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Probationers

1. Biswas Nirupam C.       |                   | 1915                   | Bengal          |                                        | 2nd Deacon         | Bengali     |

Lay Members

1. Herbert W. Knight       |                   | 1909                   |                 |                                        |                     |             |
CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

BISHOP FRANK W. WARNE ... President.
GOTTLIEB SCHANZLIN ... Secretary.
C. H. ARCHIBALD ... Assistant Secretary
C. H. S. KOCH ... Corresponding Secretary.
JOHN BYORK ... Statistical Secretary.
A. B. MOSS ... Assistant Stat. Secretary.
D. H. MANLEY ... Conference Treasurer of the Board of Missions.
WILLIAM P. BYERS ... Conference Treasurer and Treasurer of the Board of Stewards.
A. B. MOSS ... Literary Secretary

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Elected on Nomination of the District Superintendents.


6. Epworth League:—Miss Wood, A. B. Moss, Miss Carr, H. J. Smith, Miss Carpenter, Miss Rockey.


Appointed by the Bishop.


Appointed by the Central Conference.


OTHER COMMITTEES.


17. Collins Institute:—The Bishop in charge of Bengal Conference, ex-officio; the District Superintendents, ex-officio; G. Schänzlin, ex-officio; H. W. Knight, J. P. Meik, M. K. Chuckerbutti, John Byork.


26. Isabella Thoburn College:—A. B. Moss.

27. Muttra Training School:—Miss Wood.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

I. Is this Annual Conference Incorporated according to the requirement of the Discipline?
Yes, as a Financial Board, in accordance with the law in British India.

II. Who have been Received by Transfer and from what Conference?
Arthur B. Moss, New York; Harold J. Smith, Southern California; S. J. Shaw, North India.

III. Who have been Re-admitted?
None.

IV. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?
None.

V. Who have been Received on Trial?
(a) In studies of First Year.
None.
(b) In studies of Third Year. Under the Seminary Rule.
None.

VI. Who have been continued on Trial?
(a) In studies of First Year.
None.
(b) In studies of Second Year.
Nirupam Biswas, Chuni Lal Das.
(c) In studies of Third Year.
None.
(d) In studies of Fourth Year.
None.

VII. Who have been Discontinued?
None.

VIII. Who have been admitted into Full Membership?
(a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year.
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(b) Elected and ordained Deacons previously.
None.
(c) Elected and ordained Deacons under the Seminary Rule. None.

Ques. IX. What Members are in studies of Third Year?
(a) Admitted into Full Membership this year. C. H. Archibald, Jibendra N. Mondol, Bijoy K. Sarkar.
(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously. None.

,, X. What members are in studies of Fourth Year?
None.

,, XI. What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?
(a) Elected and ordained Elders this year. Peary Lall Lyall, Rashik Lal Saren.
(b) Elected and ordained Elders previously Philip A. Goold.
(c) Elected and ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule. None.

,, XII. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?
(a) As Local Preachers. None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule. None.

,, XIII. What others have been elected and ordained Elders?
(a) As Local Deacons. None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule. None.

,, XIV Was the character of each Preacher examined? This was strictly done as the name of each preacher was called in open Conference.

,, XV Who have been Transferred and to what Conferences? Peary Lal Lyall, North India.

,, XVI. Who have Died?
None.

,, XVII. Who have been Located at their own request?
None.
None.

None.

None.

None.

None.

None.

None.

None.

Henry Jackson.


None.

None.


See Conference Treasurer's Report.

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(b) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?

$Ques. XXXI. What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?
For Annuity distribution,—years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of $—per year, $230. For Necessitous distribution, $—
Total, $230.

,, XXXII. (a) What has been received on these Claims?
From the Book Concern $240
From the Chartered Fund $…
From the Board of Conference Claimants $137
From Annual Conference investments $…
From Pastoral Charges $…
Total $377

(b) How has it been Applied?
$230 applied on above claims; the balance invested by order of Conference.

,, XXXIII. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants? Nothing.

,, XXXIV What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief? $2.

,, XXXV Where are the Preachers stationed?
See Appointments.

,, XXXVI. Where shall the next Conference be held? Asansol.
BENGAL CONFERENCE.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1917.

ASANSOL DISTRICT.

W. P. Byers, Superintendent,
(P.O. Asansol).

Asansol English Church ... ... ... Harold J. Smith.
" Bengali Circuit ... ... ... W. P. Byers.
" Bengali Church ... ... ... S. M. Mondol.
" Boys' School ... ... ... W. P. Byers.
Ashabari ... ... ... N. C. Biswas.
Mangalbari ... ... ... To be supplied.
Rampur ... ... ... To be supplied.
Sarakdihi ... ... ... S. M. Mondol.

CALCUTTA ENGLISH DISTRICT.

G. S. Henderson, Superintendent,
(P.O. 151, Dharmatala St., Calcutta).

Calcutta Boys' School ... ... ... D. H. Manley, Principal.
Darjeeling and Literary Work ... ... A. B. Moss.
Industrial Home ... ... ... John Byork, Superintendent.
Kidderpore Circuit and Seamen's Mission ... ... ... John Byork.
Thoburn Church ... ... ... G. S. Henderson.
Medical and Evangelistic Work ... ... H. W. Knight, M.D.

CALCUTTA VERNACULAR DISTRICT.

D. H. Manley, Superintendent,
(P.O. 72, Corporation St., Calcutta).

Collins Institute and Bible Training School ... ... ... Gottlieb Schäenzlin, Principal, K. C. Mullick, Teacher in Training School, probem.
Diamond Harbour Circuit ... ... ... To be supplied.
East Calcutta Circuit and Hati Bagan ... K. C. Mullick.
Hindustani Circuit ... ... ... S. J. Shaw.
Lee Memorial Mission ... ... ... D. H. Lee, Superintendent.
Baliaghata Circuit ... ... ... C. H. Archibald.
Dharamtala Bengali Church ... ... ... L. B. Chatterjee, Pastor
South Village Circuit and Jhanjra Church ... ... ... S. C. Biswas.
Tamluk and S. S. Secretary ... ... ... M. K. Chuckerbutti.
District Evangelist ... ... ... C. H. Archibald.
PAKAUR DISTRICT.

C. H. S. KOCH, Superintendent,

(P.O. Pakaur, E. I. Ry., Loop Line).

Bolpur Circuit ... ... ... J. P. Meik.
Bolpur Church and Sainthia ... ... ... J. N. Mondol.
Santali Work ... ... ... To be supplied.
Molarpur ... ... ... To be supplied.
Rampore Haut ... ... ... J. P. Meik, K. R. Das, I.E.
Pakaur Bengali Church and Boys' School ... ... ... B. K. Sarkar.
Pakaur Santali Circuit ... ... ... R. L. Saren.
Rajipur ... ... ... Barriar Saren, L.D.
Kola Jora ... ... ... To be supplied.
Sangrampur ... ... ... C. L. Das.
Dhulian and Pakaur Evangelistic Work ... ... ... P. C. Das, I.E.

On Furlough ... ... ... H. M. Swan.

To preach the Conference Sermon ... A. B. Moss;
To preach the Missionary Sermon ... G. S. Henderson;

WOMEN'S WORK.

ASANSOL DISTRICT.

Asansol English Church ... ... ... Mrs. Harold J. Smith.

Evangelistic and Zenana Work ... Miss Norberg.

Girls' Boarding School ... ... ... Miss Carr.

Bengali Church Work ... ... ... Miss Hosking.

Bible Training School ... ... ... Mrs. Mondol
Boys' Boarding School ... ... ... Mrs. D'Crutz.
District Work ... ... ... Mrs. Byers.

CALCUTTA ENGLISH DISTRICT.

Anglo-Indian Girls' Orphanage ... ... Miss Bennett.
Calcutta Boys' School and Orphanage ... ... Mrs. Manley.
Calcutta Girls' High School ... ... Miss Wood, Principal.

Darjeeling Church ... ... ... Mrs. Moss.
Deaconess Home ... ... ... Mrs. Knight, Superintendent.

Kidderpore Mission and Hindustani Work ... ... ... Mrs. Byork.
Thoburn Church Visitor ... ... ... Mrs. Knight.
Queen's Hill School ... ... ... Miss Stahl, Principal.  
Miss Rocky, Vice-Principal.  
Miss Boyce.  
Mrs. Culshaw.  
Miss Long.  
Mrs. F. B. Smith.

On Furlough ... ... ... Miss Knowles,  
Miss Maxey, Miss Hunt.

CALCUTTA VERNACULAR DISTRICT.

District Work ... ... ... Mrs. Manley.
Collins Institute ... ... ... Mrs. Schanzlin.
East Calcutta Circuit:—
Girls' School and Zenana Work ... Mrs. Manley. Miss Daniel.
Hati Bagan Church ... ... ... Mrs. Mullick.
Hindustani Work (Calcutta) ... ... ... Mrs. Manley. Mrs. Ward.
Lee Memorial Mission ... ... ... Mrs. Lee (on furlough).
Balighata Woman's Work ... ... ... Miss Katherine Kinzly and  
Mrs. Elsie Beeken.

Day Schools ... ... ... Mrs. Elsie Beeken.
Evangelistic and Zenana Work ... ... ... Miss Mabel Eddy.
Lee Memorial Girls' School:—
Educational Department ... ... ... Miss Mary F. Carpenter.
Boarding Department ... ... ... Mrs. C. H. Archibald.
Jhanjra ... ... ... Mrs. Biswas.
Tamluk ... ... ... Miss Matheson.  
Associate to be supplied.
Tamluk Church ... ... ... Mrs. Chuckerbutti.
On Furlough ... ... ... Miss Blair, Miss Moyer.

PAKAUR DISTRICT.

District Work ... ... ... Mrs. Koch.
Bolpur Circuit ... ... ... Mrs. Meik.
Bolpur Church ... ... ... Mrs. Mondol.
Bolpur Evangelistic Work ... ... ... Mrs. Meik.
Pakaur Church and Boys' School ... ... ... Mrs. Sarkar.
Pakaur Bengali and Santali Evangelistic Work ... ... ... Miss Swan.
Pakaur Women's Industrial Home ... ... ... Miss Johanson.
Pakaur Girls' School ... ... ... Miss Payton.
Pakaur Medical Work ... ... ... Miss Johanson.
Rampur Haut Circuit ... ... ... Mrs. Meik, Mrs. Das.
On leave to America to attend College ... ... ... Miss Meik.
On Furlough ... ... ... Mrs. Swan.  
Miss Grandstrand.
MINUTES
OF THE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BENGAL CONFERENCE
OF THE
Methodist Episcopal Church,
HELD IN
KIDDERPORE, INDIA
COMMENCING ON
THURSDAY 25th JANUARY 1917.

JOURNAL

FIRST SESSION.

10 a.m., Thursday, 25th Jan. 1917.

The thirtieth session of the Bengal Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened at the Seamens Mission Church, Kidderpore, the twenty-fifth day of January, 1917, with Bishop F. W. Warne presiding. The conference sang: “In the Cross of Christ I glory”, and the Bishop addressed the conference. The conference sang again: “When I survey the wondrous Cross”, and the Bishop, assisted by D. H. Lee, W P Byers and H. M. Swan, conducted the communion service.

Secretaries.—On motion of M. K. Chuckerbutti, Gottlieb Schänzlin was elected Secretary, and on the nomination of the Secretary, C. H. Archibald was elected Assistant Secretary. On motion of H. M. Swan, John Byork was elected Statistical Secretary.

