her command to do good to all, whether European or native, to whom she could gain access. Nor would the Committee omit briefly to express their sorrow that the churches of Jamaica have had to suffer the loss of two native pastors, Mr. Thos. Henry, one of the first who entered the ministry after emancipation, and Mr. J. Watson. The Mission church in Africa has lost the devoted, useful labours of Mr. Horton Johnson. While death has thus been busy among the Lord's servants, disease and sickness have driven others from their posts; one, the Rev. Joseph Gregson, has been constrained, from this cause, to renounce Mission service altogether, and has entered on the pastorate at home. The Revs. W. Littlewood, of the Bahamas, D.J. East, of Jamaica, and George Kerry, of Calcutta, have been obliged to resort

to this country for restoration of health, and the Rev. Thomas Martin has also been called home by the precarious health of Mrs. Martin.

Of the brethren mentioned in the last Report as at home, several, have been permitted, in the providence of God, to return to their stations. The Rev. Robert Robinson has taken charge of the villages to the south of Calcutta; the Rev. R. Bion has recommenced his very efficient labours in Eastern Bengal; and the Revs. John Davey and W. H. Gamble have resumed their work in the West Indies. During the present year the Committee anticipate that the Revs. C. B. Lewis, John Gregson, T. Martin, D. J. East, and W. Littlewood, will also be able to return to their posts of toil. But to supply the losses entailed by the invasions of death, the Committee have at present only to speak of the settlement of the Rev. A. Williams over the church in Circular Road, Calcutta; the entrance on missionary life of the Rev. E. Bate in Jessore (both mentioned in the last report), and the probable settlement of Mr. Gillott in the sphere of Mr. Cassidy's exertions.

Much as the Committee grieve over the hindrances which disease and death put in the way of the rapid spread of the kingdom of our Lord, the loss sustained does not stop there. At one period of the year, not fewer than twelve brethren, one-fifth of the entire European staff of the Society, were in England. Absence of brethren from their posts constrains the removal of others, and the consequent interruption of their labours, to prevent the greater evil which would follow an entire abandonment of stations which may have long been occupied. Plans have to be changed or are broken into, spiritual impressions are lost or weakened during the interruption, efficient colleagues are separated to enter on unaccustomed duties, and expenses are entailed which are not limited to the cost of the passage of the absentees or their residence at home. These events press very heavily on the thoughts and hearts of the Committee. They earnestly desire, in no case to be unmindful of the health or comfort of their missionary brethren; but they rely on their devotedness, zeal, and self-denial, to keep them at their posts of duty to the last possible moment. At the same time, the Committee are glad that the friends of the Society have enjoyed opportunities of personal intercourse with these honoured brethren. They have rendered great service as deputations to the churches, in deepening the missionary spirit, and by giving full information on the work of God in which they have been engaged.

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## INDIA.

Notwithstanding the interruptions referred to, the brethren who have been kept in health by the good hand of God have, with their wonted diligence, fulfilled the charge entrusted to them. In the reports of the last three years, the Committee have given, in considerable detail, an account of the progress made at the principal stations. As these details do not vary much from year to year, the Committee propose, in the present Report, to place them in the Appendix. It will suffice to speak briefly of the events of the year at the various stations.

## CALCUTTA.

In Calcutta, the Rev. Thomas Evans occupied, for the greater part of the year, with great acceptance and success, the pulpit of Circular Road Chapel. During his ministry the church was greatly revived, and several persons were added by baptism. The arrival of the Rev. Albert Williams, as the pastor, has relieved Mr. Evans, and he is now removed to Allahabad to occupy the post so ably filled by the Rev. John Jackson, who has been compelled by dangerous disease, after a brief period of earnest and prosperous labour, a second time to leave India. The Rev. John Sale has continued his ministrations at Lall Bazaar, at the same time watching over the interests of the Benevolent Institution and the station at Baraset. In connection with his manifold labours at the press, the Rev. J. Wenger, since the death of that eminent native Christian, Sujaat Ali, has acted as pastor of the church in Intally. Although the completion of his great work, the translation of the Bible into Sanscrit, with some other important works, has been in some measure delayed, the issue of Scriptures and other works from the press has proceeded with a constant flow, adding largely to that ever-increasing volume of sacred and secular literature, the growth of which is one of the most striking outward signs of the vast changes going on in the mental and moral condition of the people of Bengal. The removal of the Public Offices for a portion of the year to Simlah, having for two years past deprived the church in South Colingah of the very devoted and self-denying ministry of their pastor, Goolzar Shah, the church has chosen, with the full approbation of the Committee, Romanath Chaudhari, a deacon of Intally church, and a native preacher, as co-pastor, the salary of 40 rs. a month being provided by the church. This native community is a gratifying model to the native churches of Bengal of a due regard in this important matter to the law of Christ; and the Committee trust that the example will not be lost upon them. They rejoice to add that the zeal of their excellent brother, Goolzar Shah, has found, during his absence, from Calcutta, ample scope for employment

among the native Christians of the Public Service, and the residents of the hills where Simlah is situated. A small Baptist Mission has been formed. His own liberality, combined with that of others, has enabled him to sustain both a native preacher and a school among the ignorant and superstitious denizens of the Himalayas.

Closely connected with Calcutta are the nine villages to the south, in which several churches have been formed, containing more than 220 members and a Christian population of some 1,200 persons. The hopeful commencement of the year was soon clouded by the illness of the Rev. Geo. Kerry, which eventually, after a short trip to Ceylon, led to his return to this country. The usual annual gathering of the Association of the Churches was, however, held in the month of April, and attended with great interest. The people have scarcely yet recovered the terrible effects of the cyclone of 1864, or the four scanty harvests they have gathered; so that the spirit of liberality, which previously had begun to appear, has been greatly checked. The Rev. Robert Robinson has now, at the Committee's request, entered upon this sphere of Christian labour; at the same time assuming charge of the Boys' School at Intally, and the very useful Girls' Boarding School, which so greatly prospered under Mrs. Kerry's care.

## SERAMPORE.

The changes incident on Mr. Martin's departure for this country have not materially affected the course of instruction in the College of Serampore. Under the excellent guidance of the Rev. J. Trafford, the Institution has sustained its usefulness, and the report of its proceedings is one of very considerable interest. The lower school has gone on prosperously in the charge of Mr. Dakin, while the senior classes have made gratifying progress in their various studies. The junior College Class numbered forty-five members; the senior, twenty. The members of the senior class have all matriculated at the Calcutta University; ten of these were holders of Scholarships from the College Funds, and two had obtained Government Scholarships by competition at the University. Two students are native Christians, who are anticipating the work of evangelists in connection with the Society. Very sedulously has Mr. Trafford endeavoured to train all these youths in scriptural knowledge, and, by the use of suitable works, to guard their minds against the inroads of the sceptical thought of the day. One of the members of this class, Mr. Campagnac, is now pursuing his studies for the ministry at Bristol, and two others of European parentage are looking forward to missionary work as the duty of their lives. Before the close of the year, in answer to his fervent prayer, Mr. Trafford had the pleasure of bringing before the church, for communion, four of the senior students.

