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## THE MISSIONARY HERALD

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## THE CLOSE OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR. IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO TREASURERS AND SECRFTARIES OF MISSIONARY AUXILIARIES.


ITH a view to meet the special necels of certain country auxiliarics in which serrices are shortly to be held, the books of the Society will be kept open until Thursday, the 5th of April, and we very earnestly appeal to all our friends to send us enlarged contributions, so that the impending heavy deficiency may be reduced.

Cheques and post-office orders should be made payalle to "Alfred II. Baynes," and crossed "Barclay, Bevan, Tritton \& Co."

## MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY SERYICES, 1894.

Thursday Moringg, April 19tif.
INTRODUCTORY PRAYER MEETING, Mission House, Furnival Street, Holbory.
Rev. J. Turland Brown, of Northampton, will preside, and deliver an Address.
Selvice to commence at Half-past Ten o'clock.
Friday Evening, Apbrl 20th. YOUNG MEN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION. PUBLIC MEETING Will be held at The Baptist Mission House, 19, Fubxival Street, Holbori. H. M. Bompas, Esq., Q.C., Recorder of Plymonth, President, will take the Chair at Seven o'clock.
Speukers: H. Marshall-Lang, Esq., Church Missionary Society; Rer. C. Jukes, London Missionary Society; and Rev. A. E. Scrivener, of the Congo.

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For particulars see following pages.

> Monday Evening, Aprit 23rd. BIBILE TRANSIAATION SOCIETY.
> ANNUAL. MEETING IN THE LIBRARY OF THE MISSION HOUSE.

Rer. Thomas Barrass, of Peterborough, will take the Chair at Half-past Six o'clock.
Speakers: Rev. R. Wright Hay, of India; Rev. T. Phillips, B.A., of Kfetering ; Rev. J. Stuart, of Watford; and E. B. Underhill, Esq., I،L.D., Treasurer of the Society.

Tursday Morning, April 24 th.
ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING, Misiton Hougr, Furnival Street, Holborn.
Chair to be taken at Ealf-past Ten o'clock by Thomas S. Penny, Esq., of Taunton.
Note.-This Meeting is for Members only. All Subscribers of 103. 6d. and upwards, Donors of $£ 10$ and upwards, Pastors of Chnrches which make an Anzual Contribution, or Ministers who collect annually for the Society, are entitled to attend.

Tursday Evening, April 24th. PUBLIC MISSIONARYSOIREE, In the Cannon Street Hotel.
Sir Charles E. Bernard, K.C.S.I., late Chief Commissioner in Barmah, to preside.
addresses will be delivered by Revs. W. Carey, of Barisal ; R. H. C. Graham, of the Congo; and J. E. Roberts, M.A., of Manchester.

Tea and Coffee from Half-past Five o'clock.
PUBLIC MEETING AT SEVEN O'CLOCK.
Tickets for Soirée, One Shilling each, to be obtained at the Mission House, 19, Farnival Street, Holborn.
Note.-Ab a large attendanoe is anticipated, early application for Tickets is requested.

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| Batternea, York Road | ... | Rev. D. Jones | Rev. Carey Bonmur. |
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| Brixton Hill, New Park Road |  | Rev.J.T.Forbes, M. ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | Rev.T.D.Lande |
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| Chalk Farm |  | Collections |  |
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| Crouch Hill |  | Rev. W. Burton | Rev. J. M. Hamilton. |
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| Regent's Park ... | Rev.W. Landels, D.D. Collections | Rev. S. Thomes. |
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| Romford Shepherd's Bush Tabernacle... | Rev. W. W. Davidson | Rev. J. H. Anderson. |
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| Silvertown | Rev. T. G. Pullard. | Rev. W. A. Wicks. |
| Southgate, New | Rev. G. Dunnett | Rev. G. Dunnett. |
| Stockwell, South Lambeth Rd. | Rev. T. Hancocks | Rev. T. Hancocks. |
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## TOUNG MEN'S ASSOOIATION IN ATD OF THE BAPTIST MTSSIONARY SOCLETY.

Specinal Minsionary Services will be held in the varions Metropolitan Sohoola on tbe Anniversary Afternoon, Apri 22nd, 1894 (except where otherwise atated).

