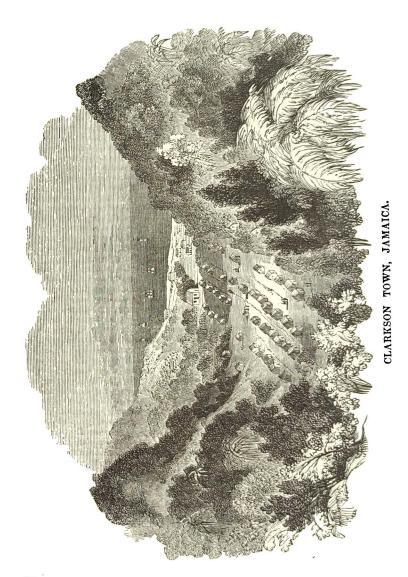
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WEST INDIES.

JAMAICA.

The view of Clarkson Town, one of the new villages that have been established in different parts of Jamaica since the abolition of slavery, will be regarded with additional interest, if the account of its opening be perused, which Mr. Phillippo has given in his volume entitled "Jamaica, in its past and present State," as illustrative of the progress of social improvement throughout the country.

centre of a long valley or glade, formed by two ranges of mountains, rearing their summits to the clouds, and nearly meeting at their base. Beheld from a mountain pass immediately in the rear of the settlement, two or three sugar estates are visible in the distance; and beyond them, by an accommodation of the foreground to avoid obstruction from the trees which are in process of being cleared away, are seen the towns of Kingston and Port Royal; whilst, as an additional element of interest and beauty in the picture, the ports disclose their shipping, and the harbour the small craft, that are perpetually skimming to and fro over its surface, with now and then a merchantman or man-of-war homeward or outward bound.

The settlement is already of considerable extent, and is gradually increasing. cottages are of comfortable size, containing about three rooms each, and are very substantially built. The township contains at present but three principal streets, one of which, by an angle in its centre, is divided into two, named Victoria and Albert. Along these, leaving a piece of garden-ground in front, the cottages are ranged on either side, at equal distances. The interesting ceremony of opening the township took place on the 12th of May, 1842. A considerable number of people were attracted by the occasion; and, as its principal objects were to secure an opportunity of preaching the gospel and administering advice, accommodation for a large auditory had been provided beneath a cluster of old forest trees, on the mountain-side, and in a situation which commanded a view of the whole settlement. It was a most romantic spot—the mountains forming an amphitheatre, covered with trees and shrubs of varied foliage and beauty, arresting the clouds as they floated along the sky,

"With thicket overgrown, grotesque and wild, Access denied, and overhead up grew Insuperable heights of loftlest shade, Cedar and branching palm,

lovely valley below, presented in beautiful had to encounter, and the sacrifices he was

This township is beautifully situated in the contrast a garden reclaimed from the wide waste around by the arts of peaceful industry. In consequence of the reverberation of sound along the narrow defile which the township occupies, a shout of the voice was all that was necessary to attract the company to the place of meeting. Accordingly at the appointed hour, the words, "Come to prayers," being vociferated two or three times by one of the most robust and active of the villagers, who ascended the summit of a detached hill for the purpose, every individual in the settlement was seen wending his way to this rural sanctuary; the aged and infirm supporting themselves on a staff, and others more vigorous climbing the steep ascent with quick and eager step: all, at the same time, with countenances that betokened the pleasure which such a summons had created.

The pulpit was a rude table, covered with a white cloth, and situated close to the huge trunk of one of the group of trees already mentioned. The hearers were seated almost in semicircles on planks affixed to uprights placed in the ground beneath the shade of the wide-spreading branches, altogether presenting a most novel and interesting spectacle.

The writer commenced the services, and delivered an address containing, as is usual on such occasions, advice on the subject of personal and relative duties, urging on all present the advantages of a conscientious and faithful discharge of them, both as evidences of their piety towards God, and as necessary causes of their temporal prosperity and happiness. The Rev. Thomas Dowson preached an energetic and appropriate discourse, relating, in an especial manner, to the spiritual interests of the hearers. The service was then closed by prayer and praise.

