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A GROUP OF CONGO MISSIONARIES.--(From a Photograph.)



## China Famine Relief Fund.

WE are thankful to report the receipt of the following telegram from the Rev. A. G. Jones, our senior missionary in Shantung :—

“FAMINE FUNDS SUFFICIENT.”

In addition to **£4,000** already telegraphed to China, the result of the appeal in the *MISSIONARY HERALD*, our brethren have received generous assistance from the Shanghai Committee representing the Lord Mayor's Fund.

The Rev. R. C. Forsyth, writing from Tsing Chu Fu, under date of April 12th, says :—

“Our enrolment in this province of Shantung will reach 200,000 people.

“The friends and brethren in Shansi have sent us a handsome donation of £600, and promise more.

“It has been really wonderful how the hearts of the people everywhere have been stirred to help in this noble cause. We are, indeed, most devoutly thankful for these most cheering tokens of sympathy, help, and brotherhood.”

The Rev. C. Spurgeon Medhurst, of Tsing Chu Fu, at present in England, seeking restoration to health, writes :—

“DEAR MR. BAYNES,—If the readers of the *HERALD* are not wearied by the sad details of the famine in China, they will be interested in the following extracts from letters I received by the last mail, showing that frost and flood have added to the unspeakable horrors of the famine proper. Our brethren have been relieving nearly two hundred thousand starving people a day. The famine is now probably at an end; but there will be a large amount of acute poverty and suffering for a long time to come. I would commend my colleagues and the afflicted people among whom they live to the special prayers of the churches at this trying and important juncture in the history of the China Mission.

“Yours faithfully,

“C. SPURGEON MEDHURST.

“Cardiff, June 11th, 1889.”

Mr. Harmon writes from Chi Nan Foo :—

“When I tell you that during a cold spell which lasted five days eighty-five people died of cold and starvation in a single village, that the people were busy pulling down their houses to obtain fuel for sale, that many places are half empty, and that you can walk through whole streets without meeting any one, so many having died, emigrated, or gone into the fields to dig up roots of grass for food; when I tell you that a strong north wind carried the sea water from Yang Chia Kon Tzu inland a distance of forty li, flooding the country, and leaving it a sheet of water; that many children were drowned, and grown-up persons frozen—then I think you may form some idea of the accumulated miseries from which the people are suffering.

The land groans. Brother Jones, I hear, sends terrible news also; and Whitewright no doubt will have a harrowing tale to tell.

"One thing I must say, and that is how deeply grateful and glad I am, and I believe we all are, at the noble response from England to our appeals. I am proud of the denomination, and heartily thank God for the spirit displayed by them towards the suffering thousands of their fellow-men in North China."

Mrs. Whitewright, who has joined her husband at Sui Chia Chi, where he is engaged in famine relief work, writes:—

"The distress here when I came was terrible. My heart felt as if it would break. Old men, women, and little children, with their poor, thin, starving faces, begging us to help them. We have enrolled up to 23,728 here, and in a day or so will have our full number of 27,400. This enrolling is very hard work. We

have students helping us now. We could not possibly do it all ourselves. I have been out enrolling nearly every day, sometimes alone with a teacher, but most often with Mr. Whitewright. We have scarcely had a minute to spare. I am so very thankful to be here. Now the enrolling is done, I have a little more time. I go out in the evenings, and talk to any women whom I may meet, as they are picking up fuel or grass roots. They all say the same: 'If you had not come we should have died. You have saved us. We shall live now.' As I was enrolling, sometimes the poor, wretched people made my heart ache, and I felt if I stayed any longer listening to their tale of misery I should break down before them. God has been very good to send us so much money to help these people. We trust much good will result from this. We hope to carry the people on to the 1st of June."

## A Group of Congo Missionaries.

(See *Frontispiece*.)

MR. THOMAS HORTON, of Park Crescent, Torquay, has been so kind as to send us a photograph, which we have had engraved, of the last party of Congo missionaries—viz., Mr. Percy Comber, Mr. A. E. Scrivener, Mr. H. White, Mr. G. Cameron, and Mr. W. L. Forfeitt. Mr. Horton writes:—

"I took the photograph on board the *Norham Castle*, at Dartmouth, in pouring rain, or it would have been better done.

"If it will be any benefit to the Mission I shall be glad to supply copies of this photograph at one shilling and sixpence each and postage, and all the proceeds will be given to the Society."

We are very grateful to Mr. Horton for this generous offer, and we doubt not many of our readers will desire to secure copies for themselves.

We hope that, ere this, all these brethren have safely reached the land they so much love, and for the benefit of which they have devoted their lives to missionary work.



THE LATE REV. SAMUEL SILVEY.—(From a Photograph.)

## The Congo Mission.

### DEATH OF THE REV. SAMUEL SILVEY, OF STANLEY POOL.

**T**HE following letter from Mrs. Ingham, wife of the Rev. W. Ingham, one of the Congo missionaries of the American Baptist Missionary Society, has been received by the Committee with feelings of the deepest sympathy and sorrow :—

“ S. s. *Thome*, off St. Thome Island,  
“ 25th April.

“ I am on my return voyage to the Congo, and within two days' sail of my destination. We have met the homeward-bound steamer *Portugal*, and have heard very sad news. Mr. Silvey had taken his homeward passage in her, evidently on account of ill-health. He had with him two Congo boys—Ntoni and Mwema. He saw a doctor at Kabinda, who said that with good food he would probably be well in a few days. The doctor gave him eggs and Madeira wine. However, about 8 p.m. of the same day (April 23rd), he complained greatly of the motion of the steamer, and went below to his cabin, which he shared with two Portuguese gentlemen. He came up at 10 p.m. to look after

his boys, and again at 12 and 4 a.m. He was seen by the engineer sitting on the deck. Shortly after that he was taken seriously ill with fever—doubtless a relapse—and after two hours of unconsciousness breathed his last.

“I cannot express the deep sympathy which we feel for you, dear Mr. Baynes, and all his loved ones left. We can only pray for you all. May God comfort you.

“The boys are very thankful to go back to Congo, and as they both know me, they are quite happy in their minds, though very sad about Mr. Silvey.”

Mr. Silvey, when he left the Upper Congo, was in considerably improved health, for Miss Silvey, his sister, writing under date of Stanley Pool, March 25th, says:—

“You will be pleased to hear I am in grand health, and my brother very much better. He hopes to commence his journey down country to-morrow.”

Mr. Smart, of Madeira, states, in a letter to Mr. Baynes, that, from the engineer of the Mail steamship *Portugal*, he found that Mr. Silvey suffered from almost incessant sea-sickness, which he appeared perfectly powerless to overcome, and which resulted in alarming exhaustion and weakness.

By the death of Mr. Silvey the Mission loses a most devoted missionary, ever faithful—in little as well as in much, wholly consecrated to his work, trusted and esteemed by all his colleagues, and beloved and confided in by the native peoples of the Congo region.

We desire to commend to the sympathy and prayers of our readers the bereaved family, and very especially Mr. Silvey's sister, at present stationed at Bolobo, on the Upper Congo River.

The following sketch of Mr. Silvey is written by his former pastor, the Rev. T. H. Holyoak, of Moss Side, Manchester:—

#### “SKETCH OF THE LATE MR. SILVEY.

“MY DEAR MR. BAYNES,—In compliance with your request I attempt, though with a sad heart, to write a few memorial words respecting our friend Samuel Silvey. Trying as the task must be, it is in some important aspects quite an easy one. The incidents of those earlier days of which you desire to be informed, the antecedents and beginnings of that brief missionary course which so pathetically came to a close, just as he turned his face homeward and friends were on the outlook for him some two months ago, like that course itself, are of the simplest and plainest kind. If, however, in his character and life, as is the case with not a few of the truest and worthiest type, there is little of commanding or general interest, little which claims to be put on record, that little is very real.

“My acquaintance with Mr. Silvey commenced in the summer of 1878, when, after our return from Jamaica, I settled in Manchester as pastor of the church at Moss Side. In a little group of young men, the flower of the congregation,



I quickly recognised in him not only one of the most active, but one of the most useful and promising. He had joined the church, you will be interested to learn, in very early youth, while not yet fifteen years of age; for he was born at Belfast on March 21st, 1857, and was baptized by Mr. Chenery, who was then the minister, in December, 1872.

"We were brought at once into intimate connection, for he was, and had been from its formation in November, 1875, the secretary of the Juvenile Missionary Society, and among the various agencies at work in the church and the school this, of course, beyond others, engaged our heartiest sympathy and aid. He was in this capacity, by his promptness, his earnestness, his unwearied persistency, his joyous planning and painstaking, the most efficient and cheery helper I ever had; I might say—and as you know I am not without other happy experience such as enables one to make comparisons—the best secretary I have known. The method in operation was the one you commended to us with such pleasing results at 'Onslow'—the regular collection week by week of very small subscriptions; and the amount thus raised in the year previous to 1878 was something like £20. Quarter by quarter after this, by the fine spirit breathed into the work, by steady persevering effort, and by excellent management, in which the sympathy and co-operation of the devoted superintendent (Mr. T. M. N. Boughy) held a most influential place, the interest in the missionary cause and the contributions towards its support were constantly increased; and well do I recollect the exuberant triumph with which dear Sam brought to us, on the eve of his sailing for the Cameroons, what he called his 'Last Report,' which showed that there had been raised during the past year as much as £70. I had then ceased to be pastor of the church; but it is within my knowledge that this steady advance was maintained for some time, till more than £100 was raised within the year; and this, I cannot but think, was very largely due, not simply to the new interest called forth by his going out, but also to the inspiring example of his well-done work at home.

"In October, 1882, a paragraph appeared in the MISSIONARY HERALD stating that a school teacher was required for Victoria and Cameroons. Mr. Silvey's attention was drawn to this by his sister Cassie, who herself, brave girl! is now in Africa hard by the cannibal's fire. The Lord comfort her in her sorrow! The Lord bless her and keep her! He thought about it for a week or two, and then, moved by that hearty sympathy which, in regard to missionary matters, had so long existed between us, came to confer with me. I am sure you will not misunderstand me if I say that in my surprise, and considering the gravity of the step, I treated the matter with some reserve, and gave him no encouragement till I saw on what good and firm grounds his desire to offer himself reposed, and how strong that desire had become. Without entering into detail let me say in a word or two that after repeated conversations, of which at first only his sister had any knowledge—for he would not distress his parents with it till the thing was practically settled—he came in a while calmly and solemnly to the decision that if he might be accepted for it, he would give his life to missionary work. Very vividly do I remember the form the question assumed at last, and how in my study we agreed together that if a man might be given it to do, a short life, such as life in Africa almost inevitably must be, a very short life if it should be so, spent



there in work for the Saviour would be infinitely preferable to the most successful and prosperous course in any such secular employment in England, as that in which with brightening prospects he was then engaged.

"You know how, on his offering himself through you to the Committee, his proved abilities and acquirements as teacher in a Manchester Board School, with the unreserved recommendations of his pastor (Mr. Turner) and other friends, led to his being at once accepted to accompany Mr. Thomson, who was at that time in England, on his return to Victoria. They sailed from Liverpool on February 7th, 1883, and had so rough a passage in parts that the captain said that, though this was his sixty-third voyage, he had never met such weather in all his experience. Our friend went out in the spirit I have just referred to; for when, as he took leave of her, his mother gave troubled utterance to her not unnatural fears for him, he answered in words she treasures now: 'Well, mother; if I never come back, you can always think that I finished the work that God sent me to do.'