Bpeakern have heen appoided to all Bchmols replying to the Notice in the Mimajonary Meralit and Joung Mpnंa Mibaionary Journal in time fut jrint, and if those againet the black spacen will apply to the Secretary at onre, npentern will, if posrible, be eent.

Apecial Rymn-papers are eent gratis on written application to the Racretary. Y.M.M.A.

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## BPRAKER,




 Delhi, North-Weat India; and W. A. Wrrce, of Shantang, North Chima.

The London Baptist Choir Union will assist in the winging.
'Iicketa may bo obtnined at the Mission House, 19, Furnivai Street, Holborn.

Friday Morning, April 27th. MISSIONARY BREAKFAST CONFERENCE, In Lower Room, Exeter Hald, At Nine o'clock. Chairman: W. R. Rickett, Esq. (Treasurer). Introductory Paper by the Rev. W. E. Brompield, B.A., B.Di, of Ipswich. Pastors, Deacons, and all Officers of Missionary Associations-Congregational, Sanday School, and Juvenile-are invited to be present.
Tickets may be obtained at the Mission Hoase, 10, Furnival Street, Holborn.

Friday Evening, April 27 th.
THE YOU̇NG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY MEETING (For Sunday School Teachers, Senior Scholars, and Young People,', In Exeter Hall.
Chair to be taken at Seven o'clock by H. P. Gocld, Esq., of Norwich.
Speakers: Revs. J. G. Ghemehough, M.A., of Leicester; F. Harmon, of Shantang, North China; A. T. Teichmann, of Perozpore, East Bengal ; and R. D. Darby, of the Congo.
The Young People's Contingent of the London Baptist Choir Union will assist in the singing.
Tickets may be obtained at the Mission House, 19, Furnival Street, Holborn.

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## A CONGO MISSION GROUP.

(Soe Prontispiect.)
By the kindnear of Mise Alice Hartland, of Camden Town, we are able to prement our readers with a Congo Mission Group, taken from a recent photograph sent to Mise Hartland.

## LENGTMENING THE CORDS IN CEYLON.



INCE I retarned to Ceylon after my furlough, I have been mostly ongaged in the work of "strengthening the stakes," but I am hoping now (especially after the end of this month, which is always taken up largely with returrs, accounts, reports, schedules, and conference business) to do something in the way of extension. We have a wide field hero that reaches to our very doors, and though we have branched out in several directions (to Rattota on the north-east, to distant Kakirawa on the north, and to Owilikanda on the west), we have an immense and populous tract of country round about as practically untouched. This being the case, I was glad to hear from our evangelist, Mr. Markus, the other day, that a native headman, of some considerable standing in a district about fourteen miles to the north-west, had heard him preaching near the police-court in Matale, and had earnestly expressed the hope that he would come to his district and preach to the people there. Mr. Markus was anxious that I should accompany him on his first visit to the place, so we arranged between as that we should go this week, and accordingly on Wednesday we went. As we were paying our first visit to the place, and were going without notifying the people beforehand, we made op our minds to take with us everything we should want, so as not to be burdensome to them. So we engaged an ordinary bullock-cart (a good specimen of which will be seen in the pioture accompanying) and started. How little use we made of the conveyance to save our own legs will appear from the fact that we went on foot iwenty-three miles out of the thirty. But the cart carried our rice and bedding, and other necessaries, and the cart-driver cooked our rice and curry when he prepared his own. On the way we had some long and animated talks with groups of people in hamlets through which we passed, and we arrived at our destination about $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

Leaving the cart by the roadside, and the driver preparing ric3 and curry for his evening meal, we went in search of the headman's hruse, which was aboat half a mile from the road. Having found it, we learnt
that the headman was away, and was not expected home for anme time (he did not know that we were ooming) ; and it was beginning to get dark, and the path back to the road was intricate and jungle-grown, we had to leave withont seeing him. About an hour, however, after we reached our cart again, he came to see us, and welcomed as very joyfally.