These preliminary engagements being ended, the writer proceeded to the ceremony of naming the town, and accordingly proposed its being called "Clarkson Town," in honour of the celebrated philanthropist of that name, to whose long and untiring efforts on behalf of the African race the great boon of emancipation was mainly to be attributed, detailing whilst their sides, and the extended and some of the difficulties this venerable man

called to make, in the prosecution of his arduous work, deducing from the whole his pre-eminent claim to their most grateful remembrance. This address was received with cordial responses, and the designation, "Clarkson Town," by men, women, and children united, resounded throughout the valley. "The venerable Clarkson, and his associates in the great work of securing liberty to the slave! May they live to hear of still greater triumphs of their philanthropy! May they persevere in their benevolent efforts until slavery and the slave-trade shall perish in every land; and may they be at last crowned with immortal honour and happiness in heaven!" was repeated by the crowd with the greatest enthusiasm, and followed by loud and long-continued cheering.

A statement of the circumstances which led to the establishment of the township, together with the leading incidents which had hitherto marked its history, was then read; an extract from which, designed especially to show the advantages of its locality, is here subjoined.

"Although the settlement is at present small and insignificant, it is probable it may soon become of considerable magnitude and importance, as a plan is conceived of cutting a canal from a little above Kingston harbour to the foot of the mountains near which the town is located-a design which, if executed, will be of almost inconceivable advantage to the estates in the neighbourhood, bring a vast tract of land into cultivation now abandoned in morass, afford facilities for the conveyance of produce from the adjoining parishes, and thereby increase cultivation in them to an extent hitherto unprecedented.

"May this infant township rise under the blessing of Almighty God, and may its inhabitants, to the most distant posterity, united in bonds of Christian love and fellowship, be as one family, with one feeling to prompt, and one principle to govern!"

This part of the ceremony concluded, the writer proceeded to name the streets of the town, and arriving at the most convenient part of the principal street, he prefaced the designation by a short address, congratulating the peasantry on their loyalty to their sovereign in desiring the association of her ma- them shall have perished.

jesty's name and that of her royal consort (a general case in all the new townships) with their social prosperity and happiness. And on his saying aloud, "I name this street 'Victoria,' in honour of our beloved sovereign, by whose gracious will and pleasure the great boon of freedom was bestowed upon you and your children," all united in loud and successive cheers, followed by singing in chorus two or three verses of the national anthem. The circumstances attending the naming of the street in honour of Prince Albert were similar, as were also those which accompanied the naming of the remainder, among which was "Gurney Street," in re-membrance of Joseph J. Gurney, Esq., who, as described in his "Winter in the West Indies in 1841," visited the settlement, and was delighted both with its appearance, and the manners, intelligence, and hospitality of the people.

At the conclusion of the business of the day the two ministers who conducted the ceremonies, together with the friends who accompanied them, retired loaded with caresses and followed by benedictions, until the interesting spot had vanished from their sight. The writer could not help speculating, as he paced the winding solitary ascent to his home, on the emotions of which the venerable Clarkson and this noble coadjutors in the cause of African liberty would have been the subjects had they but witnessed the scene -had they beheld the activity and lightheartedness manifested both by young and old, from the earliest dawn of day. Had they heard their mutual salutations—their hearty cheers and enthusiastic benedictions on the instruments of their deliverance from temporal and spiritual bondage! Had they but seen the evidences of their industry and providence-of their contentment and happiness-these noble-minded men and women would have required no other recompense, they could have desired no higher honour. Nor will their names or their deeds ever be forgotten-they will descend to succeeding generations embalmed in the grateful recollection of the whole posterity of Ham, when the memorials of the tyrants that oppressed

We have been expecting for some time to receive and lay before our readers a compendious account of the present state of the baptist churches in Jamaica. the interim, pleasure may be derived from the indications of success in the work of Christ in different parts of the island furnished in the following extracts from recent numbers of "The Baptist Herald," published at Falmouth.

ings on Tuesday, the 26th December, 1843 | divine presence and help. Mr. T. B. Pick-The services of the day were commenced by ton, the minister of the place, then briefly Mr. W. Dendy, of Salter's Hill, who read a stated the nature of the business of the day;

A new baptist church was formed at Hast- | suitable portion of scripture and implored the

Mr. W. Knibb, of Falmouth, stated the constitution of a New Testament church, taking the first clause of the 10th verse of xliii. of Isaiah, as the foundation of his discourse. Mr. J. E. Henderson preached from Psalm exviii. 25. Six deacons were then chosen, unto whom Mr. W. Dendy addressed appropriate counsel, after showing from the word of God the qualifications for, and the duties of the deacon's office.

