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#### BAPTIST MISSION.

# FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

#### SERAMPORE.

Continuation of Mr. Mack's Journal from page 76.

28th. This forenoon was devoted to visiting the Native schools in the eastern part of the city. The first we came to, was at a place called Pharsgunj. There were eighty children present, but the usual number was said to be a hundred; the attendance being better in the evening than in the morning. The school is divided into eleven classes, containing nine or ten boys each. The first five classes read various christian tracts: and the remainder were in different stages from their letters upwards. A large crowd of attentive spectators surrounded the door, but we had not time to address them.

The next school visited was at Narundeeya. The attendance here was considerably worse; evening I was in a high fever. 2d. To-day only thirty-five being present out of a hun- I gradually recovered, but was unfit for any dred. The classes were so broken that it was scarcely possible to examine them: we heard two classes read in two christian tracts.

We then proceeded to a female school in the same neighbourhood. I was rather surprized to find only a becoming modesty amongst the little girls instead of that excessive timidity and alarm which we have scholars were absent; and the whole number of Mrs. Leonard.

attached to the school was reported to amount to fifty. I was much gratified by the sight, and distributed a few pice amongst the children.

From this we walked to another female school, at Duya Gunj, where we found eighteen children present out of forty. They belong principally to fisherwomen, and are obliged to attend to work a considerable part of the day: a few young women were mixed with the girls. Six read the Dialogues and the First Part of the Fahles in a very pleasing manner; they were peculiarly interesting children. We distributed another quantity of pice here, allotting the largest share to a bashful young bride who had been married the day before. On returning to the main road, we were called to visit a third female school, which had just been raised. We found 29 little girls present, the greater number of whose parents were very poor, but seemed to give a ready consent to the education of their daughters. 1st March. In the forenoon Mr. P. call-

ed, and remained with us for some time. I soon found that the exposure of yesterday had been too much for me. business.

3d. Having spent the previous part of the day in letter-writing, and necessary preparations, at 6 P. M. I started for Chittagong in a small native boat with six oars, having my palanquin lashed across it which served as a cabin. It was a fine moonlight night. At first the tide being against us we crossed the river to escape its force and to frequently encountered at Serampore. Our have tracking ground. Twenty camels had visit was scarcely expected, and the day just arrived at the end of their day's jourwas considerably advanced, so that there ney, and with their attendants unloading and was hut a thin attendance. Twenty-seven, provisioning them, formed a striking evening however, soon appeared. Of these seven read group. During the night it was so cold that to me in the Dialogues between a Mother my great coats and blanket were just sufficiand Daughter, and in the First Part of the ent to keep up a tolerable warmth. I had Fables. Others exhibited a good acquain- not expected this, and should not have been tanco with their letters. Some of the best been prepared to meet it but for the kindness

4th. We arrived at Daoodkundee, where myself I fell asleep. When I awake, every the passage by water terminates and the thing was in the same hopeless state; but journey by land commences, at 4 A. M. but an bour elapsed before the bearers were ready. We arrived at the first stage at 8 A. M. It was a small town, with a tolerable bazar, upon a small river nearly dry, but having several large boats balf sunk in the deepest part of it. Over the river a rude bridge was thrown, apparently for the passage of the troops. We reached the next stage at 10 A.M.; and the bearers would not leave me till I had paid them three rupees which they claimed as their pay, declaring that they should never receive it, unless I paid it myself. About noon we passed over some sandy hillocks, which I suppose are the commencement of a small range of hills seen afterwards. At 1 P. M. we passed a pretty large piece of beautiful wood; from which rose four or five temple spires, similar to those in Dacca. bearers said that the residence of the Tippera Raja's Dewan was there. At 2 P. M. we reached Komilla. I called on the Acting Collector to receive information respecting the payment of the bearers, and then passed on. In another hour, the hills to which I have alluded, were seen to the left, at some distance. They were of a rounded shape of inconsiderable height, without any appearance of rock, and nearly covered with wood. At half past 4 P. M. the hearers changed upon the road at some distance from any town or village. At sun-set I walked for three quarters of an hour; and whilst walking passed a party of men and boys keeping the Hoolee festival, dancing and throwing red powder at each other. At 7 P. M. we changed at a stage where there is a bungalow for the accommodation of travellers. Soon after this I fell asleep, and continued so till near 11 P.M. when we arrived at Mahmood Allee, the next stage. It seems that there is a strip of country here not subject to the Hon. Company, the petty ruler of which is not on the best terms with the Government Authorities in the district, and is not therefore very punctual in attending to their orders. found there were no bearers provided, and the native officer of the tanna maintained that no notice had been sent. Peons however were sent off to procure men, and after some noisy disputation I lay down in the palanquins. Some of the people kindled a fire of straw near me, and sat round it with the man in authority, and conversed together by signs and low whispers. Occasionally I got out to see if any person was coming, and to make them send off new messengers: but it was all to no purpose, hour passed away after hour, and perfect stillness reigned all around. The people all left the fire, with the exception of two coolies, and in spite of

soon after, I heard some distant cries, and then the sounds of conversation, and in a few minutes more I got away from this unpleasant place.