Mr. Markas was evidently regarded as an old friend, and he recognised me also from having heard me preach twice in the streets of Matale. (This is only one incident out of many incidents which go to show that our centre here at Matale is well chosen for influence over a very wide district.) He at there for nearly two hours, talking earnestly

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and intelligently, onlookers occasionally taking part. He seemed rather aghast at our preparations to spend the night in our cart, and spoke in rather a hurt tone about it; but Mr. Markus explained that we came to do good to the whole village, and that, if we became the headman's guests, it would erect a barrier between us and the common people. This satisfied him. By appointment, we went to his house in the morning, and, in the verandah, Mr. Markus addressed a number of people that the headman had gathered, and about two hours were spent in this way, and in discussion. One good feature was that the headman made no attempt to pose as a Christian, or as anything more than an inquirer. He said: "We want to hear
whit your religion is. We do not promise to accept it, but we must find out whether it is one that reaches the heart, for the true religion can only he one that enters a man's heart." One man demurred to a new religion being preached among them; but the headman replied: "Let these gentlemen prepare the meal and set it before us. If what they furniah does not awaken appelite, we need not eat ; but if it is good and suitable food that they prepare, it will make us want to eat." This was manly and atraightforward, especially considering that it was uttered before us with no pretence at secrecy. It was very different from the "Bohoma hondayi" ("very good") that one gets so sick of, because it means nothing and leads to nothing, and better than the shallow praise of our doctrine in which so many indulge just to please us at the moment: We both brought away with un the impression that our friend had, by listening to street preaching, dc., carried away more Christian truth than he let his neighbours know he possessed, and that his inclination to our religion (contrary to our asaal experience) went beyond his profession. Of course, he will be visited again und again, and we know that the Abiding Teacher is with him as with every man.
H. A. Lapham.

Matale, Ceylon.

## THE LATE MRS. KERRY OF CALCUTTA.



HE late Mrs. Kerry was born at Hastings in the year $181 \theta$; both father and mother, John M. and Luoy Skinner, were sincere Christisns, and sought to bring up their childran in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. In early life her father was taken from her by death, and her mother was left with three young children to struggle with poverty and to maintain and bring them up. This the mother bravely did, and the Husband of the widow and the Father of the orphans did not fail of fulfilling His promise, and the mother had the joy of lonowing that all her children called the God of their father their own God.

Miss Skinner posasssing good natural abilities made the best use of her somewhat limited opportunities for schooling, but was to a great degree selfeducated; by wide and varied reading her mind was well informed, and as abe thought vigoronsly her opinions were clear and decided on most subjects which came before her.

In early life she became a true Christian, and on the profeasion of her faith in the Lord Jesus was baptized by the late Rev. Philip J. Safferey, and was among those believers who were formed into the Baptist church now meeting at Wellington Square, Hestings. Under the pastorate of the late Dr. J. M. Cramp, who recognised her mental power and the force of Christian character, she received great mental stimulus and much assistance in her course of reading. She was afterwards trained at the Normal School of the British and Foreign

School Society in London, and went thence to take charge of a girla' achool int St. Iven, in Huntingdonshire. In the year 1847 she removed to Brintol to another achool ; it was there Mr. Kerry first met her and their friendship brgan. In 1853, when Mr. Kerry was pastor of the Baptiat churoh nt Doroheater, Dorset, they were married. From that time till her death she wam her husband's trusted counsellor and helper in all his work. In lRöf they came out to India together.
The flrst five years in Indis were years of great trial to her, as she nuffered much from the effeots of the climate, and oircumstances prevented ber doing much direct missionary work. In 1862, she and her husband remover to the Misaion House at Intally, where a boarding sohool for native Christian girls had long been in existence. Arrangements had been made for discontinuing this sohool, and only two destitute orphan girls remained, and the lady teacher was transferred to another part of the country. Mrs. Kerry, with olaracteristic decision, determined to carry on the school as before, and soon pupils flocked in, and for nearly thirty years she carried it on with abundant tokens of Divine approval. She found great joy in this work, and gave ungrudgingly time and strength to it. She visited England twice, in 1866 and 1876, and on her return to India in 1879, when her husband became Financial Secretary to the Mission, she was brought into closer relations with the missionaries, and was called by many of the jounger ones their Indian Mother.

The later years were years of increasing feebleness. In 1887 a fall injured the hip-joint, which permanently lamed her; in 1889, she had a slight paralytic seizure, and a cecond seizure at the end of 1890 ; from these she partially recovered, but was incapable of active movement, and as time passed her weakness increased. But through all there was patient submission to the will of God, cheerful trust in her Saviour, and quiet waiting for the summons to the eternal home. She continued to the last regular in attendance at chapel, both on Sundays and week-days, and on the last Sunday of her life was in her accustomed place at Circular Road Chapel, at the first Communion service of the year.