Another interesting class in the College consists of youths who are the sons of native Christians. These board on the premises, and are usually some twenty in number. Three or four have set their minds on the ministry. One, Jodonath Bannerjee, who has been supported at College by the kind contributions of Dr. Elton, evinces much aptitude for missionary work, and will probably be soon employed. Another is a convert from Mohammedanism, a native of Sylhet, who first heard the Gospel in the streets of Calcutta, and for a time by his own earnings supported himself at College. Another was baptized early in the year by Mr. Reed at Cutwa, being a convert from the Government school. The next case is one of much interest. This youth was the fruit of the Baraset Mission, and was baptized by the native evangelist there. Being intelligent, energetic, and apparently a very decided Christian, he was sent to the College to be fitted for the ministry. After some months, occasion led him to Calcutta. He did not return; but from a letter that has been received, it would appear that his heathen friends waylaid him, forcibly hurried him away, and now keep him in close confinement. He has to suffer much persecution for conscience' sake. Another young man, referred to in Mr. Sampson's report of a former year, after an examination, has been approved, and is now settled as an evangelist at the new station of Kooshtea, in Jessore. On the general results of their labours Mr. Trafford remarks with great truth and power: "If the mere educationalist rejoices in the effect which the teaching mere physical science must have, eating into and moulding away the concrete mass of absurd notions respecting the works of nature, so closely connected with religion nevertheless as to become parts of the most sacred belief of this land, so that a true geography or a true astronomy shall be to the religious edifice as the peepul tree, loosening the most solid masonry of the old temples, honoured for ages—how much more certainly must the apprehension of the true character of Christ, even as a Man, be to the polluted imagination and the besotted understanding of this people purifying and elevating! And if He be devoutly heard as the Great Teacher, though at first His higher nature be not recognized, nor His most important claims allowed, His Word shall have a power on the conscience and the heart which will at length give to those who listen to feel the need of His becoming something more, and of the impossibility of finding rest and deliverance except in reliance on His great atoning sacrifice."

#### THE THEOLOGICAL CLASS.

Under the able superintendence of the Rev. George Pearce this class continues to prosper. The year began with twenty-four students and closed with twenty-two. Much sickness towards the close of the year, of which one student died, caused some interruption in their studies; but they have ad-

vanced in those subjects which are specially intended to fit them for the work of Christ to the entire satisfaction of their tutor. Mr. Pearce has had the assistance of two native teachers, of whose work he speaks highly. The school established for the wives of the students has been found most useful; ten have enjoyed its advantages, and are thus being fitted to become helpers to their husbands in the work of Christ. Two of them, who were not members of the church, have been baptized, and another received for baptism died before she could openly express her allegiance to the Lord. In the midst of her sufferings from cholera, she found strength clearly to declare her faith in the Lord Jesus.

#### HOWRAH AND BARASET.

Other stations in the immediate neighbourhood of Calcutta are Howrah and Baraset. At Howrah the Rev. T. Morgan reports the completion of a new and handsome chapel, erected at a cost of £2,600 from the proceeds of the sale of the old building, sold to the Government for railway purposes. Neither in the English nor the native department is any addition to the church reported; but the means of grace are well attended, and the ministry is appreciated. Two native schools and one native preacher are supported by the congregation.

Baraset, fourteen miles from Calcutta, is occupied by two native brethren. They have been cheered by the entrance of some Hindus into the fold of our Lord. One of their converts, baptized by Mr. Martin, has become a helper in the work; another is the youth already referred to in connection with Serampore, who was carried off, and, it would appear, put in chains by his friends. A third convert, who like the last had been a Brahmist, lives four miles from Baraset, and since his baptism has continued to reside with his father, occupying his time in declaring the glad tidings to his neighbours. A flourishing school is also maintained in Baraset, the prosperity of which has provoked the heathen Hindus to set up a rival school. The diligence and zeal of these native evangelists are worthy of every commendation.

#### JESSORE.

From the churches in the Sunderbunds of Jessore no report has reached the Committee; but the Rev. W. A. Hobbs communicates a most interesting account of the results of his labours at Magoorah. This station was established three years ago, and a church formed of nine members. It has now thirty-two members, and the nominal Christian population has increased from twenty to sixty-three. The additions to the church by baptism during the year have been twelve. Seven are directly from the heathen; the rest from among the nominal Christians. Aided by his native preachers the Gospel message has been delivered to not less than 40,000 persons in the neighbourhood, and some 5,000 religious tracts were distributed. In continuance of the

very important purpose of placing a copy of the Scriptures in every village where a person could be found capable of reading it, one hundred and thirty-six New Testaments have been left in as many villages, and in the indigenous schools of these villages two hundred and eighty Gospels have been given to lads that could read. Three hundred and seventy-one Scriptures or portions thereof have also been sold at a low rate, the sale evincing the growing desire of the people to possess themselves of the Word of God. In the department of education Mr. Hobbs has established, with the generous assistance of the Christian Vernacular Education Society, two circles of Day Schools, fourteen in number, which contain about four hundred children. Each circle is under the superintendence of a native Christian inspector, who daily visits one or more of the schools, and the books used in them are of a thoroughly Christian character. The schools have passed a creditable Government examination, and a grant-in-aid is added to the funds provided by the Education Society. These schools are found to be valuable not only for the influence they exert upon the lads, but upon the villagers also, many of whom will assemble and listen for an hour or two while the boys are being instructed and examined. Mrs. Hobbs is actively engaged among the women. She carries on an interesting orphanage of sixteen children, and conducts a prayer-meeting among the females of the Christian community. The Committee rejoice that these manifold labours have received such evident marks of the Divine blessing. They are glad to add that the Rev. E. Bate has joined Mr. Hobbs, and is diligently occupied with the language. The estimable native brother, Gogon Chunder Dutt, has recently settled at Koolneah in this district. He already speaks of a young Brahmin as having been led to Christ by reading the parable of the Prodigal Son. The sincerity of his profession is strongly shown in the fact that the convert, a Brahmin, is willing to become a simple boatman to gain a livelihood.

#### BACKERGUNGE.

Stretching beyond Jessore is the district of Backergunge, in which the Revs. J. C. Page and R. J. Ellis are the labourers. Twenty-four native churches have been formed in this portion of the field, with a membership of 817 persons. The baptisms have been 94. The Committee regret that they have not received from their laborious missionary, Mr. Page, a full report for the past year. But from Mr. Ellis they learn that a new Mission has been established, with native agents, by Mr. Page, in the northern part of the district, to be supported by the Baptist churches of Australia, whom the Committee joyfully welcome as fellow-labourers in this great enterprise. In the town and immediate vicinity of Barisal, Mr. Ellis has conducted a school, and daily been engaged in the propagation of Christ's Gospel. Two persons have been baptized. In



the missionary tours he has undertaken, Mr. Ellis calculates that the Word of Life has been listened to by upwards of 50,000 hearers. In some places they find tolerably correct opinions of the Christian religion—these having been obtained by frequent attendance on the preaching at Barisal, the chief town of the district, and by reading the books received there.

