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Subscriptions and Donations, however small, for the General Purposes of this Society ; or for the Printing of Tracts—the Education of Native Youth, whether Male or Female—the Building of Places of Worship—or any other particular branch of the Society's operations ; will be gratefully received by the Treasurer, Collector, Secretary, or any Member of the Committee in Calcutta. They will also be received up the country by Rev. W. MOORE, or Rev. A. LESLIE, Monghyr, or any Member of the Committee of the Branch Societies.

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FORM OF BEQUEST.

“ ITEM. I do hereby give and bequeath unto the Treasurer, for the time being, of a certain voluntary Society, commenced in the year 1818, entitled, “ The Calcutta Baptist Missionary Society, Auxiliary to the Baptist Missionary Society in England, formed in the year 1792,” the sum of Sicca Rupees, of lawful money, current in Bengal, to be paid within months next after my decease, out of such part only of my personal estate as shall not consist of chattels real, upon trust to be applied towards the carrying on the purposes of the said Society ; and I do hereby direct and declare, that the receipt of the Treasurer, for the time being, of the said Society, for the said legacy, shall be a sufficient discharge to my executor for the same.”

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✍ *Subscribers to the Society, to the amount of one Rupee per month, or 12 Rs. per annum, are entitled to a copy of the Missionary Herald, published monthly.*

PROCEEDINGS of the *Eleventh Annual Meeting of the*
CALCUTTA BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY, *held at the*
Circular Road Chapel, December 1st, 1829.

At half past seven o'clock the Rev. J. HILL, who presided on the occasion, commenced the services of the evening, by giving out a few verses of Psalm 72, 2d part, Dr. Watts. The Rev. G. GOGERLY then supplicated the Divine blessing to rest on the meeting, and on the Society and all its operations. The Chairman then addressing the assembly, advocated the cause of Missions, and showed the benefits which have resulted from them; and then called upon the Secretary to read the Report. This having been read, it was, on the motion of the Rev. J. D. PEARSON, seconded by the Rev. W. YATES,

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,

I. That the Report now read be adopted, and circulated under the direction of the Committee; and that this Meeting rejoices in the portion of success with which it has pleased God to favour this Society, and recommends persevering and increased exertion, combined with earnest prayer for a more abundant blessing to rest on the future labours of this and kindred Institutions.

Proposed by the Rev. J. ADAM, seconded by the Rev. G. PEARCE, and

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,

II. That the thanks of this Meeting be presented to the Ladies' and other Branch Societies, and to all those benevolent individuals who have, by their contributions, aided the operations of this Society.

Proposed by the Rev. J. EDMOND, seconded by the
Rev. G. GOKERLY, and

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,

III. That the Treasurer, Collector, and Secretary of the Society, be requested to retain their offices ; and that the following persons constitute the Committee for the ensuing year :—

MESSRS. ARATOON, I. B. BISS, CAREY, CONCANNON, COX,
FLATMAN, FRASER, GILBERT, HUGHES, H. KEMP, JONES,
G. PEARCE, W. H. PEARCE, PENNEY, ROWE, WILSON,
and YATES.

A Hymn was then sung, and a collection made in aid of the funds of the Society ; after which the Chairman closed the services of the evening with prayer.

RULES

OF THE

Calcutta Baptist Missionary Society.



I.

That the formation of a Society for Missionary purposes is highly expedient; and as it must appear to every considerate mind, that the propagation of the Gospel, whether viewed in its positive tendency to ameliorate the present state of mankind, or in its indissoluble relation to their final happiness, is paramount to all other objects, that we think it an indispensable duty to exert ourselves in the use of every suitable means for its promotion.

II.

That a Society be now formed, and denominated, "The Calcutta Baptist Missionary Society, Auxiliary to the Baptist Missionary Society in England." This Society, aided by the generous contributions of the religious public in Great Britain, have for a series of years been engaged in the important work of evangelizing the Heathen, and have exhausted a great part of their resources in this particular field of Missionary labour. Their sphere of operation has of late years been greatly enlarged, and the number of their Missionaries multiplied:—it devolves, therefore, as an obligation upon the Missionaries whom they support, and upon those friends who may have benefitted by their exertions, to leave no expedient untried by which their funds may be augmented, their benevolent designs aided, and a testimony afforded them of the lively concern felt in this country for the advancement and success of those objects which have for so many years deeply interested their hearts.

III.

That every person contributing one Rupee or upwards monthly, be considered a Member of this Society, and have the power of voting at its general meetings.

IV.

That a Committee, consisting of thirteen members, be constituted to carry into effect the designs of the Society, five of whom shall form a quorum; that they shall meet once in three months for the transaction of business, when the state of the funds

which they may have raised shall be ascertained, the objects to which they shall be appropriated decided upon, and such measures adopted, as shall be thought most expedient for the extension and welfare of the Society.

V.

That the Committee, Secretaries, and Treasurer, be chosen annually.

VI.

That any number of persons, in any part of India, contributing one Gold-Mohur or upwards per month, be denominated a Branch Auxiliary Society, and their contributions received by the Auxiliary Society in Calcutta; or should it be deemed more important to apply them to the purposes of this Society on the spot where they are collected, we should be happy to form a union, and maintain a friendly correspondence with them, that we may be considered as constituting one association; and enabled so to adjust the whole, as to transmit to the Parent Society a regular account of our proceedings.

VII.

That subscriptions from any individual, or number of individuals, whether to a greater or less amount than those above specified, be thankfully received, and carried to account in the names of such subscribers.

VIII.

That a general meeting of the members and friends of the Society be held annually, at which a report of the progress of the Society and the state of its funds shall be read, and officers elected for the ensuing year.

IX.

That all the meetings of this Society be commenced and concluded with prayer; and that, agreeably to the spirit of a kindred Society formed in this city, the members of this Society feel it a duty incumbent on them, to cultivate the friendship, and rejoice in the success of all those engaged in similar pursuits.

ELEVENTH REPORT.

THE lapse of time, and the return of this delightful season of the year, admonish the Committee of the Calcutta Auxiliary Baptist Missionary Society, that the period of their stewardship has expired, and that it consequently behoves them to surrender to their constituents, an account of their labours. To this duty they address themselves with feelings of pleasure and gratitude, from the conviction that their efforts, however unworthy, have “not been in vain in the Lord,” as several persons have given pleasing evidence of having received substantial benefit through the agency of this Society.

Without any further preliminary observations, your Committee will now present a brief statement of what they have been enabled to accomplish; from which it will be seen, that some changes have taken place, and a considerable enlargement of the Society’s sphere of operation has been effected since its last anniversary. As on former occasions, your Committee begin with

CALCUTTA.

1. Native Church.

Since the last annual meeting it has been thought desirable to recommend a division of the Native

Church, or rather the dismissal of some of its members residing at or near *Doorgapore*, with a view to their forming a separate church under the superintendence of the missionary there: this has accordingly been done, and will, it is confidently hoped, prove conducive to the good of the individuals immediately concerned, and whose benefit has been principally consulted. Of those residing in *Calcutta*, Mr. W. H. PEARCE has, at their request, taken the oversight, by which arrangement Mr. C. C. ARATOON has been more at liberty, according to his own wishes, to carry on missionary operations in other directions. For the religious instruction of these Native Christians, two services are conducted by Mr. PEARCE on the Sabbath, and one on the week-day; to which might be added, a Sabbath-school, attended chiefly by adults, designed to lead them to commit Catechisms, Hymns, and portions of Scripture to memory, and where necessary, to acquire the ability of reading the word of God for themselves;—attainments, the value of which cannot be too highly appreciated, nor too strongly recommended as a means of improving the mind, and raising the character of Native Christians. The religious services, especially those on the Sabbath-day, are not only attended by the members of the church, their families, and a few others resident in *Calcutta*, but often by persons from villages many miles distant, whose appearance and seemingly deep interest in what they hear, have been peculiarly gratifying and encouraging to the missionary.