Hymns were then given out by Mrs. J. E. and G. Henderson, W. Dendy, and T. B. Pickton; and the interesting services were concluded with prayer by Mr. Claydon, of Salter's Hill. The members of the new church were 183 in number, and were all dismissed on the previous Sabbath from the church at Bethtephil.

On sabbath morning, December 24, 1843, the ordinance of baptism was administered to thirty-seven persons, in the sea, at Passage Fort, near Spanish Town, in the parish of St. Catherine, by the Rev. Thomas Dowson. This solemn ordinance was administered in the presence of a very large number of spectators, who all behaved with the greatest possible order, during the administration of the same.

On Monday morning, January 1st, 1844, 106 more individuals were immersed, on a profession of repentance and faith, in the baptistry in the baptist chapel at Spanish Town. The chapel was also crowded with spectators on this occasion.

On Monday, December 25th, thirty-seven persons, who had previously professed repentance towards God, and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, were baptized at the River Head, near Stewart Town, by B. B. Dexter. They afterwards repaired to the chapel at the latter place, and, having received the right hand of fellowship from the pastor, on behalf of the church, partook with their fellow members of the ordinance of the Lord's supper. As an encouragement to those engaged in imparting instruction to the rising race, it may be added that twenty-two of the above number are young persons at present connected with the Stewart Town sabbath school.

On Saturday, December 31st, 1843, most interesting services were held at Green Island, connected with the administration of the Christian rite of baptism. At six o'clock a. m., a deeply solemn prayer-meeting was held, when the candidates received an affectionate and impressive address, upon the solemn responsibility they were about to individually. Owing to the debility of the parent country. Owing to the debility of the president, resulting from the painful operation to which he has recently submitted, it is expected that the vacation will continue for about a fortnight longer than the period recipinally fixed. Timely notice of the day of re-opening will be forwarded to the students individually.

enter into. At half-past ten, A. M., a crowded congregation assembled, and listened with the greatest attention to a sermon upon the " nature of this rite, and the ancient and scriptural mode of attending to it." At two A. M., the congregation and candidates adjourned to the sea beach, where not less than 2000 persons were convened to witness the imposing ceremony. After some preliminary and devotional exercises, the pastor delivered an address to the audience. In this, the fallacy of all the arguments brought forward in support of infant sprinkling was exhibited; and the "Book of Common Prayer," used in the church by law established, was brought forward in support of the practice of believers' baptism, and that by immersion. In closing the pastor urged all to search the scriptures for themselves. The chorus to the hymn commencing "Salvation, O the joyful sound," was then sung, and twenty-four persons went down into the water, and were baptized by E. J. Francies, pastor of the church.

At Montego Bay, on Sunday, January 7th, sixty-nine persons were baptized in the sea, by the Rev. P. H. Cornford, and afterwards received to the communion of the church. These believers, with those baptized on two former occasions, make the number 182, who in the course of nine months have thus been admitted to the privileges of Christian fellowship in this place.

This most solemn institution of the gospel was commemorated at Lucea on Sunday afternoon last, the 21st of January. A vast concourse of spectators assembled on the interesting occasion, when twenty-one persons received this Christian rite at the hands of E. J. Francies, the pastor.

THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION, CALABAR.

On Thursday, the 18th of January, according to previous advertisement, a meeting of the general committee of the above institution was held on the premises. The Rev. Thos. Burchell having taken the chair, an interesting report was given of the progress made during the short period which had elapsed since the commencement. We hope soon to be able to publish the same, for the satisfaction of the friends of education here and in the parent country. Owing to the debility of the president, resulting from the painful operation to which he has recently submitted, it is expected that the vacation will continue for about a fortnight longer than the period originally fixed. Timely notice of the day of

the convenience of the arrangements and the | mence with ten students.

The most unbounded satisfaction and sur- | neatness and commodiousness of the buildprise were expressed by those brethren who ings appropriated to the use of the students. had not previously visited the institution, at The session, for the year 1844, will com-

To these extracts we subjoin part of a letter from Mr. Knibb to Mr. Saffery, dated Kettering, January 29th, 1844.

you, and to have thus an opportunity of re-

turning the favour granted.

About the box from Edinburgh. I have written since I last heard, and have now most unfortunately lost the address of the kind lady, the daughter of Mrs. Innes. Will you write to her, and tell her this, and assure her that the post office arrangements, especially in the country posts, are so sadly managed that not receiving a letter is no proof at all that one has not been sent. I think these arrangements have lately improved, and that we shall not so frequently be subjected to such mistakes in future.