#### DACCA.

At the close of the year the Rev. R. Bion reached this large and increasingly interesting field of Christian labour. During his absence, the Rev. F. Supper has carried on, as far as practicable, the wide and extensive system of itinerary evangelization which for some years has been the special characteristic of this Mission. In the absence of a detailed report, the Committee are only able to say that the prospects of Christ's kingdom are of the most encouraging kind. Mr. Bion, with the diligent help of Mr. Supper and the native evangelists, hopes to reap largely the fruit of the seed sown in former years. In Dacca itself the Rev. Isaac Allen reports favourably of the state of the English Church, and that the daily preaching in the bazaars, at one or other of the twelve stations the Missionaries have secured, is heard by numerous and attentive listeners. The Brahmists are for the present silenced. One of them has come forward to confess Christ. To escape the hostile opposition of his friends, who used both threats and inducements to prevent his adhesion to the Gospel, he has gone on a missionary tour with Mr. Bion. Mr. Allen, it is expected, will, during the present year, occupy Dinagepore, one of the oldest stations of the Society, but which for some years past the Committee have not been able to supply with a European missionary.

#### CHITTAGONG.

Below Dacca is the station and district of Chittagong. The Rev. A. McKenna reports an improved state of things in the church, and the addition by baptism of two converts. One poor brother, a leper, has died. He was a true and humble believer in the Saviour. His last words were, "Jesus Christ." The missionary journeys undertaken, four in number, appear to have been of the usual character. Much seed is sown, to be found after many days.

#### SEWRY.

The work laid down at the commandment of his Lord by the aged and revered Williamson, of Sewry, has been continued by the Rev. F. T. Reed, of Cutwa, who while living at Sewry has also continued to watch over and frequently visit the latter place. Bazaars and melas have been visited with much encouragement. Two persons have been baptized, and three others are

awaiting the rite. The report of the Bible women continues to be very encouraging, and the two colporteurs have laboured diligently to place in the villages around Sewry copies of the Word of God. A circle of indigenous schools, like those in Jessore, has been established. It consists of six schools, which are supported partly by the Christian Vernacular Education Society, and partly by grants-in-aid from Government. In connection with Sewry, a most interesting Mission has been commenced among the Santhals, a primitive race dwelling in the hills which traverse Central India, having many rude superstitions, though untouched by the idolatry and impurities of Hinduism. The Rev. E. Johnson has devoted himself to this field of labour with his usual energy. He has already established schools at three stations, is able to speak to the people in their own tongue, and reports the existence among them of a very eager desire to hear of the Saviour of men. The Committee join their entreaties to those of their devoted Missionary, that the prayers of the churches may be offered to God for His blessing on the Word preached among this simple and primitive race.

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#### NORTHERN INDIA.

The Committee, in a previous part of their Report, have already referred to the loss sustained by the station of Monghyr by the death of Mrs. Lawrence. The long illness which preceded her decease interfered much with the work of the station, Mr. Lawrence having to be ever near the couch of his afflicted partner. The church also lost four of its members, who by their happy deaths illustrated the power of Divine grace to cheer the closing hours of life. While these sorrows afflicted the Lord's servants, earthquake and famine fell upon the general population, and distress was widely felt. Nevertheless, the Rev. John Parsons, with the excellent native evangelists of the station, continued zealously to proclaim the Word of God, visiting daily the bazaars of the city, the towns and villages of the neighbourhood, and the fairs, at which multitudes congregate for business or idolatrous observances. The fairs they report as diminishing in importance, numbers ceasing to attend them because of the growing knowledge of the truth. Everywhere the preachers met a good acceptance of their message. Some pleasing inquirers presented themselves, both from among the Hindus and Mohammedans; these cases have encouraged the brethren in the dearth of spiritual results, of which the station has this year had to complain. "Let but the Holy Spirit," says Mr. Parsons, "breathe on the dry bones, and im-

pressions long buried will revive, convictions long stifled will return, truth long resisted will prevail, and the Saviour long despised will be welcomed to the heart."

#### PATNA.

Not till the month of August were the Committee able to supply the vacancy at Patna, occasioned by the lamented decease last year of their humble and indefatigable missionary, the Rev. L. F. Kälberer. At the earnest desire of the Committee, the Rev. D. P. Broadway, of Agra, has entered on this important sphere of Christian exertion. In his report of the short period in which missionary effort has been resumed, he speaks with pleased surprise of the extraordinarily large numbers of persons who speedily assemble when the Missionary, with his assistants, stands up to preach in the streets. Among his hearers the most difficult to meet are the Wahabees, a fanatical Mohammedan sect, who claim to be descendants of Ishmael, and manifest his wild and hostile character. As a present result, beside the numbers frequenting the bazaars, who assent to the doctrines preached, much time is occupied at home in conversing with visitors who prefer the leisure of the middle of the day, and the quietness of conversation, in order to obtain a fuller knowledge of the Gospel. Mr. Broadway adds, that although no church exists at present, there are several believers who, from fear of loss of caste or persecution, have not yet avowed the Lord publicly, but who frequently come and worship with the Mission family on Lord's days and week evenings. For their early profession he hopefully labours with prayer to Him who has all hearts in His hands.

#### BENARES.

The Rev. H. Heinig reports the Mission in the great and idolatrous city of Benares to be spiritually progressing. One member of the church died in the Lord; but during the year three young men were admitted, one of them the son of a native preacher. In the beginning of the year, unsolicited and unsought, three young men offered themselves for instruction with a view to Missionary work. Their offer was joyfully accepted, and they are pursuing, under Mr. Heinig's care, a course of instruction to fit them for the great work to which they aspire. The bazaar preaching is reported as very encouraging. A great number of the people of the city who reside near the preaching places very frequently attend, and often express a desire for the speedy renewal of the Missionary's instruction. The fairs at Allahabad and Dadree were visited by Mr. Heinig. Of the latter Mr. Heinig says, "It was truly a blessed time we spent among the people; not one uttered a single word of objection. . . . Often in the night we heard the Moham-

medan shopkeepers near our tent conversing on the various topics of the Christian religion, repeatedly saying that there is no doubt but that all soon would become Christians." In one part of the fair the native preacher was beckoned into a shop, in which brass vessels were piled up for sale. Conversation on religion was immediately begun, and he was told that there were six persons there who had renounced idolatry, that they held meetings for religious conversation in their village, that they lived quite apart from their neighbours, who were still idolators; but that being Brahmins no one ventured to molest them. For two years they had listened to the Gospel with much attention in the fair, and believed it to be the way of salvation.