Three persons have been received into the church by baptism during the past year, respecting whom it might be remarked, that they belong to the number referred to in the last Report as hopeful inquirers; a circumstance tending to show, that all who raise the expectations of the Missionary do not disappoint them; and that a little delay in bringing persons forward as

the avowed followers of Christ, is of no real injury to them, while it affords opportunity of more fully observing their conduct, so as to discriminate the sincere from the insincere, and of thus preventing numbers from assuming the Christian name, who are not actuated by Christian principles.

One member of this Church, with his wife, left Calcutta some months ago, to proceed to the Upper Provinces for employment; and your Committee have recently learnt with pleasure, that their deputation has given much satisfaction to Mr. LESLIE, of Monghyr, on whose instructions they attend.

The immediate erection of the Puckha chapel for the Native Church, referred to in the last Report, has been prevented by a variety of circumstances. Among those may be particularly mentioned the expected formation of new roads and other improvements in the neighbourhood thought most suitable for its erection, which it appeared desirable to await, in order to secure an eligible situation.

2. *Preaching to the Natives.*

This department of Missionary operations, your Committee are happy to state, has been persevered in throughout the year, both in the *Bengalee* and *Hindoostanee* languages, by Mr. C. ARATOON; aided in the latter language by Mr. THOMAS and a Native preacher. How far the great end of preaching has been realized, another day must discover. The number of those who have heard the gospel has been very considerable, as the attendance at the Society's Bungalows, though ever varying, has been generally good, often large, and sometimes even crowded; while the deportment of the hearers, though occasionally unplea-

sant, is mostly respectful and pleasing. Though your Committee are unable to record instances of conversion from these efforts, yet they consider the numbers who generally attend; the seriousness and apparent effect with which, at times, some listen to the word; and the unequivocal proofs afforded on many occasions, that scriptural knowledge is communicated, and inquiry excited, present ample encouragement to go forward; and had the proper agents and the means of their support been at their disposal, they should have felt it their duty and privilege, to have promoted the public preaching of the gospel to a far wider extent. The frequent removals to a distance, of persons, who for a time attended on the instructions of the Society's agents, have occasioned them to lose sight of some, in whom they had hoped a work of grace was begun. This is the case with several, who a twelvemonth ago were regarded as hopeful characters. Surely it will not be thought unreasonable to indulge the hope, that in the last day some of them will be found on the right hand of Christ, and recognized as the fruits of this Society's labours.

The Bungalow chapels at present occupied by the Society in Calcutta, are *three*, situated respectively in *Armenian Bazar*, *Jawn Bazar*, and *Wellington-street*. One which the Society formerly had in *Chitpore Road*, has been recently taken down, in consequence of the labours of the Missionary who occupied it being urgently required in the villages hereafter referred to, and the materials removed to *Sulkea*, where they have been made use of in the erection of a School-room. In one or other of these Bungalows the gospel is regularly preached every day of the week, with the exception of Saturday and Sabbath-day, the latter of which is devoted to the instruction of the native converts and inquirers.

A considerable number of Tracts, obtained from the Depository of the Calcutta Christian Tract and Book Society, have been distributed among persons attending the Bungalows; and though one or two instances have occurred, in which the tracts have not been well used, yet they have been generally received with eagerness and pleasure. Besides the above Tracts, a considerable number of copies of the Ten Commandments in Bengalee, printed at the expense of an individual, have been given away, together with a number of copies of the New Testament, and other portions of the Sacred Scriptures, which had been obtained from the Calcutta Bible Society and Association; to which Institutions, as also to the Calcutta Christian Tract and Book Society, the Committee desire, thus publicly, to present their grateful acknowledgments, for the liberal aid they have repeatedly afforded them.

Beside the more regular method of making known the Gospel in the Society's Bungalows, frequent opportunities have occurred of promoting the same object, both in private, and in public conversation. An interesting account of the particulars of one of the latter description, communicated by a member of the Society, is here submitted.

Some months ago, a very learned Mowluee from the Upper Provinces, on his return from a pilgrimage to Mecca, visited *Calcutta* as a public teacher, and was accustomed to expound the Qoran, as Christians do the Scriptures, to crowds of respectable Mussulmans. One day our native Brother passed the place where the Mowluee had been delivering his lectures to a large assembly, apparently about 300, when many of the hearers, (who were supposed to have derived virtue from the hearing of the Qoran,) were each in succession, at the request of a spectator, breathing on a cup of water, intended to be drunk by a sick friend for his recovery. Mingling with the crowd, and

being from his dress and habits supposed to be a **Musulman**, the cup was offered to him, when he declined to breathe on it, and gently told the bearer he did not practise such foolish ceremonies. — It was immediately conjectured who he was, and on being interrogated, why he did not follow the general practice, he said he was a *Christian*. This intelligence was soon conveyed to the Mowluee, who was as polite as he was learned; and he immediately beckoned our brother to the front of the spectators, to discourse with him on Christianity before them. The native preacher, who is of very prepossessing appearance and manners, then respectfully advanced, and was asked why he had left the religion of Mohummud, and joined the ranks of the infidels. In replying to this question, he referred to the truths he had found in the New Testament; when the Mowluee assured him, that if he believed *that*, he must also believe in Mohummud, for Christ spoke of *him* as his successor in office. Our brother replied, if this could be proved, he would again become a Musulman; but that the evidence must be produced by his opponent. The Mowluee replied, “If you will come and bring with you a New Testament in Arabic or Persian, I will immediately convince you.” Being requested to mention the time, he named three days afterwards, and informed his audience of the appointment.

Punctual to his engagement, the Native Christian appeared, with an Arabic, and a Hindoostanee Testament; and on being recognized by those present, and invited to commence the discussion, he presented the Arabic Testament to the Mowluee, and retained the Hindoostanee one for his own use. The Mowluee, not so much acquainted with the Testament as the **Qoran**, searched in vain for the passage which he wanted; when his opponent requested him to state its meaning, and he could probably immediately refer to it. He expressed the meaning of the passage he intended, when the Christian immediately perceived, he referred to our Lord's promise of the Holy Spirit, which the Musulmans frequently urge is predicated of Mohummud; and directed him to the latter part of Ch. xv. and

the commencement of Ch. xvi. of St. John. These parts being accordingly read and commented on by the Mowluee, the Mussulmans present began to rejoice at this evident prediction of the Prophet; when our Brother begged them to allow him to read the *whole* of both chapters, with one or two other passages in which the person here called the Holy Spirit is mentioned, and they would then better see if the words could, as they supposed, refer to the Prophet. This being granted, they listened most attentively, while he read and explained both chapters; and while he shewed them that the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, here spoken of, is the same as the Holy Ghost spoken of in Acts i. 8. "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." This, his learned antagonist immediately allowed, and the hearers, of course, assented to the acknowledgment; when the native preacher said, "Now you see, that the apostles were to wait at *Jerusalem*, till the Holy Ghost came on them. But were not the apostles dead, and Jerusalem itself destroyed by the Romans, long before Mohummud made his appearance? Must not every one of those to whom Christ addressed the words have been dead within 100 years after he had spoken them; and did Mohummud appear till 600 years after that event? How can they then be spoken of *him*?" His candid opponent was at once convinced, and assured him, before all the people, that he had given a fair explanation of the passage, and begged to know how he could express his respect for him. He replied, by declaring before all this assembly your opinion of this volume, the New Testament:—Is it a false translation, or may it be relied on? "I protest before you all," said he, "that this is, I fully believe, a true version of the New Testament, and may be read without fear of fraud or interpolation." "Now," said our Brother, addressing them in his turn, "You hear what this learned Mowluee says. You acknowledge his skill, and learning, and piety: from henceforth then no longer repeat to us, when we reason with you from this volume, the common but unfounded objection, that the text is vitiated." All agreed in the reasonableness of the request, and after parting in a friendly manner from the Mowluee, he returned with the ap-

probation, instead of the contempt and hatred of the hearers. "Thus," said he to me, in relating some of the occurrences, "has God graciously magnified his word in the presence of my countrymen; and thus has he encouraged my hope of the coming of his kingdom."