"Of his course at Victoria and Cameroons, as I understand what you wish me to do, it does not come in my way to speak; but I am sure I may say how great a pleasure it was to us all to find that he did his work so well; and especially that, in the trying time when Hickory and Bell towns were destroyed in the process of annexation by the Germans, he acted, in conjunction with his colleague, in these suddenly produced conditions of most unusual and great difficulty; as the Committee unanimously judged, and caused to be recorded, 'with rare discretion and prudence.'

"Immediately after these events the state of Mr. Silvey's health, which was greatly impaired by repeated attacks of fever, rendered a change imperative, and he returned to England, to be accepted after a time for service on the Congo. At this juncture the question was raised whether before a second time going out into the field he should seek fuller equipment by means of a short course at college. As you well remember, on the ground of the age he had reached, of the acquirements he already possessed, and the educating experience he had gained at Cameroons, this was settled in the negative. Rightly so, undoubtedly; for he was already fully furnished for one kind of missionary work, the very kind for which at the time the field was loudly crying out; while it is very questionable whether, all things being considered, he could have been more than scantily furnished for that particular kind of work for which a college course, or its equivalent, is indispensable. That he had no little success in his subsequent career all who have read the HERALD know; and we know, in this household, by letters received direct from him, with what earnest and continued prayerfulness he undertook at San Salvador that special effort to bring to decision those who by much previous instruction from dear Comber and others had become inclined towards the Saviour, which by the blessing of God so abundantly prospered; and most delightful are the latest tidings, that the boys most closely associated with him, like almost all the lads in his class in our Sunday-school, as he so joyfully wrote to you, 'have all given their hearts to Jesus.'

"And, now, before I close this letter, you will wish me in a sentence or two to give you my impressions of our brother's personal qualities, to indicate the kind of man which he appeared to me to be, if not the sort of missionary he

was adapted to become. In the first place, then, there was about him a kind of bluff simplicity, which to those who knew him well had no little attractiveness. He had, indeed, a child-like spirit, he loved children, and was loved by them. Alike in the day-school and Sunday-school at home, and, as many little things in his letters show, no less in Africa, both at Cameroons and different stations on the Congo, he won their confidence and affection. And no wonder, for he joined with all his heart both in their lessons and their play. To see him with them in their frolics was to see him a very child and beautiful; become such by his love for them. There was with this a certain brusqueness of manner which rendered him liable on first acquaintance to be a little misunderstood. If this were a defect, however, it was only on the surface of his nature, and probably was only the raw edge of that sterling truthfulness and integrity which by the common testimony of all who knew him intimately were the warp and woof of his character. On this point his father writes: 'He was one of the most conscientious persons I ever met; he would not in the least thing deviate from the truth, no matter what benefit it would give him;' and once when some reference was made to his letters, he replied with somewhat blunt but very characteristic phrase: 'I will never write anything home that I cannot stand by.' He had in him none of that romance which some people seem to think inseparable from a missionary; nor could he express himself, however deeply he felt, as some men can too easily. That he did feel very deeply the great realities of his work there is abundant evidence; and you, at any rate, who know what that work was, and the conditions under which it was done, will not think the less of him that, without saying much about his feelings, he kept quietly and firmly on at the things which his hand found to do. *He* was no cheap sentimentalist, frothing over with 'Oh's' and 'Ah's;' he was neither a talker nor a dreamer, nor on the other hand a seer, but emphatically a worker. He was a good and loving son—may I be permitted to say?—thoughtful for his parents, and helpful to them, as also to his brothers and sisters, with a kindness and delicacy I have only fully come to know since we learnt that we had lost him.

"I have tried to compress what I have written, or how much more might have been said! Let me add a closing word. I have been reading many of his letters, and have been much impressed with this, that those received from the Congo compared with those from the Cameroons reveal how our dear brother was growing and developing. He was evidently making, and had he been spared would have made, after his kind, a most valuable missionary. One little thing I have just come across touches me very tenderly. In the autumn of last year I received a letter from him, from Lukungu, across which was written as a postscript, 'August 3rd, Whitley died here this morning.' The day before, with the shadow of this impending, he had written: '*How sad for his poor father and mother, who are expecting him home by the steamer that carries this letter!*' And the other day this was the sad lot of his own father and mother. And sad indeed it is! But not wholly sad. They are sustained by the sympathy of friends, and by 'the everlasting arms.' They know that their beloved son has not laid down his life in vain, that he knew both the calm joy of sowing and the high rapture of reaping, and that now he rests from his labours and his works do follow him.

"And it is sad for you, my dear friend. I know how you feel these repeated losses. But we must not despair, we must not doubt. You are doing right, you are doing well. Many a young man besides our brother has gone forth from this city into the deadly climates of the earth, and so long as it has been for trade and commerce, so long as it has been likely to pay, no one has said a word against it, though many of them have gone—as my wife's brother, did to this very Africa—never to return. And are men who approve of such things to have 'indignation,' and speak of 'waste,' when a man lays down his life not in striving to enrich himself, but in seeking to save others? It may be so, but there is a juster and higher Judge who will call it 'a good—a beautiful—deed.' The life men spend for themselves is wasted, the life sacrificed to Christ is saved and immortalised. Nothing is wasted that is given to Him, and nothing is too precious to give Him, for 'He loved us, and gave Himself for us.'

"I am, my dear friend, sincerely yours,

"T. H. HOLYOAK.

"Manchester, 27, Greame Street, Alexandra Park,

"June 18th, 1889."

#### A LETTER FROM THE REV. JAS. A. CLARK.

MR. JAS. A. CLARK, late of Folkestone, writing from Stanley Pool under date of March 25th, reports:—

"My long land journey is now over, and I seem to have come very nearly to my destination, for although there are some three hundred miles between here and Lukolela, that does not seem far since the *Peace* travels that distance in about a week. You will remember that when I wrote last, Mr. Roger and I were just about to start for up country. We left Underhill on the 4th of the present month, and had a pleasant journey to Wathen, which we reached on the 14th, and where we were cordially welcomed by brethren Bentley and Oram, whom we were glad to find well. As had been arranged, brother Roger remained there, and I came on after spending a few days with them. These days included a Sunday, on the morning of which I went with two of the other brethren to a neighbouring village, where we had a good service. Another village was visited in the afternoon. In the evening we had the privilege of sitting down together at the Lord's Table, the fact of a church having been so recently formed there giving the service additional interest.

"Next day I resumed my journey, and had a very enjoyable march, arriving here on Friday afternoon. I need scarcely say I received a right hearty welcome from all. Mr. Silvey is recovering from a very obstinate fever. He hopes to start on his way home on Tuesday, and will probably travel down river in the company of Mr. Greshoff, of the Dutch House. His departure will involve my staying here for a time with Mr. Brown, instead of proceeding up river to Lukolela at once to set Mr. Harrison free for the *Peace*, as was intended. But as one man must not be left alone, it will be necessary for me to stay till reinforcements come out.

"Yesterday I had the great privilege of witnessing the baptism of two boys—Simbi and Mwema—who have been under Mr. Silvey's instruction. The service,

which was held about eight o'clock in the morning, was very impressive. Besides all the children, most of the men employed on the station were present. Mr. Brown, who conducted the service, explained the meaning of the ceremony; and after a hymn and prayer, the candidates followed him into the water, and, in obedience to the Lord's command, were immersed in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. All our hearts were filled with gladness, and we gave praise unto Him who, we believe, has called these two dear lads into His Kingdom. Our only regret was that Mr. Silvey, through whose instrumentality they have been led to decide for Christ, was not well enough to be present with us at the water's side. In the afternoon, however, he was able to meet them and us around the Table of the Lord, where we spent a very hallowed season, specially commending to our Heavenly Father those who had so recently put on Christ in baptism.

"You have probably heard from Mr. Grenfell, Miss Butcher, or Miss Silvey about the five so recently baptized at Bolobo. It must be as much a joy to you and all the friends of the Mission at home as to us here to know that the Lord is thus blessing the work all along the line. Surely these are the droppings of the shower which He is about to pour upon us soon."

### Tipo Tib.

**T**HE Rev. George Grenfell, by the last Congo Mail, sent home a photograph of the notorious Arab chief, Tipo Tib, taken recently at Stanley Falls, Central Africa, by a French officer who was travelling



TIPO TIB.—(From a Photograph.)

across Africa. We have had it engraved, as we are sure our friends will like to see it.

## Sunday Morning Breakfast Table Collections.

**W**E have received the following letter from Mr. Benjamin Watkins, of Sideup, and ask for it the practical consideration of our readers:—

“DEAR SIR,—You kindly inserted in the June number of the *HERALD* a memorandum from me on the use of the collecting boxes at the Sunday morning breakfast table as a means of augmenting the funds of the Baptist Missionary Society, and in a later number the use of boxes on the Lord's-day morning was embodied in the general scheme for increasing the Society's income. I do not know to what extent this plan has been adopted, but as the financial year is commencing, it presents a fitting occasion for again referring to it; and as the question of money is still to the front, it is most desirable that every legitimate means should be used in order that the Society may be in a position to meet the ever multiplying calls that will in the future be made upon it in extending the sphere for that 'government,' the 'increase of which there shall be no end,' and that 'kingdom' which is to 'stand for ever.'

“The plan now advocated is within the reach of all, and I would most urgently plead that every family in connection with the Church of Christ, and into whose circle this appeal may come, would at once, with the commencement of the financial year, start a Sunday morning collecting box.

“A few weeks ago, while spending the Lord's-day at a friend's house, I was much pleased to see on the breakfast table three collecting boxes. There was no need to invite contributions; the boxes uttered by their silent appeal the cry, 'Come over and help us,' of the armies of workers thus represented. In this way would help and prayer be called forth week by week, and sympathy created with the work which is the Church's great legacy.

“There is one thing in this method of collecting that commends it—viz., its continuity. Most gifts are yearly. The subscription, the meeting and sermon with their collections, and the interest thus elicited is apt to pass away, and for this reason the box will be most helpful, especially to the younger members of the family. It is apparent to all that the Church must in the future largely increase its gifts, in order that the enterprise it has embarked in may be prosecuted with the zeal which the work should inspire. It has received opportunities (open doors), consecrated lives, much learning and prodigious wealth, but it has not given as freely as it has received. It was stated in a short notice of mission work in a daily paper, the authority being quoted, that one shilling per head of membership represented the sum raised annually for foreign missions. On the table, as I write, there are year-books of three churches, and the amounts raised during the year for foreign missions are as follows (the total of the income for the Church's work from all sources is given for comparison):—The first contributes £25 out of £737; the second, £13 out of £499; and the third, raising £440, gives £30. These figures do not indicate an enthusiasm proportionate to the magnitude of the work, nor to its glorious issue, 'the earth filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord.'

“I am very strongly impressed with the fact that foreign mission work is the

Church's great business to-day. England has the Gospel; the Bible and the knowledge of the way of salvation are within the reach of all; but it is not so with our brothers in humanity in heathen lands. They have not the means of knowing Jesus Christ, and but few are sent to tell them, and the Church is withholding from them the bread of life for which they are perishing.