Respecting our schools, if you can do any thing for us, as we have had a severe drought, which has nearly destroyed the crops in several parts of the island, and Trelawney has suffered much; so that I much fear we shall not be able to sustain our operations in The schools in connexion their full extent. with the churches under my care were never in such efficient order. I will give you a brief account.

The Thompson school at Kettering has been kept up during the whole of the past year, and some very pleasing circumstances are connected with its operations. Since its opening 170 scholars have been admitted into the day-school. There are now in it sixtyfour boys and thirty-two girls; fifteen of these are writing on paper. We have connected with it a very interesting sabbath-school, under the care of fifteen teachers, all natives; and it contains 140 scholars. Mr. and Mrs. Gallimore, the former one of the most active teachers in the school, are now on their way to Africa, there to proclaim salvation through the blood of Jesus. He was taught to read by my beloved William. Last sabbath but one I had the pleasure of baptizing the eldest of the African children whom I took from the slave ship, and who was educated in this school. The village of Kettering has now nearly 200 members of my church residing in it, and though it is in its infuntine state, I am encouraged by many tokens for good.

Refuge School contains 155 children in the day-school, and it has 450 in the sabbathschool, under the care of thirty-five teachers, whose general conduct is highly gratifying to me. The school at Falmouth has declined, in Falmouth.

I was very happy to receive a letter from owing in part to other schools being established, and in part to members belonging to the church purchasing land at too great a distance to send them. To obviate this latter evil, I have purchased ninety acres of land just two miles from Falmouth, for which I have to pay 1700 dollars. I shall form a town of the It is surrounded by twelve large whole sugar properties, and is the only plan I had of saving the station. I have the whole to pay in twelve months. Do you know any kind friend who would lend me £400 at six per cent. for twelve months or two years. I should be very glad of your aid. I could easily pay it in that time, and would give a bond for the amount. I have property to meet such a demand in case of death, or would not ask it.

The school at Falmouth contains fifty-four in the day and 450 in the sabbath-school, under the care of thirty teachers. From this school, and the one at Refuge, several have been added to the church. My other school is called Camberwell; it has in it eighty-three children; and in the sahbath-school there are eighty-one, under the care of five teachers.

During the year the children in these schools, with the teachers, have collected £40 towards the support of a student for Africa in the Theological Institution, and had it not been for the drought, would have done the same next year. This has much rejoiced my heart.

The churches under my care are much as usual. I have again dismissed about 300 to form another church, and 100 more have been dismissed to other churches by change of residence. Thus in fourteen years, and three of those interrupted by martial law, there are now seven churches where there was but one; and still, though not crowded, we have generally a good congregation at Falmouth, and a very good one at Refuge. We have at all churches much to try us, but we have what all such churches have not, much to cheer us; and I hope that still a kind and gracious God will watch over us for good. I hope, as we are about much to improve our Herald, that you will try and get it into circulation in the north. Send any orders to Mr. Dyer, Paternoster Row, who will send them to us, or send them direct to the office

DEATH OF MR. NASH.

In our last we announced this unexpected and afflictive event. The particulars were communicated by Mr. Wood in a letter dated Kingston, January 19th, 1844, which we take the earliest opportunity to lay before our readers.

you of another mysterious and painful dispensation with which it has pleased our heavenly Father to visit us as a mission. I told you in my last letter of the dangerous illness of Mrs. Nash, from which when I wrote she was partially restored; and now I have to inform you that our dear brother Nash himself is no more.

Mrs. Nash has been staying with us ever since her illness, and as Yallahs is at present very unhealthy, Mr. Nash has also spent the greater part of his time since that in Kingston, going up to his station to preach on the sab-bath, and returning the beginning of the week. He left us on Saturday morning the 6th instant, apparently in perfect health, but as soon as he reached his house, he was seized with a violent pain in his head, which after a short time got better. He remained up the whole of the day examining candidates for baptism, and talking with the friends connected with his church, but towards evening the pain returned, and he went early to bed. On sabbath morning he was too ill to get up, and he remained in bed with very high fever all day. On Monday morning he resolved if possible to return to town, as he knew his life would be in danger if he remained at Yallahs; and he arrived in Kingston about nine o'clock, A.M. He immediately went to bed, and Dr. Fairbank, his medical attendant, was sent for, who was under no apprehension of danger. He had a great deal of fever on Monday, but towards evening it abated, and although he continued very weak, he seemed every day to get better. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and purit Thursday he came out of his room, and lay joys. for several hours on the sofa. On Friday morning to all appearance he was doing well; he had slept well during the night, and without any inconvenience was able to take a little breakfast, which the doctor ordered; but about ten or eleven o'clock he was seized with a cold, aguish, shivering fit, which however lasted only a few minutes, but which we hear from you, or until arrangements are was succeeded by a clammy sweat, with a made for her return to England.