3. *Schools.*

The Boy's School, formerly supported by this Society in Intally, has been broken up, in consequence of the improper conduct of the master. Instead of it, has been adopted a school, situated in Colingah, and formerly under the superintendence of the Church Missionary Society. The expenses of this school are defrayed by funds placed at the disposal of the Calcutta Baptist Missionaries for the support of Boys' Schools, by Mr. J. DEAKIN of Birmingham; and which they have agreed to transfer to this Society, on condition of receiving a half yearly account of the Schools so supported, to transmit to England, for the information and satisfaction of the generous donor.

Your Committee are happy to state, that this school has, on the whole, gone on prosperously, though it was found necessary to discharge the former teacher, and for a time his influence over the children was such as greatly to reduce their attendance at the School. It however rallied under a new master, and for the last *six* or *seven* months the average number of boys in attendance has been 80. Of these many have made considerable progress. The lower classes are of course receiving only elementary instruction; the higher ones read fluently, and learn to repeat from memory the Parables, Catechisms, and Hymns. On the Sabbath afternoon they attend at the Mission-house, to be examined by Mr. PENNEY, in what they learn during the week, and to receive religious instruction. Many of them in the course of the week, commit to memory a page of Catechism, one

or two Hymns, and several verses of the sacred Scriptures. For their encouragement, reward tickets are given them in exchange, for which they subsequently receive books. The examination generally closes with singing a hymn, with which the children seem much delighted.

Your Committee would now direct your attention to

BONSTOLLAH.

It was stated in the last Report, that pleasing indications of a desire for the instruction of their children, and for information on religious and other subjects, had been manifested by the inhabitants of two villages to the eastward of Calcutta; and that, at their own request, they had been twice visited by one or more of the Missionary brethren, who were very kindly received, and invited to renew their visit. A hope was then expressed, that, at some future period, it would be in the power of the Committee to record some further pleasing particulars of operations conducted there. That time has now arrived, and your Committee feel a high degree of pleasure in being able to state, that a very promising and extensive field for Missionary operations has there opened to their view, and they have esteemed it both a privilege and a duty to follow the indications of Providence, and enter on this new station.

A Bungalow, designed to answer the double purpose of school-room and chapel, has been erected, together with another bungalow and other necessary buildings for the accommodation of the Missionary while residing in the village, and labouring there and in the surrounding country.

From the opening of the school in the beginning of February to the end of June, the average number of

boys in attendance was 40. Towards the end of June, owing partly to most of the pupils being required by their parents in the cultivation of the land, or in fishing, but chiefly to the circumstance of the children from the neighbouring villages being unable to attend, owing to the country being to a considerable extent, under water; which is always the case in the rainy season; it was determined to shut up the school for a few months, till the rains should have closed. It has just reopened, and it is hoped will go on as prosperously as before.

Tracts have been circulated, and the word of God made known, not only in *Bonstollah* itself, but in other villages to a considerable extent; and numbers have come to this station, as well as to Calcutta, from places varying in distance from *five* to upwards of *thirty* miles. Of these, several have appeared to profit by the word preached to them, and as an evidence thereof, have renounced idolatry, thrown away their caste, and declared themselves Christians; and though much care has been used in order to prevent deception, to ascertain their real motives, and to convince them of the perfect inutility of assuming the Christian name, without that renewal of heart and life which alone can constitute them true Christians, it is but justice to them to say, that hitherto, their conduct has afforded much pleasure to the Missionaries who have had most intercourse with them, and especially to Mr. ARATOON, a considerable portion of whose time and attention has been devoted to their instruction, and the interests of the station. In the month of June, *three* persons, and in the following month *six* more were baptized on a profession of their faith in Christ. These are the first-fruits of the Society's operations at this place, and it is hoped, they will be followed by many more, who shall not only bear the name,

but exemplify the graces, and enjoy the blessedness of the Christian. It is a debt of justice, most cheerfully paid by the Missionaries in connection with this institution to their esteemed brethren, the labourers of the London Missionary Society, to report, that several of the converts above referred to, received their first impressions of the truth of Christianity from their zealous exertions.

As was to be expected, some of the persons who have forsaken idolatry, and avowed themselves Christians, have been called to experience the estrangement of friends, and the enmity and oppressions of their neighbours and superiors. One was illegally beaten and put into confinement at the instance of the female Zumeendar of the village, in whose employ he once was. Application was, however, made to a magistrate, requesting that the affair might be investigated; in consequence of which the poor man was immediately set at liberty, and overtures were made by the offender to have the matter past over. Another, formerly highly respected and looked up to by the rest of the villagers, as a person of superior intelligence, has not only lost their esteem, but through the influence of caste, and the fear of the Brahmins and others, which is still felt by his relatives, has been constrained to leave his home, his wife, a grandson, and three brothers, and live in a hut by himself. Nor are these the only persons, or these the only ways in which they have been called to suffer; they are only a specimen, but are sufficient to show that in becoming Christians, these converts have found a cross, and not refused to take it up. It is pleasing to add, that, on the whole, these trials have been borne in a good spirit, and that there is a disposition to forgive and pray for their persecutors.

DOORGAPORE.

At this station various branches of Missionary work, as preaching to the heathen, instructing native Christians, and superintending schools, have been carried on by the Missionary, Mr. G. PEARCE, assisted by two native brethren. Your Committee would direct your attention to

1. *The promulgation of the Gospel among the Heathen.*

There are two chapels connected with this station, in which the word of God has, with some few exceptions, been regularly preached by Mr. PEARCE, or the native assistants, three or four times a week during the past year. In general the congregations have been good and orderly, and the word has been heard with attention. Of the effects of these labours on the hearers little, or nothing can be said at present. The purity and excellency of the Gospel, however, have been again and again acknowledged by many who have listened to its glorious truths; the same individuals have repeatedly attended, and conversation has often elicited a growing acquaintance with the great principles of Christianity. It may not be considered unworthy of remark, that as these chapels are located where there is a great thoroughfare, the glad tidings of salvation have been heard by numbers from a considerable distance, and from places widely separated, some of whom may have taken with them to their respective homes the words of life, the blessed effects of which "shall be seen after many days." A considerable number of portions of the Scriptures and Religious Tracts have likewise been put into circulation, not, however, without care and discrimination.

Mr. PEARCE has also been enabled to devote a portion of his time to the adjacent country. The villages of *Bag Cholla, Sōm Nogor, Nag Potee, Joypore*, and several

others to the East; with the populous villages of *Gus-surah*, *Balee*, *Kone-Nogor*, *Bone-Hoogly*, and others, situated on the banks of the Hoogly, have been frequently visited, and their inhabitants invited to listen to the words of the Gospel.

Twice a year, the ground belonging to the Mission premises is made a resort for pilgrims travelling to *Gunga Sagor*, or *Juggennath*. Early in the present year, a large company of men and women from *Nepaul* encamped here as usual for several days, which afforded a fresh opportunity of making them acquainted with the true *Juggennath*, or Lord of the world, and the waters of salvation. Many heard attentively, conversed freely respecting the way of salvation, and admitted the propriety of what was addressed to them.

In January last, fourteen days were occupied in a journey through the *Sunderbunds* as far as *Burrisal*, the chief town in the district of *Backergunge*. In this excursion several opportunities occurred of intercourse with the natives, on the subject of religion; many portions of the Scriptures and tracts were distributed, and some gratifying discoveries made of the care with which copies of the word of God, or of tracts had been preserved by those who had long since obtained them.

2. *School for Native Youths.*

The English and Bengalee native School, your Committee are happy to state, has continued to flourish during the year. The attendance of the boys, who average nearly sixty, has been much less subject to fluctuation than formerly; the scholars have consequently made more steady progress in their learning. The school receives the immediate superintendence of Mr. PEARCE, and it may now be considered as having secured the confidence of

the surrounding population. The scholars are admitted for a term of two years, and only on condition of a bond being given by their parents or guardians, subjecting them to a fine of ten rupees, in case the youth leaves the school, without the consent of the Missionary, before the expiration of the term.