#### AGRA.

The Mission in Agra, so far as regards the proclamation of the Gospel in the bazaars, does not present features so encouraging. Still the Missionary is not without tokens of Divine favour. Four men from Muttra presented themselves as inquirers, one of whom was added to the church. A Rajpoot also, after a time of severe probation, broke with Hinduism, and was baptized into Christ. The wants of the native church, which now numbers fifty-four persons, continue to be carefully and efficiently supplied by the native pastor, John Bernard. Six persons have been added by baptism during the year. Divine service has regularly been maintained in the Cantonments Chapel, for the benefit of the soldiers in the station. In the 55th Regiment, which has been transferred to Lucknow, whither Mr. Etherington proceeded to perform the rite, ten soldiers have been baptized. These conversions form an important element in the work of evangelizing Hindustan. They remove a great obstacle from the path of truth and righteousness, and add to the strength of the Church of God in its aggressions on the kingdom of darkness. A Zenanah Mission was commenced in the early part of the year, but has been interrupted by the departure from Agra of the lady who was engaged. The Missionary hopes shortly to resume this very important branch of his work.

#### DELHI.

From Delhi the Committee have not received any report; but about the middle of the year their highly-esteemed missionary, the Rev. Jas. Smith, wrote most hopefully of the progress of the work of God. "Things," he said, "are in a very happy and prosperous state." In May, Kureem Bux was set apart to the pastoral office over the church in the city. As a result the congregations increased. His visits to the people and his inquirers' meetings were full of promise. In the various stations of the town and

suburbs, there were reported to be hundreds of inquirers under regular instruction for baptism and church fellowship. The six city missionaries were working well. Among his visitors Mr. Smith mentions a Hindu, who brought with him a portion of the History of Christ in Hindu verse of his own composition. He is going on with the work. He had also some hymns that he had written, full of Christ, and showing a wonderfully clear conception of the Gospel. This man is threescore years old, wears the usual Hindu mark on his forehead, and yet spends all his time in writing Christian poetry and reading Christian books. In one place the people are reported to have demolished a small worshipping place, and to be determined to have no more idolatry. The preaching-stands in the city are usually crowded every night, and many daily resort to the Central Book-room for religious conversation. In the Rhotuck district the Rev. J. Williams reports a very encouraging reception, and thinks that only the severe persecution which has befallen our excellent native brother, Subha Chund, has prevented several of his friends and the villagers from openly casting in their lot with the people of God.

This brief glance at the Stations of the Society in India must be regarded on the whole as affording much encouragement; yet the Committee feel that the results may be thought hardly commensurate with the long-enduring toil and the years of culture and preparation which for three-quarters of a century have been proceeding. Change is stamped very evidently on the main features of Hindu society, and its customs and institutions have already undergone very marked modifications. Education is producing a great revolution in the mental habitudes of vast numbers, and there can be no doubt that the wide ministrations of the messengers of the Cross have had no small share in producing the revolution in progress. But there has not yet been any large and impressive reception of the Gospel; there has not been any great outpouring of the Spirit from on high. No day of Pentecost has gathered into the Church of God its thousands. The soil seems now to a large degree prepared, the seed has plentifully fallen into the furrows. Is the shower of divine fruitfulness withheld because the churches at home do not call upon the Lord of the Harvest with sufficient importunity? The Committee anxiously ponder the matter. They entreat their brethren, the pastors of the churches, to give the subject their serious attention. They fain would hope that the year on which we now enter may emphatically be a year of prayer, in which the Lord's people, with one accord, shall call upon God, and seek for India the fertilizing gift of His Spirit.

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## CEYLON.

As compared with the large progress reported in this Mission last year, the present offers but few subjects for remark. Fifteen persons only have been added to the churches by baptism; but the large number of 160 persons are returned as inquirers and candidates for the rite of initiation into the Christian church. There is an increase in the number of Sabbath hearers, and in those attending the week-day services, amounting to 2,500 persons, so that it may be hoped that the small addition to the churches is owing to temporary causes, which next year may be removed. The scarcity of food has led to many children being taken from school in order to work in the field. The attendance has therefore diminished by some 80 scholars. The Missionaries also report a diminution in the church contributions, doubtless owing to the same cause. Arrangements have been made for the instruction of three young men during the present year for the work of the ministry; and should nothing unforeseen prevent, three new stations will be opened for the preaching of the Word of God.

Two new chapels have been opened, at one of which the late Rev. James Allen, for the last time, took part in a public service. Two or three other chapels are in contemplation, as soon as circumstances and the liberality of the people will justify their erection. The much-desired new version of the Old Testament has been steadily proceeded with by the Rev. Charles Carter, and as rapidly as its importance and difficulty will allow. On the whole, the aspect of this Mission in Ceylon is very encouraging. Progress is visible in all departments, and the Committee are happy in the belief that in the Revs. H. Pigott and F. Waldock the Society possesses brethren who are worthy successors of the devoted men who have passed away.

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## CHINA.

The very serious illness of the Rev. E. F. Kingdon, and the impaired health of the Rev. R. F. Laughton, at one period of the year, gave the Committee the greatest anxiety. Through Divine mercy, the health of Mr. Kingdon has in some measure been restored, and that of Mr. Laughton much benefited, by the changes of scene and place to which they resorted, though it is still doubtful whether Mr. Kingdon will be able to stand against the direful influence of the climate. The labours of the brethren, though so painfully interfered with, have nevertheless enjoyed some tokens of Divine favour. Preaching has almost daily been maintained in Chefoo, first in a rented room, and later in a small

chapel lent by a Chinese Christian of the American Southern Baptist Mission. It is not, however, well situated, and a chapel in the centre of the population is greatly desired by the Missionaries. The small native church, which has been gathered, has under its consideration the choice of a native pastor—Mr. Laughton having pointed out to them their scriptural duty in this respect. The Committee hope shortly to hear that this important step in church order has been accomplished. At Tsoongkia, the two native brethren residing there have continued their accustomed work of preaching and regularly visiting the surrounding villages. Considerable interest has been excited in these villages; and in one, especially, the blessing of God upon His Word has been seen. The principal instrument in this movement has been a converted idol maker, who resides in a village two miles distant. The first convert was a Buddhist, who had for ten years worshipped daily a picture of the King of Hell, in order to obtain a mitigation of the punishment due to him for his sins. On the Missionary's visit, it was found that he had acquired an extensive knowledge of the Gospel, and had received its truths in a humble, penitent spirit. Soon after this he sent the picture to Mr. Laughton, with the message that Jesus had released him from the burden of his sins. He was subsequently baptized in Chefoo, with two other converts from the new station at Hankhyan. Persecution has followed his confession of Christ, but he remains steadfast in the truth. At Hankhyan the Gospel was introduced in the face of great opposition and amid many threats. A chapel has now been built, and the hostility shown by many of the people has very sensibly diminished. Besides the two converts from this village mentioned above, there are two others who, with them, form the little church; and there are several persons besides, with regard to whom Mr. Laughton is very hopeful.

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#### AFRICA.