On Tuesday morning, the 9th of January, she left her bed as usual to take her early cup of tea, and was seized by the final attack of paralysis. She became for a time unconscions, but for a brief period regained consciousness, though speechless. Her husband spoke and prayed with her and repeated some passages of Soripture. On saying, "When heart and flesh faileth Thou art the strength of my heart and my portion for ever," she tried to speak the words herself, and the word " portion" was indistinctly uttered. When asked if she hnew her husband, she said "Yes," and that was the last utterance. She sank into oblivion of all around and appeared to be sleeping, and so continued till the end quietly oame on Thursday morning, January 11 th.

She had long been prepared for the end, and had no fear or doubt to disturb her calm and abiding trust in the Saviour she had loved and served for more than fifty years.

It is not easy to tell adequately what a good wife and mother she was, and how devoted and loyal to the last to the blessed Master whom she loved to serve. Her " record is on high."

## SRI NATM SIRKAR.

"A JUST MAN AND A PERFECT."

liv tue Rev. W. R. Jamer, of Madarifore, East bengal.

$1^{\circ} \mathrm{DEAR}$ MR. BAYNES,-I am kure you will be grieved to learn that our brother Sri Nath, of Uttorpar, hus jurl parsed awhy, He died at Rarisal a few days ago in the presence of three of his children, who had gone thore to nurse him during his last illness. It would be hardly proper to call it his lest illness, for he suffered occasionally for more than twenty yours from the same disease. But after our last annual meetings at Dighaliya he had a severer attack than ever before, in consequence of which he was edvisod to seek proper medical trestment withoat delay. This he did, but to no advantage. Although his doctor gave him hopes of recovery, yet he told his eldest son, "I do not believe him. I shall not get well again. The Lord calls me I must go."

## Sunset and Sunrise.

A little time before his death he told his children their several defects and virtues, somewhat after the manner of Jacob when be was adying, particularly charging his eldest son to look after the religion of the family. He had always endeavoured to onjoin on the members of his household the duty of loving and obeying God, and in the prospect of leaving them he expressed the wish that, in this matter, his eldest son Bindu Nath would henceforward be to them as a father. He also expressed the hope that they would be kind to their mother, and reminded them that he had always been loving
and tender to her, thus enforcing with his oun example the wioh that she should moet with no less consideration at their hands aiter he was gone. All this was very Christ-like and most encouraging to those who labour in this country. God's word shall not return to Him void: "The desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose." Sri Nath's religion shone beautifully during his last days, and they say "the ruling passion is strong in death." To attend to such matters as weighed on his mind is indeed "to set one's house in order." Instcad of leaving the disposal of their earthly goods till the last, as people now commonly do, it would be far better if that were done when one is in health and at leisare, and the lest days and moments of life were reserved for more solemn duties. Oh, how beautifully did the life of David, the sweet Psalmist of Israe], close! Just, as the evening sun, encircled with a helo of glory, sets in a glowing skry, so terminated the earthly carear of the loving and loveable son of Jesse; and if our departed brother Sri Nath's last moments were not so rich in expressions of love to God, they were not less peaceful than were his.

## Grratly Beloyed.

He was a man much beloved by his children, and a little king that ruled by love in his own family. He was half idolised by his nearest relatives, and it was very nice to see how he and they livel in the affections of each other. The patriarchal system still obtains in India, and becomes in many respects a grand institution
when sanctifer by the grace of Ond. Acororling to this system all the memhers of the family freely give all their arrnings to the head of it, and he again, as the father of all, distributes to every one, as his neerls may be, and as the general fund allows. This was always the custom in the home of our departed brother. No doubt this aystem has its defeots, and that it has a tendenoy to beget idleness; but think of its drawbacks as we may, one should not shut his eyes to the faot of its grand unselffehness. The Church of Christ is frequently compared to a family in the New Testament (and it is characteristic of inspiration that it always selects the most appropriate figures), and there is no inherent reason why the patriarchal system in India should perish with the establishment and growth of Christianity. The example of our brother showed that it may be elevated, and made a pillar and foundation of the truth in the land.