The books used in the school are the following: in English, the Old and New Testament, Murray's Spelling Book, Murray's small and large Grammar, the English Reader, Joyce's Scientific Dialogues, and some publications of the Tract Society: Schmid's Scripture Extracts, in Bengalee and English: and the Gospels, Stewart's Lessons, Mundy's Commentary on Mark, and some other smaller works, in Bengalee. The English books are for the most part purchased by the scholars.

While it is desirable that the minds of these youths should be enlightened by natural science, and thereby delivered from the many absurd notions in which they have been brought up, and by which their moral and physical energies are bound, still it should be remembered that Christian instruction is the object chiefly aimed at, as being that alone which, in respect to their immortal interests, can do them any real and permanent good. To this subject, therefore, their attention is daily more or less directed, and it is hoped that the institution will thus become the means of leading many a youth to an acquaintance with him, who is the fountain of knowledge, and maketh sinners wise unto salvation.

In the vicinity of *Doorgapore*, as well as of *Calcutta*, a considerable number of girls are receiving instruction under the superintendence of the wives of the resident Missionaries; but on this subject your Committee will not enlarge, as the state and progress of these schools will be communicated to the public in the report of the Society by which they are supported.

3. *Mission Boarding School.*

This school, expressly designed to afford education to the children of native Christians, at present, contains *five* children; but it is hoped others will be shortly added. Respecting these little need be said; three of them are instructed in English, and in Bengallee they read the Scriptures with fluency, and have committed to memory a considerable number of hymns, and one or two catechisms.

4. *The Native Church.*

It has been already observed, that subsequent to the last Meeting of the Society, the native Christians residing at *Chitpore*, in all eight persons, were dismissed from the Native Church in Calcutta, and formed into a distinct Church under the care of Mr. G. PEARCE. It is painful to add, that one of those dismissed has been excluded for gross sin, and that the conduct of another has occasioned much grief. On the contrary two others are seeking admission, whose conduct in every respect gives great satisfaction. Thus there are pleasures and sorrows placed near each other, on the one hand to encourage the heart and strengthen the faith of the Christian Missionary; and on the other to exercise his patience, and keep him dependant and vigilant.

From Doorgapore your Committee proceed to

HOWRAH AND SULEEA.

This interesting and extensive field for Missionary enterprise had been in a manner relinquished from the want of a proper agent, but since Mr. THOMAS was relieved from the pastoral charge of the church meeting in this place, by the welcome return from *Europe* of Mr. YATES, with improved health, in February last, he has been led by the opening prospects of usefulness,

among Europeans and Natives, to fix his abode in that vicinity, and it is hoped that at a future period the Committee may have it in their power to communicate pleasing intelligence respecting it. Two services on the Sabbath, and one on the Wednesday morning have been commenced, with a view to the religious instruction of the native and other Christian residents there, who do not understand the English language. These services are conducted, partly in Hindoostanee, and partly in Bengalee, and the numbers who attend vary from 10 to 20. They are, for the most part, persons who have already made a public profession of their faith in Christ, and are members of other churches; while a few have as yet made no profession: of the latter two have requested baptism.

In SULKEA a school-room has been erected, with the design of raising, if possible, a Hindoostanee school, to be called the Second Deakin's School, being supported by funds received from that worthy individual. This school has been opened; but hitherto, Musulman prejudice and pride have operated so strongly in keeping children away, that, though great numbers reside in its immediate vicinity, and are, for the most part, brought up in utter ignorance, it appears necessary to add to the Hindoostanee and elements of Arabic, instruction in the Bengalee and English languages, in order to fill the school-room.

In the neighbouring villages, several Bengalee schools have been found in operation, under the sole superintendence of Native masters, by whom the children are taught to write, read, and cypher. To two of these Native schoolmasters, proposals have been made, to supply them with books for the use of their schools, and to allow them a small sum monthly for the improvement of the children, the amount to be regulated by the num-

ber of pages read or committed to memory by each child. This plan appears likely to secure the improvement of the scholars, and the reading of those books, which in the estimation of your Committee are most calculated to promote their best interests, and the diffusion of Christian knowledge. How far, when modified as necessary, it will succeed, must be left for time and experience to determine.

With regard to labours more decidedly Missionary, little more can be said at present, than that many opportunities of intercourse with the natives, both Mussulmans and Hindoos, have been embraced, when their attention has been directed to the all-important truths of revelation; and, generally speaking, those interviews have proved highly pleasing and encouraging to the Missionary. A few instances have also occurred of persons calling on him for the purpose of conversation on the subjects of religion, or others intimately connected with it, and for tracts. Considerable numbers of the latter have been distributed, and received generally with much readiness on the part of the natives. On one occasion a circumstance occurred, which tends to prove that tracts are both carefully preserved and read. A respectable Hindoo was presented with a tract: he took it, and having read a line or two, said, "This is about Jesus Christ." He was asked if he had ever seen any books of the kind: he replied, "Yes: and I have eight or ten by me at home." Those tracts, he stated, were given him several years ago by a Missionary, who was accustomed to preach in a bungalow in the bazar near his residence, which could be no other than the one formerly belonging to this Society. From various inquiries put to him, it appeared that he had read the tracts with considerable attention, and had obtained a good deal of information from them, respecting the character, life, and death, of the Lord Jesus Christ.

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Branch Missionary Society.

This Society, by whose generous exertions the *Doorgapore* station is supported, has continued its labours of Christian benevolence through the past year. It is confidently hoped, that the activity and zeal which have marked the past, will continue to distinguish the future operations of this Association; and that the repetition of similar efforts will be crowned with like success.

The *Branch Society* which, for a number of years, existed in *H. M.'s 59th Regiment*, has been dissolved, in consequence of the breaking up of the regiment, and the return of most of its members to England. They, however, on the eve of their departure, caused the sum of 58 Rupees to be paid over to your Society, as the last token of their affection, and of their desire for the conversion of the heathen.

From the *Branch Society in H. M.'s 14th Foot*, stationed at *Berhampore*, several remittances have been received, which, including a donation of Rs. 16 from a lady communicated through this medium, amount to Sa. Rs. 71. In addition to which, the sum of Rs. 81. 4 As. has been expended by the members of this Branch Society, in repairing their place of worship, which belongs to the Parent Society in England. When the scanty resources from which these sums have been raised are considered, they appear large, and speak much for the Christian feeling of those, who of their penury have contributed so largely to missionary objects.

The *Branch Society, formed in the H. C.'s 1st and 2nd European Regiments*, has remitted the sum of Sonat Rupees 150, including a donation of 20 rupees, from Major D. G. Scott. The amiable feelings of the pious

soldiers, by whose exertions this money has been raised, will be seen by the following brief extract from one of their letters addressed to your Secretary.

“ May the Lord enable you to go on amid every discouragement, and prosper. It is His cause, who became poor, that we might become unspeakably rich in time and eternity, and it shall surely prevail. Our friends in England learn the state of the heathen by report only : we are in the midst of them and see their depravity, which ought to stimulate us to great exertion on their behalf.”

From *Chunar* also, the sum of Sonat Rs. 23. 12 As. raised by Mr. Conductor GREEN, and a few friends associated with him, has been received.

Thus have the friends of the Redeemer and of missions, situated in various parts of the country, far from each other and from us, by their contributions, accompanied no doubt by many and earnest prayers for a divine blessing, materially aided the operations of this Society.

STATIONS OF THE PARENT SOCIETY.

It has been customary to insert, in connection with the report of the labours of this auxiliary, a brief account of the other stations occupied by the Parent Society ; on the present occasion, your Committee think it sufficient to give the following very short notices, leaving farther particulars to appear in the Appendix.