Transfers.—The Bishop announced the following transfers to Bengal Conference: Arthus Bruce Moss from the New York Conference, and Harold J. Smith from the Southern California Conference. Both were introduced to the conference.

Introductions.—The following were introduced to the Conference: Mrs. H. J. Smith, H. W. Knight, M.D., Mrs. F. W. Warne, Miss Warne.

Paragraph 423.—On motion of G. S. Henderson, Dr. Knight was invited to sit with the conference under the conditions mentioned under paragraph 423 of the Discipline.

Introductions.—The following were introduced to the Conference: Miss Carr, Miss Matheson, D. H. Lee, C. H. S. Koch, Mrs. Koch, (all after return from forlough), Mrs. Joseph Culshaw, Miss Graham.

Transfer.—The Bishop announced the transfer of Samuel J. Shaw from the North India Conference to this Conference.

14th Question.—The 14th Question was called. (Was the character of each Preacher examined?) The name of W. P. Byers was called and his character passed; he read his report on the Asansol District. The name of G. S. Henderson was called and his character passed; he read his report on the Calcutta District.

Introductions.—Mr. Dean W. Peterson of the Y M. C. A. was introduced. On motion of G. S. Henderson, Mr. Peterson was given the privilege of the floor.

Program.—On motion of G. S. Henderson the printed program was adopted as the official program of the Conference.

Resolutions.—On motion of J. P. Meik the following were appointed a committee on Resolutions: D. H. Lee, G. S. Henderson, C. H. S. Koch, Mrs. Byers, Miss Swan.

Assistant Statistical Secretary.—On nomination of John Byork, A. B. Moss was elected Assistant Statistical Secretary.

Official Translator.—J. P. Meik was requested to translate the essentials of discussions into Bengali for the benefit of those brethren who can not follow well in English.

Committee on Bible Study.—The Conference discussed Bible study work as carried on by up today methods in America. On motion of John Byork the following were appointed a committee to investigate this subject and report to the conference: H. W. Knight Convener, A. B. Moss, D. W. Peterson, B. K. Sarkar, M. K. Chuckerbutti, S. M. Mondol, J. P Meik, Miss Maxey

Reporters.—On motion of C. H. S. Koch the following were appointed reporters to the following papers:


The Conference adjourned with the singing of the Doxology and the Benediction.

SECOND SESSION.

10 a.m., Friday, 26th Jan., 1917.

The Conference sang “Jesus, Lover of my soul” D. H. Lee conducted the devotional exercises, based on the first chapter of

Minutes.—The Secretary read the Minutes of the previous session. The Minutes were corrected and approved.

6th Question.—The 6th Question was asked, (Who have been continued on Trial?). The name of Nirupam C. Biswas was called and his character passed. The Board of Examiners reported his studies, and on motion of his District Superintendent he was advanced to the studies of the second year, conditioned in one study.

8th Question.—The 8th Question was asked, (Who have been admitted into full membership?). The names of C. H. Archibald and Bijoy K. Sarkar were called and their character passed. The Board of Examiners reported that they had completed the studies of the second year, and on the recommendation and motion of their District Superintendents, they were elected Deacons, admitted into full membership and advanced to the studies of the third year.

11th Question.—The 11th Question was asked, (What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?). The name of P. A. Goold was called and his character passed. The Board of Examiners reported that he had completed the Course of Study, having previously been ordained Elder.

The name of R. L. Saren was called and his character passed. The Board of Examiners reported that he had completed the Course of Study, and on the recommendation of his District Superintendent he was elected Elder and recommended for ordination.

36th Question.—(Where shall the next Conference be held?). On the invitation of W P Byers and on motion of C. H. S. Koch, the Conference decided to hold its next session at Asansol.

Reports.—J. P Meik reported for the Committee on Bengali Literature. On motion of C. H. S. Koch the report was adopted and the Committee was instructed to plan for the republishing of the Bengali hymnal. The Delegate to the Bengal and Assam Representative Council of Missions, J. P. Meik, presented a report,
which was adopted. A communication was read from the Secretary of the Council regarding comity among missions in India.

**Amalgamation of Committees.**—On motion of C. H. S. Koch the committees on Colportage and Bengali Literature were amalgamated, also the committees on Education and Vernacular Education. The committee on Self-support and that on Aggressive Evangelism were added to the committee on the State of the Church.

The Conference adjourned.

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**THIRD SESSION.**

**10 a.m., Saturday, 27th Jan., 1917.**

H. J. Smith led the devotional exercises. The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

**Committees.**—On motion of C. H. S. Koch a new Committee on Education was appointed, consisting of four members each, elected by this Conference and the W F. M. S. Conference, and a convener appointed by the Cabinet. J. P Meik, K. C. Mullick, M. K. Chuckerbutti and C. H. S. Koch were elected.

On motion of G. S. Henderson the name of A. F Watts was substituted in place of Dr. D. R. Smith on the Committee on the Seamen's Mission.

**Report.**—C. H. S. Koch presented a report of the Committee supervising the work of the Sunday School Secretary.

**Committees.**—On motion of G. S. Henderson the Committee on Epworth Leagues was ordered to be included among the Standing Committees.

On motion of John Byork the Committee on the Seamen's Mission was continued.

**Conference Treasurer.**—On motion of M. K. Chuckerbutti, W. P. Byers was elected Conference Treasurer and Treasurer of the Board of Stewards.

**Epworth League Anniversary.**—On motion of A. B. Moss the Committee on Epworth Leagues was requested to plan for an Epworth League Anniversary during the next session of the
Conference. The Program Committee was asked to make provision for this anniversary.


**Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.**—On motion of M. K. Chuckerbutti, D. H. Manley was elected Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

**Corresponding Secretary.**—On motion of H. M. Swan, C. H. S. Koch was elected Corresponding Secretary.

**Introduction.**—Mr. L. B. Chatterjee was introduced to the conference.

**Historical Sketch.**—The Conference Historian read a historical sketch on the thirty years of conference history. On motion of John Byork the Conference expressed its thanks to the compiler. On motion of H. M. Swan, J. P. Meik, G. S. Henderson and D. H. Lee were associated with the historian to help him in the perfecting of the sketch for the next annual session.

**8th Question.**—The 8th Question was resumed. The name of Jibendra Nath Mondol was called and his character passed. The Board of Examiners reported that he had finished the studies of the second year. On the recommendation of his District Superintendent he was elected to full membership, elected Deacon, and advanced to the studies of the third year.

The Bishop addressed C. H. Archibald, B. K. Sarkar and J. N. Mondol, and after the candidates had satisfactorily answered the disciplinary questions, they were formally admitted into full membership.

**11th Question.**—The 11th Question was resumed. The name of Peary Lal Lyall was called and his character passed. The Board of Examiners reported that he had completed the Course of Study, and on motion of his District Superintendent he was elected Elder.

**Ordination Service.**—The Ordination Service was fixed for
SUNDAY SERVICES.

A great part of Sunday was spent in intercession for the different parts of the work. C. H. S. Koch preached the Missionary Sermon at 8.30, at Thoburn Church, on Gal. 3, 28. In the afternoon B. K. Sarkar preached the Conference Sermon at the Dharmatala Bengali Church, and in the evening at Kidderpore, Bishop Warne ordained as Deacons: C. H. Archibald, B. K. Sarkar and J. N. Mondol. The Bishop, assisted by D. H. Lee, H. M. Swan, J. P. Meik, C. H. S. Koch, G. Schanzlin and John Byork, also ordained as Elders: Peary Lal Lyall and Rasik Lal Saren.

After the ordination service the Bishop preached on 1. Cor. 1; 23.

FOURTH SESSION.

10 a.m., Monday, 29th Jan. 1917.

The Bishop called the conference to order, and H. M. Swan conducted the devotional exercises.

Introductions.—Miss Daniel, Mrs. Greenaway, Miss Johanson, Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Beeken were introduced to the conference.

State of the Church.—W P Byers read the report of the committee on the State of the Church; it was adopted.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the previous session were read, corrected and approved.

Bengal and Assam Representative Council of Missions.—On motion of G. S. Henderson, D. H. Manley was elected our representative to this council. On motion of M. K. Chuckerbutti, J. P. Meik was elected alternate.

Minutes.—On motion of M. K. Chuckerbutti, the Secretaries were appointed a committee to see to the printing of the Minutes.
On motion of John Byork the printed Minutes were declared to be the *Official* Minutes of the conference.


**Literary Secretary.**—On motion of G. Schänzlin, A. B. Moss was elected Literary Secretary.

**National Missionary Society.**—On motion of C. H. S. Koch, L. B. Chatterjee was elected as our representative to this society.

**Muttra Training School.**—On motion of G. S. Henderson, Miss Wood was appointed as our representative to this school.

**Isabella Thoburn College.**—On motion of H. M. Swan, A. B. Moss was elected the Bengal Conference member on the Board of Isabella Thoburn College in Lucknow.

**Standing Committees.**—C. H. S. Koch read the cabinets nominations of Standing Committees.

The nominations were confirmed by the conference.

**Organized Mens Bible Classes.**—H. W Knight reported on the practicability of such classes. On motion of D. H. Lee, H. W Knight and M. K. Chuckerbutti were appointed to organize the classes.

**Bengali Literature and Colportage.**—On motion of G. S. Henderson the following persons were appointed on this committee: J. P Meik, G. Schänzlin, C. H. S. Koch, Miss Eddy, M. K. Chuckerbutti, B. K. Sarkar, Miss Swan, Miss Carpenter.

**Finance Committee.**—The tellers reported the following elections: G. Schänzlin, K. C. Mullick, B. K. Sarkar. Alternate, S. M. Mondol. A second ballot was taken for the election of an other European.

**Building Committee.**—On motion of C. H. S. Koch the following were elected on the Building Committee: D. H. Manley, J. P. Meik, G. S. Henderson, W. P Byers.

**Committee on Salaries of Workers.**—On motion of John Byork the following committee was appointed: J. P. Meik,
Indian Witness.—A letter was read by the Bishop from the Editor of the Indian Witness, Dr. F. B. Price in Lucknow.

All India S. S. Union.—On motion of M. K. Chuckerbutti a representative was appointed to the All India Sunday School Union. M. K. Chuckerbutti was appointed.

Calcutta Christian Schools Society.—On motion of G. S. Henderson the following were elected for this society: John Byork, G. Schänzlin, D. H. Manley, G. A. Smith.

Finance Committee.—The tellers reported the following elections: John Byork with J. P. Meik as alternate.

Statistical Report.—John Byork read the Statistical Report. On motion of H. M. Swan the report with the necessary modifications was adopted.

The conference adjourned on expiration of time to meet again at 8 o'clock on Tuesday

FIFTH SESSION.

8 a.m., Tuesday, 30th Jan., 1917.

D. H. Lee called the conference to order and led the devotional exercises.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved. The Bishop took the chair.

Reports.—G. Schänzlin read the report of the committee on Education. The report with some modifications was adopted.

M. K. Chuckerbutti read his report as Sunday School Secretary. The report was accepted.

G. Schänzlin reported on Collins Institute. On his motion the committee on Collins Institute was re-elected with H. W Knight in place of T. P. Campbell.

J. P Meik reported on the Mission Claimants Fund and also on the work of the Conference Stewards. The reports were adopted.

John Byork reported on the Industrial Home.
M. K. Chuckerbutti reported for the committee on Colportage. The report was adopted.

6th Question.—The 6th Question was asked again. (Who are continued on Trial?) The name of Chuni Lal Das was called and his character passed. The Board of Examiners reported, and on motion of his District Superintendent, Chuni Lal Das was advanced to the studies of the second year.

Report.—C. H. S. Koch reported for the Deaconess Board. The report was adopted.