It is now my melancholy task to inform | coldness of the hands and feet; and from that time he began to decline. Dr. Ferguson was called in as soon as any danger was anticipated, and between three and four o'clock he came. He immediately pronounced the case Powerful stimulants were then dangerous. administered, and mustard cataplasms applied to different parts of the body, but without effect. Dr. Fairbank remained with him the whole night, with brother Oughton and myself, besides the nurse and attendants; but the skill of physicians, and the attention of friends, were of no avail. He gradually got weaker, until about nine o'clock on Saturday morning, when without a sigh, or a struggle, or a groan, he sweetly fell asleep. He retained his senses to the last, and spoke to us a few moments before he died. Thus in the bloom of life and in the midst of usefulness, has God been pleased to take away one of our most devoted missionaries. He was not permitted to gather in the first-fruits of his labours; he intended last sabbath to have baptized and introduced to the church eighteen young persons, who by his instrumentality had been turned from darkness to light, but God ordered it otherwise, and chose rather to take him to his reward in heaven.

I need not say a word respecting his character: his praise is on the lips of all who knew him. By those who knew him best was he most beloved; and by them will his departure be most sincerely lamented. In every way was he eminently qualified to be an efficient and useful missionary. He was also eminently prepared for the happiness and purity the possession of which he now en-

His bereaved and disconsolate widow has received a shock almost too great for her feeble constitution: but I trust God will enable her to sustain it. She has hitherto manifested much patient and humble submission, and seems perfectly resigned to the will of God. She will remain with us until

CEYLON.

A letter from Mrs. Owen Birt to a friend in England, dated Kandy, Nov. 22nd, 1843, contains the following passages:-

Mr. Dawson is about issuing a little maga- | Wees-thia-ka valunce. We hope it will be zine, to be continued monthly, in Singhalese very useful, as it will contain a commentary

We go on much as usual here, save that and English, to be called the Commentator,

on the scriptures, of which as yet none exists! in the Singhalese language, and the necessity for which is very much felt by many natives; hints to native preachers, with slight sketches of sermons and scraps of other useful knowledge, together with a vocabulary of words in Portuguese and the other two languages. As its price will be twopence only, it will come within reach of many; and the commentary will be so printed as to admit of being separated and bound up by itself when completed. This involves much additional labour to Mr. Dawson, of course, but as it will reach where his voice cannot, perhaps the time spent in it may never be regretted. According to the Singhalese, "This book will be made beautiful by printed pictures." Mr. Dawson has begged a few woodcuts from the Wesleyan Press, but they have all appeared before in other works, and will only last a few months. Twelve small blocks for woodcuts, would last a year. The natives are extremely fond of pictures, and will be much more likely to purchase the book if it contains some.

Our presses are not sufficient for all the work that comes in. Mr. Dawson has therefore applied for a government one, which is now idle, but labour is at so extravagant a price here, that the profits are very trifling. Just imagine a report of some society, a little thicker than the Baptist Magazine, costing, in wages only, nearly or quite £40. But our type is so good that people will pay rather

than go to the other presses.

I canuot say I like my present abode at all, for the rats are ever running on my curtain and around me, centipedes fall from the roof, and I am in horror that the snakes, who pursue the rats to the very edge of the ceiling in the next room, will follow them when they take refuge in my chamber. Did I tell you last month that I was turned into this room for a few days? Well, I am still here, for having attempted to take possession of my chamber yesterday, I was forced back by the wetness of the floor. The workmen are so trying here, that Job himself, I think, would have lived in a hut, in despair of ever building himself a more convenient abode. They constantly employ themselves in undoing their own work; and three generally look on whilst two work a little. However, now my part of the house is ceiled, floored, and washed, and next week I do really hope to move in, though the roof is, for the sixth or seventh time, so badly put on that the wet has in three days almost spoiled the ceiling. I shall like my new room much, and the verandah will form a capital walk. Our front parlour will now be a convenient room. It will be very nice when we are all settled, and will be well for the mission, as we are to have all the premises at a cheap rate until all the money expended in the new part is refunded.