The other stations of the Parent Society in India, are *four* ; at each of which, a portion of success has been experienced during the past year. At *Cutwa* NINE natives have been baptized ; at *Beerbhoom* SIX, and at *Monghyr* FOUR more. At *Digah* the fruits of the late Mr. BURTON'S labours among the soldiers have appeared to a very pleasing extent. *Sixteen* persons made a public profession of their faith in Christ a short time ago, and since then, *thirteen* more have followed their example ; and the work of conversion seems to be still going forward.

In JAMAICA, in the West Indies, the operations of the Society have been crowned with very great success. From letters just received, we learn that upwards of 2,000 were added during the last year to the churches raised by the Society's Missionaries on that Island, and that the aggregate number of members in those churches is considerably more than 12,000; thus graciously and wonderfully has the arm of the Lord been there revealed.

FUNDS.

Returning to what more immediately appertains to themselves, your Committee beg leave to present a statement of the funds, both of this and of the Ladies' Branch Society.

1. *Of this Society.*

Balance in hand at the beginning of the year,	267	3	5
Receipts for the year, including 640 Rs. from Mr. DEAKIN, for the support of two Boy's schools,.....	2,726	1	6
	2,993	4	11
Disbursements for the year,.....	2,624	1	3
Balance in hand, Sa. Rs.	369	3	8

2. *Of the Ladies' Society.*

Balance in hand from preceding year,.....	30	0	6
Receipts for the year,.....	826	4	0
	856	4	6
Disbursements for the year,.....	698	12	3
Balance in hand, Sa. Rs.	157	8	3

The whole amount of the receipts of the two Societies being Sa. Rs. 3,552. 5. 6. and of disbursements Sa.

Rs. 3,322. 13. 6, leaves a small balance in hand. This balance, however, so far as it relates to this Society, is merely nominal, being not available for the general purposes of the Mission, but only for the support of the *Deakin's Schools*: the actual expenses of the Society, apart from those schools, have exceeded its receipts by upwards of Sa. Rs. 280, and consequently leave a balance against the Society.

CONCLUSION.

In closing their Report, your Committee beg leave to make one or two observations, in reference to the events of the year, which have now past under review: these they conceive call for unfeigned *gratitude* for the past, and afford ample ground of *encouragement* for the future.

Gratitude is due to those who, by their contributions, have aided the operations of this Society; and your Committee most cheerfully discharge this part of their duty, and present their grateful acknowledgments for the kind support they have received, and at the same time, most respectfully and earnestly recommend the labours of the Society to their continued patronage and increased support, without which it will be impossible to maintain the operations of the Society on their present scale, much less to extend them, though this is highly desirable, and loudly called for.

But it is gratitude to God, "the God of all grace, and the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ," that is more especially demanded by the events of the year. Your Committee have not only been enabled to maintain, but to extend the sphere of the Society's operations; and the blessing of God has manifestly rested on their labours. *Twelve* persons, after giving hopeful evidence of a change of heart, have publicly renounced the delusions in which they were educated, and declared themselves followers of Christ; while others afford pleas-

ing evidence that they have felt the sanctifying influence of the truth upon their hearts, and will probably soon put on the Lord Jesus Christ by being baptized into his name. These things call, your Committee conceive, for heartfelt gratitude; and when viewed in connection with similar manifestations of Divine power and grace, at the other stations of the Parent Society, and at stations occupied by other kindred Societies, they afford a full and satisfactory reply to assertions recently put forth, viz. *That Missions have failed in their objects, the missionary spirit is fast declining, and Missionaries are on the verge of despair.* The *first* of these assertions is manifestly incorrect, and proved so by the facts recorded in this Report; and so far are Missionaries from being on the verge of despair, as represented in the *third* of these assertions, that those connected with this Society ask no greater favour than to be allowed to proceed in their labours, and to be furnished with the necessary means of carrying them on: and then, as to the *second* assertion, it is confidently hoped, that the transactions of this evening and the ensuing year will be such as to prove it unfounded too, and to demonstrate that the missionary spirit has not evaporated, but still lives and thrives, is vigorous and strong.

But the review of the past not only calls for expressions of grateful praise, but affords *encouragement* for persevering and increased exertion. Here is a wide and widening field, and that apparently white to harvest, open to the prospect of the Society, inviting its labour, and promising success. Your Bungalows for native worship in Calcutta and its neighbourhood are, generally speaking, well attended, and in them multitudes hear the word of life; and from distant places persons are frequently coming to hear and make inquiries, and, so far as human observation goes, numbers among them are truly in earnest. They are

asking for the word of life, requesting to drink of the cup of salvation; and shall we dash it from their lips, or refuse to share with them the bread of life? Shall we not rather meet them on their return to God, and present them with the Gospel of his Son, and redouble our efforts to supply them, and all around us, with the means of religious instruction? What, if but one soul should be saved from eternal death, through the agency of the Society during the ensuing year; will not that one soul be deemed a sufficient reward for all the expense and labour of the year? When eternity is seen full in view, with all its dread importance, will any one regret, that so much labour and expense should have been incurred, merely to save one soul from everlasting ruin, and raise it to everlasting blessedness? Far from it. But we have the same reason to hope for many as for one; Christ has died, salvation is secured, the heathen must be converted, the world must be saved; for the promise has been given, and the oath of Jehovah is pledged to its accomplishment, *that the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord; as the waters cover the sea: that unto Jesus every knee shall bow, and every tongue confess that he is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

But had no success been hitherto granted, and were the prospects of the Society the reverse of what they are, it would still be our duty to go forward, using the means in humble dependance on God to make them effectual in his own time. We call ourselves the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ; we own our subjection to his authority, and our obligation to make his will the rule of our conduct. He has commanded us to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel," (that is, proclaim his name, his power, and grace,) "to every creature;" and how could we retire from our post, or neglect to use every means in our power to spread the savour of his name, and the knowledge of his atonement, without

a dereliction of duty, and a departure from our most solemn obligations? He has, however, done more than command; he has assured us of his presence, and, if we are faithful in his service, of his approbation and reward. *“Lo! I am with you always, even to the end of the world. Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life. Therefore, beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, immoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord; forasmuch as ye know, that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.”*

APPENDIX.



No. 1.

*Some further particulars respecting the other Stations
of the Parent Society.*

Stations in India.

1. CUTWA.

Respecting this station, Mr. W. CAREY, the resident Missionary, writes:—

I wish I could give cheering accounts of numbers calling on the Lord Jesus Christ, but alas! I am denied this pleasure, although the last year has been more cheering than some years before. I had, a few months ago, the pleasure of baptising nine persons: some of them give me pleasure, but others have been a source of pain to me.

I am happy to say, that the labours of the station have been continued as in former years. The annual fairs have been visited, and at those times thousands have heard the word of life, and great quantities of tracts and books have been distributed, many of which I hope have been sent to distant parts of the country. The people at such times, upon the whole, have been attentive and often eager to hear. I pray the Lord of the harvest, that these labours may be abundantly blessed.

We also have often had large and attentive congregations, both mornings and evenings; at which times, people from almost all parts of the country have heard the word. In these labours we have had but five days of interruption, through the season, as the rains have been very mild. Our daily family worship has also been well attended.

2. BEERBHOOM.

Concerning operations at this place, we are enabled to give the following particulars, recently communicated in a letter from Mr. J. WILLIAMSON.

In January last, I had the pleasure of baptising four persons; two young men, one young woman, and one rather elderly man. The youths are the offspring of our Native Christians, and the elderly man, though brought up in Heathenism, has been living among the Christians for some years in Christian habits, and is married to one of our members. Previous to baptism, they had been for two or three years under the means of grace, and are all, I hope, subjects of converting power. Since their admission into the church, their conduct has been unexceptionable, especially that of the young persons. A short time ago, we had another baptising, in which two persons, renouncing all but the Lord Jesus Christ, publicly professed their faith in Him, and resolutions of obedience to His holy commands. We received them gladly into the Church, having little doubts as to their having undergone that great change of heart, in which all old things are done away, and all things become new. One is a son, and the other a daughter of our Native Christians. They were a short time before united in marriage, and are, together, an amiable pair. The young man is studying Sanscrit, and I hope will become a useful man by and by. Though we have had no converts from Heathenism this year, yet I am sure the knowledge of Christianity is increasing, and prejudice fast diminishing among the surrounding multitudes. Our native Itinerants, who are best acquainted with this subject, are decidedly of opinion, that they meet with only one half the opposition they did five or six years ago. We have only three native preachers at present, one having left us to accompany Mr. PARRY to *Burrisal*,—where he intends residing. Mr. P. assisted us a good deal, on which account we shall feel his loss. But if our loss will be greater gain to others, we must not regret it.