Joseph Culshaw Memorial Church.—The Bishop announced the decision of the cabinet that the church in Pakaur should be called the Joseph Culshaw Memorial Church. H. M. Swan, C. H. S. Koch and Mrs. Culshaw were appointed a committee for the perfecting of the plan. The conference stood and sang two stanzas of: "Blessed be the tie that binds", after which Bishop Warne led in prayer.

Reports.—The Conference Treasurer read his reports. The report was adopted on motion of C. H. S. Koch.

C. H. Archibald reported for the committee on Epworth Leagues. The report was adopted.

Book Concern Dividend.—On motion of M. K. Chuckerbutti the Bishop was authorized to draw the Book Concern Dividend.

Central Bengali Church.—On motion of C. H. S. Koch the committee on a Central Bengali Church was re-appointed as follows: D. H. Lee, D. H. Manley, G. Schänzlin.

Book Agent.—On motion of G. Schänzlin, H. J. Smith was appointed Book Agent of the conference.

The conference adjourned to meet again at 11-15.

SIXTH SESSION.

11-30 a.m., Tuesday, 30th Jan., 1917.

The Bishop called the conference to order. The conference sang a Bengali hymn and also the hymn: "A mighty fortress is our God", after which B. K. Sarkar led in prayer.

Minutes.—The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.
Introductions.—Miss Harvey from the Central Provinces and Mrs. Lankester from Kidderpore were introduced to the Conference.

Reports of Committees.—The following committee reports were read and adopted:

- the report on Temperance, read by G. Schänzlin,
- the report on Self-support, read by W P. Byers,
- the report on Aggressive Evangelism, read by C. H. Archibald.

Conference Picture.—On motion of John Byork the Secretaries were instructed to put the picture of the members of the Conference in the minutes.

Transfer.—The Bishop announced the transfer of Peary Lal Lyall to the North India Conference.

Conference Minutes.—The Assistant Secretary called the roll to find out how many copies of the printed Minutes would be needed. The number ascertained was 122.

Resolutions.—D. H. Lee, G. S. Henderson, Mrs. Byers, Miss Hunt and C. H. S. Koch read the resolutions. They were adopted as read.

The Conference arose and sang the National Anthem.

On motion of John Byork, after the reading of the Appointments, the singing of the Doxology and the Benediction by Bishop Warne, the Conference adjourned sine die.
REPORTS.

REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS.

ASANSOL DISTRICT.

W. P. Byers, District Superintendent.

English Work.

This year has been one of fulfilment in some respects. After waiting for two years and a half our long prayed for fellow-workers for the English work, came to relieve us. They arrived rather late, but were none the less welcome, and at once entered with spirit upon the task before them. In the coming of Brother and Sister Smith and their children, we felt that our fervent prayers had been answered, and that they were the people we had asked for. They have taken hold of the work eagerly, with feelings of deep thankfulness to God for having brought them to India, and we are expecting for them a long and happy career in this needy field.

It has been a great relief to know that we had someone to take up the important work in connection with such a large and growing community.

The hot season was particularly trying, owing to the great drought of last year, but Brother Smith stuck to his post, and the rains came on June 1st, bringing relief from the extreme heat, making it safer to go out in the middle of the day.

It was hoped that we would be able to have some special services in the English Church before the year closed, but Dr. Parker was unable to spare the time. We are however looking forward to having something special in the near future.

The Railway has kindly granted a pass with which to visit outstations as far as Jha Jha, and the Agent was good enough to grant passes so that Brother and Sister Smith were able to attend the Dashera meeting and go as far as Agra in this their first year in India.
The English work is in good hands, and we are delighted with the cordiality with which our new minister and his wife have been received.

We are all happy together, and feel like a family engaged in different departments of a large work, with increasing opportunities and open doors.

Brother and Sister Blewitt at Madhupur are finding enlarged opportunities in that bracing climate, and report much interest in spiritual things among the people there.

Bengali Work.

At the beginning of the year our old friend and fellow laborer, Keshub Babu, was transferred to Calcutta. He has been greatly missed, as he had won for himself a large place in the esteem of the entire community. Brother Surju Mondol came in his place as pastor of the city church, and he has been busily engaged visiting, caring for the sick, and doing all in his power to help those under his charge. He has been able to open and maintain a Sunday School at Cheli Danga, and is always busy planning to benefit his people.

The Mission Compound congregation is so large, and generally so well attended that the capacity of the Girls’ School becomes taxed to the utmost to accommodate the people. We trust it will not be long till we have our much needed Mission Church. We have waited many years for it.

A good worker is needed for Mangalbaree, where there is such an opening, and where we have such a fine house and large compound.

Calls are coming from different sections of the district, asking for Christian teaching and day schools, and we expect to have a good work among the villages very soon.

The Bengal Revival meetings were better attended this year than ever, and new faces were seen from other parts of Bengal, and the testimony was “the best Convention yet.” We are very happy to be able to have these much needed meetings for Bengal in Asansol, and are exceedingly grateful for the opportunity it presents for our people to hear the best preachers, and meet with some of the most spiritual workers in the Province.
We are still waiting for our Boys' School building. A North India Superintendent writing of his work, says, "A District with almost no school cannot hope for any large success. In striking contrast with our weak Boys' School stands the fine school and dormitories for the Christian Girls, where they are being most carefully instructed and cared for in every way." When will our boys be equally well provided for? Without a school house we can never expect to have a proper school, and it is particularly trying to have the boys in the mission house morning, noon, and night. It keeps up a buzz that gets on one's nerves, when you have need of quiet. We hope God will soon give us our school as well as our Church.

Our boys and teachers are improving year by year, and we hope to soon have more of our own trained young people. We believe, with the North India missionaries, that it is better to train our own workers from among our own young people.

Self-support is a live subject everywhere, and we wish to keep up to date as far as possible. Rs. 152 have been raised in cash and 300 maunds of dhan, Rs. 100 worth of straw, two tons of hay, two maunds of dal; and there are two bighas of wheat and barley growing now, and two acres of gram, as an experiment. We are told that if we will cultivate pea-nuts on our hilly land we may be able to net Rs. 2,000 for our work annually. The nuts sell at Rs. 6 per maund, and the refuse from the oil makes the best manure. We only wish we had known this sooner.

W. F. M. S. Work.

Miss Johanson has made good progress with her English and Bengali, and at the same time has been a great help among the girls. Among so many (120) some are nearly always ailing and there is enough to do for a trained nurse.

Miss Norberg has been going on steadily with her work and she now has a nice band of trained Bible women for the evangelistic work. The Hindu Girls' day school has 112 in attendance, and the Railway Company has been pleased to add Rs. 20 a month to the Government grant of Rs. 25, so that the school is in a flourishing condition with trained teachers.
Miss Carr returned from furlough in November, and her girls are happy to have her back again, as we evidenced by her royal welcome. In America she met many friends of the work, and was able to tell them many details of the work here.

Miss Hosking has done valiantly during Miss Carr's absence, and everything connected with the girls school has had the most careful and prayerful supervision, so that no department has suffered. The school is in fine shape, and buildings are in good repair.

We have not been able to accomplish what we had desired this year, owing to the ties of the English work. Then the great heat, followed by the astonishing rainy season, which lasted this year from June 1st to November 18th—an unheard of thing in India. These heavy and prolonged rains did much damage; but they have given good crops of rice throughout the district, so that there has been a drop in prices for that staple article, at least.

We are grateful for all our privileges and opportunities and for health to continue in our work; but we long for such a move among the people as will turn many to righteousness.

Many are hearing and believing the Word of life, and the harvest is sure to come, for the Lord of Hosts in the midst of us is mighty. May His great name soon be glorified in Bengal!

CALCUTTA ENGLISH DISTRICT.

G. S. HENDERSON, Superintendent.

The Calcutta English District includes all the English work of the Bengal Conference except Asansol Church. The work is mostly institutional and within the bounds of the city of Calcutta.

Calcutta Boys' School.

This school has been under the care of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Campbell who are second generation missionaries, and had a long experience in our Philander Smith College at Naini Tal. The school has made an excellent record, growing in number and influence during the year. A new small boys' department has
been opened and was filled within a month. Improvements in
the school and grounds have been carried out which will give a
small playground exclusively for the use of the boys. The boys
have been divided into four houses, following the English
system, the houses being named—Thoburn, Warne, Laidlaw and
Pritchard. The house system brings a friendly, rivalry into
games and behaviour and makes for the better supervision and
development of the boys. An efficient Cadet Company and a
patrol of Boy Scouts is in working order in the school.

Endowment Buildings.

Four large tenement buildings supply the funds for the
up-keep of the Calcutta Boys' School; but the school is greatly
handicapped because of the debt on these buildings, for which
two-thirds of the income is taken away. A debt of seventy
thousand rupees still remains to be paid off, when the entire
income of the endowment will go to the school and enable it to
take up a full programme of usefulness to the European and
Anglo-Indian community of this neighbourhood.

Calcutta Girls' High School.

This school is located at 152, Dharamtala Street near the
Thoburn Church where the girls take an active part in the
Choir, Epworth League and other services. The school teaches
up to the Senior Cambridge and has a very large and flourishing
Kindergarten Department. Miss Ava Hunt and Miss Clara
Callow have been in charge, while Miss Boyce and Miss Tunnison
other W. F. M. S. missionaries have been on the staff. In the
school are four patrols of girl guides who form No. 1 Calcutta
Company, being the first organized Company in Bengal of which
they are justly proud. A Junior Epworth League is conducted
among the small girls of the school. Changes are constantly
being made in the Government educational policy; but this
school has had a good patronage and has been a great help to
our general work. Several girls have gone to the Isabella
Thoburn College to be trained for work among their own people.
A great need of the school is more play-ground; but land in this
part of the city is very expensive, so we have not yet been able
to secure more.
Anglo-Indian Girls' Orphanage.

This orphanage is housed in the Deaconess Home, it is therefore convenient for the girls to attend the Calcutta Girls' High School as day schoolars. The orphanage is filled to overflowing. There is not a month during the past year that we have not been obliged to turn away girls for want of room the capacity of the Orphanage being far short of the demand. The greatest need is larger and more suitable quarters and play-ground for the girls. Miss Hunt of the Calcutta Girls' High School has been Superintendent; but the need is felt of a full time W. F. S. missionary to care for the girls, that we may do well for those homeless and needy ones who look to our Mission for all the mothering and help they need.

Deaconess Home.

This home for many years has been under the care of Miss Maxey, and has been a great center of poor relief work, and influence to all the English work during the past year. Miss Maxey is the untiring visitor for Thoburn Church, and the poor and needy know her, and make many calls on her time and money. Visiting the homes and hospitals is her daily occupation and her ministrations are blessed of God to a great multitude who will rise up to call her blessed, and much regret is felt among the people that she is going home this year.

Industrial Home.

This home was started by Bishop Warne twenty years ago, and has been doing a good work in helping Anglo-Indian and European people who are out of employment and in distress. It accommodates twenty five men, and is kept full all the time. The men work a few hours each day at simple carpentry or iron work, and food and lodging is given to them with an opportunity to search for an employment. The Home has suffered during the war time by the many war objects seeking subscriptions from the people, and by purchases and trade being slower, while materials and other necessaries have greatly advanced in price. The burden on the home is the debt on the buildings for which we are
appealing to the Centenary Fund. If this debt could be cared for the Home would be in a position to realize the plans of the founder.

Kidderpore Church and Seamen’s Mission.