## His Gifts.

Our brother was supported by the Sunday School at Union Chapel, Manchester, and for many years he laboured at Uttorpar as their representative. He had a good knowledge of medicines, and by practice and experience he had acquired some amount of skill also in surgery. Besides, he was a man of very shrewd common sense, with a considerable knowledge of Indian land law, and the Penal Code. This, with his readiness to give advice whenever and by whomsoever solicited, gave him great influence over his neighbours, and he was looked up to by Hindus as well as Christians for miles around. His widow was telling me the other day, that in consequence of his labours and influence in the district of Uttorpar, hundreds of people there have
loat all faith in Fincluism, addins that ne David gatherod the matririnlt for the temple which wne built hy his son, even so, probably, some one would ere long renp the fruit of the seed which was sown by her husband.

His father before him was a promeher, and was inosrcerated for a few days when a daring attack was made on the Christians of Backergunge yeary ago by some landowners. Novertheless, it was quite against the wish of his father that Sri Nath beoame an evangelist, as, I am told, he needed his son to look after his land. But God's plan of his life was different, and His purposes cannot be thwarted. It was a blessing indeed for the churches of these districts that the father was not allowed to have his own way.

## Thirty-five Years Ago.

He was set apart for the work of the ministry about thirty-five years ago; and from that time till within a few weels of his death he laboured uninterruptedly in what are called the beels of Backergunge. For years he was treasurer of our associstion, and the year before last he was elected chairman, which office he filled satisfactorily to all during the time that he held it. He was a born ruler : and the young Church of India has need of nothing so much as men of light and love and firmness. At first sight, Sri Nath often gave the impression of being a harsh and hard man, but the flint was in his face and not in his heart. He was constantly called upon to arbitrate in quarrels. When any case had to be tried and settled he would listen patiently for a while to both sides, and his very keen insight and long experience enabled him to grasp the situation in an instant when he was made acquainted with all the facts relating theretc.

Whem he lisil mate uj, his mind it would be nevt to imporaible to get lim to change his opinion. But he alwaye thought a good deal before arriving at a eonoluaion. If he had had the necerabry advantager, and if ha were of that profersion, he would have certainly excelled an a member of the Judicial Bench. "The edicts of rulera." they ray, "are monobyllables." and if Sri Nath kaw a man inclined to be disputatious or refractory in apirit he would noon aet him aside, and, mustering all the euthority ${ }^{41}$. his command, would end the disjute by arying, "No, that cannot be." 1 shall nevor forget his "No, that cannot bo." We shall all miss him much in our mertinge, committees, und conferenoes, but no one more then the writer. We worked together ts true poke-follows, without misunderstanding or friction on either side. In all matters relating to the churches he was my right-hand man, aud I know not whene to look for another to fill his place. We may, however, gather comfort from the consoling fact that the Great Shepherd
of the sheep lives evermore, and that He is much more interested in the preservation and success of His Churoh than wo are, or can be.

A Btudent of Scripture.
Perbeps I ought not to finish without mentioning the fact that our brother was well up in his Bible, having read it coneecutively five or six times. As one half, if not more, of our Bengeli Bible is still without notes or comments, one could see from the case of Sri Nath how well able a converted man with strong common sense is to grasp the most practical truthe of the Bible simply by comparing Scripture with Scripture, and spiritual things with spiritual things. Of course our brother was not without his defects, but, in reviewing his career, his circumstances and disadvantages have to be taken into sccount; for God measures and judges people acoording to what they have, and not what they have not. It can be said of him, as itis written of Noah, "that he was a just man, and perfect in his generations."

Medaripore. W. R. Jamee.

## mission school at shih tieh, shansi, NORTH CHINA.

 OST of the schools (not colleges) in China are private, and not connected with the Government in any way. The majority of villages would have one or more elementary schools. As a rule the leading men of the village guarantee a salary and invite the teacher. The picture on the opposite page represents our Mission school at Shih Tieh. The boy in front of the teacher is in the act of "pei shei," or repeating the passages he is supposed to hare committed to memory during the day. Another boy is learning to write. The schools in China are very noisy : in committing anything to memory each boy shouts at the top of his voice, and when there are twenty or thirty shouting all together in a small room you may imagine the noise.

Taj Yuen Fu, Shansi.
Evan Mgrgan,

misaion behool at bhih tieh, bhansi.-(f'rom a Photograph.)