The heat of the weather, I suppose, has

great many have died, whilst numbers have had it in Candy, &c., &c. I mention it lest you should see a notice of it in the papers. It is five years since it prevailed in Ceylon. It is dismal to see the poor heathen taking offerings to their idol gods to stay the plague; and on the estates, Thomas says, the coolies have run up little rude temples, and put up a doll, to receive the gifts. He has had much talk with them, and yesterday a Mr. W. went with him to see one that his own coolies had built. "Well! what does your god eat!"
"Jaggery and plaintains," was the reply of one who, seated on the ground, acted for the time as priest. "Well, give him one now, and let us see him eat." After a little hesitation, the poor priest was obliged to own that they left the food some hours before the doll, and then ate it themselves. They then showed him that though it had hands, it could not work, &c,, and bid him ask a higher power to stuy the moral plague that was raging in his heart. He had often heard of Him before, but something visible must be had; they cannot realize aught else. One of them told Thomas, the other day, "There is but one moon, but if we fill 1000 chatties with water, and place them out at night, we shall see 1000 moons; so though there may be but one God, there are innumerable manifestations of him. They have, I think, three millions, and of course seldom any difficulty in finding some one or other at any place they may come to; but one poor man complained lately that there was no God for him to pray to, his God was in Malabar, and could not hear him so far off!"

The Hindoos, who are principally moormen, have a nightly parade through their streets to their temples, headed by a priest with lamps, and repeating prayers (in Arabic, I believe). The people appear to take the responses, and continually raise the cry, "Allah il Allah!" To me there is something very solemn and affecting in their earnest and devout manner; and they stand out as very superior to the others, though their being right in worship of the one true God only seems a bar to their embracing Christ as the way of salvation. They will hear nothing of him, and seem quite immovable as yet, but "Jesus shall reign;" and so the time will come when they will bow. May it be in sincere and willing obedience! They are a fine, intelligent, and interesting set of people, and will converse freely on any but the one subject—that is so hateful to them! I was much struck with the devotion of one who happened to be standing near the door of a temple one day when we were passing it The reverence with which he bowed himself. then touched the ground, then rose and prayed aloud, and bowed and rose again, showed plainly that he felt he was approaching a mighty though invisible power, and contrasted induced a visitation of the cholera; not a finely with the cringing, servile crossing of withheld this had not his priest spoken, and so when the children see their priests walking called for it.

I fancy the last few months have made a more they become aware of the absurdities of difference. The people are not become Chris-Buddhism.

the hands of a poor heathen, who would have i tians, it is true; but is not something gained through the streets unattended by any state. Mr. Dawson thinks offerings are very and unnoticed? They will doubtless be much less frequent than they were, and more ready to embrace Christianity the

HOME PROCEEDINGS.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

MEETINGS FOR SPECIAL PRAYER, APRIL 17th & 19th.

Under the conviction that the extension of Christian missions, and enlarged success, depend upon the more abundant outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the Committee have resolved on holding meetings, in connexion with the annual services, for special prayer. A prayer-meeting will accordingly be held on Wednesday morning, April 17th, at the new Mission House, Moorgate Street; the service to begin at eleven o'clock.

District prayer-meetings will also be held on the evening of Friday, the 19th of April. The following are fixed :-

Soho, Rev. G. Wyard's To	deliver addressesRev	. G. Wyard and J. Cooper.
New Park Street		J. Aldis and P. J. Saffery.
Eagle Street		Jon. Watson and Jas. Edwards.
Shoreditch, Providence Chapel		Dr. Cox and J. M. Daniell.
Lion Street, Walworth		C. M. Birrell and C. Hardcastle.

Service to commence at each place at seven o'clock.

ANNUAL SERMONS, APRIL 18th & 24th.

The Committee have much pleasure in announcing that the annual sermons on behalf of the Society will be preached by the Rev. William Brock, of Norwich, and the Rev. Hugh Heugh, D.D., of Glasgow. The former will preach at Surrey Chapel on the evening of Thursday, the 18th of April, the latter at the Poultry Chapel (Rev. John Clayton's), on the morning of Wednesday, April 24th.