"And may not the want of success attending the preaching of the Gospel at home, so often complained of, be in great measure accounted for by the comparative indifference of the Church, as indicated by its gifts, to the great commission—'Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations' (R.V.), or, as it stands in St. Mark's Gospel, 'Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to the whole creation,' agencies being indefinitely multiplied at home, whilst the world (the field) in many parts has not yet been entered; and the prophetic utterance is true—'Ye have sown much, but bring in little.' And why? Because of 'Mine house that is waste.' For is not the Church, of which it is predicted that 'all nations shall flow unto it,' and into which, with its head, it is God's purpose to 'gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth,' the true house of God? The emphatic word of Jesus Christ Himself and of John the disciple, 'whom Jesus loved,' is the world; for whilst historically the disciples are designated a 'little flock,' yet our Lord said, 'It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom'; and we read, 'The kingdom and dominion and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High.' It is the 'sin of the world' 'He beareth away'; 'He is the light of the world'; 'God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life'; 'God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved'; 'And the bread which I will give is My flesh, which I will give for the life of the world'; 'He is the propitiation for the sins of the world.' There have been revivals and times of expansion, but nothing will satisfy Divine love but the restitution of all things, and the Gospel is the only weapon in the Church's hands which the Lord the Spirit can use for its accomplishment; and it is as the Church is in sympathy with its Lord and Head, embracing in the arms of its faith the whole world, and gives in the same spirit of liberality for foreign as for home work, and in the proportion that the whole bears to its parts, and instead of spending its greater energy on a small portion of the field, brings within its loving ministries the entire world, that we may expect 'God to open the windows of heaven, and pour out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.' For the most of us giving is all we can do; it is the one talent which all possess—'the two mites' which make a farthing count. Let the Church show its zeal by its gifts of money, hard-earned, carefully invested, and rightly prized, carrying with it social position and influence, remembering it is written, 'The silver is mine and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts.' And in writing thus, the princely gifts which adorn the Church are not overlooked, but it is the co-operation of all which is pleaded for, and those gifts which the box is so well fitted to gather up.

"The missionary box may be compared to the pipes in the inimitable picture of the lamp and the olive trees of the Prophet Zechariah. There must be a channel to convey the grace, and the result is assured, for there are 'those seven.'

Zerubbabel, with the plummet, seemed contemptible in the eyes of the adversaries; the day of small things may not be despised. The Temple was built; appropriate means were employed; in like manner the spiritual temple shall be raised, though the work of evangelising the world may call forth the exclamation, 'O great mountain, yet thou shalt become a plain.' Let the collecting box do its part, and 'He shall bring forth the headstone with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace, unto it.'—I am, yours truly,

"A. H. Baynes, Esq."

"BENJ. WATKINS.

## Francis Steane, of the Congo.

**F**RANCIS STEANE, of the Congo Mission steamer *Peace*, has been under the teaching of the Rev. George Grenfell, at Stanley Pool, on board the steamship *Peace*.



FRANCIS STEANE.  
(From a Photograph by  
Mr. Grenfell.)

Mr. Grenfell, in a letter to John Player, Esq., of Birmingham, sends a photograph of Francis Steane, which, by the kindness of Mr. Player, we have had engraved for the MISSIONARY HERALD.

Mr. Grenfell writes:—

"The enclosed photograph of Francis Steane will, I think, help to make our coming engineer more of a reality to you. He came first under my care more than ten years ago at Victoria, and would have followed me to Congo but that his mother was afraid to let her little lad 'go amongst cannibals.' Then Francis Steane passed under the care of our Rev. J. J. Fuller at Cameroons, made good progress at school, and became a most thoroughly sincere and earnest Christian.

"When I came down the coast in 1887 he joined me, and came on to the Congo to learn what we could teach him of steamboat engineering. He has just had a spell at boiler rivetting, and has to-day (January 24th, 1889) just finished the one hundred rivets and the chopping and caulking needed to complete the boilers.

"Francis has done his work well, and promises to be a most useful man."



## Missionary Notes from India.

### SERAMPORE.

THE Rev. T. R. Edwards writes :—

“The chief item of news we have to send you from Serampore is with regard to our visit to the mela at Tarokeshor. It was held from the 6th to the 14th inst. There were many thousands of pilgrims present, and the usual scenes we witnessed on former occasions were repeated this year.

“At no other place have I seen so much infatuation. One of the debasing rites these deluded creatures delight in performing is to bathe in a tank about a quarter of a mile from the temple, and then from the water’s edge measure the road to the temple with their bodies. But some make their weary way in this manner from much longer distances, and long before they arrive there, they are almost too fatigued to lift themselves.

“We heard of one woman who commenced this pilgrimage from Bali, about fifty miles from Tarokeshor. Whether she ever reached the place or not we do not know, but by the time she reached Serampore she was so ill and weak that she could hardly proceed. Another, a man, we saw in the streets here in the same plight who had come some unknown distance. How these two could ever reach Tarokeshor we cannot conceive. The Brahmins of this country are cruel and inhuman to allow this state of things to continue. Why does not the enlightened Hindu community protest against such outrageous practices ?

“Then another inconceivable thing to me is how thousands of people can flock to what they consider a holy place which is owned and presided over by a man who is known to be immoral and wicked. Once he was transported, and since his return also he was suspected of having committed great crimes. The people know all about this, and have immortalised his misdeeds in popular songs which they sing on these occasions. They also have pictures of him for sale representing him in the very act of committing the crime for which he was transported, and also at work as a convict. And yet, notwithstanding these facts, thousands and tens of thousands of natives flock to the temple presided over by him, and consider it an act of great merit to make presents to the stone idol through him and receive his blessing ! What a painfully convincing proof this is that religion in this country is utterly divorced from morality and righteousness !

“A very popular belief with regard to this stone god is that it has power to heal all manner of *internal* sicknesses and diseases. I have advisedly put in the word ‘internal,’ because the people say that it is beneath the god to cure any visible disease or heal any broken member.

“Many instances were related to me of some supposed internal complaints having been cured, but not one in which visible diseases had been healed ; and when I remarked that a few instances of the latter would prove that the god had power to perform the former, I was told that to cure a broken member or heal a wound were beneath the notice of the god. In regard to the cases of healing reported, it goes without saying that, if genuine, they must have other causes than the blessing of this mohunt or the influence of the god. I have no doubt the change of air, strict fasting, rest from labour, have done many good.

And it is possible that the strong faith of others acts beneficially upon them irrespective of the supposed benign influence of the god. But of course this stone gets all the credit of cases of healing so brought about, and it is almost impossible to persuade the people to the contrary.

"During the whole of the time preaching was carried on. At times, lewd fellows of the baser sort gave us much annoyance by standing in front of us and drowning our voices with roars of noise, also dancing wildly and waving branches in the air. But numbers of the simple country people heard us gladly."

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#### BARISAL.

The Rev. John G. Kerry reports :—

"I am glad to report the taking of a suitable piece of land at Perozepur, nicely situated for mission work. This business occasioned a good deal of running backwards and forwards. I was fortunate, however, in having a Bengali house, in which to stay while negotiations were proceeding.

"After three weeks of much anxiety and trouble the business was accomplished, and on the 18th instant the moneys were paid and the papers registered.

"During the past month our hall work has been going on very encouragingly. Very fair audiences have gathered to listen. For three evenings a band of Christian singers from Khoolna rendered us much assistance in the choral portion of our service. Great crowds gathered to hear, and many a good opportunity was given for speaking of the great love of our Heavenly Father as shown in Jesus Christ.

"On Saturday we were visited by a very severe storm. The smaller mission house seems to have been in the centre of it, for we alone have suffered. The west and portions of the north and south verandah roofs have been carried away, and two bath rooms—mat walls—situated in the north verandah are a total wreck.

"Our native brethren have been suffering from sickness and fever. At one time every house in the larger parah had some of its occupants down with fever of malarial or typhoid type. We are thankful to say that most of the cases have recovered ; but two of our brethren have to mourn the loss of their wives. On the 6th instant Pryokumar's wife passed away, and now to-day we have had to place the remains of the wife of our aged brother John Sarkar in their last resting-place. The saddest part of this last sorrow is that John is away from home, and has no knowledge as yet of his loss. May I ask your prayers for him that he may be sustained under his great affliction ?"

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#### BANKIPORE.

The Rev. John Stubbs writes :—

"Just before the 'Holi' this last month we had 153 in attendance at our Sunday-school, the highest number we have yet recorded. Would that all might be enclosed in the Gospel net, as the same number of fishes were taken in Peter's net when the Lord helped him ! This is what we want, more of the power of the arm of the Lord. We know He could just as easily draw to

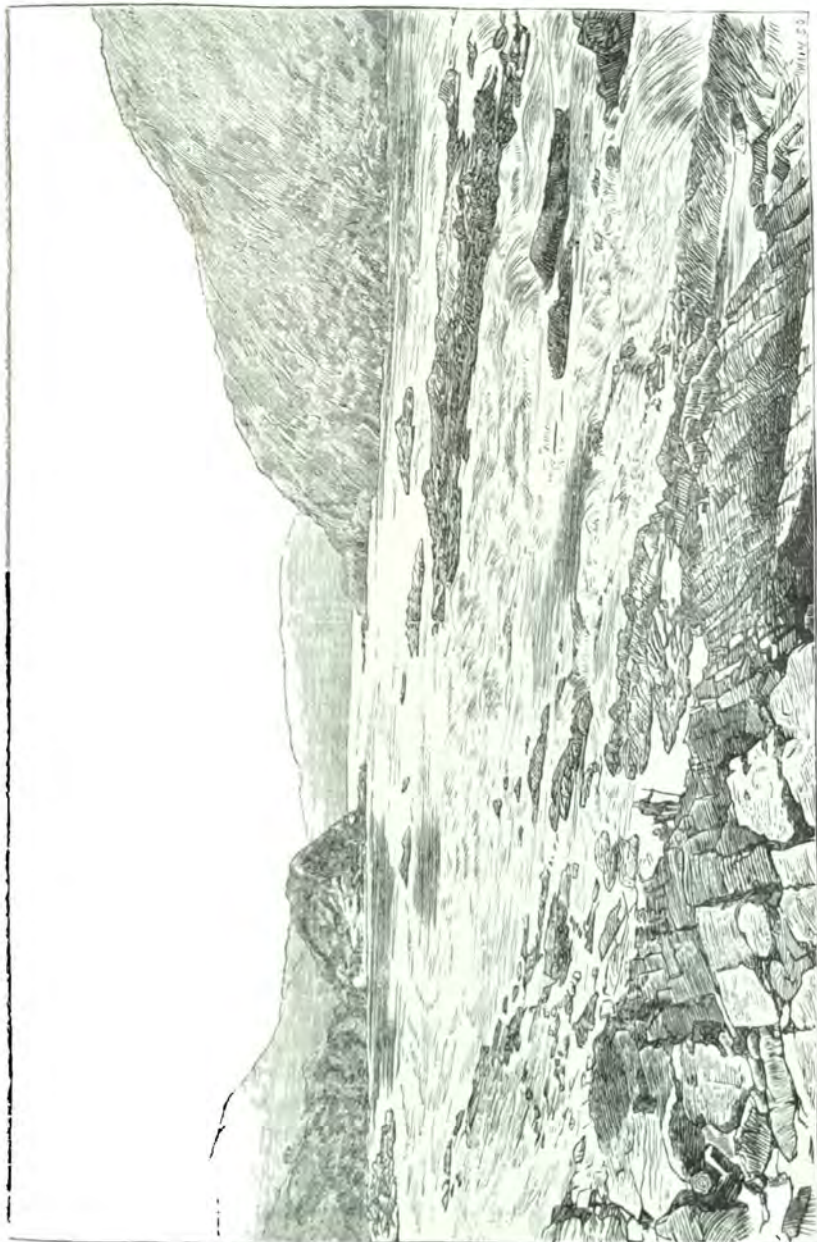
Himself this number of children as cause that number of fishes to be drawn to land. Oh, why does He not? Often we say, 'We have toiled a long time and taken nothing;' for, though many are outwardly greatly changed, we are not sure of one soul being truly converted. How our hearts long for this I cannot express. We find that immersion is a cross here as well as in England. A superior old woman, an ayah, used to attend our Sunday afternoon service very regularly. She had been, so she said, a Christian for many years. One afternoon my wife spoke to her very plainly on the privilege and duty of confessing her faith, and, as she did not seem to think it very important, gave her a gospel and marked the commands of Jesus on confession for her to read. But alas! she gave up coming to the service instead of joining us. She lives with people who attend the 'Church,' and, I expect, feared to offend them. I can readily understand how the Salvation Army missionaries, ignoring baptism and the Lord's Supper, find it very easy to swell their numbers. But 'Ye must be born again,' and 'He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved,' are abiding truths, the same in all places. And obedience to them is the result of the work of the Holy Spirit. Without His quickening power there can only be wood, hay, stubble, but with it I believe it matters little whether the preacher be married or unmarried, half naked or properly dressed, living in a good house or in a mud hut. The excellency of the power must be of God, and in the light of recent criticisms it is comforting to remember that He has often shown His power in greatly blessing the work of those who have lived simple consecrated lives, and never followed the wild extremes of Jesuits or Christian faqirs.