3. MONGHYR.

At this station, the heart of the Missionary has been cheered, by the accession of *four* converts from among the natives during the past year, as well as by several additions to the English church under his care. The Pukkha chapel, for native worship, erected a little more than a twelvemonth ago, has been well attended; so much so, that Mr. LESLIE has found it expedient to raise another place of worship much larger than the former, the cost of which is about 800 Rupees. We learn that both are occupied, and frequented by the natives in considerable numbers.

4. DIGAH.

At present this station is destitute of a resident Missionary ; it has, however, been repeatedly visited by Mr. LESLIE, and Mr. MOORE, of *Monghyr*, and a person raised up from among the members of the church, has been rendered very useful in carrying on the public worship of God, and directing inquirers. The pious and zealous labours of the late Mr. BURTON, among the soldiers, quartered in the neighbourhood, have been productive of extensive good : 29 persons have been baptized, and received into the church there within a few months ; and it is probable, that that number will be shortly increased by further additions. The Committee are desirous of sending out another missionary to occupy this interesting field of labour, and it is hoped a short time only will be allowed to elapse, e'er we shall be permitted to announce his arrival.

Asiatic Islands.*COLOMBO, in the Island of Ceylon.*

We regret to state, that the Society has experienced a severe loss at this station, in the death of Mr. CHATER, who had been long actively and usefully employed in promoting the cause of the Redeemer on the Island. Worn down by the unremitting labour of twenty-two years in a tropical clime, he was induced to undertake a voyage to his native land, in the hope of returning with invigorated health. He embarked from *Colombo* on the 25th December last, but expired on the 2d January, before the ship had arrived at the *Isle of France*. The concerns of the Mission are, for the present, carried on by Mr. SEERS, a Missionary raised up in the island.

PADANY, in the Island of Sumatra.

Concerning this station, we are unable to furnish any information.

West Indies.

Respecting the Mission to *Jamaica*, we have much pleasure in presenting the following account, taken from the last Report of the Parent Society.

A review of the progress of our Mission in *Jamaica*, during the past year, cannot fail to excite sentiments of grateful admiration on account of the blessing which has continued to attend it, and the kind protection which, amidst many dangers, it has not ceased to enjoy. Of our churches in this island it may be said, as of the children of Israel in former ages, "The more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew."

It was stated, in our last Report, that His Majesty in Council had been graciously pleased to disallow the act of the House of Assembly, which contained several clauses of a tendency highly prejudicial to Missionary operations,—and that this intelligence proved very unwelcome to the Colonial Legislature. Although several of our brethren were summoned to their bar, and examined on various particulars relating to their public character, no further steps were taken till the following session, when the obnoxious statute was re-enacted in the House of Assembly, and, after some opposition in the council, tendered to the Lieutenant Governor for his assent: that assent, however, was refused, in conformity with a minute of the privy-council, long since addressed to all our colonial governors, enjoining them to withhold their official sanction from any law respecting religion, until such law had been approved by the Government at home.

When it was found that this attempt to bring the Missionaries under the arbitrary clauses of the Slave Act had failed, a committee was appointed by the House of Assembly 'to enquire into the establishment and proceedings of the Sectarians, and to report thereon.' By this committee, some of our brethren were examined in the month of December last, having been required to attend at Spanish Town for that purpose, much to their inconvenience and expense; soon after which, a Report was presented from the committee, professing to be founded on these examinations, and the depositions of several other persons, in which charges are brought against the Missionaries, of such a nature as, if true, would overwhelm them with disgrace and infamy.

On the appearance of this Report, Mr. COULTART made a formal application for a copy of the depositions on which it was founded, that he might be enabled to expose their true character. This having been denied, our friends immediately published an appeal to the public, calling on their opponents to substantiate the charges they had made against them. We are not aware that this has been attempted, or that any direct acts of annoyance have been repeated. It is painful to have to allege complaints of such a nature against any of our fellow-subjects, and we shall rejoice if no occasion of the kind should ever recur; but should our hopes be disappointed, we

feel assured that our calumniated brethren may rely on the impartial protection of the British Government, and that they will not be condemned unheard, on the mere representations of those who have shown such a persevering opposition to the sacred object which alone they have in view.

In turning from these recitals to the more agreeable office of tracing the progress of the cause since our last Anniversary, we have the pleasure of stating that a Society, Auxiliary to this Institution, has recently been formed by our friends in *Kingston*. On this occasion the chair was occupied by the Rev. JAMES BARRY, one of the Wesleyan Missionaries; and the meeting, which was held in Mr. COULTART'S Chapel, was very numerously attended. Several magistrates and members of the House of Assembly were present; and a Report was read, comprehending a faithful account of the origin, objects, and success of the Parent Institution, together with a direct and manly appeal to the audience on the beneficial tendency of missionary operations, in *Jamaica* more particularly. Mr. COULTART has also been permitted to commence the erection of a school for the daily education of female children, an object which he has long earnestly desired to accomplish. His pastoral labours have continued to be very useful, and large additions have been made to the church under his care; but the increasing indisposition of Mrs. COULTART appears to forbid his remaining in a climate, which repeated experience has shown to be so unfriendly to her constitution. It is most probable, therefore, that our respected brother will return to his native land as soon as the requisite arrangements can be made for supplying the vacancy which his retirement will occasion.

During several months of the past year Mr. TINSON has been engaged in a tour in the United States of America, and the adjacent British provinces, undertaken partly with the view of recruiting his impaired health, and partly in the hope of obtaining assistance towards the liquidation of the debt incurred in enlarging their place of worship. He has met with a kind reception from our Christian friends in that country, though his applications for pecuniary aid have not been very successful. He proposes visiting England before his return to *Kingston*. In the mean while, his place there has been supplied, principally by Messrs. KNIBB and BAYLIS; and the Church and congregation are still increasing.

At *Port Royal*, it has been found necessary to make a considerable enlargement of the chapel, in order to accommodate the numbers desirous of attending. A blessing has continued to follow the labours of Mr. KNIBB at this station; but he begins to find that his duties here, in addition to the entire superintendence of the large and flourishing school at *Kingston*, are more than equal to his strength. On this account he has been compelled to relax his engagements for a time, and has been visiting his brethren in the northern parts of the Island. The Committee are very desirous to send out a successor to Mr. KNIBB in conducting the school, that he may devote himself exclusively to the ministry of the Word.

The labours of Mr. PHILIPPO, at *Spanish Town*, have been attended with many proofs of a divine blessing. In the course of the year 1828, the church under his care was enlarged by the addition of 425 members, all of whom afforded ground to hope that they had become savingly acquainted with the power of divine truth, not only by the examinations instituted previous to their admission, but by the scriptural consistency of their subsequent conduct.

Mr. ANDREWS, the young man alluded to in our last Report, proves a very efficient coadjutor in managing the schools at this station, which have greatly increased in number ;—the Day Schools containing 115 pupils, and the Sunday Schools 201. To these a school of industry has lately been added, in which the children are occupied for a part of the day, in learning various employments, by which they may be enabled to maintain themselves in future life. The articles made, are sold for the benefit of the establishment, which is as yet on a small scale, but appears to deserve the liberal attention of the benevolent.

The Sunday School has already begun to produce fruit of the most pleasing nature. A class has been formed among the elder pupils, amounting to thirty, who hold weekly meetings, under the superintendance of some judicious friends, for prayer and religious conversation. Several of these young persons have already joined the church,—two of whom, little girls, of twelve years of age, have proved the means, not only of leading their mothers to the house of God by their affectionate importunity, but of producing such impressions on the hearts of these their parents, as have constrained them also to devote themselves to the service of the Redeemer.