This institution under the wise guidance of Brother and Sister Byork, continues to spread like the green bay tree. A new verandah has this year been erected along the whole front of the new building, adding much to the beauty of it, and giving increased accommodation for the numbers of sea-faring men who come to enjoy the privileges of the institution. The debt on the new building has been cleared off, down to the last thousand dollars, and now we have a fine working plant worth about forty thousand dollars, which has all been found from local sources, by Mr. Byork during the past ten years. It caters to the physical and spiritual needs of all connected with the harbour and shipping, and the Church and Temperance Society is in a flourishing condition, with a Ladies’ Aid Society that in work and devotion is an example to all.

Queen’s Hill School.

This W. F. M. S. School for girls in Darjeeling has been under the care of Miss E. L. Knowles and Miss Lois Rockey. The school has been filled to the capacity of the buildings, which are old, and two of them long past use. Our greatest need in this conference is a thoroughly modern school building for our missionary children in Darjeeling. Extensive repairs are being undertaken this cold season, and a new dormitory was built and opened during the past year; but the building materials are at a prohibitive price during this war, and we are hoping to carry on this school for one or two years in the present old buildings, when four of the seven buildings now in use will have to be dismantled and a modern building erected. The people and staff of this school attend the Union Church, Darjeeling where Rev. A. B. Moss of the Bengal Conference is pastor, by an arrangement with the trustees of Union Church. Mr. Moss’s forceful and helpful preaching has been much appreciated by the staff of Queen’s Hill, and by visiting missioneries to Darjeeling.
Thoburn Church.

This grand old church has been under the care of the District Superintendent during the past year. The attendance has kept well up and the finances have taken a marked advance, especially the Missionary and Conference Claimants collections. The young people have supported their own missionary worker. Benevolence in money and comforts for the soldiers and war sufferers have gone out in a steady stream during the past six months, and we look forward to greater work and blessing during the coming year.

With heartfelt gratitude we acknowledge that our Father's hand has been on all the personnel of this district for good throughout the year, during considerable sickness our missionaries have been preserved and we close the year with everyone in the best of health. Miss Knowles and Miss Maxey after long years spent in the Masters service return to the home land. Miss Hunt lays down her double burden and goes on vacation. Our best wishes go with them and we look forward to the return to us of Miss Maxey and Miss Hunt. It has been our privilege to welcome as new missionaries Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Moss and Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Knight, while Miss D. D. Wood and Miss Bennett, returning missionaries, are on the way out. We say, hitherto hath the Lord helped us, and to his name be the praise.

CALCUTTA VERNACULAR DISTRICT.

C. H. S. Koch, District Superintendent.

In writing this first report as a District Superintendent, I want to express my gratitude to God for His goodness, and for the consideration of my brethren. There is no need to burden you with details that a scrutiny of the statistical tables will reveal; I have always urged the brethren to keep their records and figures as close as possible to the facts; there is no reason why dead men, men in forced Government service or living contrary to accepted standards in family life, should not be removed from the rolls of church-membership. It is often the idea that statistics are rather a perfunctory matter that leads to
carelessness or indifference. Any decrease on the district is due to attention in this matter, rather than to epidemics of plague and small-pox or defection from our ranks. A few words about the various stations may give the best idea as to conditions.

Collins Institute and Bible Training School.

The first part of the year brought specially heavy burdens to the principal, Brother Schänzlin. Mrs. Schänzlin's long and serious illness was a heavy strain, and we all feel sure that the prayers of the faithful friends were the chief means of her recovery; her eyes had even opened on the glories of the Eternal City, when the loving Father sent her back to her husband and one little lamb. This is one of the most remarkable answers to prayer I know of.

The school had on its roll on December 31st, 1916, 480 boys and there were in the hostel, 59 Christian boys. Educationally, the year has been fairly good; 20 of the 28 boys sent up passed, 13 in the first division; the part of the story that we are not happy about is that only 28 of the 70 boys in the first class passed the test examination. However 20 of these 70 were not real students having been taken on during the year for "revenue only". At the test examination of 1917, 33 out of 55 passed. We shall have better results in the first class just as soon as we have more money and better teachers in the 9th and 10th classes. In athletics, the boys have done well. Spiritually, the excellent graded Sunday school, the Epworth League, and some special services have ministered to the needs of the boys. Gardening is carried on to a small extent.

The outstanding needs you are familiar with, and because of these we languish. We need a man to live in the hostel and give himself and his time to the boys; complaint is made that our Christian hostel boys do not make as good progress as Hindu or Mohammedan boys; when we realize that almost every Hindu boy has a private tutor to help him up the steep hill of knowledge, the reason is quite at hand. A missionary in the hostel will not only be a spiritual asset, but an educational one as well. We still wait for an adequate building. It is mighty hard to make bricks without straw and run a school without equipment.
We have had three boys in the *Training school*. We hope that when the war is over, we may be able to co-operate with the Wesleyans in the matter of preacher training, in the meantime the mofussil districts ought somehow to take their share of responsibility in furnishing the raw material; the polysyllabic title of the school is as yet a name. I am of the opinion that inasmuch as our scale of salaries puts such a high premium upon the knowledge of English, logic demands that we require English up to matriculation as a condition for admission into the training class.

The principal has pushed the truth and spirit of self-support in the matter of fees, and thus has kept the finances in good shape. The year closes with a credit balance. Rs. 8,230 were realized from day scholars and Rs. 1,641 from boarders.

**Dharamtala Bengali Church.**

This church is the spiritual home for the girls and boys of our schools; as a community force, its influence is nominal. This cannot be otherwise when its pastor is the headmaster of a large school, a teacher in the same, living far away, and his spare hours taken up with private tuition. Our supreme and urgent need is a full time pastor. In order to allow room for the Lee Memorial Mission other church quarters should be provided as soon as possible.

**Diamond Harbour Circuit.**

A few words may suffice here. Our occupation of this point is as yet nominal; our mathematics teacher in Collins, and a postal runner are the only Christian families besides the local preacher and Bible woman. We have a comfortable three roomed house, still unpaid for; during the last year, it was rented out long enough to cover the necessary repairs to prepare it for rent. At Kulpi, 10 miles south, and Nihata on the Diamond Harbour line, we have about 30 Christians in each. The new workers appointed at the district conference have entered their work with enthusiasm, and already the man at Diamond Harbour has far outstripped his predecessor in the sale of literature. The Epworth League of Thoburn Church has assisted us in the support of a colporteur here to the extent of Rs. 15 per month.
These logically belong together, as Hati Bagan is the head and front, not to say the back, of East Calcutta Circuit. However, the chief Indian companion of my missionary apprenticeship and I, have had no friction. But the Church like Dharamtala Bengali needs a full-time pastor. Brother Mullick has devoted 4 days a week to the training class. Those who are familiar with pastoral work in Calcutta know how impossible a situation this is. Sick people in hospitals from Shambhunath Pandit to Lady Dufferin, men searching employment from Armenian Ghat and Garden Reach to Manicktollah and the Salt Lakes, settling family quarrels, admonishing wifebeaters and talebearers, conducting prayer meetings in half a dozen wards, teaching from house to house, burying, marrying, baptizing, and preaching as well as healing and supervising, surely here is a task requiring a man's full time. If this conference provides a full-time pastor for Hati Bagan and Dharamtala, it will have made a great stride forward.

Hindustani Circuit.

There has been growth as the statistics show. But again the outstanding features of the work are its needs. I think we do not realize the situation. Though Calcutta is a Bengali city, there are 365,339 Hindi and 70,558 Urdu speaking people here, a total of 435,897, as compared with 512,579 Bengali speaking, i.e., for every 56 who speak Bengali, 44 speak Hindi or Urdu. The need demands a full time missionary easily, and in view of the men that come from the "mass movement" area, the Mass Movement commission does well to consider this need. The great mills along the river draw their labour almost wholly from the United Provinces and Bihar. The jute mills at Kamarhatti which I visited with Peari Lyall have 7033 operatives, all living in close proximity, most of them in pucca lines furnished by the company. This industrial situation demands our attention. Brother Peari Lyall has worked with us for eight years but on account of his wife's health has been transferred to Nampara, North India. Brother S. J. Shaw from the Pithoragarh District takes his place.
Lee Memorial Mission and Baliaghatta Circuit.

We welcome Brother Lee back from furlough; for over 40 years he has laboured in India and may well be called the Nestor of Calcutta Methodism. May he have many years of fruitful service in our midst.

The school has been full to overflowing and students have been refused. Rs. 947 have been collected in fees which is a great advance. The report on education shows excellent examination results. The Government report has not been received yet, but 80 students passed the examination in standards II to VI, out of 90 on the roll. There are 12 teachers on the staff and 11 in Training, 30 students in the day school. The Government grant this year, exclusive of days schools is Rs. 5,984 practically Rs. 6,000. Sixteen students are taking Government examinations. In 1915, 2 scholarships were received and 4 girls received the teachership certificates at the District Conference, Brother Archibald reported that 50 boys were in the boarding department at Baliaghatta, most of them there because of poverty, and a goodly percentage orphans. There has been street and bazaar preaching, and two families are under Christian instruction.

This is certainly a great field rich with possibilities, especially among the children.

Out of the city Harinabhi, Champahati, Shitola and Sonarpur are in the list of occupied centres. There are some excellent schools at these places and a great deal of evangelistic work is done, resulting in many inquirers.

South Villages Circuit and Jhanjra Circuit.

Though the statistics do not show any great advance, there has been much work done, and the lists have been thoroughly gone over, and are still in process of revision. The work here is handicapped because of the slow methods of communication, i.e., salti or country canoe, and we are grateful that the W F. M. S. has granted the cost of another boat; we only regret that they have not supplied the human motor to run the same. We have temporarily taken on a worker who had been dismissed by Brother Mozumdar for lack of funds; I do not know how long
we shall be able to keep him. This is the only new worker in the district.

The lack of quarters has also been a handicap, as well as an expensive proposition, but the grant of 165 dol. from the Board has made possible additional accommodation for the pastor-in-charge.

One of the members has offered 4½ bighas of land and an initial donation of Rs. 200 to open an Upper Primary Boarding School; this is encouraging to say the least, but it will take a substantial addition to make such a proposition possible.

We thought it would be possible to combine with the L. M. S. here, but the people as a whole were greatly opposed to it, so we are keeping on as before.

**Tamluk.**

The year at Tamluk has been a difficult one, but there have been bright spots that have made my visits there times of refreshing.

A parsonage and a chapel with workers' quarters attached has been built at a cost of Rs. 2,000. This gives a good home for the workers.

The women have worked long and faithfully in this field, and the parent Board would find that the ground has been well prepared for any efforts they can put forth. As we are alone in this field, it would seem as if this were the place for us to fulfil our stewardship.

Miss Matheson who arrived on the 8th of January, 1917 was heartily welcomed back; Miss Blair after a full term of service plans to go on furlough.

**W. F. M. S.**

The fact that the work of the W F M. S. is mentioned at the last does not mean at all that its value is underestimated; even the comparison of amounts expended shows its great importance; the Woman's Board spends in the Calcutta Vernacular District the sum of Rs. 12,918 as compared with the Board's
Rs. 5,098. This comparison is even more startling when we deduct from the latter sum the amount for the district superintendent's rent and the interest on the Diamond Harbour house, reducing the Board's grant to Rs. 3,774. Of course we may add the amount of Rs. 3,528 expended by the Lee Memorial on district work, but even so, the amount is Rs. 8,622 or about two-thirds of the Woman's work grant. This comparison furnishes food for reflection, if not cause for anxiety. To what extent it would be legitimate and desirable for the W. F. M. S. to support the general pastoral work of a station, is a question which has not yet been answered. The Central Conference reported as follows:

"Whereas the indigenous effort of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for some time to come, must be supplemented by grants in aid from the Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; therefore resolved that their support including that of their families be according to their worth and need and the ability of the local church, assisted by the two societies."