"For the information of brethren who have had fellowship in prayer in the furtherance of the Gospel in this district, I may mention that as long as the weather was cold enough I kept up the village work. On Monday last I began the city work again, and was followed home by two young Mohammedans, one of whom says he wishes to be a Christian. He met me with the remark, 'I wish you to convert me to Christianity.' As this work, Mr. Caine's letter notwithstanding, is beyond my power, I could only tell him of the truth that saves. He is coming again to hear more, and, as he seems earnest beyond many I have met with, I shall be grateful for prayer on his behalf. I have been greatly delighted with the number of gospels sold after preaching. Our sales in every place are greater than in the same places last year."

## The Yelala Cataracts, Congo River.

THE readers of the MISSIONARY HERALD will remember that these cataracts are the first of a series of some thirty-two, which render navigation between Underhill and Stanley Pool an utter impossibility. The photograph from which the illustration was copied was taken at low water; but when the river is high, and the water rushes with terrific fury through some of the narrow gorges, the scene is much wilder, and nothing but being there oneself, hearing the roar and seeing the rush of the waters, can give any true idea of its grandeur.

PERCY COMBER.



THE YELALA CATABACTS, CONGO RIVER.—(From a Pho'tograph.)



## Evangelistic Work in the Agra District.

THE Rev. Daniel Jones writes from Agra as follows:—

“Agra, March 11th, 1889.

“MY DEAR MR. BAYNES,—The hot weather is just now making itself felt. How we, who have to *exist* through months of it, wish that some good people who come here during the lovely cold weather would continue with us for just six or seven months longer. What a different tale they would have to tell! Well, we praise God for health and strength and a heart to work. A very thorough work has been done in our district this last cold season; between 250 and 300 villages have been visited, and Christ has been lifted up before the people. Many of these villages have been visited this season again and again upon a systematic plan. I only came in last Friday evening, and my experience, and that of my brethren, has been of large audiences night after night to listen to what we had to say. We have found the magic-lantern a great help.

### “GOOD SEASONS.

“I have been now ten years in Agra, but never have I known such a season of blessed seed-sowing as we have had since last September. We have been to some villages where the people had no knowledge of any preacher of the Gospel having been before. I thank God and take courage at the remembrance of the *many* tokens we have had that the name and work of Christ is so widely known in our district. Many and many times were we cheered at hearing the children sing the hymns we had sung to them and taught them during previous visits. Brethren, I beseech you do not forget that it is not by might nor by

power (nor by even new plans and methods), but by My Spirit, saith the Lord, that the work of conversion is to be accomplished. No one at home can long and desire for this more than we, who live and labour for it in the midst of much trial and such a want of sympathy on the part of the natives themselves. Pray for us that our heart fail us not. Prayer for the power, the sin-convicting power, of the Holy Spirit of God to come down upon this people is what we urge upon you.

### “BISANIA.

“We had such a happy time at Bisania some time ago in planting a small church there. Hari Ram and his family now live here. Some years ago this good brother came out for Christ, and suffered much for Christ. He was the means of leading several to the Saviour whose names never appeared on any church roll. One bright convert, who was baptized in 1880, died triumphantly some time ago. After patient waiting and prayer the wife and two grown-up sons, both of whom give promise of being very good preachers, were baptized. In July last a thakeer, one of the leading men of the village at one time, was baptized, and is now suffering for his profession of faith. His wife and three sons are not content to cast in their lot with him. Here is a subject for prayer for friends at home—wife, aunt, and three sons—that they may all be saved.

“A few weeks ago my wife and little ones, and Miss Thomas, of the Zenana Mission, and myself, all went out to this village.

## "MISSIONARIES' WIVES.

"The ladies did a good work among their poor benighted sisters. And I just mention it here, lest it might be forgotten, that the missionary's wife is not seldom the better missionary of the two. The wives of missionaries are not a hindrance, but a blessed help to all real missionary work in India. The day is coming when this will be more and more recognised. And the dear children did a share of the work: they helped to win over the children of the village. Never had the poor women seen any English women or English children. Then one afternoon, as the sun was about to set, we have such a delightful sight. We had not one thousand to baptize, but there was one—a Brahman—and the dear old man Hai Ram baptized him, and men, women, and children, in goodly numbers, had come to witness the ceremony. And we had such a nice time of preaching Christ to them all. It was worth coming all the way to India to see that sight, and to hear Ghan Sham testify, before them all, that Jesus had given His life for him—now he gave his life to Jesus. This dear brother will become a good worker in the Lord's vineyard,

I believe. He is a very good singer, and already, in this way, works for Christ. He is suffering just now. His father and mother came over and abused our brother Hari Ram very much, but at length the father cooled down, and he has by this time stood up for his son, who is about forty years of age, but the mother and two brothers, the wife and children, are opposed to him, and they have turned him out. Jesus has heard that they turned him out. We know this, and we wish the friends who put these matters down in their books of remembrance to remember the family of Ghan Sham, that they may pray for them *all* to be saved.

## "DEAR FRIENDS AT HOME,

"According to your faith shall it be unto you.' Do not leave us to do it all. Have a share in this enterprise. We shall again and again present Christ. See to it, brethren, that you wait upon God for the Holy Spirit's quickening power. Then, and not till then, can we report to you that they have been converted.

"DANIEL JONES.

"A. H. Baynes, Esq."

## The late Mr. Samuel Silvey and his Three Congo Boys.

THE last letter written by the late Mr. Silvey to Mr. Baynes is as follows:—

"Arthington Station,

"Stanley Pool,

"March 25th, 1889.

"MY DEAR MR. BAYNES,—I am sure you will rejoice with me that God has given me the desire of my heart. My three personal boys, Simbi, Mwema, and Ntoni, have all truly

given their hearts to Jesus. Two of them, Simbi and Nwema, were baptized here yesterday by Mr. Brown. I was too unwell to do it myself, but was able to be present at the Communion service in the afternoon.

"Simbi is from the Madimba district, near San Salvador. He was one



of twins, but the brother, who was born at the same time, died. A witch palaver was held, and the nganga ngombo decided Simbi was the witch. He had caused his brother's death. The matter was allowed to lie over until Simbi was five years of age. A great palaver was called, and the people wished to put Simbi to death. His chief did not wish to lose the boy, and so paid a large sum as a ransom. Simbi became impressed during the San Salvador meetings. He has a

Christian life since leaves no room to doubt. He had a bad leg recently, and went to Dr. Sim's hospital at Kintamo. A few days afterwards I saw the doctor, and told him we were sorry to give him the trouble of looking after Nwema. 'Why,' he said, 'I am glad to have him; he is an influence for good among my boys; he is always speaking to one or another of them. On Sunday evening I asked him to speak to the boys after prayers; he stood up and gave a splendid



MR. SILVEY'S THREE CONGO BOYS.—(From a Photograph.)

very bad temper, and when it has hold of him, he used to lose control of himself. This has caused him to fall several times. For the last year, with the help of God, he has been able to keep it under control. We believe he has had a change of heart, and is truly following Jesus. Mr. Grenfell, Mr. Brown, Mr. Billington, and myself are satisfied as to his conversion.

"Mwema is also from San Salvador, and has been with me full three years. His heart was touched at the San Salvador meetings, and his consistent

testimony. I, have not a shadow of doubt Mwema is savingly converted.'

"Ntoni is at present visiting his home at San Salvador, and could not be baptized yesterday. He will be baptized as soon as convenient. Ntoni is a bright little fellow. Everybody loves Ntoni, and if I wished to part with him there would be no difficulty in finding someone to take him. Ntoni has been impressed for some time, and hung back a little; but I urged him to settle the matter once

for all, and I believe he has now given his heart to Jesus. When travelling on the road in the quiet of the night, I have seen Ntoni creep into a corner of the tent to pray. I asked Mr. Billington to talk with Ntoni. He, Mr. Billington, told me he was very pleased with Ntoni's answers; but he says, 'A little incident came under my notice the other day that speaks to me louder than words. Bafuka, my boy, was quarrelling with one of the Bateke boys in the boys' house. Ntoni tried to stop them, but the boys were too angry to listen. Ntoni took them both by the arms, and said, "Let us pray about it;" and down on the floor all the boys knelt, while Ntoni asked God to take away the angry spirit. There was no more quarrelling that day.' Nobody saw this, and Mr. Billington would never

have known about it if his own boy had not told him.

"These boys are boys of many prayers and much personal effort. God has promised we shall reap if we faint not. To Him be all the honour and glory.

"You will be sorry to hear that I have had continued fever for the last twenty-one days. I am a little better to-day, and hope to start to-morrow on my way down country.

"With kindest regards,

"I remain,

"Yours sincerely,

"S. SILVEY.

"A. H. Baynes, Esq.

"P.S.—In the photo enclosed Simbi is in the centre of the picture, Mwema to the right, and Ntoni to the left, as you look at the picture."