In addition to the various services connected immediately with the large congregations and schools at *Spanish Town*, Mr. PHILIPPO has formed five other stations, at various distances, the nearest being six, and the most remote twenty-eight miles from thence ; viz. *Old Harbour*, *Ebony Savannah*, *Passage Fort*, *Garden Hill*, and *Kingswood*. At the last of these places the inhabitants have shown their lively interest in the worship of God, not merely by a numerous attendance, but by the most generous efforts to provide for its continuance among them. For this purpose, a gentleman residing on the spot, has presented the Society with two acres and a half of land, and some old buildings upon it ; and his neighbours have offered, unanimously, to erect, at their own expense, a chapel, and a house for the minister's accommodation.

While the sphere of Mr. PHILIPPO's exertions has thus been enlarging itself, to an extent far beyond the power of one individual to occupy, the Providence of God has furnished him with a desirable fellow-labourer, who has actively shared in his efforts during the greater part of the last year. We refer to Mr. H. C. TAYLOR, who had resided for some time in the island, as a catechist, under the sanction of a kindred institution ; but, having embraced the distinguishing tenet of our denomination, was baptized at *Spanish Town* in July last. He subsequently tendered his services to the Committee ;

and, as the testimonies borne to his character, qualifications, and usefulness, were highly satisfactory, the offer was accepted. Mr. TAYLOR has been principally engaged at *Old Harbour* and *Ebony Savannah*; and will probably continue there, unless it should appear to our friends in the island that his exertions are more needed elsewhere.

The number of hearers at *Anotta Bay* has so much increased, that here also, a new chapel has been found indispensable. Mr. FLOOD has been greatly encouraged by the hearty co-operation of his friends in this good work, but their utmost efforts have been found inadequate without some portion of help from this country. In addition to the services at home, Mr. FLOOD preaches regularly at *Buff Bay*, ten miles distant, where, he states, "the attendance is good, and some appear, in earnest, seeking the way to Zion with their faces thitherward."

Mr. BAYLIS informs us, that the work of the Lord continues to prosper at *Mount Charles*. At the date of his last letter, in October, fifteen candidates had been accepted for baptism, and several more were waiting to be heard. A Sabbath School has been formed, including adults as well as children, which is conducted principally by Mrs. BAYLIS. A subordinate station is supplied by Mr. BAYLIS, at *Sion Hill*, in the parish of *St. Thomas in the Vale*, where the prospects are encouraging.

The friends among whom Mr. BURTON is stationed at *Port Maria*, though not very numerous, have exerted themselves very laudably in building a new place of worship, measuring sixty feet by forty. This was needed, from the rapid increase of the congregation, which has more than doubled in number since our last Report, and among whom the word of God has been very effectual. Fifty candidates had been received for baptism previously to the opening of the new chapel in October last; but at that time, we regret to say, that Mr. Burton was not well enough to administer the ordinance.

The state of things at *Montego Bay* continues as cheering as ever. The chapel, which, in consequence of successive enlargements, now measures nearly seventy feet square, with capacious galleries, is still too small for the congregation, and large additions have been made to the church. Talents for usefulness are beginning to discover themselves among the members, some of whom endeavour, with affectionate zeal and diligence, to promote the salvation of those around them. In addition to *Crooked Spring*, *Falmouth*, and *Ridgeland*, Mr. BURCHELL, and his much esteemed colleague, Mr. MANN, have commenced a new station at *Rio Bueno*, about sixteen miles from *Falmouth*, and more recently they have taken a large house at *Savanna la Mar*, on the south-west of the island, where an inviting prospect has opened before them. To these exertions, however, comprehending a wide extent of country, and embracing in their beneficent range, several thousands of the black and colored population, the strength of two individuals is altogether inadequate. Zeal for God, and love to immortal souls, have urged our dear brethren to labour far beyond their

power ; but they have done so in the confident expectation that their friends in England would prevent their sinking under this weight of service, by sending out others to help them. The health both of Mr. BURCHELL and Mr. MANN has begun to give way, to an extent, we fear, beyond what they have themselves stated ; while their earnest and long continued solicitations, made in a strain of even distressing importunity, have as yet received no other answer than ineffectual sympathy, and heart-chilling delay. Say, Christian brethren, whether this must still be the case. We have tried and faithful men, anxious to go forth, and share, with their beloved predecessors, the heat and burden of the day :—and must they remain inactive on their native shores, because we have not zeal and liberality enough to equip and maintain them ? From twelve to twenty thousand of the black and coloured population are already connected with our Churches on the island* ; and there seems ample reason to expect this number might be greatly enlarged, if the requisite agency were supplied. Must this be solicited in vain ? We wait, with no small anxiety, for the reply to these questions. May it be such as becomes those who avow themselves the willing and grateful servants of a glorious Redeemer !

At Belize, Mr. BOURN has continued to labour with great diligence, preaching four times in the week, besides three services on the Lord's day, and visiting from house to house in order to communicate instruction in a more familiar form. Seven persons have been added to the church during the past year, and there is reason to hope that saving benefit has been experienced in other instances.

* This statement is taken from the Reply to the Report of the Sectarian Committee, published in the Watchman (Kingston Newspaper), Dec. 27 last, with the signatures of all our Missionaries attached to it.

No. 2.

*Officers, Subscribers, and Abstract of Cash Accounts of***The Calcutta****LADIES' BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**—
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MRS. C. YATES.

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Biss, J. B.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0	Mathews, W. <i>junr.</i>	<i>a.</i>	12	0	
Couchman, Mrs.	...	<i>a.</i>	12	0	Moore, Mrs.	...	<i>a.</i>	20	0
Donald, J.	...	<i>a.</i>	12	0	Moran, Mrs.	...	<i>d.</i>	10	0
Mathews, A.	...	<i>a.</i>	12	0					

MRS. CAREY.

Billon, Mrs.	...	<i>a.</i>	3	0	Carey, Miss A. L....	<i>m.</i>	0	4
Carey, J.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0	Carey, Master J. P.	<i>m.</i>	0	4
Carey, Mrs.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0				

MRS. ELLISON.

Aristidus,	...	<i>d.</i>	1	0	Rebello, J.	...	<i>a.</i>	3	0
Friend, A.	...	<i>d.</i>	1	0	Wittenbaker, M.	...	<i>d.</i>	2	0
Griff, B.	...	<i>d.</i>	4	0	Friend, A.	...	<i>m.</i>	2	0

MRS. JOHNSON.

A. L.	...	<i>d.</i>	2	0	Friend, A.	...	<i>d.</i>	1	0
Angus, Miss	...	<i>q.</i>	2	0	Ditto, A.	...	<i>d.</i>	2	0
Brae, Mrs.	...	<i>q.</i>	2	0	Johnson, Mrs.	...	<i>q.</i>	2	0
Friend, A.	...	<i>d.</i>	1	0	Johnson, Miss	...	<i>q.</i>	2	0
Ditto, A.	...	<i>d.</i>	1	0	M. S.	...	<i>d.</i>	2	0
Ditto, A.	...	<i>d.</i>	1	0	S. D.	...	<i>d.</i>	2	0

MRS. JONES.

Baker, Mrs.	...	<i>d.</i>	5	0	Palmer, J.	...	<i>d.</i>	10	0
Edmond, Mrs.	...	<i>d.</i>	5	0	Perry, Mrs.	...	<i>m.</i>	0	8
Ferris, E. P.	...	<i>d.</i>	10	0	Teil, Mrs.	...	<i>d.</i>	5	0
Flatman, Mrs.	...	<i>q.</i>	2	0	Wells, Mrs.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0
Hughes, Mrs.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0	Zebedee,	...	<i>d.</i>	1	0
Llewellyn, J.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0	Zebedee's Children,	<i>d.</i>	2	0	

MRS. KEMP.