This would seem to suggest even closer co-operation than at present exists in many places. In circuits where there is only one Bible woman, this amount might just as well be given as a grant-in-aid to the local Church for pastoral support, as in such cases Bible women can do little more than visit the Christian homes which the pastor himself visits. In these cases, it merely becomes an indirect way of providing a living for a widow and the term Bible woman is a misnomer.

At East Calcutta Circuit the school work has been pushed and the school has grown receiving good grants from Government. Miss Moyer's sojourn in the North has redounded to the good of the Hindustani work. She has been assisted by the voluntary efforts of Mrs. Ward of the Y. M. C. A. who has gone to the extent of studying the language that she may be of service. Mrs. Ward is deeply interested in the zenana work among Mohamedan women.

Miss Moyer's going on furlough leaves the W. F. M. S. without a resident missionary for Calcutta and the District. It seems almost absurd to leave a city like Calcutta without a W. F. M. S. missionary, even when we consider what is being done by
the Lee Memorial. The Bible women in the district need help and they are not getting it.

Tamluk is still on the map, and the question of the work there occupies our attention now in a special manner. The best disposition of our few forces is a question. The schools are doing good work and Hindu homes have been faithfully visited. There are 3 women, 6 girls and a boy who make their home with Miss Blair—an interesting household.

General Observations.

I do not wish to utilize the material that various committees may desire to include in their reports, but a few general remarks in passing may not come amiss.

Colportage. Being a firm believer in literature, and its value as an evangelizing agency, I generally have some along on my travels and am continually urging the matter on the workers. A man who wanted to be baptized immediately still has my Bible and hymnbook which I gave him, but ordinarily, I sell such books; the aforesaid gentleman, after partaking of my hospitality at tiffin, went to a lady missionary, and asked baptism for a Hindu woman, who had practically been his wife for two years, and whom he wanted to make his wife according to Christian law. In another case I sold an English Bible to the nephew of a Rajah, whose father, a Mahomedan, had married a lady in England. I believe with Wesley, that this is one of our most important tasks. Could not the Finance Committee see its way clear to make an appropriation to our Local Tract Society? It would set good example to other societies, and in these hard times of war, coming from an American Mission, it would be doubly appreciated. At the Ganga Sagar mela Misses Carpenter and Moyer and their helpers sold over 4000 gospels worth Rs. 65.

Self-support. The spirit and work of self-support have been consistently urged. At Hati Bagan an attempt has been made in this direction. A Board of Stewards was appointed and they began work, but the congregation made things hard for them and the stewards fell down badly in their efforts, so the paid workers took the matter up again.

At Jhanjra we are pushing the idea also, and most of the
workers pay two pice per rupee. Some of the brethren think that workers in God’s field are exempt from the tithe, therefore very few tithe.

The spirit of self-support is a new thing. We have been going on other suppositions. Prize giving at Christmas, the giving of clothes, the support of people as mission workers, who had no other means of earning a living, the support of widows as Bible women, the taking of children absolutely free, all these things have created an atmosphere contrary to self-support, and the work is far more fundamental than taking up collections. It comes back to the fundamental conceptions that we teach the people regarding their responsibility towards God’s kingdom.

Sunday School Work. I will trespass long enough on others ground to say this. Our work is as yet not far enough advanced, and our Conference is too small to carry on the organization in detail of both the Epworth League and the modern Sunday School machinery. If instead of having a full Conference Epworth League Cabinet, and a Sunday School Committee, both these were merged into the Board of Education, these interests of our young people would certainly receive more consideration than they do at present. The Epworth League at Hati Bagan has taken a new departure by admitting Hindus as associate members, and we are watching the experiment with interest.

Not being pastor of Thoburn Church and District Superintendent of the English District, Conference Treasurer, and Secretary of the Schools Society, I have had more time for the vernacular work than my predecessor. We have tried to make much of the Quarterly Conferences; they seem very well to fit the Indian idea, being a sort of panchayat for the local circuits. We have had some splendid times together, and it has been a stimulus to us all.

The District Conference and Summer School repaid our efforts and the systematic instruction given, and the careful supervision of examinations have been a spur to the workers.

The work and experiences of this year convince me more than ever before that the quality and stability of our work in India depend on what we are. If we are gracious, considerate and loving, yet at the same time honest and honourable to the core,
men and women touched with the divine life; cleansed with the baptism of fire there need be no fear of results. Greater than the problems of appointments, of vacancies, of transfers, of furloughs, of property are the problems of our own lives. God grant unto all of us that spirit of humility and service that will make our problems easy.

PAKAUR DISTRICT.

HENRY M. SWAN, District Superintendent.

The year 1916 has been a busy year and has sped by so quickly that many of the things we had hoped to accomplish have not even been touched. In looking back over the year trying to record what has been done there seems very little to report.

Our working staff has been most limited and a number have been loaded down with double burdens. The faithfulness and earnestness of many have been most encouraging, and whatever of success has been won is mainly due to their efforts.

'The Boys' School has had a good year. The average enrollment has been 101. The highest class began the new year with 14 members. All of the five members of last year's class appeared for the annual Government examination and passed, one receiving the coveted Middle English scholarship. Of all the boarders in all the standards only two have failed during the last two years, i.e., one a year. Thus it will be seen that the grade of work done is thorough. The present number of boarders is 85, but 7 of these boys work on the farm. All the boys work for two consecutive hours every day on the Mission Farm, with the result that there is a minimum of illness among them, all being generally in a vigorous state of health, to say nothing of the satisfying knowledge that they are not entirely in the charity class. Rs. 509 have been realised from fees during the year.

Our agricultural venture is gradually developing. Although Government has thus far failed to fulfill its promise to help in the way of a grant in aid, the work has continued and made some progress. Owing to a complete absence of early rains and the unusual late rains in October and November, the year has been
somewhat unfavourable for farming. Nevertheless, we have had our record harvest of rice and vegetables. We employed a young man who had had some training in an agricultural school for a few months. Our labourers have consisted largely of half-witted boys, invalids, convalescents, the blind and halt, who have been given an opportunity to earn at least a portion of their support. Our soil is fairly good, there is plenty of water for irrigating purposes and nearly all the land is now levelled and prepared, so with a well trained instructor and a good class of boys the farm should easily support itself. However, with all the work to be supervised by one missionary, progress must be slow. Our income for the year has been Rs. 700.

In the evangelistic work we have had a fairly good year. Although the number of baptisms has not reached the unusual figure of last year we have reached the hundred mark, one less, which is our highest figure, excepting last year's since 1906. The first part of the year I was able to spend some weeks out in camp, and was only brought back to the station by the large amount of building and repairs that had to be done before the breaking of the rains. The evangelistic work in the immediate vicinity of Pakaur is effectively carried on by Probodh C. Das, Local Elder, who was recently transferred from Rampur Hat.

The struggle toward Self-support is proceeding. The progress made may be seen from the figures of the last five years. I have separated the figures for the Pakaur division from those of Bolpur and Rampur Hat:

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As all compulsory cutting out of salaries has been discontinued in the Pakaur division and the responsibility placed upon
the pastors in charge of the various circuits the steady increases indicate a waking sense of responsibility among the people. Pakaur Bengali Circuit has contributed during the year 1916 Rs. 425, or nearly Rs. 36 per month, which pays for more than its share of the pastor’s time. This circuit may therefore be considered to have reached a self-supporting basis. This circuit has also contributed over Rs. 100 toward war relief during the year. Kola Jora Circuit has carried about 25% of its pastoral support. Pakaur Santali has contributed Rs. 70 for pastoral support. Sangrampur has made its first contribution toward self-support after three years of special effort on the part of the missionary. Although the contribution was only Rs. 9-11-0 it is a real beginning, and we trust the coming years will see more rapid progress.

Village Sunday Schools have received a certain amount of attention during the year. Ten new Sunday Schools have been organised and our enrollment has reached a total for the District of 1,209 scholars. A village Sunday Schools’ examination was held a few days ago at Pakaur when about 200 children and grown villagers competed for prizes. Our schools are gradually reaching a higher standard of work. Nearly all our men workers are conducting one or more Sunday Schools.

A short Summer School was conducted just before District Conference, both together proving a season of much inspiration. Our workers are showing a growing ability to assume responsibilities, and their earnestness and enthusiasm bodes well for the future of the work.

I shall not give any detailed account of the work at Bolpur and Rampur Hat. Brother Meik has carried on the work there with his strong and well experienced hand. He has suffered considerably at times from physical ailment and feels the need of a furlough in the near future.

The work of the W F M. S. has prospered. The Girls’ School became so overcrowded early in the year that the lace class had to be moved out. To provide room for them the Widows’ Home had to be enlarged. The Home is now a veritable bee hive. With a large lace class turning out yards of lace daily and a recently opened weaving department, besides a large number
of widows employed in various other ways the full time of the missionary is required. The Bishop is earnestly requested to appoint a full-time missionary for this growing work. Over Rs. 1,000 was earned by the widows this year and the W F. M. S. have sanctioned nearly 500 Dollars for this work for the coming year.

A flourishing girls' day-school has been opened in the village of Pakaur. Up until this year the leading men have effectively opposed the opening of such a school, but the penetrating light has finally overcome their opposition. Fifty girls and smaller boys all paying fees are already enrolled, and the only difficulty now is to find a house large enough to accommodate all the children.

The Medical Department has moved into new quarters during the year and has had a strenuous year in spite of the fact that it has been a rather healthy year. Miss Alley, our medical practitioner, is doing excellent work. She has had 150 in-patients and 14,241 out-patients to care for during the year.

The District Superintendent with his family now stands ready to go on furlough after having completed a full term. For the hearty co-operation of our fellow workers on the District and for the sympathy and good-fellowship of the missionaries of the Conference we are placed under a debt of obligation that we can never repay. We also would at this time express a deep feeling of gratitude to Bishop Warne for the sympathy and kindness he has always shown. And finally to our beloved Heavenly Father, who has carried us daily on His strong arms, we would render a heart full of gratitude and praise. Oh, that we might show Him the love and obedience due Him all our lives!
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF THE DEACONESS BOARD.

The Deaconess Board passed the characters of Miss Maxey, Miss Blair and Miss Grandstrand. These three ladies going on furlough leaves the Conference without a deaconess.

The Deaconess Home debt was reduced by Rs. 2,000, Rs. 1,600 from funds raised locally.

EDUCATION.

There is a certain amount of unrest in the educational atmosphere of Bengal, and for that matter, of all India.

In European schools the tendency has been for some years to centralize higher education by strengthening and aiding a few large, well equipped schools in order to give them a sort of monopoly in higher education—to the exclusion of smaller and less well equipped schools. Great emphasis is being laid on teachers imported from abroad, or at least on such teachers that received their training in Europe or America. Calcutta and our own two higher girl Schools at Calcutta and Darjeeling are being influenced by this tendency and it would seem that the future prospects of Calcutta Boys School will, no doubt, be affected too. It has been a great disappointment to this Committee to know that the School is facing another change of management.

In the higher education for Indians the case is peculiar. The cry for more and still more education, that is to say, education for increasingly larger numbers is still one of the curious, if not to say, perplexing, problems of the day.

The Calcutta Gazette publishes a Resolution dated January, 5th on the report on public instruction in Bengal for 1916. The Resolution is as follows:—

The report of the Director of Public Instruction is a careful
and interesting summary of the working of the Education Department during the past year.