## Death of an Agra Native Christian.

ON Sunday morning, February 3rd, one of the pillars of our native church at Agra was removed by death. The good woman, Mrs. Harris by name, was truly a "mother in Israel." Such was the respect in which she was held, that at her funeral eighteen carriages were required to convey her friends and relatives to the cemetery. Her eldest son, sixty-six years of age, was among those who followed. Many of her grandchildren were also there. God has honoured greatly one who honoured Him. Many of her family have held, or are holding, good positions under Government. And better still, most of them, we trust, are disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ. The old lady, who, herself, spoke only in Hindustani, was never forgotten by her children, who had risen to good social positions. And though the claims of business led them to reside far away from the old home, their visits to it were very frequent, and their devotion to their old mother most Christ-like. Mrs. Harris had been ten years a widow at the time of her death. Her husband had been a devoted preacher of the Gospel in Agra. Both in her home and in the church of God this good woman was found faithful. At the native church she occupied a chair near the pulpit, and even then could only hear with the aid of an ear trumpet, yet she was constant in her attendance at the house of God. Now that she has gone from us, we can say as Jonathan said of David, "Thou shalt be missed, because thy seat shall be empty." To all our native Christians Mrs. Harris was a bright example. She was emphatically a woman of prayer, and we know not how much we owe to her earnest pleadings for the purity of the church and the spread of the Gospel. No member of the

church was more liberal in giving to its support. If sickness detained this good woman for several weeks from coming to the Lord's house, the money usually given on the first day of the week was carefully laid by to be presented at the first opportunity. During her last long and painful illness, Mrs. Harris exhibited great patience. In all things she desired conformity to the Lord's will. It was ever a means of grace to visit this Christian woman in her time of sickness. At times her pain was intense, yet she never murmured. Thinking that she might have displeased the Lord by wishing to die in her own house and among her friends, she asked to be removed to another, and that in everything His will might be done. Desiring to have a conscience void of offence, we felt that she often judged herself more hardly than her Lord would do. She longed to depart and be with Christ, which is far better, and at last the call came, and she was at rest. I have written somewhat fully of the life of this our dear sister in Christ because it is an example of what the grace of God can do for a native of this land. We are often asked what has been the result of seventy years of mission work in Agra. We are ourselves, also, often tempted to say we have spent our strength for nought. Yet surely the work has not been in vain, even though this was the only convert of the Mission.

Agra, N.W.P.

"JAMES G. POTTER."



THE LATE REV. C. S. AND MRS. HOBSON.—(From a Photograph.)

### A Very Sad Story from Ruatan.

THE following sad tidings have just reached us from the Rev. E. J. Hewett, the Secretary of the Jamaica Baptist Missionary Society.

We give Mr. Hewett's letter in full, and we also have had engraved the most recent photographs of both Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hobson, feeling sure they will have a special and painful interest.

Mr. Hewett writes:—

"Mount Carey, Anchovy P.O.,

"Jamaica, W.I.,

"April 30th, 1889.

"MY DEAR BROTHER,—I have to communicate to you one of the saddest events that has ever transpired in the history of our Mission—viz., the deliberate and coldblooded murder of our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hobson, together with a little girl residing with them, in the Island of Ruatan on the night of the 8th of March. The diabolical deed was perpetrated by a man named Burrell, a discharged soldier from Belise and a native of Jamaica, who entered the house through a sash window at midnight.

"Mr. and Mrs. Hobson were leaving for Jamaica the next day, and this man Burrell had assisted them in the packing of their boxes. He professed great friendship for them, and took tea with them on the Thursday night, and on the Friday night the awful deed was done. The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Hobson and the little girl were fearfully mutilated, their throats were cut from ear to ear, and Mr. Hobson's head was attached to his body only by the skin at the back of his neck. The murderer has confessed the deed and has been captured by the authorities.

"Mr. Hobson was a native of Jamaica, and was educated in our Calabar College, and has proved himself a devoted missionary and earnest Christian worker. Mrs. Hobson, also a native of Jamaica, was a person of singular force of character, and was a most earnest and energetic helper to her husband. We can bear the highest testimony to the Christian character and successful labours of our departed friends, who have met with such a tragic end. 'They now rest from their labours and their works do

follow them.' When on a visit to Belise, British Honduras, in the fall of last year, in company with the Rev. W. Williams, as a deputation from our Society, it was my pleasure and privilege to see Mr. and Mrs. Hobson, and they spoke so cheerfully and hopefully of their work. Little did we or they know that their end was so near at hand. We cannot understand why such a melancholy event has been permitted, but we are comforted with the fact that our Heavenly Father 'doeth all things well,' and that which seems so dark and mysterious now will be made plain hereafter. 'What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter.'

"We have not yet received full particulars of the case, but it is supposed that Burrell went with the purpose of robbing the house, as Mr. Hobson's watch and a sum of money have been found in his possession.

"We have sent letters of sympathy to the sorrow-stricken churches over which our brother presided, and have requested the Rev. Chas. Brown, our missionary in Belise, to go across to Ruatan in company with two of the officers of the Belise Church, and to furnish us with a full report of the sad circumstances as soon as possible.

"I need hardly ask for your prayers and the prayers of all God's people in these sad and depressing circumstances.

"Our God is still blessing the work of our Society, and in a mail or two I shall have pleasure in sending you one of our annual reports.

"With fraternal Christian greetings, I am, dear Mr. Baynes, yours sincerely,

"EDWARD JESSE HEWETT,

"Secretary J. L. M. Society.

"A. H. Baynes, Esq."

## The Pastorate of Havelock Baptist Chapel, Agra, India.

**T**HE Rev. Daniel Jones, of Agra, sends the following appeal for a pastor for the Havelock Baptist Church in Agra:—

“MY DEAR MR. BAYNES,—We fear that in enumerating so many qualifications as being desirable in the pastor for the above church, brethren at home have been hindered rather than helped. Permit me to say a few words to our brethren, through the HERALD, on this subject. First, we do not want an angel, or expect a perfect man.

“We ask for a single man, because we can at once guarantee the allowance of a single missionary. We should like a total abstainer, as there is much to be done among soldiers. There is really a good field for working for the Master in Agra. And we shall be prepared to help make any brother happy who may come among us as far as it lies in our power. I am sure the brethren, Wood and Jones, who were here were happy in their work among us, and can speak well of the co-operation of the missionaries. Any

brother coming out can make his home with us at the mission house for as long as he may see fit.

“A brother *may* not necessarily have had two or three years’ experience of a pastorate at home, and yet suit us admirably. We lay the matter before you again, and trust that it may be laid upon the heart of some good brother to come and labour for the Lord in this place, and if it can be arranged let him be sent out so as to reach Agra about the end of next October; it would be unwise to send him before that time now, considering the weather we are to experience. Praying for the blessing of the Master on you all,

“I am, yours sincerely,

“DANIEL JONES,

“Acting Pastor.

“A. H. Baynes, Esq.”

## Review.

THE DIVINE LEGATION OF PAUL THE APOSTLE. An Essay. By Edward B. Underhill, LL.D., Hon. Sec. of the Baptist Missionary Society. (Pp. 156.) London: Hodder & Stoughton. 1889.

It is not often that the MISSIONARY HERALD turns reviewer. Its business is to record facts connected with the work of the Spirit of God in our churches and among the heathen; not to review books or even to discuss theological truth. But rules have exceptions; and a notice of this volume will justify itself, and that in two ways. First of all, it is a history of the work and call of the greatest human missionary the Church has ever known; and the details are closely connected with our modern missionary life. And further, it throws light on present questions which trouble many Christian workers in nearly all lands, and shows how to deal with them. Paul’s life and experience and teaching are helpful for all who have to *spread* the Gospel, and no less helpful for those who have to *defend* it. They form at once a science of Divine

apologetics and a model of Christian work ; while both are so closely connected that each helps the conclusions and deepens the impressions of the other. " God revealed His Son in me," says Paul ; and so " Christ's love constrains me," and " We beseech men everywhere in Christ's stead—Be reconciled unto God." *How* he came to do it and *what* he sought to do are thus made manifest to all. The missionary and the Christian apologist may both learn lessons from his case ; while readers will contribute with a deeper conviction that it is to the spread of the truth of God—His saving truth—that these contributions are given.

The method of the volume is to examine and explain all that Paul tells us of his conversion and work ; how he was a " mad " persecutor and became a humble, loving convert ; what revelations he received ; what opposition he encountered ; how he affirmed and re-affirmed his Divine legation and claimed apostolic authority ; and how the Spirit attested his message and proved his claim by miracles and by the standing miracle—the renewal and holiness of those who believed. All this is shown, not from ecclesiastical history, or from traditions ; not from epistles of questioned genuineness or date ; but from what are admitted to be Paul's own writings. And unless he is a deceiver or beside himself, the conclusion cannot reasonably be questioned—that the Gospel he preaches is from God, and is to be believed. How all this is made clear must be gathered from the volume itself.

One practical lesson suggested by the essay is of great moment. If any Christian worker is troubled with doubts, and wishes to know what Scripture teaches on the Divine authority of the New Testament, unless on the meaning and extent of inspiration, let him examine all that Paul affirms on these questions—not that he might be above the other apostles, but that he might be *not a whit behind them*—and he will get clearer light. What prophets said of their messages, what our Lord said of His, and what Paul says of his—these are the standard passages which define what Divine authority is ; and if Christian workers need the same " accent of conviction " which distinguished these teachers and desire like results, they must, under Divine teaching, reach the same certainty, and then  *speak as they believe*.

It will be a pleasant thing to hear that this volume finds its way into the hands of Christian workers abroad and at home. Its spirit and teaching cannot fail to have blessed results.

J. A.

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## The Lord Loveth a Cheerful Giver.

WE are very grateful for the following welcome gifts:—viz., “A Friend, Witham,” for an old silver watch; “Two Friends, Wincanton,” for gold watch and bracelet, for China Famine Fund; Mrs. Wheeler, Westbury, per Rev. E. Johnson, for a small gold ring, for China Famine Fund; “A Friend,” for engagement ring of a sister now in glory, for Congo Mission; “A Friend,” for jewellery, “Of thine own have we given Thee,” with the earnest prayer that, the Lord of the harvest will send forth many more labourers into the Congo mission-field; “A Widow,” for an old silver coin, for the Congo Mission; “A Blind Soldier,” for a small fruit knife, for China Mission; “An Inmate of the Incurable Hospital,” for a small silver chain, for the Congo Mission; and “A, Governess,” for a silver bracelet.

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### Recent Intelligence.

MRS. W. HOLMAN BENTLEY writes from Funchal, Madeira, under date of 8th June:—“You will, I know, my dear Mr. Baynes, be glad to hear of the safe arrival here of Mrs. Moolenaar and myself on the way to the Congo. The voyage from Southampton has been a very favourable one. The boat rolled considerably, which caused me to suffer more from sea-sickness than I think I should otherwise have done, but the weather was all that one could wish for. We had a pleasant little gathering on Sunday evening round the piano to sing hymns. I only hope that our fellow-passengers on board the *Portugal* will be as courteous and polite as many of the second-class passengers were on the *Tartar*. The Sunday singing discovered to us two missionaries, Wesleyan, bound for Zululand, and there were about seven more good Christian brethren, with whom we had a few moments of pleasant conversation. I think we were mutual helps to each other, which certainly should be the case amongst the ‘called to be saints,’ children of one God and Father. We are enjoying our stay here at Madeira very much. Mr. and Mrs. Smart both do all they can to make it a pleasant visit. I am not sorry, though, that the *Portugal* is due to-morrow, for I much long for the end of the journey. I do not feel in my element here, with no special duties and no special work. In another three weeks’ time I hope to be able to write to you from Banana.”

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WE are thankful to report the safe arrival in England of Mrs. Daniel Jones and Miss Thomas, of Agra, both being in poor health, and much needing rest and change at home.



THE following have been appointed as delegates to represent the Missionary Society at the forthcoming International Sunday School Convention—viz., the Treasurer, W. R. Rickett, Esq.; Dr. Underhill; the Rev. Richard Glover; and the General Secretary, Mr. A. H. Baynes.

## Contributions

From March 13th to end of Financial Year, 1888-9.