Kemp, Mrs.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0	Rice, A. D.	...	<i>m.</i>	1	0
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MISS LAWSON.

				<i>Rs. As.</i>	
Branson, J. E. (through Mr. Ward,) ... <i>q.</i>	2	0	Rose, Miss ... <i>a.</i>	16	0
Ferrao, J. (through Mr. Ward,) ... <i>q.</i>	1	0	Rose, C. ... <i>a.</i>	16	0
Lawson, Miss A. ... <i>m.</i>	0	2	Rose, W. ... <i>a.</i>	16	0
Lawson, Miss E. ... <i>m.</i>	0	2	Tottie, Mr. (through Mr. Ward,) ... <i>d.</i>	3	0
Lawson, Miss P. ... <i>m.</i>	0	4	Ward, J. ... <i>q.</i>	4	0
M. E. L. ... <i>d.</i>	4	0	Ward, Master J. R. ... <i>m.</i>	0	4
Rose, Mrs. ... <i>a.</i>	16	0	Ward, Miss C. R. ... <i>m.</i>	0	4
			Webb, Mrs. ... <i>m.</i>	1	0

MRS. W. H. PEARCE.

Bampton, Mrs. ... <i>d.</i>	5	0	Friend, A ... <i>d.</i>	5	0
Friend, A ... <i>d.</i>	12	0	Scott, T. B. ... <i>d.</i>	8	0
Friend, A, produce of articles sold, ... <i>d.</i>	41	8	Smith, P. S. ... <i>q.</i>	2	0
			Yates, Mrs. ... <i>a.</i>	12	0

MRS. G. PEARCE.

A. P. ... <i>d.</i>	12	0	Barnes, Mrs. ... <i>d.</i>	8	0
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MRS. PENNEY.

Thomas, Mrs. ... <i>q.</i>	3	0
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MRS. VENIS.

Maxwell, W. M. ... <i>d.</i>	16	0
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MRS. THOMAS.

A young Friend, ... <i>a.</i>	1	0	Penney, Mrs. ... <i>q.</i>	3	0
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MRS. YATES.

Baboo Hurry Nath Mullick, ... <i>d.</i>	20	0	F. G. Mrs. ... <i>d.</i>	2	0
Bean, Master T. ... <i>d.</i>	2	0	Floyd, E. Mrs. ... <i>d.</i>	2	0
Blackburn, M. ... <i>d.</i>	2	0	Foster, Mrs. P. ... <i>d.</i>	8	0
C. D. ... <i>d.</i>	1	0	Foster, Mrs. R. ... <i>d.</i>	2	0
Chew, Miss ... <i>d.</i>	4	0	Friend, A ... <i>d.</i>	2	0
Currie, Mrs. ... <i>d.</i>	10	0	Friend, A ... <i>d.</i>	2	0
D. S. ... <i>d.</i>	10	0	Friend, A ... <i>d.</i>	0	8
Davis, Master J. ... <i>d.</i>	1	0	Friend, A I. C. B. from March to Sep-		
Denty, Miss ... <i>d.</i>	2	0	tember, ... <i>h. y.</i>	12	0
D. R. ... <i>d.</i>	5	0	Gibb, S. ... <i>d.</i>	2	0
East, Mrs. ... <i>d.</i>	2	0	Gray, E. ... <i>d.</i>	10	0

				<i>Rs. As.</i>			
Hill, Mrs.	...	<i>d.</i>	3 0	Motly, Mr.	...	<i>d.</i>	6 0
Howard, W.	...	<i>m.</i>	0 8	M. S.	...	<i>d.</i>	1 0
Harvard, W.	...	<i>d.</i>	5 0	Overbeck, P.	...	<i>d.</i>	8 0
Henderson, Captain,		<i>d.</i>	2 0	Pearce, Mrs. W. H.		<i>a.</i>	12 0
Kennedy, G.	...	<i>d.</i>	2 0	P. H.	...	<i>d.</i>	4 0
L. A. H.	...	<i>d.</i>	1 0	Ripley, W. H.	...	<i>d.</i>	5 0
Lardner, Mrs.	...	<i>d.</i>	1 0	Rodgers, Master,...		<i>d.</i>	0 8
Love, Mrs. W.	...	<i>d.</i>	2 0	Roy, Mr.	...	<i>d.</i>	3 0
Mackey, J.	...	<i>d.</i>	5 0	Roselje, Miss,	...	<i>d.</i>	1 0
McLany, J.	...	<i>d.</i>	5 0	S. E. C. L.	...	<i>d.</i>	10 0
Mills, Mrs. C.	...	<i>q.</i>	1 0	Williams, Miss,	...	<i>d.</i>	10 0

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Dr. Abstract of Cash Account for the Year 1828-29. Cr.

To expenses of Chit- pore Station,.....	599	4	3	By balance in hand as per printed ac- count,	30	0	6
To Sirkar's Wages,...	33	8	0	By Subscriptions and Donations,	786	4	0
To printing Reports and Receipts,.....	66	0	0	By Sale of Fruit, ...	40	0	0
Balance in hand,	157	8	3				
	Sicca Rupees, 856 4 6				Sicca Rupees, 856 4 6		
				E. E.			C. YATES,

Entally, Oct. 31, 1829.

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DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

DONATIONS.

The Hon. Sir C. E. GREY,	100	0
The Hon. Sir C. T. METCALFE,	100	0
Athanass, J, Esq.	16	0
Bolst, W. H.	10	0
Bowman, Conductor	10	0
Calder, J. Esq.	50	0
Carey, J. Esq.	32	0
Chester, G. Esq.	20	0
Chisholm, G. Esq.	25	0
Collier, G. Esq.	16	0
Crump, J,	12	0
Edwards, Mr. (Buxar,)	25	0
Fraser, Mr. (for Nat. Chap.)	16	0
Graham, W M. D.	16	0
Hamilton, A. F. Esq.	50	0
Herklots, G.	12	0
Kerr, R.	8	0
Laing, J. W. Esq.	100	0
Llewellyn, J.	32	0
Mackenzie, Holt, Esq.	50	0

Martindell, W.	12 0
Palmer, J. Esq.	.. 25 0
Pearson, D.	.. 10 0
Pritchard, G.	. 8 0
Ross, A. Esq.	50 0
Scott, Major D. G.	20 0
Snider, A.	16 0

MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Hare, D. (for schools,)	14 0
Moreiro, A.	2 0

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Alexander, N. Esq.	25 0
Beeby, W T. Esq.	50 0
Calcutta Baptist Missionaries,	100 0
Cox, J.	. 20 0
Gray, E.	23 0
Hampton, A. F.	.. 16 0
Hughes, T.	16 0
Jacob, J.	.. 12 0
Missionary, a Baptist	.. 50 0
Pascal, J.	. 4 0
Pearson, Rev. J. D.	16 0
Richardson, J.	16 0
Ricketts, J. W	. 16 0
Wilson, H. H. Esq.	32 0
Wilson, T.	12 0
Vant Hart, J.	.. 50 0
Young, J. Esq.	. 32 0

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM BRANCH SOCIETIES.

Branch Society in H. M.'s 59th Regt. 58 0 0

Branch Society in 1st and 2d Eur. Regts.

First remittance,	47 13 6	
Second do. including 20 Rs. from Major D. G. Scott,	47 13 6	
Third do.	47 13 6	
	—————	143 8 6

Branch Society in H. M's. 14th Foot.

First remittance,	15 0 0	
Second do.	16 0 0	
Third do.	40 0 0	
	—————	71 0 0

Conductor Green and Friends at Chunar.

Joseph Green, June to March, St. R.	10 0 0	
John Bradly, ditto ditto,	5 0 0	
Jacob Thomas, ditto ditto,	2 8 0	
Mrs. Thomas, ditto ditto,	2 8 0	
Mrs. Bradly, Sept. to March,	1 12 0	
Jonas Bradly, ditto,	1 12 0	
John Varley, for June,	0 4 0	
	—————	23 12 0