Service to commence in the evening at half-past six, and in the morning at eleven.

ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY, APRIL 19th.

In addition to the public meeting at Exeter Hall, A General Meeting of the members of the Society will be held at the Mission House, Moorgate Street, on the morning of Friday, the 19th of April, for the election of the Committee for the ensuing year, and the transaction of other business. The chair will be taken at ten o'clock.

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

SERVICES FOR THE YOUNG, APRIL 16th & 22nd.

On the evening of Tuesday, the 16th of April, the annual meeting of the Juvenile Auxiliary connected with Regent Street Chapel, Lambeth, will be held at that place. Service to begin at half-past six.

On the afternoon of Lord's day, the 21st of April, addresses will be delivered to the young, as shown in the following list.

On the afternoon of Monday, the 22nd April, the annual meeting of the Juvenile Auxiliaries of London will be held at the Rev. A. Fletcher's Chapel, Finsbury. Chair to be taken at two o'clock.

SERMONS, LORD'S DAY, 21st of APRIL.

The following are the arrangements (so far as completed) for April 21st.

The afternoon services marked thus * are intended for the young.

PLACES.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
Alfred Place, Kent Road			
Alie Street, Little	Rev. P. Dickerson	Rev. P. Dickerson	Rev. J. Cooper
Battersea	Rev. Dr. Murch		Rev. C. M. Birrell
Blandford Street	Rev. W. B. Bowes		Rev. J. M. Daniell
Bluegate Fields	+		
Bow (Old Ford)	1		Rev. Dr. Davies
Brentford, Old	1	1	
Brentford, New	t .	1	Rev. T. Smith
Brixton Hill (Salem Chapel)	i	1	Rev. Dr. Cox
Brompton	1	1	Rev. T. C. Finch
Camberwell	ł	1	Rev. T. F. Newman
Charles Street, Paddington			Rev. G. Pritchard
Chelsea	1		Rev. C. H. Harcourt
Church Street, Blackfriars	+	4	Rev. J. Davis
Clapham		1	Rev.J.H.Hinton,M.A

PLACES.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
Deptford, Lower Road	Rev. A. Major		Rev. A. Major
Devonshire Square	Rev.J.H.Hinton,M.A	,	Rev. C. E. Birt, M.A.
Eagle Street	Rev. R. W. Overbury	W. B. Gurney, Esq.*	Rev. P. J. Saffery
Eldon Street	1	Rev Pugh	Rev. B. Price
Greenwich, London Street	ļ		Rev. W. Reynolds
Greenwich, Bunyan Chapel			
Hackney	Rev. Dr. Steane	Rev. J. T. Wigner	Rev. D. R. Stephen
Hammersmith	Rev. A. G. Fuller		
Hampstead	Rev. J. Castleden		Rev. J. Castleden
Harlington	{Rev. J. Davies, } Miss. to Ceylon }		Rev. J. George
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ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING, APRIL 25th.

The annual public meeting of the Society will be held in Exeter Hall, Strand, on Thursday, the 25th of April: the chair to be taken by William Brodie Gurney, Esq., at ten o'clock. Tickets for the meeting may be obtained at the Mission House in Moorgate Street, or at the vestries of the various chapels.

NOTICE.

Ministers and others who intend coming to town to the meetings, and are desirous of being received into the house of some friend, are requested to send an intimation of their wish to the Secretary of the Baptist Mission, not later than the fifth of April. He will have much pleasure in making the necessary arrangements.

DESIGNATION OF MR. DENHAM.

Mr. W. H. Denham, late of Faversham, having felt it to be his duty, in consequence of a direct appeal to him, to offer himself to the Baptist Missionary Society, to go forth to the East, to strengthen the little band of devoted brethren who are labouring among the millions of India, was publicly set apart to the solemn and interesting work, in Blandford Street Chapel, London. The solemnities of the evening were commenced by singing, when Mr. Lewis, of Trinity Chapel, Borough, read the scriptures and implored the divine presence and benediction; Mr. Angus, secretary to the Society, described the sphere of labour upon which our brother was about to enter, setting forth its spiritual destitution, its vast extent, and growing claims upon the attention and sympathies of the churches, and of the friends of the Redeemer individually; after which the minister of the place requested his beloved friend and brother to give to the multitude assembled an outline of his early history, the leading circumstances connected with his conversion to God, his call to the ministry of the gospel, and the reasons which had induced him to resign his pastoral connexion with the church at Faversham. The multitude was unbroken. By this service, replies to these questions were of the most instructive and satisfactory character, exciting in this locality, which we hope will be as the gratitude and astonishment of every spi- enduring as it was felt to be powerful.