In this land of savage barbarity the work of the Mission has been much hindered by incessant quarrels and wars among the tribes and rival villages. Yet is the land slowly yielding to the husbandman's toil. The Missionaries are often called upon to act as mediators between the contending parties, and at the peril of life they frequently stand between the warring hosts. All the Mission families have suffered more or less from the sickness and fevers incident to the coast; but with firm trust in God they have steadily continued to strive on in their Master's cause. In translation Mr. Saker has been able to make good progress; and the new chapel is hastening to completion. Mr. Smith, though often prostrated with sickness, in preaching, visiting, and earnest labour for souls, has been indefatigable.

He has had the pleasure of baptizing four persons during the year at Bethel Town; the inquirers' class contains sixteen or more persons, three of whom were to be baptized on the first Lord's day of the present year. "Year by year," says Mr. Smith, "it is a known fact that the people are abandoning their beliefs in their old customs and gods." At the new station of Mortonville, Mr. Fuller's labours have already issued in the baptism of two persons, and he has been able to establish a flourishing class for inquirers. The members of the church have shown a growing spirit of liberality, giving freely of their little all for the spread of Christ's kingdom. The schools are reported to be in an improving condition, and are carefully training the young in habits of morality and piety. In the early part of the year Mr. Thomson visited many towns and villages in which the Gospel had not before been preached; but on the arrival of the iron-house sent out by the Committee, and his marriage, he settled at Bell's Town, where he has regularly entered upon Mission work. A school of forty children has been formed, the best scholar being the King's eldest son. Various services, for men and women, both on the week days as well as Sunday, have been established, the King himself setting an example to his people of an observance of the Lord's day. He insists on Mr. Thomson going alone to his house to read with him the Word of God. A small church and an inquirers' class have been formed, and, in Mr. Thomson's opinion, the prospects of the station are encouraging, though the work may prove difficult and require much faith and patience. The church at Victoria, Amboises Bay, under Mr. Pinnock's charge, has had an increase of seven members, four by baptism, and three from Fernando Po. The church and the Mission have, however, experienced a great loss by the death of Mr. Horton Johnson. At Bimbia two additions have been made to the church by baptism. The Committee cannot but deeply regret their inability to assist the small and feeble band of labourers in this great field. They venture to echo the cry of Mr. Smith, which reaches them in a recent letter, "Are we to have no helpers? Are the heathen to perish without even hearing of God the Saviour, while British Christians have the money that is needed to send the men forth?"

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#### WEST INDIES.

The past year will be ever memorable in the annals of the Bahamas in consequence of the disastrous hurricane which devastated the islands in the month of October. The destruction of property of every kind was frightful; in some cases depriving the entire population of shelter and food. The year opened with flattering prospects and hopes: it ended amid the wailing of sufferers and the miseries of a homeless and starving people. So soon as the



tidings reached the Committee, an appeal to the churches was made, and speedily clothing and food were forwarded, in addition to that which public liberality supplied. The Committee are happy to know that the aid rendered was most timely, and that it afforded well-deserved relief to many of their fellow-servants in the Gospel of Christ. Mission property has, of course, largely suffered in common with the rest. In Nassau the chapels were greatly damaged, and on several of the islands entirely destroyed. A long time must elapse before the damage can be repaired; meanwhile the Committee are thankful to learn that the members of the churches have borne this heavy affliction with Christian fortitude, and shown great willingness to help each other in their extremity. Some aid will have to be rendered, in order to rebuild the ruined sanctuaries; and the Committee hope that the churches at home will, as is their wont, cheerfully respond to the cry which comes to them from the "poor saints" in the Bahamas. For years past the native ministers in these islands, with very slight exception, have been sustained by the churches they serve. The appeal therefore comes to us with the greater urgency, since in the days of their comparative prosperity they have so nobly helped themselves. Notwithstanding these painful circumstances, the additions to the churches have been considerable in number. Judgment and mercy have been mingled in the cup these poor islanders have had to drink.

#### HAYTI.

Mr. Webley reports that the past year of the Missions' history in Hayti, though unmarked by any striking feature, has been one of abundant blessing. Ten new converts have put on Christ. Year after year some six, or eight, or ten of the Lord's jewels have been confided to the Missionary's care. Not long ago Protestantism was unknown in Jacmel, yet so steadily has the Word of God increased that where there was not a people of God, a church of more than eighty members exists, and many more now before the throne of God testify to the power of the blood of Christ to save. An interesting and very encouraging extension of the Mission has taken place to the north of the island, which will lead to the removal of Mr. Baumann to a town called Grande Riviere. Port au Prince, the capital, where Mr. Baumann has hitherto laboured, has furnished very little encouragement. After several visits, he has at length resolved to devote his time to the inviting field which has opened in the north, where already a Baptist church exists under the pastoral care of a native brother, by name Metellus Menard, and many persons display a deep interest in the truths of the Gospel.

## TRINIDAD.

From Trinidad very encouraging reports have been received, especially since the return of the Rev. W. H. Gamble in September last. To the Mission churches in his district he reports the addition of fourteen persons before Christmas, and since then, upwards of fifty others have been added to the Lord. At two of the stations new chapels have either been built or are in course of erection, almost entirely at the cost of the people themselves. With very slight exception, they also support the native brethren who minister among them. It is a fact worthy of notice that this progress is almost entirely confined to the Protestant section of the population. The converts from Roman Catholicism, which so largely predominates in Trinidad, are comparatively very few. As everywhere, Popery in Trinidad is the most formidable of the adversaries the Church of Christ has to encounter in its efforts to establish the kingdom of God.

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## JAMAICA.

The public events by which the history of the island has been affected, are so well known as to render it unnecessary for the Committee to do more than briefly refer to them, and that only so far as they relate to the Missionaries in connection with the Society. The result of the inquiries made into the origin of the riot at Morant Bay, by the Royal Commissioners, was to relieve the character of their brethren, untruthfully impugned by Mr. Eyre in his despatches, from all reproach. The Committee only repeat the judgment of all impartial men when they affirm, that there was not the shadow of an excuse for the obnoxious and calumnious charges made against them by the late Governor, and that the ordeal through which they have passed has left their honour unstained, their integrity untouched, and their Christian character undimmed. The lamentable events in St. Thomas in the East, combined with the general depression of agriculture and trade, have not been without their painful effects on the churches, and on their advancement in piety and in the knowledge of the Lord. In the early part of the year the congregations languished; but towards its close better prospects began to appear. The losses in the churches have been large, though not so great as in the two previous years, and it may be that only by slow stages will the various causes inimical to the improvement of the people disappear. The new Government, both by retrenchment and a more equal distribution of the burden of taxation, is honestly striving to remedy the waste and extravagance which for so many

years have sapped the foundations of the island's prosperity. Measures are in progress for a better administration of the law and the extension of education—by the one removing a grievance that has long been most bitterly felt, and by the other preparing the people for the full and useful enjoyment of the freedom they possess. The Committee also view with pleasure the steps taken by the Government of Jamaica to diminish the oppressive burden of the Church Establishment. Towards the close of the year, the Committee of the Jamaica Baptist Union resolved on the commencement of a Mission in the district around Morant Bay. The Rev. W. Teall was selected for the task; and, aided by a grant from the Committee, he has entered on his work with the liveliest expressions of joy and welcome from the population. Many of the native Baptist churches in St. Thomas in the East have expressed their desire to place themselves under his care, and it is probable that arrangements will be made to effect this desirable object.