When contributions are given for special objects, they are denoted as follows:—The letter *T* is placed before the sum when it is intended for *Translations*; *N P*, for *Native Preachers*; *W & O*, for *Widows and Orphans*.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.								
A. B.	1	0	Greet, Miss E.	0	10	M. S. H.	1	0
Acheraft, Miss	0	11	Grenfell, Miss M., for	1	0	Mostyn, Rev. J.	0	10
Aldridge, Mr. W. E.	1	1	<i>Congo</i>	1	0	Musto, Mr. F.	1	0
Angus, Mr. J. H.	0	10	Gurney, Mrs. H.	1	0	Norris, Mr. F. (St.	1	1
Arlom, Mr. J. H.	0	10	Haggis, Mr. A. H.	3	3	Briavels)	1	1
A Widow's Mite	2	2	Hazzledine, Mr.	1	1	Perry, Mrs. W. (Mar-	1	6
A Young Welshman	0	10	Hamer, Mr. J.	1	1	gate)	1	6
Rannister, Mr. H. C.	5	5	Hammond, Mr. N., and	1	15	Peto, Sir S. M. and Lady	25	0
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Baynes, Master N. H.	1	1	Henderson, Mr. H. W.	1	1	<i>Congo</i>	0	10
Baynes, Miss A. K.	1	1	Hepburn, Miss E.	1	1	Pltt, Mr. G.	5	0
Barratt, Mr. J.	0	10	Hill, Mrs. (Wandsworth)	1	1	Pole, Mrs. L. W.	1	1
Baas, Mr. W. K.	0	10	Hines & Waterman	1	1	Pontifax, Rev. W.	0	10
B. E., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10	Messrs.	1	1	Poole, Mr. Sidney F.	0	10
Beach, Mr. E. T.	3	3	Hirst, Mr. W.	5	0	Pottenger, Mrs.	5	0
Beaumont, Mrs. (Edin-	1	0	Holland, Mr. and Mrs.	2	2	Potter, Mr. and Mrs.	0	10
burgh)	1	0	F. W.	2	2	Pullar, Mr. Robert	25	0
Bell, Mrs. (Sunderland),	1	0	Howgate, Mr. J.	5	0	Rees, Mr. D., Llandeloy	15	0
for <i>Congo</i>	1	0	Hudson, Mr. H. (Upton-	1	1	Relf, Mr. W.	0	10
Benham, Mr. P.	1	0	on-Severn)	1	1	Rendle, Mr. H.	0	10
Benham, Mr. A. H.	0	10	H. W. M., In Abiding	1	1	Riley, Mr. W. (Wood	1	0
Bennett, Mrs. E.	1	1	Memory of late Rev.	15	0	Green)	1	0
Birrell, Mr. H. G.	2	2	C. M. Birrell	2	0	Roberts, Mr. R. J.	2	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	18	Ineary, Mrs. S.	2	0	Rowe, Rev. W. K.	0	10
Bishop, Mr. W.	5	0	In Memoriam, Rev. T.	2	2	Roberts, Mr. D.	0	10
Bowen, Mr. H.	3	3	Burditt	2	2	Do., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10
Burton, Mr. S. B.	100	0	I. G. and H. G.	2	2	Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	10
Brown, Mr. Timothy	1	1	Do., for <i>Congo</i>	2	0	Salter, Mrs.	10	0
Cadby, Mrs.	1	1	Do., for <i>China</i>	2	0	Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	10
Capern, Mr. H.	0	10	Jackson, Mr. H. W.	10	0	Salter, Misses	3	5
Carter, Mr. T. C.	1	1	(Manchester)	10	0	Scudamore, Rev. G.	2	2
Calder, Miss A.	1	0	Joyce, Mrs., for <i>Congo</i>	1	0	Scudamore, Mrs.	1	1
Chappell, Mr. J. (Hills-	0	10	Joplin, Mrs., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10	Self, Mr. W.	2	2
ley)	0	10	Karby, Miss	1	1	Shanks, Mr. Thomas	5	0
Clark, Miss M. A.	0	10	Do., for <i>Congo</i>	1	1	(Johnstone, N.B.)	5	0
Compston, the late	0	10	Kelly, Mr. F. (Mary-	1	1	Shorrock, Mr. E., for	1	0
Rev. J.	0	10	port)	1	1	<i>China</i>	1	0
Cope, Mrs.	1	1	Kentish, Mr. J.	5	5	Sheldon, Mr. J.	1	1
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	1	1	Kinglec, Mr. G.	10	10	Slack, Dr. and Mrs.	30	0
Cox, Mr. Thos. (Luton)	0	10	Killekman, Mr. R.	1	1	Small, Rev. G., M.A.	1	0
Crowe, Miss E.	1	0	Laurence, Mr. T. C. (the	1	1	S. S., for <i>Congo</i>	2	5
Cradington, Miss	1	1	late)	1	1	Smith, Miss M.	1	0
Davies, Mrs. (Bronyari)	2	0	Leonard, Mr. J. H.	5	0	Stanworth, Mr. W.	1	0
Davies, Mr. and Mrs. J.	0	10	Lewis, Rev. C. B.	5	5	Synlington, Mr. J.	2	0
M.	0	10	Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. T.	3	3	Swan, Mr. W.	0	10
Edwards, Mr. C.	3	3	Lowe, Mr. Senr.	1	0	Tawell, Misses	1	0
E. G. (Hertfordshire)	5	0	Lowe, Mr. F. B.	5	5	Toll, Rev. J.	0	10
Field, Rev. H. C.	0	10	Marnham, Mr. J.	5	5	Walters, Mrs.	0	10
Fowler, Mr. W.	0	15	(quarterly) for <i>Congo</i>	75	0	Warrington, Miss H. B.	5	0
F. R., for <i>China</i>	0	10	missionary	75	0	Watkins, Mr. B.	5	5
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10	Marsden, Mr. T.	1	1	Whitaker, Mr. (Wan-	2	2
Fowler, Misses (Edin-	5	0	Marsman, Mrs.	1	1	stead)	2	2
burgh)	5	0	Merrick, Mr. W. G.	0	10	Do., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10
Gisby, Mr. E.	1	0	Miall, Rev. W.	1	1	Williams, Miss H.	3	0
Gibson, Mrs., for <i>Congo</i>	0	15	Miles, Mrs. A. (New-	2	0	Williams, Mrs. H.	1	1
Gotell, Mrs., and Family	2	9	port), for <i>Congo</i>	2	0	Williams, Mr. J. (New-	0	10
Gover, Mr. W. S.	1	1	Miligan, Mrs. E. J.	1	0	port)	0	10
Green, Rev. S. W., M.A.	1	1	M. F. R.	0	10	Williams, Miss M. (Llan-	0	10
Green, Mrs. (Leicester)	1	0	Do., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10	wydd)	0	10
	1	0	Mills, Mr. G. M. W.	1	1	Woodcock, Mr. J. S.	0	15
	1	0	Do., for <i>Congo</i>	1	1	Under 10s.	1	10
	1	0	Morgan, Mr. J.	0	10		1	10



Putney, Union Ch. ....	121	6	0
Regent's-park .....	150	11	4
Regent-street, Lambeth, for <i>Bairisal Sunday-</i> <i>school</i> .....	4	0	0
Spencer-place Chapel ..	1	0	0
St. Peter's-park Sunday- school .....	3	4	7
Stockwell .....	6	2	10
Do., Sunday-school ..	11	14	7
Stockwell Orphanage Sunday-school .....	14	7	8
Stoke Newington, Devonshire-square ..	25	0	10
Do., for <i>China school</i> ..	5	0	0
Tottenham .....	58	4	7
Twickenham .....	0	13	3
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	0	12	9
Upper Holloway .....	36	4	0
Do., for <i>India</i> .....	0	4	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	5	0
Do., Y.M.C.M. ....	1	11	0
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i> ..	6	0	0
Cpton Chapel .....	84	0	2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	9	15	2
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	3	14	0
Do., Sun.-sch. for <i>N.P.</i>	1	14	6
Vauxhall Sunday-sch., per Y.M.M.A. ....	6	0	3
Vernon Ch., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	5	0	0
Victoria Ch., Wands- worth-road .....	10	7	0
Walthamstow, Wood- street .....	13	12	5
Walworth, Ebenezer Sunday-school, per Y.M.M.A., for <i>China</i> <i>school</i> .....	4	4	3
Westbourne-grove ..	54	4	3
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	9	4
West Green .....	9	2	10
Do., for <i>support Congo</i> <i>boy</i> .....	7	0	0
Woodberry Down ..	77	15	5
Do., per Y.M.M.A. ....	0	10	6
Wood Green .....	9	18	6
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	6	7
Do., for <i>Congo boys</i>	5	4	7

**BEDFORDSHIRE.**

Bedford, Bunyan Meet- ing .....	29	1	3
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	6	0	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	2	1	0
Do., Mill-street .....	27	1	0
Blunham .....	0	15	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	3	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	2	0
Dunstable, West-street	18	4	7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	10	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	10	9
Houghton Regis .....	22	18	6
Lelighton Buzzard, Hecklife-road .....	34	6	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	13	4
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	13	5
Luton, Park-street ..	26	4	8
Do., for <i>China</i> .....	2	10	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	2	10	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	5	4
Do., Wellington-st. ..	14	4	0
Do., Union Ch. ....	16	13	0
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i> ..	0	10	6
Sandy .....	15	8	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	0	17	4
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	5	0	0
Shefford .....	3	6	1
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	10	0
Thurleigh .....	0	11	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	0	0	0

**BERKSHIRE.**

Abingdon .....	43	2	9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	2	2	0
Bourton .....	12	19	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	1	3	7
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	1	1
Farlington .....	26	10	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	1	3	8
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	4	17	0
Fifield Village Mission	3	13	0
Maidenhead .....	18	5	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	0	10	0
Newbury .....	51	4	2
Do., for <i>N.P., Nitcan-</i> <i>to Chuckrobury</i> ..	14	17	10
Reading, King's-road ..	72	14	5
Do., for <i>Africa</i> .....	1	10	6
Do., Carey Ch. ....	31	19	9
Do., Sunday-school, for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	1	0	0
Do., Wycliffe Ch. ....	28	18	3
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i>	7	0	0
Do., for <i>China</i> .....	0	10	0
Do., do., for <i>support</i> <i>of Congo boy</i> .....	5	0	0
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i> ..	1	8	8
Do., Grovelands, for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	10	0
Wallingford .....	40	0	1
Windsor, Victoria-st.	28	11	3
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	4	9
Wokingham .....	43	14	0

**BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.**

Chesham .....	29	1	6
Cuddington, for <i>N.P.</i>	0	10	0
Drayton Parslow .....	0	13	0
Fenny Stratford .....	2	7	2
Great Brickhill .....	6	0	4
Olney .....	1	10	10
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	1	5	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	13	6
Princes Risborough ..	0	17	0
Do., Free Ch., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	0	6	0
Stony Stratford .....	2	0	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	1	0	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	11	3
Winslow .....	2	14	0

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE.**

Burwell .....	2	4	0
Cambridge .....	200	0	0
Do., St. Andrew-st. ..	188	6	3
Do., do., for <i>N.P.</i> ..	3	10	0
Do., do., for <i>Boys'</i> <i>School, Bartsal.</i> ..	0	14	0
Do., do., for <i>Roman</i> <i>Mission</i> .....	36	11	6
Do., do., <i>Gaelpore</i> <i>School</i> .....	17	0	0
Do., Zion Chapel .....	29	13	6
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	3	0	0
Caxton .....	3	6	10
Cherryhinton .....	0	19	0
Chesterton .....	1	10	1
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	10	0
Chitterling .....	0	13	0
Cottenham .....	23	1	10
Gamlingay .....	2	14	6
Grantchester .....	1	12	5
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	6	0
Great Shelford .....	13	4	6
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	0	0
Haddonham .....	4	0	6
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	5	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	5	6
Harston .....	9	0	6
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	6	8	0
Hilston .....	4	15	1