(To be continued.)

#### CALCUTTA.

THE fifth Annual Report of the Female Department of the Bengal Christian School Society has lately reached us, and contains much intelligence calculated to afford real pleasure to the friends of Native Female Education. As it regards the increase of exertions, it is pleasing to remark, that the schools connected with this Society have increased from 20 to 24, and the scholars from 370 to 475, within the year; and as to improvement. the following anecdote, extracted from the Superintendant's quarterly statement, is very satisfactory.

On taking a copy of the improved edition of Hindoo Female Education to the Glasgow School, I put it into the hands of a young woman. She read nearly a page very attentively; and by the smiles that were excited, I perceived she understood, and was pleased with its contents. On closing the book, I said, 'Do you understand what you have read?' With much apparent feeling, she replied: 'The meaning is, that the women of this country formerly did nothing but the business of the house, and it was a great disgrace if they learned to read; but now their fortune has changed. The work of teaching the females to read and write has begun, and many are learning.' I also took a copy of the above named work to the Juvenile School. Calling a little girl by name, I said, ' Come, let me hear you read in this new book.' She had not proceeded far before it was evident, that not only herself, but several of her listening companions understood. Their attention was excited, and five or six arising from their seats, gathered round me, and begged to read a little in the new book : accordingly I heard them each read a portion. It was truly delightful to see the warmth of feeling manifested on this occasion, and the readiness with which they explained what they read. On dismissing them to their seats, they said; 'O this is a very good book, an easy book; we each want one.

With reference to this interesting province of Missionary labour, Mrs. Jonathan Carey (late Miss Pearce) thus expresses herself, in a letter to the Secretary dated in January last.

Church is ail unanimity and peace; but we are about to lose a few, as brother Statham and a few others are about to form a Church at Howrah. I believe brother S. has a few enquirers there; so that the little one may become a strong nation. We cannot be sufficiently thankful to the Lord for the great

" It would rejoice your heart I am sure, and the hearts of all our benevolent supporters were you and they witnesses of what has been done. Few attempts to do good I suppose appeared more hedged up with obstacles than he mental instruction of the poor females of India, and yet rare are the examples where, in so short a period, such evident progress has been made, and beneficial results witnessed. The same good Spirit who first influenced the minds of Christians to commence the work, has graciously owned their efforts, and gives them now to rejoice in a present reward. very individuals who planted are themselves reaping - they have seen the first-fruits gathered, and regard them as a glorious pledge of an abundant harvest. It is a most pleasing fact, that the first female Native School formed here, presents a most encouraging aspect, reiterating in living testimonies the Apostle's exhortation, Be stedfast, immoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labour shall not be in vain in the Lord."

A Letter from Mr. Penney to Mr. Eustace Carey, dated Calcutta, May 15th, contains on the whole pleasing intelligence from that important station. The letter being one of private friendship, contains much, of course, that would not be interesting or important to general readers, but we glean an extract or two.

" I am happy to say that although the season is much hotter than any former season, as we have not had raiu since the beginning of November, so that the tanks are drying up, and the poor people reduced to great distress; yet it has been a healthy season. At this time we are all in the enjoyment of health, and I only hear complaints of the excossive heat and dryness of the season. The accounts which I have sent you respecting the Church in the Circular Road must have gratified you very much (thirteen young men having been baptized since Mr. Lawson's death). I hope in my next I shall have to inform you of some (further) additions. It would delight you to see us on Ordinance Sabbaths: I think we had more than 50 at the Ordinance last Subbath. The

Church is all unanimity and peace; but we are about to lose a few, as brother Statham and a few others are about to form a Church at Howrah. I believe brother S. has a few enquirers there; so that the little one may become a strong nation. We cannot be sufficiently thankful to the Lord for the great assistance we have received from brethren Wade and Boardman (the American Missionarics) in our present weak state. I believe that our said friends will not go to Burmah till after the rains, before which time we hope to see brethren Thomas and Pearce from England."