## CHURCH OF THE CRUCIFIED.



HURCH of the Crucified, art thou reclining Where thy Lord had not a place for His hand: Hest thou anft comforts thy temples entwioing Where His brows throbbed 'neath a chuplet blood-rel? Up from the dust, though it gleam golden round ther-
'Tis but the Judas-bribe profferod anewClasp the pierced hand that from bonduge unbounal thee;
Let the pieroed beart teach thee love that is true.
Church of the Risen One, art thou dejected
While $\mathrm{H} \theta$, thy Lord, is exalted on high ?
Hast thon thy birthright of glory neglected?
Turned to earth-glamour faith's seraphim eye?
Up to the height of thy heavenly calling ;
See thou thy place with the King on His throne;
Queenly in grace to break bands that are galling,
Make earth's whole burden of sorrow thine own.
Church of the Crucified, earth needs thy passion-
Love agonising the wayward to win,
Pure self-oblation in Christliest fashion,
Soul-sweat and travail to save men from sin.
Churoh of the Risen One, love that withholdeth
Naught that it has God would give to thee now;
Rise in the might that thy weakness enfoldeth;
Bid the whole earth to the Crucified bow :
R. Wright Hif.

## TIDINGS FROM JESSORE, BENGAL.



HE Rev. R. H. Tregillus sends the following account of work in Jessore. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tregillus are now leaving India for a much-needed season of rest and refreshment in England, and Mr. Norledge will now have charge of the growingly hopeful and important work in that district:-
"Some six montbs ago the village school of Raimanik found a place in one of our circles of schools. In accordance with our usual custom, our small Elementary Catechism was introduced. Within two months the whole of the little volume was committed to memory by a number of the boys, and a spirit of inquiry on the subject of the Christian faith seemed to have been imparted to the village at large. On the occasion of our visits to the village, large number of the people came together and gave earnest attention to our delivery of the Gospel message. On the first Sumday of October, nearly twenty from that
 mode of Chriatian worship. By this time several began to entertain the idea of leaving Molammedanism and embracing the Christian faith. It was, however, Areided amonget thrm that the question of changing their faith should be jownoned until a public debate between reprosentatives of the two faiths, woll warech in Arabic, conld he arranged for. This decision on their part we would wot regard an a vely promising sign. Our experiener of some six public "Mbates with Mohammedens has taught us not to look to them for help to inguirers. In spite of our dineanmions the people of Raimanik remained firm in their dosirc for a public dincussion. After some little delay the day was fixed for Thurbday, Deocmber 28th. As none of our otaff possesses the necessary lknowledge of Arabic, we turned, as on a former occasion, for help to Moulvie Hosein Ali, of the C.M.S., Calcutta. This friend has but a limitod knowledge of Bengali, so we were fortunate in obtaining the assistance of Babu Kodar Nath Mookerji, to translate from Urdu to Bengali. We had been told that the Mohammedan Moulvie would arrive at the place of debate on Wednesday evening, so thit the debate might commence early on Thursday morning. On our arrival at Raimanik, before nine a.m., we found wo were the first on tho field. It was, therefore, a case of sottling down quietly to wait. The Mohammedan champion reached the village betwoen ten and eleven o'clock, and became the contre of attraction to the people who had begun to assemble. What with ostentatious Namas twioe conducted by the Moulvie, the mid-day meal, and a warm controversy among the Mohammedans almost leading to blows, because our host had reaeived and fed the Christians, time sped along, nnd it wes nearly two p.m. Still the Mohammedan Moulvie avoided the place of discussion. My own personal effort to bring him to the work for which he whs called was unsucoessful. He would come ahortly, that message was brought us again and again. On our side we now began work in earnest. Our singing party began, and soon a large gathering came around us, perhaps not less than 200. Preaching and singing kept us well employed until nearly four p.in. Our Moulvie brought out and expounded passage after passage from the Arabic Koran, which revealed clearly that Mohammed was a sinner and not a saviour, and would also fail as an interceseor. Soon the news came that the Mohammeden Moulvie had used the opportunity our preaching had afforded and had effected a retreat. He was gone. The Raimanik debate was over. The anger of the villagers towards their epiritual teacher and guide was expressed in no measured terms. We cannot but hope that a gracious purpose controlled the events of the day, and that the prevention of the discussion will do more for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom than any debate could have effeoted. There seems but little doubt that the school-teacher there will soon come out as a Christian.