Isleham .....	3	12	1
Swaffham .....	0	14	1
559 13 2			
Less previously re- mitted £209 19s. 11d., and balance and ex- penses £4 13s. 1d. ...			
214 13 0			
345 0 2			

**CHESHIRE.**

Altrincham, Taber- nacle .....	4	3	6
Birkenhead, Grange- lane .....	19	14	10
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	3	6	2
Do., Welsh Ch. ....	5	11	7
Do., do., for <i>Brittany</i>	3	6	3
Do., do., for <i>Italy</i> ..	1	8	9
Chester, Grosvenor Park	16	19	0
Crewe, Victoria-street	4	12	6
Hill Cliffe .....	2	13	2
Latchford .....	5	18	6
Northwich .....	0	7	0
Stockport .....	3	17	6

**CORNWALL.**

Calstock and Metherill	5	15	9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	10	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	14	10
Falmouth .....	14	3	2
Penzance .....	13	8	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	5	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	0	7	3
St. Austell .....	25	11	6
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	10	10
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	5	0	0
Do., for <i>Rome</i> .....	5	0	0
Saltash .....	13	14	9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1	16	8
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	1	7	9
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	3	3	10
Truro .....	4	11	0

**DERBYSHIRE.**

Derby, Trinity-road, for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	3	0	0
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**DEVONSHIRE.**

Appledore .....	0	0	8
Barnstaple .....	34	2	9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	3	0	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	3	0	0
Bideford .....	8	3	2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0	10	6
Budleigh Salterton ..	0	5	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	0	5	0
Chudleigh .....	28	4	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	0	12	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	2	8	3
Cullompton .....	4	2	7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	0	15	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	2	0	3
Devonport, Hope Ch. ..	1	14	9
Do., for <i>support of</i> <i>child, Italy</i> .....	5	0	0
Do., Morice-square ..	2	2	6
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i>	1	4	1
Exeter, South-street ..	19	6	3
Kingsbridge .....	21	1	5
Do., for <i>China</i> .....	2	7	6
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	0	10	0
Modbury .....	5	11	1
Do., for <i>W &amp; O.</i> .....	0	16	0
Do., for <i>N.P.</i> .....	2	11	6

Northern Devon District—

Atherington	2	2	0
Beaford	0	6	8
Comb Martin	0	18	5
Croyde	10	13	5
Dolton	2	8	2
Frithelstock District	4	3	8
Ilfracombe	13	9	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	6	9
Kingssoot	0	6	6
South Molton	1	2	5
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Plymouth, George-st.	178	9	4
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	1	0	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	11	0	0
Do., for <i>N P, Africa</i>	2	8	0
Do., for <i>N P, India</i>	3	17	0
Do., for <i>Mrs Morgan's Girls Home, China</i>	2	18	9
Do., for support of orphans at Backergunge	5	0	0
Do., Ford Station	3	18	8
Do., Hooe do.	9	11	7
Do., Mutley Ch.	106	14	4
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	5	0	0
Telgmouth	4	0	6
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	17	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	14	0
Tiverton	28	3	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	1	0
Torquay	85	19	10
Do., for <i>N P</i>	7	17	5

DORSETSHIRE.

Dorchester, for <i>Congo</i>	4	10	6
Do., for <i>Mrs Kerry's Sch.</i>	2	2	0
Do., for <i>Mrs Wall's work.</i>	0	10	0
Gillingham	1	19	3
Do., for <i>N P</i>	2	1	6
Piddletrenthide	0	7	0
Weymouth	6	6	7

DURHAM.

Bishop Auckland	2	16	4
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	5	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	16	6
Darlington	20	13	6
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	7	0
Jarrow	1	16	7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	10	0
South Shields, Westc-lane	18	10	2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	11	4
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	3	0	6
South Stockton	2	18	6
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	0	0
Spennymoor	1	0	2
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	3	2
Do., Welsh Ch.	0	6	0
Stockton-on-Tees, Wel-lington-street	7	10	0
Sunderland	1	4	0

ESSEX.

Blackmore	0	7	0
Colchester	23	14	10
George-lane, Woodford	4	0	8
Great Leighs	25	13	3
Harlow	101	10	0
Do., for	6	0	6
Ilford	6	0	0
Langham	15	0	0
Langley, Sunday-sch.	1	13	5
Leytonstone	20	9	4
Loughton	38	16	1

Potter-street	3	3	0
Romford	14	10	0
Southend, Tabernacle	2	17	6
Waltham Abbey	17	12	7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	4	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	18	5

GLoucestershire.

Arlington	0	7	6
Bourton-on-the-Water	20	11	3
Burford	9	2	9
Cheltenham, Salem Ch.	81	11	4
Do., for <i>N P</i>	2	5	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	5	3	4
Do., for <i>India</i>	3	3	0
Do., for <i>N P, "Manik"</i>	18	0	0
Do., Golden Valley	2	1	3
Do., Cambray Chapel	5	17	2
Cirencester	2	1	9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	2	0	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	4	7	0
Coleford	20	15	7
Do., for <i>N P</i>	2	3	2
Cutsdean	4	6	10
Gloucester	29	5	2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	2	0	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	5	0	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	2	10	0
Do., for <i>China</i>	2	0	0
Do., for support of <i>Congo boy</i>	5	0	0
Do., for <i>Jessore</i>	5	0	0
Gosling	1	13	7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	4	0
Longhope, Zion	4	16	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	11	0
Lydney	4	11	0
Milton	13	4	1
Naunton and Gulting	11	6	4
Ruardean Hill, for <i>N P</i>	1	5	0
Shortwood, for support of "T. F. Newman, under Mr. Bentley	5	0	0
Stow-on-the-Wold	25	11	1
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	2	12	3
Do., for support of <i>boy at San Salvador</i>	5	0	0
Less Aux. Expenses	33	3	4
Stroud	30	7	10
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	0	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	1	0	0
Do., for <i>Italy</i>	1	0	0

HAMPSHIRE.

Ashley	4	2	1
Do., for <i>N P</i>	4	0	5
Bournemouth, Lans-down	36	4	3
Do., Westbourne	55	12	7
Do., do., for <i>N P</i>	0	15	0
Do., do., for <i>China</i>	2	0	0
Do., do., for <i>Japan</i>	2	0	0
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10	0
Fleet	5	0	0
Hardway, Gosport, for <i>N P</i>	0	19	1
Odham	3	5	0
Over Wallop	4	9	3
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	7	6
Do., for <i>N P</i>	1	2	3
Portsmouth Auxiliary	51	12	0
Poulner Ringwood	1	5	6
Romsey	1	11	4
Southampton, East-st.	10	19	7
Do., Carlton Ch.	3	0	0

Southampton, Carlton Ch., for <i>Congo</i>	5	0	0
Do., do., for support of <i>Congo boy</i>	5	0	0

Southern District of Southern Association—

Beaulieu	1	4	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	16	0
Blackfield Common, for <i>N P</i>	0	15	0
Shirley	8	15	0
Southampton, Carlton Ch.	15	0	0
Do., Portland Ch.	25	12	11
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	2	13	3
Do., East-street, for <i>N P, support of Kali Charan, Dinapore</i>	5	0	0

Less District Expenses

Waterlooville	57	10	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	7	9	3
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	19	4
Whitchurch	0	18	9
Whitechurch	1	1	0
Winchester, City-road	14	0	5
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	18	9
Do., for <i>N P</i>	1	15	4

ISLE OF WIGHT.

Newport, Sunday-school	3	4	5
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	13	3
Ryde, George-street Sun-day-school	7	0	0
Ventnor	4	13	0
West Cowes	11	6	5

HEREFORDSHIRE.

Ewias Harold, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	5	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	3	6
Garway and Orop	0	14	8
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	4	2
Do., for <i>N P</i>	1	7	2
Hereford	48	0	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	2	19	9
Do., for <i>N P</i>	6	11	3
Leominster	3	1	0
Peterchurch	2	18	6
Itzford	3	16	0

HERTFORDSHIRE.

Bishop's Stortford	11	14	2
Boxmoor	6	0	3
Hemel Hempstead	19	6	9
Hitchin, Salem Ch.	41	11	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	4	15	6
Do., for <i>N P</i>	1	18	6
Do., for support of <i>Congo boys</i>	1	5	6
King's Langley	4	3	5
Markynte-street	13	18	4
New Barnet	68	16	9
Potters Bar	5	13	10
Royston	6	0	0
St. Albans, Dagnall-st.	38	9	11
Do., for <i>China</i>	0	18	1
Do., for <i>N P</i>	4	1	4
Do., for <i>African Sch.</i>	1	2	6
Do., Tabernacle	6	12	6
Tring, New Mill	15	16	2
Watford	36	12	11
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	7	0	0
Do., for <i>China Medi-cal Fund</i>	3	15	4

KENT.

Ashford	2	7	3
Beckenham	1	1	0
Belvedere	11	0	4
Brasted	2	5	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	0	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	2	16	1
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	4	0	0
Broadstairs	0	5	6
Brockley-road Sun.-sch.	9	17	8
Bromley	17	6	2
Canterbury	22	10	4
Chatham, Zion Ch.	18	17	11
Crooken Hill	5	3	0
Dartford, Sunday-sch.	3	17	0
Dover, Salem Ch.	59	15	10
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	7	8	3
Do., for <i>N P</i>	6	17	4
Do., for Mr Stubbs' Sch.	6	8	5
Edenbridge	10	6	1
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	1	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	1	17	3
Do., for Mr Grenfell for support of Congo boy	5	0	0
Erith, for <i>Congo</i>	10	8	10
Eythorne	36	5	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	2	13	8
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	2	9	0
Faversham	0	2	6
Folkestone	44	11	6
Forest Hill	16	18	0
Do., Sydenham Ch.	17	15	8
Do., do., for <i>N P</i>	3	16	0
Goudhurst	4	7	10
Greenwich, South-street	21	16	2
Lee	52	10	11
Lewisham-road Ch.	38	14	4
Maidstone, King-street.	18	6	4
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	4	8	8
Do., Union-street.	15	13	8
Do., do., for <i>N P</i>	4	18	0
Margate	34	10	9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	3	0	0
Plumstead, Conduit-rd.	7	2	6
Ramsgate, Cavendish Ch.	30	14	6
Sandhurst	10	6	6
Sevenoaks School, for Missionaries' daughters	1	10	0
Sheerness	2	13	6
Do., for <i>N P</i>	1	0	10
Shooter's Hill-road	27	9	3
Tenterden, Zion	3	17	4
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	1	0
Tonbridge	5	7	8

LANCASHIRE.