Notwithstanding unfavourable financial conditions, there was a further increase of expenditure on education and a resultant expansion of educational work, and the Director of Public Instruction is once more able to report a larger number of schools and scholars, both male and female, than in any previous year. New capital expenditure practically ceased, as the Government of India were not in a position to permit drafts upon the unexpended balance of non-recurring Imperial grants, but the recurring grants were made available in full, subject to the condition, which has also governed non-recurring charges, that no new expenditure should be incurred unless likely to prove immediately remunerative or of imperative and immediate necessity. The number of educational institutions rose by a little over 2,000 aggregating 46,770. The number of male pupils was 1,559,728 and of female pupils 284,813, representing an increase of approximately 24,000 and 20,000 respectively.

**Secondary Education of Indian Boys.**

The extent to which secondary education has spread in Bengal is apparent from the fact that it contains as many secondary schools as Madras, Bombay, the Punjab, Bihar and Orissa and the United Provinces taken together. In spite of the disappearance of 31 middle vernacular schools, a class of school which has for a long time past been unable to compete with the middle English schools, there was a further addition to the number of secondary schools during the year under review, while at its close the total number of pupils in these schools amounted to 372,026. High schools alone increased from 588 to 616 and the attendance in them rose to 197,530. The Director draws attention to the fact that the general condition of secondary education is still bad and that high schools, in particular, are in need of considerable improvement. At present the teachers are mostly ill-paid and discontented, the buildings are generally over-crowded, the standards of education and discipline are low, and it has to be admitted that the Government schools are little, if at all, above the level of the better class of aided schools. The content of the
people with the present system leading up to the matriculation examination, success in which is a passport to Government service and a valuable asset in the marriage market; their disinclination to pay any part of the increased cost of a higher type of education; and the inability of Government, with its limited resources and growing burdens to introduce a reformed system without their assistance, are all difficulties in the way of improving the present unsatisfactory state of secondary education.

PRIMARY EDUCATION OF INDIAN BOYS.

There was an addition of 3,285 in this number of primary schools and an increase of 77,415 pupils brought the attendance up to 1,124,109. Progress was most noticeable in Eastern Bengal, which is at present a good deal more advanced than West Bengal in all branches of primary education. A decrease in the number of upper primary schools is due to the ever-growing demand for education in English and the consequent unpopularity of a purely vernacular course of instruction.

EDUCATION OF INDIAN GIRLS AND WOMEN.

A satisfactory feature of the year's record is the further expansion of education among Indian girls and women. There was an addition of 640 girls' schools while the increase of 17,242 scholars recorded in 1914-15 has been followed by a further increase of 20,711. The growing interest taken by Mahomedans in the education of their women is evinced by the fact that they contributed 12,592 to this last increase.

It is an encouraging feature of female education in Bengal that the bhadralok or middle classes are recognising that the education of their girls up to a certain standard is a practical necessity, and though they prefer, if possible, to get them educated free of charge, they are so impressed with its advantages that they are ready to pay a reasonable rate of fees.

These are startling figures and interesting facts and, no doubt, will give all of us to think.
boarding purposes. It would be interesting to know what the actual figures of our expenditure on education are. Our Statistics are silent on this subject. (Fifty Rupees a year will perhaps not be an excessive estimate for each boarder; this would amount to about 30,000 rupees for the above 605 students living in our boarding schools for direct boarding expenses, outside of the outlay for teachers' and servants' salaries, buildings, repairs, taxes, rents and so forth).

If the Board of Education could carry on its investigations, at the mid year meeting of the Finance Committee a complete set of educational statistics might perhaps be published, serving as a base for the future distribution of our educational work and funds.

Respectfully submitted,
for the Committee,
G. Schanzlin.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The officers of the Epworth League regret to report the loss of two Senior Chapters with 102 members, and a decrease of 27 in other Senior Chapters. Toward the recovery of these 32 new Senior members have been received. One Junior Chapter has been organized, and 105 juniors have been received in the various chapters, so that there has been an increase of eight in the total membership of the Leagues. Worthy of mention are the increases at Asansol with 16 juniors and 8 seniors, at Dharamtola 20 seniors; also Pakaur with 60 juniors.

The topics, published by the Central Office, especially adapted to India have been translated into Bengali, and have created unusual interest in the leagues. The Leaguers are much more anxious to take part in the programme because they understand the subjects. We are glad to note a marked improvement in attendance.

A tract on the evils of the tobacco habit has been published and the first edition of 5,000 has almost been exhausted in three months. It is hoped that much more and better literature will
be available during this year, and that new membership cards will be supplied to every chapter, and that tobacco and temperance pledges will be prepared. It is also proposed that the various chapters be given the privilege of taking part in the Time Legion Campaign, and that they be urged to observe the Passion Week.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The state of the Church, and the spiritual condition of ourselves and our people is one which should have our deepest thought and most prayerful, careful and constant consideration.

Numerically we have increased very little for years, and the few accessions from heathenism scarcely cover the removals by death from year to year.

This may partially be accounted for by the numerous details which claim their attention and prevent the Missionaries from spending as much time as should be given to itinerating with the workers amongst the people. Bishop Thoburn always said that if you wished to get something done you should be with the workers as much as possible and shew them how to work.

The village people are always pleased, whether they are Christians or not, to see the Sahib's topee amongst them. They know he is a friend and one ever ready to help them in every possible way, whether medically, or with advice, or moral and Christian teaching. Much teaching has been done in the nearer villages, and the inhabitants have, for the most part, some idea of what Christianity calls for, and what they are asked to believe. The leaven of this teaching is working, as is evidenced by little or no opposition; many acknowledgments of the truth of that which they have heard, and the candid statement that they will all become Christians, some day.

The great drawback is the ignorance of the women and the difficulty in reaching them. They are so tenacious of old customs and practices that they are very often a hindrance to the truth in the home and in the neighbourhood.

Considerable good work is being done by our evangelistic workers and Bible women, yet still the women seem years behind
the men in spiritual knowledge. Would it be possible to have an order of deaconesses among the Indian women, to take up more of the personal work necessary to the development of Christian understanding.

The Christian women who have been in our Bording Schools for some years have clear ideas of truth and righteousness and the value and power of prayer, but they are so in the minority that their knowledge and example are not so much felt as they would if the number of Christians were larger.

Another thing which hinders work among the Christian families is their indifference about an education on the part of so many of the parents. They like to send the girls to the Boarding Schools where they are so well cared for, but the boys can earn a few rupees annually and supplement the scanty family income by working as shepherds, so they are frequently kept at home as an asset when they ought to be in school. The education of our boys should be looked after much more carefully, and this will not be done as desired until it is done by women workers, whether it be in day or Boarding Schools, as experience proves.

The C. M. S. have a plan in Nadia District of educating their boys and girls together in village day schools, and in this way many get the beginning of an education and go on to higher studies.

If the boys are not encouraged by good teaching, and more carefully taught, we shall soon be at a loss for good workers and suitable husbands for the better educated girls, as they are in other parts of India.

We regret that the W F M S. have not, as yet, seen their way to furnish us with lady workers for Boys' Schools. We trust it will not be long till they undertake this most important work for us.

**Self-support.**

The subject of self-support, we are glad to say, is receiving more attention, and on all sides the Churches are contributing more than they have ever done towards the support of their pastors and learning to give systematically and regularly Industrial work will greatly aid in this, as it will provide employment and be a source of income. But for all these kinds of work
suitable instructors and supervisors are necessary, who are practical, economical and can devote themselves entirely to it.

**Lapsed Christians.**

Lapsed Christians, or people who have gone back, as we say, and repudiated Christianity, are another class to be considered. Shall we give them up or continue to hold on to them in prayer and visit them as often as we can—even though we may not be able to do much with them at the time. Some of these found in every Christian community, have been known to come back after years of withdrawal, and become steadfast members, staunch and loyal to the Church.

**Revivals.**

The year has not been specially marked by much in the way of revivals. Pakaur has had a move among the Sontals and we pray it may spread amongst the multitudes of these interesting people.

The Conventions at Darjeeling and Asansol were a means of blessing and spiritual uplift, and much gratitude to God was expressed for the messages given and rich blessings received.

**New Workers.**

A grave problem confronts us in the paucity of workers coming up to fill our ministerial ranks. We have been working in Bengal thirty years, and a stream of candidates should be coming up year after year to increase our forces and be prepared for the great gatherings of the oncoming years. From the time they are small the claims of their country for evangelization should be impressed upon our boys and girls.

**English Work.**

In the early days of Wm. Taylor and Bishop Thoburn, young men from our Anglo-Indian communities felt the call of God to preach and left business-life to enter the Christian ministry. Some abide with us to this day, but of late years almost none from this great body of young men are coming to our help, having turned aside to other occupations.
The Need of Prayer.

Back of all these things and underlying all of them is the need of more prayer and of the ministry of intercession. How much failure may be placed right here. If we teach the Church to pray we shall teach her to triumph.

Let us close with a veteran pastor’s prayer:—“Our Father and our God: We thank Thee for thy Church and its holy function. Make us appreciative of its values and responsive to its claims. Fuse and compact us as a working body. Keep out divisions and alienations. Let our hands be clean and our hearts warm. Rebuke our coldness and set us on fire. Add to our number more and more—of real penitents and faithful workers. Show us how to consecrate companionship and make it a vital force. Constrain us to live Thy life of joy and liberty. Wake us up to passionate devotion and ardor in noble living. Make us strong in a serene trust, and rich in good deeds. Let Thy Church shine in thine image, that men may here find heaven begun and be drawn to seek our companionship in Thy ways.” Amen!

Respectfully submitted

on behalf of the Committee.

W P. Byers.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY FOR 1916.

The past year has been a year of great trouble and anxiety for me owing to serious sickness in the family. My wife was dangerously ill for eight months for which reason I could not give as much time as I ought to have given. In spite of all this trouble I have many reasons for thanksgiving. I have travelled through the Conference and tried to help our Indian workers as much as I could.

Just after the last annual Conference my goal was to get 22 new Sunday Schools during the year within the bounds of the Conference to make a total of 100 Schools. The statistics for the year will show an increase of 11 Sunday Schools only. At the same time a decrease of 91 scholars is shown. This gives me both an occasion for rejoicing, and a cause for regret.
Asansol District shows an increase of 1 Sunday School and 3 scholars. Pakaur District has an increase of 10 Sunday Schools and 202 scholars. Calcutta Vernacular with the Diamond Harbour had 38 schools last year. This year though there has been an increase of 4 Sunday Schools in the Lee Memorial and Janjhra circuits; there has been a decrease of 4 Sunday Schools in the East Calcutta and Diamond Harbour Circuits. These two circuits also show a decrease of 296 scholars.

The decrease in the Calcutta District is very discouraging. Calcutta affords the best and greatest opportunity for Sunday School work. Calcutta Vernacular District has more than 100 paid workers and there ought to be one Sunday School for each worker on the average. This may be said of all the districts. With a little push, tact and energy on the part of our Indian workers Sunday Schools will multiply. Pakaur has had a whole-time Bengali knowing missionary superintendent, while Calcutta had none until 1915, therefore the work in the former is well organized and adequately looked after. It is hoped that now the work will receive adequate supervision and the number of schools will be increased. Pakaur has the largest increase in Sunday Schools and scholars for the reason that Brother Swan, the District Superintendent took a very keen and lively interest in the work. His method of work is very encouraging. On a certain day during the month he gathers together all his workers from the District and teaches them how to conduct a village Sunday School by way of demonstration classes. If all our missionaries and leaders could take a lively interest in the work, both the quality and the quantity of the work will very soon be greatly increased.