- Our Christmas festivities took place recently at Dowlatpore. About one hundred Christians partook of a meal and assembled at our open-air meeting in front of the chapel. Through the lindness of friends, both here and in England, a large number of useful gifts of olothing were distributed. It was felt that God had indeed been good to us. Three-quarters of this assembly of Christinns, the largest ever seen at Dowlatpore, have left Mohammedanism during the past three or four years."


## A RECENT CONFERENCE IN CHINA.



IfE Rev. Samuel Conling, of Ching Chon Fu, Shuntung, writes :--
"Delr Mu. Bayner,-I think the readiry of the Hebrido will be intorested to hear that a Conference of Shmatume missionaries was recently held in this city. Men ant women, forty-two were present. Most of those were American Preshyterinns and English Baptists, these two missions being the strongest in the provincer ; but the following missions were also represented:-Awerican Baptist, English Methodist, China Inlnnd, Canadian Prosbyterian, Swedish Baptist, anf Amerioan Indepondent.
"The Conferenco was remarkable as being the first held in Shantung, and it was remarkable, too, that so large a number of foreigners could assemble in an interior oity without disturbance. Ching Chou Fa, in all its long history, has nover seen so many 'foreign devils' within its walls; yet men and women in Chinese dress, or in English dress, were allowed to go about in peace.
" The visitors not only had the Conference, but they also took the opportunity of seeing and examining on the spot the methods and results of our mission work here. The new buildings also for Training Institute and Boarding School were also objects of much attention.
"Papers were read and discussed on the following subjects: How may the Native Churoh become self-supporting? The Poverty of Shantung; its Causes and Remedy; the Attitude of the Native Church toward the Government ; and on Thoological Education, Medical Work, and Woman's Work for Women. Boys' Schools and Church Music for Chinese were on the programme, but were crowded out for want of time.
" Dr. Nevins, of the American Presbyterian Mission, whose name is known to you as one of the pioneer missionaries of Shantung, one of the oldest and most experienced as well as most loved of missionaries, died suddenly on the eve of starting from Chefoo. His paper was ready to read to us; a colleague brought it and read it.
"The Conference was an unusually helpful and successful one; none seemed to go away disappointed; those especially who work in the interior, in isolated positions, were cheered and stimulated by meeting with so many fellowworkers, and by hearing of the progress of the work in other parts of this great province.
"It was resolved to print the papers which were read, and I will send a copy later on.
"A. H. Baynes, Esq."
"Yours sincerely,
"Sameel Coclingo.

Tre Rev. Chas. H. Judd, of Chefoo, in a recent issue of the Christian, writing relative to this Conference, says:-
"The ancient city of Tsing Chu Fu, which is said to date back earlier than the time of Abraham, and is situated about 240 English wiles from Cheioo, in the province of Shantung, about eight days' journey by mules into the interior,
was latriy the scene of a most interesting Conference of missionaries of various fanominationa and nationalities, about forty or more being present, including mome wiven and single ladies.
"Inside its uncient walls has recently been built up a novel building, in Chineme atyln of architecture externally, beautifully arranged without and within. It in the handsome gift of a Christian gentleman at Bristol to the Finglinh Ruptiat Mission of that city, and in called the Gotch-Robinton Collegr. It contains a good ohapel, rooms for classes, theological and acientifle, prefty little dormitorion for about sixty students, a missionary house, and, the most novel of all for an inland city, a beautiful museum of stuffed hirds, bearts, and fishes, chiefly native; a collection of fossils, shells, and various things of interest, and for general instruction in the works of God and in Wentern science. This being open to the public free of charge, is greatly apprecisted by the more intelligent part of the populace, and is not without its value in loelping forward mission work in some lipes.
"In one of the large rooms used for classes, the Conference met daily, on Monday. Tuesday, and Wedneeday, November 13th to 15 th. On the previous Lord's Day the place was opened by a Christian service, conducted in Chinese, by the Rep. C. Mateer (American Presbyterian Mission), preaching from the words, 'Ye slall know the truth, and the truth shall make gou free.' A good number of native students and others were present, but the greatest work of the Baptist Mission here lies scattered through numerous villages in the surrounding country, where are scattered between two and three thousand Chinese Christians, and where less than twenty years ago, with the exception of a very few odd ones, probably not ten, the whole of this number were in dark idolatry, but now loving and praising the Lord God and our Saviour. God has indeed been working wonders.
" In addition to these are nearly four thousand native Christinns connected with various branches of the American Presbyterian Mission, having the cities of We-hsien, Teng-cheo-fu, and Chefoo as their headquarters. Very different lines of work were represented by the forty-one missionaries present at the Conference-some occupied in training the young in schools and native Christian colleges; some in medical work, others in evangelistic work, but all able to show that God is willing to use almost any line or plan of work, provided His gracious Gospel be taught in faith and love, whether by schools, evangelists, or medical missionaries."