With reference to the Benevolent Institution, in which both Mr. and Mrs. Penney are engaged, he mentions that Government had lately made a generous donation in its favour, sufficient to pay off a debt which had been incurred, and to repair the school rooms. "The number of children." he continues, " still keeps up, and many of them are very interesting children. I have good hopes of four boys who have been I suppose four years in the school. I believe the Lord has touched their hearts. One of them is an amiable Hindoo, but whether he will ever declare himself or not is doubtful. I have been so frequently disappointed that I am afraid to be sanguine: but we have promises enough to believe that our labour is not in vain in

#### MONGHYR.

A LETTER has lately been received from our bereaved friend. Mr. Leslie, dated June 4th, which gives but an unfavourable account of the state of his health. We are willing to hope that it may have been, in some degree, tinctured by the depression occasioned by his recent loss; but it appears too certain that the climate has considerably affected his constitution. It will rejoice us exceedingly to hear that the means employed for his recovery have proved effectual. Respecting the state of the church under his care, and the progress of the work of God among them, he writes as follows:

"All the members of our little society continue to stand, and to dwell in peace and love. The Lord also is giving us a small increase to keep us from desponding, and to urge us to perseverance. This day four were added to us by baptism. They were haptized in the Ganges, in the presence of a very quiet

and apparently serious auditory, consisting of Europeans and Natives. Every thing was conducted with the greatest order. Not a word was uttered, or an action performed to give us annoyance. Some others afford us hope that they also will soon cast in their lot amongst us. I wish not to indulge in too sanguine expectations, but there are at present some pleasing appearances amongst the people."

#### BURMAH.

SINCE the article in our last number was printed, we have been favoured with the perusal of a most interesting letter from Mrs. Judson to a friend in this country, giving a circumstantial account of the dangers through which our dear Missionary friends have passed, and the remarkable deliverance wrought out for them. From motives highly honourable to himself, the gentleman to whom the letter belongs objects to its publication, but we are in expectation of being able to communicate the substance of the narrative, as derived through another channel. The following paragraph forms the conclusion of Mrs. Judson's letter. It was dated Rangoon, 22d March:

"We have safely arrived in Rangoon, and once more find ourselves in the old Mission house. What shall we render to the Lord for all his mercies? You will see from the public prints the treaty of peace. We intend going to one of those places retained by the English government, and endeavour once more to collect a little church around us. Mah-men-la and her sister we found at Prome. They are as pious as ever, and will follow wherever we go. Burmah will yet be given to Jesus for his inheritance. We are not discouraged, but think our prospects brighter than ever. We shall have as many Schools as we can support at Mergui or Tavoy, to which places the Burmese population are flocking in crowds. We had not received a word of intelligence until our arrival at the British camp. We hear, however, there are many letters for us in Bengal, among which I hope to find one from yourself. Pray for us, that we may be the means of turning many to righteousness. unites in most respectful regards."

From the public papers we learn that Mr. (now Dr.) Judson was one

of the Commissioners employed in planning the new town to be erected in one of the ceded provinces, and to be named 'Amherst,' after the present Governor-General.—There can be little doubt that the late events in this empire will turn out eminently for the furtherance of the Gospel.

#### SPANISH TOWN.

OUR intelligence from this station continues to be highly cheering. Mr. Baylis has joined Mr. Philippo, and the opportunities for labour far exceed the powers of both adequately to meet. Under date of Aug. 7, Mr. P. writes thus:

"Our prospects are indeed cheering. The number of our stated congregation nearly doubles what it was last year. Not less than 400 young persons have been added to it within the last two or three months, almost all of whom seem earnestly 'enquiring the way to Zion, with their faces thitherward.' Every thing connected with our great work appears to wear a smiling aspect, and justifies our expectations of the speedy approach of that period, when he, to whom the ends of the earth are given, shall universally reign and triumph. The interest which the people take in the new Chapel is astonishing; and the steadiness and zeal with which they adhere to their determination of affording all the pecuniary aid in their power, and the cheerfulness with which they bring their offerings, and the universal harmony which prevails among them, cannot fail to animate my zeal and warm my heart. Many free persons of colour, both in the church and congregation, actually submit to the greatest drudgery, solely that they may present the profits thereof as an offering to the House of God. And I am sure their gifts are such as God will approve, for they give them with cheerfulness and prayer.

"Old Harbour continues a station of peculiar promise. The Chapel which I a little time since informed you the poor people there managed to build by their own labour and expense, is now (although it contains 300 hearers) so much too small for the congregation, that I am endeavouring to do my utmost to obtain a suitable spot on which to erect a more substantial and commodious building; an undertaking in which I hope to be considerably assisted by the surrounding neighbourhood. Here also we have lately established a Sabbath School — an establish-

ment much needed, and which promises | respondence. If our friends at home could well. Since the arrival of my colleague, service has been held here on a Sabbath-day (which will now be continued), and our congregations have been nearly equal in number to what we have in Spanish Town. We have every reason to hope that this interest in a little time, with but inconsiderable expense to the Society, will be highly important and prosperous.