On Wednesday evening, January 24, 1844, ritual mind, whilst the relating of some incidents in our brother's history affected the congregation even to tears. Mr. Bowes im. plored the special blessing of the great Head of the church upon the person and labours of his beloved friend, commending him, his wife, and family, and the devoted female accompanying them in their self-denying activity for the Saviour's glory, to the protecting care and omnipotent mercy of Him who hath prepared his throne in the heavens, and whose kingdom ruleth over all. Dr. Steane addressed Mr. Denham from Matt. xiii. 3, "Behold a sower went forth to sow," appropriately and affectionately applying the sentiment to the circumstances and work of the Christian missionary. Rev. Mortlock Daniel delivered a spirit stirring address to the people upon the magnificence of the missionary enterprise, and the righteous and powerful claims of the Son of God to the untiring zeal and universal consecratedness of all who profess discipleship to him.

> Though the service was protracted, and the place crowded to overflowing, it was delightful to see that the patience and attention of the the cause of missions has received an impulse

DESIGNATION OF MR. DAVIES.

Jacob Davies, of Horton College, was set apart as a missionary to Ceylon, in Westgate Chapel, Bradford. Mr. Pottinger commenced the service by reading and prayer Mr. Saffery, in an introductory address, gave a sketch of the natural, social, political, and religious history of Ceylon, with a brief narrative of the origin and progress of the baptist mission in that island. Mr. Clowes, classical tutor of Horton College, offered up solemn and fervent prayer, Mr. Davies having at his suggestion previously given a short but had to make, and of the considerations which most touching account of his conversion, to- inspired his determination to discharge the

On Tuesday evening, March 12th, Mr. gether with a statement of his motives for choosing to labour in a foreign land. This statement excited the deepest interest, evincing as it did a clear, enlarged, and solemn apprehension of the trials, difficulties, temptations, and responsibilities of a missionary life. It gave also a singular appropriateness to the admirable charge which he subsequently received from Mr. James Acworth, president of the college. The charge was founded on Galations i. 15, 16. After an impressive exhibition of the sacrifices which the apostle

ministry for which he had been "separated," minister, with prayer. The hymns we and to which he had been "called," some of by Mr. Dowson, minister of the place. the advantages and fruits of this determination were presented, 1. A cheerful and untiring application of all his energies and means to the work assigned him. 2. A superiority to disappointment in the prosecution of the service to which he was appointed. 3. A meetness for realizing large success. The service was concluded by Mr. Glyde, independent tant field of labour.

minister, with prayer. The hymns were read

A large congregation manifested to the last an unflagging interest in the protracted but interesting service of the evening. No missionaries ever left their native land with a larger measure of esteem and love than will follow Mr. and Mrs. Davies to their impor-

MEETINGS IN SHROPSHIRE.

Wellington by Mr. Carey, and at Shrewsbury ing the week was extremely unfavourable. by Mr. Saffery. Public meetings were held during the week at the following places: and although, owing to the very depressed Monday evening, the 26th, at Wellington; state of trade in the county, the collections Tuesday, the 27th, at Shrewsbury; Wednesday, the 28th, at Pontesbury; and Thursday, the 29th, at Wem. On Lord's day, manifested for the missionary cause.

On Lord's day, February 25th, sermons March 3rd, three sermons were preached at were preached on behalf of the mission, at Oswestry by Mr. Saffery. The weather dur-

DEPARTURE OF MISSIONARIES FOR JAMAICA.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans, having been appointed to the station at Manchester, lately occupied by Mr. Williams, sailed in the Caroline, Captain Deane, on the 2nd of January last, and on the 18th of January, Mr. Teall, as a schoolmaster for Mr. Day at Port Maria, in the Ralph Bernal, Captain Bridges. Intelligence has been received that Mr. and Mrs. Evans landed at Kingston on the 15th of February, in good health.

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A schoolmaster, for twelve account books, for the Rev. W. W. Evans's schools; The Sunday School Union, for a grant of school materials, for Rev. T. Sturgeon; The Religious Tract Society, for a grant of Tracts, &c., for the same.

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