It is not possible to have any organization in our village Sunday Schools, yet it may be possible to make one or two responsible for looking after the class room, attendance, collection and records. This will no doubt train our future workers. But every Sunday school connected with a boarding school or with a congregation ought to have a superintendent, a secretary, a treasurer, and if possible, a small committee.

The encouraging feature of the past year's work is that a decided improvement in the method of teaching has been made.
I endeavoured to be with the workers and have helped them as to the method of teaching and infused a new viewpoint into the Sunday School work. There is every indication of improvement in the whole system. Our Indian workers have begun to realize the importance of teaching and training a child in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

In connection with the method of conducting a Sunday School I would like to emphasize the action of the last Central Conference as to the minimum requirements of a Sunday School. The action was printed and published in the 2nd No. of the Advocate both in English and Bengali. It will also be found on page 96 of the last Central Conference Minutes. I recommend that in all our Schools the action of the Central Conference be followed, and that efforts be made to have a uniform attendance register for all our Sunday Schools.

Almost all our Vernacular Sunday Schools are run and conducted by paid workers. Special efforts ought to be made both by the ladies and missionaries to train voluntary workers. The English work, of course, is much better off in this respect. A short course has been prepared by the India Sunday School Union for training teachers. I recommend this course for our teachers. I am glad to report that 11 girls from the Lee Memorial took this examination and 10 have passed.

During the year 5 teachers enrolled their names for the Correspondence Course for the Teaching Training and hearty thanks are due to Bro. A. A. Brown of the Teacher Training Department for the books he is furnishing us without any charge.

Graded lessons have been introduced in many of our schools and an easy course for Village Sunday Schools by Mr. Annett of the I. S. S. U. have been printed in the vernacular and in almost all our village Sunday Schools this book is used. The Catechism has been printed and published in Bengali for the benefit of our teachers and workers.

I cannot do anything without help and co-operation from our missionaries and leaders. I am thankful for the support I have received from them.

I beg to suggest that workers both missionaries and Indians would kindly plan their work in such a way so that at least seven
days may be set apart for prayer and supplication with our adult scholars and teachers for definite results from our Sunday Schools by way of decision and conversions during the month of Evangelistic Campaign. I have a deep conviction in my heart that if we can save our children, our homes will be changed and stirred, and when our homes are stirred up the Church will be on fire, and when the Church is moved, the country will be shaken with a mighty revival. So I suggest to set apart 7 days in our boarding schools and churches during the special month.

We are grateful to the Board of Sunday Schools for electing Rev A. A. Parker as its field representative for India and Burmah, also for the generous help the Board is giving for the work in India.

M. K. CHUCKERBUTTI,
Conference Sunday School Secretary.

TEMPERANCE.

No doubt, Temperance, is one of the things where the Methodist Episcopal Church has a large and yet a largely unfilled mission in this country. Our church knows of no compromise neither in regard to liquor nor tobacco. It is true, it cannot always enforce its rules for its laity, but from its ministers and other workers of all grades it demands not only temperance but absolute abstinence in regard to both liquor and tobacco, and it does not approve of the use of these things by its laymen.

It will be well to note that not all Christian denominations are with us in our attitude toward tobacco and liquor. Some are with us only as regards liquor and that, perhaps, only half-heartedly.

Temperance does not mean the same thing in India that it means in other countries. Temperance for ourselves really means abstinence of both intoxicants and narcotics, while outside of our own mission it may and usually does, not mean more than a temperate use of intoxicants, while it leaves the tobacco and cigarette question severely alone. Public opinion, or public Christian opinion may find the whiskey posters on the street
corners and whiskey advertisement in the daily papers objectionable, but it will be found that it deals very leniently with the evergrowing cigarette habit.

In a school, the name of which shall not be mentioned, at a recent school function little girls dressed up as nurses, cheerfully lighted with imaginary matches the imaginary cigarettes of valiant little soldiers that had been brought back from an imaginary battle line. The majority of the audience did not seem to perceive any incongruity in this spectable performed in a Christian school.

Public opinion is not with us in this matter, not any more than some of the churches are.

If we take it for granted that a moderate use of cigarettes may not essentially shorten the life of an ordinary, well-built, well-fed European, although some of us may not be convinced even of that, the question arises, what about the effect of cheap cigarettes on thousands and millions of underfed Indians? It is a prospect which every friend of India will view with sorrow. Strictly speaking, it is much harder to defend the use of tobacco from a physiological standpoint than even the use of intoxicants. Ardent admirers of the product of breweries may claim, although perhaps not prove, that beer is a foodstuff, but I do not think any one so far has dared to advance such a claim in regard to tobacco.

It was a misfortune for India, when in addition to ganja, bhang, opium and other oriental drugs and stimulants, tobacco was introduced; but the danger to public and national health and wealth increased tenfold when the cigarettes began to take the place of the native hujas.

Surely there is room for the reform of the fallen, for the teaching of the young, for object lessons and demonstration for all, for living examples of what we conceive to be the ideal of Christian manhood and womanhood.

Are we fulfilling our duty as a mission? It is not quite clear from the reports of the various stations what has been done during the year, nor what is being planned for the future.

The Committee.
AGGRESSIVE EVANGELISM.

1. Resolved that we set apart the month from February 15th to March 15th as the Special Evangelistic Campaign Month for this season.

2. That we make the ten days prior to the opening of the Campaign a time of special preparation for the Campaign.

3. That a Self Denial Offering be taken during Passion Week, and that offering be given to the Mission Claimants Fund.


5. That we plan for an aggressive evangelistic campaign for the season of 1917-1918, on a much larger scale than anything hitherto undertaken, a campaign that should include our English churches, Station churches and Institutions, as well as the whole of our Village communities.

The committee recommend that a Constituency Roll be used in every circuit.

In order to further enlist our membership as well as our mission staff in the work of aggressive evangelism, we urge the use of the Time Legion cards in all young people's societies and institutions, and that every church member be encouraged to become a personal worker.

REPORT OF THE BENGALI LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

The Discipline has been translated and printed up to the 231st para. The Rules about the disciplinary courses of Study and Examination have been translated and printed into the Discipline, so have the rules about marriage, adopted by the Central Conference. We hope the remaining portion of the book will soon be translated and published. It has taken a great deal of care and much work to put the Discipline in pure and simple Bengali and make the meaning clear so that it will be understood by all our people. The cost of publication has been Rs. 245. Toward this amount Rs. 167-13-o was gathered by Bros. Koch and Schänzlin for printing Bengali literature, the balance has to be paid from the receipts for sales of books.
The Sunday School Committee has published the Catechism of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Village S. S. Lessons, the S. S. Advocate, and Topics for meetings. The Epworth League has published a tract on Tobacco.

The Committee appointed to get out a hymn book, published one in 1915. This book has been sold out. It is necessary to arrange for the publication of a good edition of our hymnal.

J. P Meik, 
Chairman.

BENGAL AND ASSAM REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL OF MISSIONS.

The Council has met three times during 1916. The meetings were fairly well attended. The members of the various missions were enthusiastic about the work of the Council. The different missions chose their oldest and most experienced missionaries as their representatives, and this was a great help to the work of the Council.

The subjects discussed at these meetings were Primary and Village Education, Industrial and Technical Education, Higher Education, a Christian University, Christian Literature, Medical Work, The Indian Church and Community.

We feel that most of the missions and missionary societies could unite, in some measure at least, on these very important subjects and work in harmony.

No definite steps were taken on any matter, but standing committees were appointed to go into all these subjects more thoroughly. We expect some important action will be taken on some matters at the meeting to be held in March.

On my nomination the following persons were placed on the following standing committees:

- **Industrial and Technical Education**—J. P Meik,
- **Primary Education**—Miss Eddy,
- **Christian Literature**—Miss Blair,
- **Quickening of Interest in Missions**—C. H. S. Koch,
- **Work among Young People**—Miss Callow.

Your representative,

J. P Meik.
Your committee, while pleased with the progress being made towards self-support, are conscious that only a beginning has been made.

We would suggest that there be stewards among the boys and girls in the Boarding Schools and that the children be given a chance to learn something to contribute.

A regular system of collecting is necessary to success even tho' the contributions be small. Small gifts carefully gathered aggregate considerable.

We are pleased to learn that on one circuit there are five tithers. May their number rapidly increase.

The women have their only opportunity of contributing through the rice collections. Here again "the little makes a muckle."

The Ladies' Aid in our Indian congregations might stimulate methods of raising funds on a larger scale. Harvest festivals or Thanksgiving Day collections are inspiring also and stir the people up to plan for something extra by which to show their gratitude for the harvest just gathered.

Eight annas per family per annum is another standard for those more distant from the chief stations.

Sermons on the subject of tithing should be preached occasionally showing the blessing and benefit of being systematic givers and partners with God.

The form in the Central Conference Minutes may be suggestive of ways of dividing the gifts from European and Indian congregations.

Your committee also suggest that a meeting on self-support be arranged for at next conference when we hope much further progress may be noticeable.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee

W P Byers.
COMMISSION ON CO-OPERATION AND EFFICIENCY.

The Committee on Co-operation and Efficiency met on the 4th of January at The Seaman's Mission, at 10-30 a.m. with Mr. Swan in the chair. The following members were present: W P Byers, G. S. Henderson, C. H. S. Koch, H. M. Swan, J. P Meik, G. Schänzlin, M. K. Chuckerbutti, K. C. Mullick, Miss Maxey, Miss Eddy, Miss Blair and D. H. Lee.

After prayer by D. H. Lee, C. H. Koch was elected secretary of the meeting.

On motion of G. Schänzlin, the consideration of boys' educational work was taken up first. After a lengthy discussion, it was moved by J. P. Meik and unanimously carried that we request the W F. M. S. to take charge of the education of younger boys up to the age of ten years, and that classes for children up to that age be co-educational. It was further moved by C. H. S. Koch that we accept the principle of one higher institution in the Conference, each for boys and girls. G. S. Henderson moved an amendment that a second high-school be established in the mofussil. Finally on motion of J. P. Meik, the
matter of high-schools was laid on the table and the committee adjourned to partake of Mrs. Byorcks gracious hospitality.

On reassembling, the matter of the training school was taken up. On motion of G. Schanzlin, it was decided to move the training school to Bolpur. On his motion it was decided to make Bolpur the headquarters for womens' industrial work, having Pakaur as the centre for agricultural work, and Balliaghatta as the centre for industrial training.

The committee then adjourned.

It may be added that the Mens Finance Committee again took up the discussion of higher education and decided that we accept the principle of one higher institution each, for boys and girls, and that Collins Institute and the Lee Memorial School be such designated schools, above the upper primary, with the proviso that, if any institution has such a large number of candidates for middle education that the organization of a middle school is deemed by the Board of Education a necessity, permission for such school shall be given.

C. H. S. Koch,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

Third Year's Studies:—C. H. Archibald, Jibendra Nath Mondol, Bijoy Kumar Sarkar.

Second Year's Studies:—Chuni Lal Das—To bring up one book of the First Year.

Nirupam C. Biswas:—To bring up the Soul of India by Howells.

G. Schanzlin,
Registrar.

C. H. S. Koch,
Chairman.
This is to certify that on the twenty-eight day of January, nineteen hundred and seventeen, at Kidderpore, under election of the Bengal Conference, held at Kidderpore, I ordained as

DEACONS:
C. H. ARCHIBALD
JIBENDRA N. MONDAL
BIJOY K. SARKAR

And on the same day, with the assistance of elders, as

ELDERS:
PEARY LAL LYALL
RASHIK LAL SAREN

F. W. WARNE.
BENGAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 1917

PLAN OF CONFERENCE EXAMINATIONS FOR 1917.