The grants made by the Committee from the Jamaica Special Fund have proved to be of inestimable value to the Missionaries, assisting them to continue at their posts under circumstances which otherwise would have compelled their removal. The Committee have made arrangements for the continuance of aid to their senior brethren, which will be submitted to the subscribers for their approval.

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#### CALABAR INSTITUTION.

During the absence of the Rev. D. J. East, the Institution has been most efficiently carried on by Mr. J. S. Roberts, the tutor of the Normal School, with the assistance of some neighbouring ministers. Ten students have pursued their studies during the year; three in the theological, and seven in the Normal School course. Three candidates for the ministry are accepted, and two others for the Normal School. The reports of the progress of the students are very satisfactory; the industrial department has been found especially useful in promoting the health of the students, and their ability for study. Among the institutions established for the elevation of the freedmen of Jamaica, and the promotion of the kingdom of God, none, in the judgment of the Committee, is of higher value than the College at Calabar. Failures there have been among the students, especially in the early years of the Institution; but it has already vindicated its value and importance by the successful ministry of not a few who now hold the pastoral office in the churches, and the ability of those who are occupied with training the young in the schools of the churches in secular and divine knowledge.

## EUROPE.

The year has witnessed some very pleasing instances of conversion among the Breton population of France, and much spiritual enjoyment and progress have taken place in the two churches that have been gathered. Notwithstanding the watchfulness and hostility of priests, the truth slowly penetrates the hearts of the people, and the converts exhibit a degree of boldness in the faith which evinces both the sincerity of their faith and the firm hold they have taken of eternal life. The hearers of the Gospel tend to increase, attention is good, and the teaching *à domicile* holds its ground, despite priestly manœuvres to destroy it. About fifty learners are taught daily from house to house, and the Word of God thus finds entrance into the families of many who would otherwise be disinclined, from fear of persecution, to listen to the Word. By the combined labours of the Rev. J. Jenkins and the Rev. V. Bouhon, their colporteurs and assistants, the Gospel is proclaimed in many parts of the country. "There is such a thing," says Dr. Tregelles, with reference to this Mission, "as abstaining from doing anything because of our being unable to work on a large scale; there is also such a thing as seeking to do *well* what little can be done, and acting under the eye of Christ our Lord, who puts His servants in such positions as He sees fit. Services have their value not from their greatness, but from their being done to Him, and in accordance with His will." It is in this spirit, the Committee are assured, their esteemed brethren in Brittany strive to spread the truth of God.

From our native brother in Norway we learn that the Gospel continues to draw many to the Saviour. In his last letter he reports the baptism of twelve believers and the formation of a church at Arendal, on which happy occasion sixteen persons sat down at the table of the Lord. The church itself was organized with seventeen members. Besides this new locality, Mr. Hubert has continued his labours in other places, and speaks of a trip into Sweden as having been accompanied with great blessing.

Amidst the interruptions and anxieties which have pressed so heavily on the Committee, it will be seen that their work has been accompanied by many tokens of the Divine blessing. Its progress has not been so rapid as faith and love would desire. But many souls have been saved, much seed has been sown which awaits the fertilizing showers of Heaven. Everywhere, indeed, are seen the marks of human infirmity. The Committee are continually reminded that the grace given to men, as Christ's messengers to the nations, is put into earthen vessels. But His glory, from whom all good works proceed, is the more conspicuous. To God they afresh commend this work; for only His blessing can make it effectual to the salvation of men, and the complete establishment of His kingdom in the world.

CONTRIBUTIONS

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W & O Denotes that the Contribution is for Widows and Orphans; N P for Native Preachers  
T for Translations; S for Schools

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Baker, B., Esq., Tun- bridge	2	0	0	Brixton Hill— Contributions	82	6	0
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Carey, Mrs.	1	1	0	Contributions	3	13	5
Carey, Mr. E.	1	1	0	Ditto, Sunday School, by Y. M. M. A.	15	2	11
Cook, Mr. J., jr., Broad- haven, near Haverford- west	1	1	0	Ditto, for N P, by ditto	6	2	9
David, Mr. E.	0	10	6	Camberwell, Denmark Place— Contributions	57	13	9
Evans, Rev. W. W.	0	10	6	Ditto for China	3	8	0
Gover, W., Esq.	1	1	0	Ditto for Rev. A. Saker, Cameroons	2	2	0
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Kirtland, Rev. C.	1	1	0	Ditto Sun.-school, by Y. M. M. A., for N P, under Rev. G. Pearce	17	1	0
Knight, W. D., Esq.	5	0	0	Camberwell, Charles Street— Contribs., Juv. Soc., by Y. M. M. A.	7	10	0
Knight, Mrs. W. D.	0	10	0	Camden Road— Collection for W & O	17	4	8
Leach, E., Esq.	1	1	0	Contributions	78	17	2
Lowden, Rev. G. R.	0	10	6	Ditto, Sunday-school, by Y. M. M. A.	3	18	9
Pike, Rev. J. C.	0	10	6	Ditto ditto, for N P, by ditto	5	2	1
Tarling, C., Esq.	1	1	0	Camden Town Ragged School— Contributions	1	1	0
<b>DONATIONS.</b>				<b>Commercial Street—</b>			
A Friend, Biggleswade...	0	10	0	Contribs., Sunday-school by Y. M. M. A.	2	5	10
A Friend, per Mrs. C. B. Lewis, for Mrs. Kerry's School, Intally	10	0	0	Cromer Street, Gray's-inn-road— Contribs., Sunday-sch. by Y. M. M. A., for Rev. J. Smith's School, Delhi	4	0	0
Ditto, for Mrs. Henig's School, Benares	10	0	0	Daiston— Collection for W & O	3	0	0
Bible Translation Society for T	450	0	0	Contributions, balance	7	7	10
Carter, Rev. C., Child- ren's Box, for New Chapel at Kadugan- nawu, Ceylon	2	5	0	Devonshire Square— Contribs., Sun.-school, for N P, by Y. M. M. A.	1	19	7
Congreve, Misses, col- lected by	0	13	8	Ditto for youth under Rev. Q. W. Thomson, Cameroons, by ditto	9	0	0
Elton, Dr. Romeo, Exeter, for support of a Theolog- ical Student, Seram- pore Colledge	2	0	0	Eldon Street— Contributions	14	4	8
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Office Box	1	8	2	Ditto, Ann's Place Sun.-sch., for ditto by ditto	4	7	7
Peto, Miss Edith, for Rev. J. Davey, Bahamas	4	2	3	Hackney Road, Providence Chapel Contribs., Sun.-school, for N P, Jessore, by Y. M. M. A.	21	0	0
Peto, Miss Helen, for Mrs. Saker's School, Africa	4	2	10	Hammersmith— Contributions	37	8	5
Peto, Master Frank, for Rev. W. Teall, Jamaica	4	2	0	Ditto, Sun.-school for N P, by Y. M. M. A.	1	17	9
<b>LEGACY.</b>				<b>Hampstead, Heath Street—</b>			
Smith, the late Miss Rebecca, of Camber- well Grove, by Messrs. Waller and Scott	50	0	0	Contributions (moiety)	49	9	8
<b>LONDON AND MIDDLESEX.</b>				<b>Harlington—</b>			
Arthur Street, Camberwell Gate— Contributions, Ladies' Bible Class	5	8	8	Contributions	10	0	0
Ditto, S. S., for N P, by Y. M. M. A.	0	17	9	Hawley Road— Contributions	30	11	1
Battersea— Contributions	25	12	7	Highgate— Contribs., Sun.-school, by Y. M. M. A.	5	7	3
Bloomsbury— Collection for W & O	16	5	0	Ditto for N P, by ditto	3	7	5
Contributions	69	1	7	Islington, Cross Street— Collection for W & O	6	0	0
				Contributions	57	11	10
				Ditto Juvenile Society, by Y. M. M. A.	17	2	1
				Ditto ditto, for N P, by ditto	2	8	11
				Ditto ditto for Orphans under care of Rev. A. Saker, by ditto	10	0	0
				Salter's Hall— Contributions	23	2	7
				Ditto, Sunday school, for N P, Delhi	9	7	3
				ames Street— Contribs. by Y. M. M. A.	7	10	0
				John Street— Contributions	25	13	1
				Ditto for India	1	10	0
				Kensington, Palace Gardens— Collection for W & O	5	0	0
				Contributions	10	3	0
				Little Alle Street— Contribs. Sun.-school, for N P, by Y. M. M. A.	1	3	6
				Lower Edmonton— Contributions	2	15	7
				Maze Pond— Contributions	43	6	9
				Ditto for China	3	9	6
				Do. Sunday-school, by Y. M. M. A.	12	11	3
				Do. do. for N P India, by Y. M. M. A.	20	0	0
				Metropolitan Tabernacle— Contribs. Juv. Soc., for Native Girls' School, Colombo, Ceylon	50	0	0
				Notting Hill, Cornwall Road— Contribs. (balance)	17	13	11
				Notting Hill, Norland Chapel— Contribs. Sun.-sch. for Rev. R. Robinson's School, Intally	6	0	6
				Regent's Park— Contributions	112	0	4
				Do. for China	10	10	0
				Rotherhithe Midway Place— Contribs. Sun.-sch. for N P, by Y. M. M. A.	1	13	6
				Spencer Place— Contribs. Sun.-sch. by Y. M. M. A.	2	8	5
				Do. do. for N P, by do.	0	11	0
				South Kensington— Contributions	6	4	3
				Tottenham— Contributions	43	9	9
				Walthamstow, Wood Street— Contributions	6	0	3
				Watworth Road— Contribs. Sun.-school, for Rev. F. Pinnock, Africa, by Y. M. M. A.	10	0	0
				Do. do. for Rev. F. D. Waldock's School, Ceylon, by do.	5	0	0
				Do. do., for Orphans in Mrs. Anderson's School, Jessore, by do.	3	10	0