Accrington	114	13	3
Do., Bethel	2	18	1
Ashton-on-Ribble	33	18	7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	3	0	0
Bacup, Doals	1	13	4
Barrow - in - Furness, Abbey-road	2	15	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	14	9
Bolton, Claremont Ch.	19	9	4
Bowden, Hale-road	9	14	11
Brercliffe, Hill-lane	6	10	0
Burnley, Haggate	18	15	1
Chesham, near Bury	9	17	4
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	17	9
Colne, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	10	0
Dalton-in-Furness	0	10	0
Darwen	3	0	10
Haslingden	6	0	0
Liverpool, Myrtle-st. Sunday-school, for <i>Catbar College</i>	20	0	0
Do., for Mr. Wall's work, Rome	10	0	0

Liverpool, Myrtle-st. Sunday-school, for Mr Hay's work	20	0	0
Do., for Mr. T. C. Hutchins	20	0	0
Do., for Mr. Webb, for educating two girls at Treleavy Barr, Japan	20	0	0
Do., for Miss Davern, Japan	10	0	0
Do., Richmond Ch.	50	12	2
Do., Princes-gate	14	13	0
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i>	3	0	0
Do., do., for <i>India</i>	3	0	0
Do., Fabius Ch.	2	11	0
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	5	18	5
Do., Hall-lane	11	13	6
Do., Toxteth Tabernacle	79	4	11
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	9	9	0
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i>	0	5	0
Do., do., for Medical work, Wathen Station	10	0	0
Do., do., for Mr. Crudginton	10	0	0
Do., do., for support of two Congo boys and girl	15	0	0
Do., Bousfield-street	2	0	0
Do., Windsor-street.	8	7	10
Do., do., for Italian Evangelists	4	5	2
Do., Everton	55	15	7
Do., Walton, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	2	0	0
Manchester Auxillary, per Mr. Thomas Spenser, Treasurer	264	11	10
Do., Union Ch., for Italian Missions	45	0	0
Do., Brighton-grove Sunday-school	2	16	9
Oldham, King-street	22	3	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	4	0	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	10	0	0
Do., Manchester-st.	32	18	9
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	9	3
Do., do., for <i>N P</i>	2	14	3
Radcliffe	4	12	9
Rochdale, West-street	27	17	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	8	18	0
Salford, Great George-street Sunday-school	4	5	1
Southport, Hoghton-street	64	17	0
Do., London-road	3	13	8
Wigan, King-street.	34	4	0
Do., for <i>Congo</i>	0	10	6

LEICESTERSHIRE.

Leicester, Belvoir-st.	40	0	3
Do., Harvey-lane, Huncoat Branch	0	2	6
D., Melbourne Hall Sunday-school, or Congo	4	17	0
Do., Victoria-road Ch.	36	14	6
Do., do., for support of J. G. Greenhough, Congo	8	2	7
Melton Mowbray	17	5	11
Oadby	7	17	10
Do., for <i>China</i>	0	2	6
Sutton and Cosby	1	3	4

LINCOLNSHIRE.

Boston	6	0	0
Grantham, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	12	0
Horncastle	1	7	5
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	1	2

Lincoln, Mint-lane	17	13	8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	10	0

NORFOLK.

Bacton	1	10	0
Carlton Rode	6	5	10
Diss	20	19	9
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	12	0
Downham Market	6	16	1
East Dereham	6	19	4
Lynn	5	0	0
Do., Stepney Ch.	33	6	4
Norwich, St. Mary's Ch.	409	7	9
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	14	10	0
Do., Unthanh-road.	50	12	6
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	4	0	0
Do., Pottergate-street Sunday-school	10	8	2
Do., Gildencroft	3	15	9
Old Buckenham	6	2	0
Swaifham	20	0	0
Thetford	4	0	0

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

Bugbrook, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	20	0
Ecton	5	0	0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	5	0
Gullsboro'	0	2	0
Hackleton, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	15	0
Kings Sutton, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	10	0
Long Buckley, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	1	15	0
Do., for <i>N P</i>	0	13	2
Milton, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	10	0
Northampton, College-street	6	5	6
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	10	0	0
Do., do., for <i>N P</i>	1	0	0
Do., Grafton-street	4	0	0
Do., Mount Pleasant	9	0	6
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	13	3
Pattishall	3	0	4
Towcester	4	15	0
Wollaston, Zion, for <i>Congo</i>	4	10	0
Woodford	0	10	0

NORTHUMBERLAND.

Ford Forge	1	8	6
Gateshead	23	8	8
Newcastle, Westgate-road and Jesmond	114	9	8
Do., Rye-hill	12	13	10
Do., Scotswood-road	0	16	0

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North Shields 11 19 7

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

Carlton-le-Moorland	0	6	1
Collingham	0	8	8
Newark, Juvenile	4	12	0
Nottingham, Derby-road	3	7	4
Do., George-street, for <i>W &amp; O</i>	2	2	0
Southwell	1	12	1
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i>	0	10	0

OXFORDSHIRE.

Banbury	1	1	0
Caversham	9	14	1

Chadlington .....	0 6 0
Chipping Norton .....	6 17 6
Coate .....	1 17 1
Oxford, New-road .....	37 10 3
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	4 13 3
Do., for <i>China</i> .....	2 11 0
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	5 9 3
Do., for <i>Mullah Mission</i> .....	13 11 3
Do., Commercial-road .....	4 14 6
Do., do., for <i>China</i> .....	2 10 9
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i> ..	4 17 9

RUTLAND.

Oakham .....	8 18 0
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SHROPSHIRE.

Bridgnorth .....	15 15 2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 15 0
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 10 4
Coxall .....	5 1 8
Craven Arms .....	1 6 0
Dawley .....	1 10 0
Market Drayton .....	10 18 11
Oswestry .....	20 16 7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1 0 0
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 2 11
Do., Welsh Ch., for <i>N P</i> .....	4 0 3
Pontesbury .....	1 0 0
Shrewsbury, Claremont Chapel .....	0 10 0
Wem .....	1 19 9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 12 3
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 1 6

SOMERSETSHIRE.

Bath .....	1 11 6
Do., for <i>Italy</i> .....	0 5 0
Do., Manvers Street ..	70 8 7
Do., Hay Hill .....	39 12 3
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> ..	2 1 10
Do., Wildcombe .....	20 6 4
Do., Twerton-on-Avon ..	3 12 2
Do., Limpley Stoke .....	2 6 2
Beckington .....	10 10 10
Bridgwater .....	9 12 4
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1 19 0
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	2 8 8
Bristol, on account ..	65 0 0
Do., Fishponds, for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	3 10 0
Burton .....	2 12 10
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 10 10
Chard .....	37 6 2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 6 0
Cheddar .....	12 12 8
Crickham .....	1 12 2
Allerton .....	1 2 7
Roosbridge .....	7 13 4
Rodney Stoko .....	1 5 3

Less £2 18s. expenses and £12 13s. 8d. remitted before .....

.....	24 6 1
.....	8 15 5
Crewkerne Sun.-sch. ..	3 6 7
Flythead and Isle Abbots ..	5 6 0
Frome .....	5 19 6
Do., Badcox-lane .....	46 4 8
Do., Sheppard Barton ..	40 12 5
Do., do., for <i>support boy, Serampore</i> ..	5 0 0
Do., do., for <i>support girl, Intally</i> .....	6 0 0

Montacute .....	7 2 0
Shepton Mallet .....	2 6 4
Stretton .....	3 10 0
Taunton, Albemarle-st. ..	7 0 10
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> ..	1 10 10
Wathet, Sunday-school ..	2 3 2
Williton, Sunday-school ..	0 15 6
Wellington .....	26 19 7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 0 0
Wells .....	3 3 0
Weston super Mare, Wadham-street .....	48 7 6
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> ..	1 16 0
Wincanton .....	27 8 5
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	3 18 10
Winscombe .....	3 5 0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 0 0
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	2 18 8
Yeovil .....	59 17 3

STAFFORDSHIRE.

Bilston, Salem .....	3 5 0
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> ..	1 1 0
Brentnall, Welsh Ch. ..	1 7 10
Burslem .....	10 7 10
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	0 10 6
Burton-on-Trent, Salem ..	17 13 0
Coseley Darkhouse .....	6 16 8
Do., Ebenezer .....	2 0 1
Do., Providence .....	6 16 8
Dudley .....	1 10 0
Princes End .....	31 4 10
Do., for <i>Congo boy</i> .....	3 1 0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1 18 6

Less district expenses .....

.....	43 7 7
.....	0 14 6
.....	42 13 1
Chendale .....	1 11 3
Hanley, New-street .....	13 6 10
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 10 6
Newcastle-under-Lyme ..	0 10 6
Stafford .....	4 15 11
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 16 1
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	2 15 3
West Bromwich .....	16 0 10
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 15 3
Wolverhampton, Waterloo-road ..	10 14 6

SUFFOLK.

Aldeburgh .....	2 0 0
Bardwell, for <i>N P</i> .....	0 14 6
Brandon .....	0 17 9
Bures .....	4 0 0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 10 6
Bury St. Edmunds .....	64 17 0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 0 0
Ipswich, Stoke-green .....	21 13 0
Do., Burlington Ch. .....	84 14 2
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> ..	5 0 0
Do., do., for <i>N P</i> .....	5 18 2
Do., Turrot-green .....	57 3 10
Do., do., for <i>China</i> .....	5 0 0
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	5 0 0
Do., do., for <i>India</i> .....	5 0 0
Lowestoft .....	16 0 0
Somerleyton .....	2 6 6
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 6 0
Walton .....	10 2 4

SURREY.

Addlestone .....	39 1 2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	3 11 6
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	8 11 9

Balham .....	39 11 0
Barnes .....	9 18 7
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 17 0
Do., Sunday-sch., for <i>support of girl at Intally</i> .....	4 0 0
Dorking .....	6 15 2
Dulwich, Lordship-lane ..	4 10 7
Esher .....	1 11 0
Guldford .....	6 5 6
Do., Commercial-rd. Ch. .....	19 10 7
Kingston .....	39 3 10
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	3 3 0
Merstham, Sunday-sch., for <i>Congo</i> .....	0 13 0
Norwood, Gipsy-road, per Y.M.M.A. .....	11 3 6
Outwood .....	6 15 9
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 14 6
Penge .....	7 9 3
Do., <i>support of Congo boy</i> .....	1 5 0
Redhill .....	1 10 0
Richmond, Duke-street ..	18 11 6
Streatham .....	35 1 6
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 0 1
Surbiton .....	21 7 1
Sutton .....	25 17 1
Do., for <i>N P, Delhi</i> .....	0 10 11
South Norwood .....	4 16 0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	1 12 6
Upper Norwood .....	12 0 6
Wallington .....	13 6 5
Do., for <i>support of boys at Barisal</i> ..	1 12 0
West Croydon .....	43 18 0
Do., for " <i>Purana</i> " Sch. .....	6 7 2
West Norwood, Chatsworth-road .....	45 18 7
Do., do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 15 7
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i> ..	2 0 6
Do., do., for <i>China Sch.</i> , per Y.M.M.A. ..	2 4 4
Yorktown .....	20 0 11
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 4 7

SUSSEX.

Battle .....	3 12 8
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 0 2
Brighton, Bond-street ..	6 17 6
Do., Queen-square .....	29 3 8
Do., do., for <i>Congo</i> ..	0 18 0
Do., do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 11 0
Do., Holland-road .....	23 17 8
Do., do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> ..	5 0 0
Do., do., for <i>N P</i> .....	1 12 4
Do., Sussex-street .....	3 8 9
Do., do., for <i>N P</i> .....	0 16 3
Eastbourne .....	33 0 2
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 7 0
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	1 8 0
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	2 6 8
Do., for <i>Mrs Walk's work</i> .....	0 7 0
Hastmere .....	0 10 0
Hastings .....	62 17 8
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 14 6
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	0 11 6
Do., for <i>Congo</i> .....	2 2 6
Lewes .....	16 17 0
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	0 16 1
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	0 11 0
St. Leonards .....	28 9 1
Do., for <i>W &amp; O</i> .....	2 15 5
Worthing .....	12 10 1
Do., for <i>N P</i> .....	3 7 0