Admission on Trial.

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Second Year.

1. (a), (b) and (c)                         D. H. Manley
2. A Short History of the Christian Church | C. H. S. Koch    |
3. (a) & (b) The Pupil and the Teacher; and | A. B. Moss       |
   The graded Sunday School                 |
4. The Way to Win                           | J. P Meik        |
5. Collateral Reading and Study            | G. Schanzlin     |

Third Year.

1. Beacon Lights of Prophecy                D. H. Manley
2. Foundations of Christian Belief          A. B. Moss
3. (a) Socialism and Modern Social Problems | G. Schanzlin     |
   (b) Social Institutions and Ideals of Bible |
4. Introduction to the Study of comparative | A. B. Moss       |
   Religions                                |
5. Collateral Reading and Study            C. H. S. Koch

VERNACULAR COURSE.

(See Minutes, 26. Session).

For Admission on Trial.

1. Catechism                                J. P Meik
2. Discipline                              do.
3. Ten Questions  ...  ...  K. C. Mullick
4. Bengali Sermon  ...  ...  do.
5. Accountant of Candidates Religious Experience, etc  ...  ...  C. H. S. Koch
Books to be read  ...  ...  S. M. Mondol

**Second Year.**

1. Compendium of Methodism  ...  B. K. Sarkar
3. Companion to the Bible, New Test.  ...  S. M. Mondol
4. Essay  ...  ...  K. C. Mullick
5. Written Sermon and Books  ...  ...  C. H. S. Koch

**Third Year.**

1. Christian Doctrine  ...  ...  G. Schänzlin
2. History of the Christian Church, Hurst  ...  A. B. Moss
3. Life of Christ  ...  ...  S. C. Biswas
4. Essay  ...  ...  do.
5. Written Sermon and Books  ...  ...  G. Schänzlin

Examinations in the first half of each year's studies will be offered before the Mid-year Finance Committee at places convenient to examinees; the remainder at the seat of Annual Conference. Candidates failing at the Mid-year may be re-examined at the end of the year, but with new questions.

G. Schänzlin,  
*Registrar.*  

C. H. S. Koch,  
*Chairman.*
ROLL OF THE DEAD.

Prepared by J. P. Meik.

REV. FRANK LATIMER McCoy. Born in Ireland, January 28th, 1856. When 16 years of age he went to America. Soon after this he was converted and called to the Ministry. He was for two years in Mount Union College and later graduated from Albion College. In 1877 he was married to Miss Ida L. Henderson. In America he served the Churches at Otsego, Michigan and Mason City, Michigan. He secured his degree of Ph.D. in 1886. In 1887 he came to Calcutta and became Editor of the Indian Witness, and the year after was appointed District Superintendent of the Calcutta District. He died after a short illness in February, 1889, and was buried in the Circular Road Cemetery.

REV. C. A. Grey. This brother was a Missionary from America and died in Singapore, Malaysia. I cannot say anything about him. Facts may be procured from Singapore.

REV. AUGUST KULLMAN was born in Vassa in Finland in 1865. Early in life he went to America. He was converted while still a boy. He attended Pennington Seminary, N. J. and afterwards Wesleyan University from which he graduated in 1892. In 1892 he came to Calcutta as a Missionary and served as Preacher-in-charge of the Bengali Circuit in the city. In 1894 he was appointed Principal of the Calcutta Boys' School. He was married to Miss——— 14th January, 1895 and was appointed to the Asansol Circuit as Junior Missionary in 1895. On the 27th of July, 1895 both Brother and Sister Kullman were stricken down with cholera and were buried in the European Cemetery at Asansol.

REV. BENJAMIN J. CHEW was born in Wheeling, West Virginia, U. S. A. in 1864. He graduated from Ohio Wesleyan
REV. CHANDRA KANTO DAS was the son of a convert from Hinduism baptised by the Church Missionary Society. Born in 1863. In 1883 he was employed in the Calcutta Bengali Circuit as a teacher. Was given a license to Exhort in 1886 and was employed as a Colporteur. Received a Local Preachers license in 1892. Was ordained Deacon in 1900 and Elder in 1902. He laboured in Calcutta, Pakaur, Beg Bagan, Kidderpore and Gushkara. He died after a brief illness in July 1905 and was buried at Pakaur.

REV. NAIN SUKH came from North India and was licensed to preach in 1890, was ordained Deacon in 1893 and Elder in 1895. He worked in the Tirhoot District and died in 1905.

REV. ILAHI BAKSH was born in 1865 in the Punjab. He was a convert from Muhammadanism. After his conversion he and his wife went to America for a few years. They returned to India in 1902 and laboured in the Bombay Conference until 1905 when they were transferred to the Tirhoot District of the Bengal Conference. He did good work in Rasra where 1400 souls were brought to Christ. He was ordained Deacon in 1906 and Elder in 1908. He was stricken down with cholera in July 1908 and was buried at Rasra.
REV. ANONTO KUMAR MONDOL was born of Christian parents in the Nadia District in 1875. He was educated in our Boarding Schools in Calcutta and Pakaur. He was converted early in life, was employed as a teacher in 1893, licensed to exhort in 1895, and was licensed to preach in 1899. In 1903 he was received on trial in the Annual Conference and was ordained Deacon in 1906. He laboured in Bolpur, Pakaur and Calcutta. After a long and painful illness he passed away in February 1909, and was buried in the Circular Road Cemetery, Calcutta.

REV. LAKSHMAN CHANDRA SARKAR was born of Christian parents in the Nadia District in 1856. He was educated in the C. M. S. Schools in Krishnagor. He came to us in 1883 and was employed on a teacher and corporteur in the Calcutta Bengali Circuit. He was licensed to exhort in 1888, and licensed to preach in 1892. He was admitted into the Annual Conference in 1896, was ordained Deacon in 1901 and Elder in 1906. He laboured in Calcutta, Jhanjra, Rampore Haut and Tamluk. He died after a few days illness in June 1915 and was buried at Tamluk.

REV. BONOMALI MAZUMDAR was born of Hindoo parents in 1858. He was converted and baptised in 1876 and worked as an evangelist with the Rev. Mothora Nath Bose at Gopalgunge. In 1892 he was received into the Methodist Episcopal Church and given a license to preach. In 1896 he was admitted on trial in the Annual Conference, was ordained Deacon in 1898 and Elder in 1900. In 1903 he was appointed Superintendent of the Diamond Harbour District. He laboured in Calcutta, Tamluk, Jhanjra and Diamond Harbour. In addition to his district he was Preacher-in-charge of the East Calcutta Circuit when after a very brief illness he was called to higher service on the 29th of July 1915; and was buried in the Circular Road Cemetery, Calcutta.
RESOLUTIONS.

1. It has been a joy to us all to have with us again our beloved Bishop Warne. Our hearts are full of gratitude that in the Providence of God he has been spared to preside over twelve sessions of our conference, serving us during the years between and also so effectively pleading our cause and representing our work before the home church.

2. Whereas a large company from our conference expect, God willing, to leave India soon for a home furlough, we hereby join in wishing them *bon voyage* with months of restful fellowship with friends and helpful service with the home church.

3. Resolved that we express our sincere appreciation of the long and valuable service of our beloved sister Miss Emma Knowles; who after 35 devoted years, now retires from the work which she has loved and served so well. As founder of our two School for girls namely, Wellesley in Naini Tal and Queen's Hill at Darjeeling, her name will be forever linked with these two institutions. They owe their existence to her great faith, and her vision of the need and possibilities. The influence of her work in these Schools is felt all over India, and many are testifying to the helpful and uplifting power she exerted. May her mantle fall upon some young devoted life.

   We pray for Miss Knowles a safe voyage home and great joy and further usefulness in the land of her birth, and that as her days so may her strength be.

4. Resolved that we express our sincere appreciation of Miss Maxey's work for the past thirty years as Superintendent of the Deaconess Home. She has made it a haven of rest and a center of inspiration for many Missionaries, where they had a home and a warm welcome during their stay in Calcutta. Miss Maxey leaves behind her a fine property worth about Rs. 75,000 upon which there remains a debt of less than Rs. 30,000. As visitor for Thoburn Church Miss Maxey has touched many lives and comforted many sad homes, and she is loved by the people of Calcutta far beyond the bounds of the Thoburn Church. Her influence for good has made for her a large place in the hearts and affections of people of every rank and especially among the
poor and needy who have heard with regret of her departure and will pray for her return.

We pray upon her Gods care during her journey, his choicest blessing on her during her stay in the home land and her safe return to our midst.

5. Miss Blair as a deaconess and missionary, both in her vernacular work in Calcutta and Tamluk, and her literary activities as Editor of the Indian Witness for a time, and also editing the Womans Friend in Bengali, has indeed left her impress with us and deserves more kind words of appreciation than there is room to write here.

6. Our prayers also shall be with Miss Grandstrand and Miss Moyer that they may be made a blessing to the home church.

7. Mr. and Mrs. Swan whose labours for the past eight years at Pakaur and vicinity are known, in going home for their well earned furlough carry with them our love and highest appreciation.

8. Also Miss Hunt we assure of the same thing as she goes on her first furlough after six years of loyal service in our schools.

9. Whereas Mr. and Mrs. Byork have been untiring in their efforts for our entertainment and comfort and left undone no little detail that might make things pleasant and happy for us, we express our sincere and hearty appreciation of all that they have done.

We feel that this conference marks a new move forward which God has given in answer to prayer.

We trust that the stay of so many praying hearts in this place for these few days may have brought some blessing to the people of Kidderpore.

10. Resolved that we express our hearty appreciation to the ladies who are returning home on furlough for the delightful river trip and visit to the Royal Botanical Gardens they provided the conference. It furnished a welcome rest in a week of hard work and will be long remembered.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ADDRESSES OF MEMBERS OF THE BENGAL CONFERENCE.

Herbert Archibald, 13, Wellington Square, Calcutta.
Nirupam Biswas, M. E. Mission, Asansol.
Sital Chandra Biswas, Jhanjra, P O. Vishnupur, 24 Parg.
John Byork, 19, Circular Garden Reach Road, Kidderpore.
M. K. Chuckerbutti, Tamluk.
Philip A. Goold, Y M. C. A., Simla.
George S. Henderson, 150, Dharamtala Street, Calcutta.
Henry Jackson, Arlington, N. J., U. S. A.
Herbert W. Knight, m.d., 150, Dharamtala Street, Calcutta.
D. H. Manley, 72, Corporation Street, Calcutta.
James P Meik, Bolpur, E. I. Ry. Loop.
Surju M. Mondol, Budhadanga, Asansol, E. I. Ry.
A. B. Moss, Union Church, Darjeeling.
K. C. Mullick, 9/3, Hati Bagan Road, North Calcutta.
Gottlieb Schänzlin, 52, Tangra Road, Entally, Calcutta.
S. J. Shaw, 11, Creek Row, Calcutta.
Harold J. Smith, Methodist Episcopal Church, Asansol.
H. M. Swan, Book Rooms, 150, Fifth Ave., New York.
## ANNUAL SESSIONS OF BENGAL CONFERENCE

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STATISTICS

OF

THE BENGAL CONFERENCE

For the year ending October 31st, 1916.

Statistical Secretary,
JOHN BYORK,
KIDDERPORE.

Conference Treasurer,
DAVID H. LEE,
CALCUTTA.
### Statistics of the Annual Conference

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**Last Year**

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**Increase**

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**Decrease**

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