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Houghton Regis—		Ditto, Zion Chapel .....	23 1 0	Contributions .....	2 3 6
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Halstead—			
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Do. for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	18	2
Harlow—			
Contributions .....	37	11	7
Do., Potter Street—			
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Ilford—			
Contributions .....	3	3	2
Langham—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2	0	0
Contributions .....	11	17	3
Langley—			
Contributions .....	2	5	0
Loughton—			
Contributions .....	27	9	3
Saffron Walden—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2	0	0
Contributions .....	22	14	11
Thorpe-le-Soken—			
Contributions .....	1	4	8
Waltham Abbey—			
Contributions .....	17	17	8
<b>GLOUCESTERSHIRE.</b>			
Cheltenham, Clarence			
Parade Chapel—			
Contributions .....	50	19	6
Do. for <i>Mrs. Allen's</i>			
<i>School, Colombo, Cey-</i>			
<i>lon</i> .....	5	3	8
Ditto for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	12	6
Do. Gas Green Sun-sch.	2	15	2
Do. Leckhampton do.	0	5	1
Chipping Sodbury—			
Contributions .....	5	8	0
Do. for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	1	0
Do. for <i>China</i> .....	1	4	0
Gloucester—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2	0	0
Contributions .....	15	16	6
Do. Sun.-sch. for <i>N.P.</i>	25	13	2
Do. do. for <i>Sch. Ceylon</i>	8	0	0
Do. do. <i>Bethlephit Sch.,</i>			
<i>Jamaica</i> .....	8	0	0
Wotton-under-Edge—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	5	0
Contributions .....	8	0	0
<b>FOREST OF DEAN.</b>			
Cinderford—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2	2	0
Contributions .....	11	4	6
Do. Sun.-sch. for <i>N.P.</i>	6	3	10
Coleford—			
Col. for <i>W &amp; O</i> (moiety)	1	0	0
Contributions .....	18	13	10
Do. Sun.-sch. for <i>N.P.</i>	4	7	0
Lydney—			
Contributions .....	12	0	0
Park End—			
Collection .....	1	0	0
Yorkley—			
Collection .....	0	10	0
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<b>HAMPSHIRE.</b>			
Andover—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	10	0
Contributions .....	6	15	0
Newport, Isle of Wight—			
Contributions, Sun. sch.			
for <i>N.P.</i> .....	5	5	0
Southampton, Portland Chapel—			
Contributions S. school	1	7	6
Wallop, Isle of Wight—			
Contributions .....	9	12	6
Whitchurch—			
Contributions .....	6	4	1
<b>HEREFORDSHIRE.</b>			
Garway—			
Contributions .....	1	19	6
Leominster—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	13	3
Contributions .....	7	7	6
Do. for <i>N.P.</i> .....	4	8	0
Longtown—			
Collection .....	0	18	0
Peterchurch—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	1	0
Contributions .....	9	13	0
Ditto, Ploughfield .....	2	10	1
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Less expenditure .....	0	13	9
	27	16	7
<b>HERTFORDSHIRE.</b>			
Bishop's Stortford—			
Contributions .....	7	10	0
Boxmoor—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	0	0
Contributions .....	5	12	6
Buntingford—			
Contributions .....	1	4	0
Hemel Hempstead—			
Contributions .....	9	2	8
Do. for support of <i>Eliza</i>			
<i>Bell, Cameroons</i> .....	2	5	0
Do. for support of <i>Or-</i>			
<i>phans at Jessore</i> ..	6	4	0
Hitchin—			
Contributions .....	51	4	11
Do. for <i>Intally School</i>	4	0	0
New Mill—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	1	0
Contributions .....	19	5	6
Royston—			
Contributions .....	5	0	0
St. Alban's—			
Contributions .....	16	14	11
Do. for <i>India</i> .....	5	0	0
Do. for <i>African School</i>	3	6	6
Do. for <i>Rev. E. Fray's</i>			
<i>Chapel, Clarktown</i> ...	5	15	0
Do. Colney Sun.-sch. ....	0	10	0
Ware—			
Contributions .....	2	1	6
Watford—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	4	17	0
Contributions .....	35	7	6
<b>HUNTINGDONSHIRE.</b>			
Bluntisham—			
Contributions .....	23	5	2
Brookden—			
Collection .....	0	9	3
Dean—			
Contributions .....	2	4	2
Fonstanton—			
Contributions .....	6	12	0