"In every direction, the fields seem ripe unto the harvest. Last evening, at Passage Fort, a place where there are scarcely a dozen houses, I preached to a congregation of 309, numbers having walked, for the purpose of hearing the glad tidings of salvation, five or six miles after the labours of the day. At a populous parish, about 20 miles from Spanish Town, I have recently formed a new station with pleasing prospects; and my attention is now directed to three other parishes. Scarcely a week elapses but deputations are sent down, entreating me in the most earnest manner to go and break unto them the bread of life.

" Jamaica is certainly a peculiarly promising and interesting field of Missionary labour. I bless God with all my heart that he has here fixed the bounds of my habitation, and earnestly hope that the spiritual necessities of the people, and our reiterated calls for help, may be no longer unknown or unnoticed in England. At this moment there are stations for a dozen more Missionaries; and as I cannot but be persuaded that numbers are not only willing, but eager to be employed in so glorious a work, my prayers to the Great Lord of the Harvest shall principally be, that he would animate the friends of Missious afresh to acts of benevolence, that the gracious purposes of Heaven to these needy sons of Ethiopia may not be retarded (if I may so say) for lack of peouniary means."

"I have to record, to the honour of our Chipping Norton friends, that they have presented us with a very valuable Bible and Hymn Books for the pulpit of our new Chapel, and a large assortment of fancy articles, &c. as rewards for the children in our Week-day and Sabbath Schools. I beg to say that our friends here unite with me in requesting the favour of its being gratefully acknowledged in the Missionary Herald."

We very cheerfully comply with Mr. Philippo's request in thus recording his gratitude to the kind friends who have sent him these appropriate testimonies of their Christian regard; and take the opportunity of suggesting how desirable it is that the connexions of our dear Missionary brethreu and sisters should, by such occasional tokens, manifest the interest they take in their operations and success. This remark is intended especially to apply to the subject of cor-

enter into the feelings of exquisite delight with which a Missionary welcomes a letter from his native land - unable to repress the starting tear when he recognizes, in its superscription, the band-writing of some muchloved relative or Christian friend - they would be more frequent in their communications than some at least are.

The writer has long wished to draw attention to this subject. For the present he will only add, though he trusts it is scarcely necessary to do so, that letters, &c. for our foreign stations, sent to No. 6, Fen Court, will receive all necessary attention.

# MONTEGO BAY.

Our readers will perceive with pleasure that the subscriptions for this interesting case have more than doubled in the last month. amounting now to about £900.

It was not without considerable hesitation that the Committee decided on making this extra appeal to their Christian friends; but the result has proved that, amidst all the difficulties of the times, there is yet both power and inclination to render help where it is so argently required. It will be seen by the list that Mr. Burchell undertook two journies in furtherance of his object. Into Kent he was kindly accompanied by the Rev. J. Simmons, of Olney, and their reception was such as might bave been expected from the steady and effective kindness of our friends in that district. The reception which Mr. Burchell experienced in Liverpool, Birmingham, &c. was equally gratifying; and had circumstances allowed him to make a longer stay in those populous towns, he would have received, in all probability, a much larger sum. The ministers and friends in both districts, as well as the contributors generally, may be assured that their Christian liberality has been deeply felt, both by our laborious Missionary himself and the Committee. May this service be acceptable to our common Lord, and greatly promote his cause among the poor negroes

The amount thus raised for this specific object will be invested in Exchequer Bills, and drawn for by Mr. Burchell as it is wanted. Mr. and Mrs. B. left town for Devonport on the 22d inst. (November), where they will embark in the Garland Grove, Capt. Pengelly; the same vessel in which they were so kindly and seasonably accommodated with a passage home. The health of Mr. B. seems meroifully re-established; and we trust it will be permitted us to iosert in future pages of the Herald, such communications from him as shall be indeed 'good news from a far country.

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The thanks of the Committee are returned to Miss Humberstone, and other Female Friends in Jersey, for a Box, containing a variety of useful Articles for the Broadmead Female School, in Calcutta; a Kentish Friend, for a parcel of Magazines and Jewish Expositors (2s. 6d. being inclosed to pay carriage); and to Mr. Gates of Tooting, for Two Volumes of Evangelical Magazines.

Friends who are disappointed at not finding any notice of Contributions in the Herald, should invariably make their first enquiries of the local Treasurer.

Our Kentish Friend will see that his hint has been attended to.

It is requested that those Friends who have monies in their hands on account of the Society, will forward the amount previously to the 20th instant.

The very obliging communication from Wincobank has been duly received. It has not been found practicable to procure the information requested in time for the Herald this month, but it will be published, we hope, in our next number.

If the person for whom Mr. Dyer undertook, in the latter end of September, to make certain enquiries in the Episcopal Court at Exeter, will call at Fen Court, he may learn the answer.

Omitted in the Irish Chronicle.

Mr. Burls acknowledges having received for the Irish Society £13. 18s. from the Rev.
Mr. Philips of Caerleon.