	£	s.	d.
Godmanchester—			
Collection .....	0	19	0
Hail Weston—			
Collection .....	1	0	6
Houghton—			
Collection .....	1	13	0
Huntingdon—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i>			
(moiety) .....	1	2	1
Contributions .....	22	15	2
Kimbolton—			
Contributions .....	4	3	7
Offord—			
Collection .....	1	3	0
Do. for <i>W &amp; O</i> (moiety)	0	3	3
Perry—			
Collection .....	0	10	6
Do. for <i>W &amp; O</i> (moiety)	0	3	0
Ramsey—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i>			
(moiety) .....	0	15	0
Contributions .....	17	10	3
Roxton—			
Contributions .....	1	2	0
Spaldwick—			
Contributions .....	5	17	6
St. Ives—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i>			
(moiety) .....	1	10	10
Contributions .....	29	1	11
St. Neots—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i>			
(moiety) .....	0	17	6
Contributions .....	11	13	5
Stukeley—			
Collection .....	1	3	
Woodhurst—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i>			
(moiety) .....	0	5	3
Contributions .....	3	1	6
Yelling—			
Collection .....	1	10	0
Less amt. acknow-			
ledged before .....	80	0	0
	£60	12	2
<b>KENT.</b>			
Belvedere—			
Contributions .....	3	7	4
Bussells Green—			
Contribs. Sun.-school	0	12	6
Birchington—			
Contributions .....	1	17	6
Brabourne—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	10	0
Contributions .....	1	13	8
Canterbury—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	0	0
Contributions .....	39	0	0
Do. for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	11	2
Do. for <i>Africa</i> .....	5	2	0
Chatham—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	0	0
Contributions .....	25	17	6
Crayford—			
Contribs. for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	6	8
Deal—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	10	0
Contributions .....	10	0	0
Dover—			
Contribution .....	1	1	0
Ditto, Salem Chapel—			
Contributions .....	5	9	10
Ditto Saint Radigund's Road—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2	2	7

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Eythorne—				Manchester, York-street Chapel—				Contributions .....	19	14	4
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	1	0	0	Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	2	0	0	Lumb—			
Contributions .....	12	4	1	Contributions .....	43	6	1	Collections .....	4	12	8
Do. for <i>N P</i> .....	2	16	6	Do. for <i>N P</i> .....	1	16	6	Do. for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	17	3
Folkestone, Salem Chapel—				Do. Grosvenor-street East—				Contributions for <i>N P</i>	0	16	0
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	1	12	2	Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	4	0	0	Nelson—			
Contributions .....	7	9	10	Contributions.....	53	12	10	Collections .....	0	10	0
Forest Hill—				Do. Union Chapel—				Padiham—			
Contributions .....	5	0	0	Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	11	16	0	Contributions .....	10	3	6
Goudhurst—				Contributions .....	390	19	6	Ramsbottom—			
Contributions .....	5	10	0	Do. for <i>N P</i> .....	10	0	4	Contributions.....	12	17	11
Gravesend, Windmill St.—				Do. Sunday-school,				Sabden—			
Contributions .....	11	7	5	for <i>Intally</i> .....	14	0	0	Contributions .....	21	16	0
Lee—				Ditto, Harpurhey Chapel—				Sunnyside—			
Contributions .....	41	12	7	Collection (moiety) ...	15	0	0	Collections .....	2	0	0
Do. for <i>India</i> .....	2	2	0	Ditto, Granby Row (Welsh)—				Waterbarn—			
Do. for <i>W &amp; O</i> (addl.)	0	16	0	Contributions .....	4	18	8	Contributions .....	5	15	6
Lewisham Road—				Do. for <i>N P</i> .....	2	9	5	Waterfoot—			
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	2	15	0	Salford, Great George Street—				Collections .....	3	15	9
Contributions .....	19	12	0	Contributions.....	40	14	10				
Maldstone—				£12 of above for Rev.							
Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	2	10	0	J. Gregson, for <i>N P</i> ,							
Contributions .....	26	16	10	<i>Agra</i> .							
Margate—					609	4	8	Less expenses and			
Contributions.....	33	12	8	Less expenses and				amount acknow-			
Do. for <i>China</i> .....	5	5	0	ledged before.....	35	0	0	ledged before .....	160	7	0
Do. for <i>Rev. W. A.</i>											
<i>Hobbs's Sch., Jessore</i>	5	0	0								
Do. for <i>Orphans in Rev.</i>					251	4	8				
<i>W. A. Hobbs's School</i>	5	8	0	Southport—							
Contributions.....	33	12	8	Contributions .....	2	2	0				
Do. for <i>Rev. W. A.</i>				Stretford, Union Chapel—							
<i>Hobbs's Sch., Jessore</i>	5	0	0	Contributions .....	14	9	10				
Do. for <i>Orphans in Rev.</i>				Wigan—							
<i>W. A. Hobbs's School</i>	5	8	0	Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	1	1	2				
Contributions.....	27	0	3	Contributions .....	18	12	3				
Do. for <i>Mrs. Kerry's</i>				East Lancashire Union Auxiliary—							
<i>School, Intally</i> .....	12	0	0	Accrington—							
Staplehurst—				Collection .....	4	7	1				
Contributions .....	5	5	0	Contributions, Juvenile	50	2	3				
St. Peter's—				Society .....	5	8	1				
Contributions .....	3	13	0	Do. for <i>N P</i> .....	5	8	1				
Woolwich, Queen St.—				Bury—							
Contributions .....	0	11	2	Contributions.....	9	12	7				
Do. <i>Rev. W. Teall Mor-</i>				Bacup, Ebenezer—							
<i>rant Bay, Jamaica</i>	6	9	7	Collections .....	8	0	0				
Do. <i>Parson's Hill—</i>				Do. Zion .....	5	2	9				
Contribs. Mission Band	10	0	0	Contributions.....	6	13	5				
				Blackburn—							
				Collections .....	6	13	5				
				Burnley—							
				Collections (less ex-							
				penses).....	12	7	0				
				Briercliffe—							
				Collections .....	3	0	1				
				Cloughfold—							
				Collections .....	14	2	10				
				Do. Cawl Terrace .....	5	0	6				
				Darwen—							
				Contributions .....	6	4	5				
				Goodshaw—							
				Collections .....	5	16	1				
				Haslingden, Pleasant Street—							
				Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	2	0	0				
				Contributions.....	13	7	8				
				Do. Bury Road—							
				Collection for <i>W &amp; O</i> ...	2	0	5				

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