## A NEW MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.



E have mach pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to the firat number of a new missionary magazine just published, entitled The Missions of the Korld, edited by the Rev. G. Carlgle, M.A. It is to be published monthly, price fourpence.

## NOTES BY A MISSIONARY DEPUTATION.


a a missionary deputation it has fallen to my lot to visit mans parts of the country, and to observe how mission work is carried on among the churches. Assuming that a few remarks from a missionary point of view may not be without interest, I ventare to send them for insertion in the Missionary Herald.

At a united missionary meeting a deacon of one of the churches was in the chair, and made a thoroughly practical speech. He said that in the three churches represented in that meeting there were about fourtcen hundred members; that he had been going into figures, and found their contributions to the Baptist Missionary Society averaged

## ONE FARTHING PER WEER PER MEMBER.

This he considered very unsatisfactory. He felt that be must double his own subscription, and was pleased to state that the contributions from the church of which he was a member would be nearly double what they were in the previous year. Could not scores, hundreds of members and churches do likewise?

In looking into the Annual Report for 18n., I find that, of the sum credited to the above charches, a large proportion comes from the juvenile ; and that, out of the fourteen hundred members, only fourtcen names are given as annual subscribers, or one to each hundred members. Dedacting, therefore, the amount collected in the Sunday-schools, which contain unitedly about eighteen hundred scholars, it is questionable whether, on an average, the church members contributed more than

## half a FdBTHING PEh WEEK.

Further, in some of the churches I have visited, the amount is even less. Not having any proper organisation, the Missionary Society has to depend almost entirely upon the annual collection for its support. Should the members of such churches, from any cause, be absent from the annual services, their gifts are entirely lost. I do not think, therefore, that I exaggerate when I say, in regard to hundreds, if not thcusands of our members, that for weeks, months, and even years, they give

## NOTHING AT ALL.

This, except in very rare cases, ought not so to be. There may, indeed, be instances where an average of a farthing, or even half a farthing, per week per member, would be considered too high, but snch cases are few,
very few. All that ean le expected is that every church member give as the loorl hath given to him or to her. Then Jesus, who sits over againat the treasury, and beholds bow the people cast money into the treasury, will accent and bless both givers and gifts.

NUCC'ESS JEPENDS LARGELIY UPON MINISTERS.
In the churches visited, I find many methods employed for raising funds, but I am convinced that, whatever the machinery, success dquends largely upnon ministers. Missionary deputations are very well in their place, and may serve a aseful purpose; but, unless the missionary spirit is foscered throughout the year by the minister, the annual visits of missionarics will be a comparative failure. "We have no missionary prayer-meetings." "We have heard nothing from the pulpit about the Mission since the last annual mecting." "I have attended the chapel for the whole year, but have nerer heard the Miesion prased for by our pastor." Such are the remarks which I have heard during my visits to the churches. Let us hope that these cases are exceptional, and that throughout the denomination there shall not be a single minister who is not filled with the missionary spirit, which is the spirit of Christ. Missionary ministers will make missionary charches, and vice versa. At a prayer-meeting held not long ago, a good old man in hamble life prayed: "O Lord, may we not only be justified aud sanctified, but may we be missionaryfied as well." When this prayer is answered, there will be no difficulty in raising the annual income of the Baptist Missionary Society to one hundred thousand pounds.

## A CONGO MISSION APPEAL FOR REINFORCEMENTS.



HE following letter is from the pen of the Rev. George Cameron, of Wathen Station, Lower Congo River, who anticipates retarning to his field of work early in May next :-
"Dear Mr. now rest in the presence of their baynef, - Many hearts are griered by the denth of our brother Balfera, and many prayers are ascendiug for those who have been bereared. We aré reminded of others who fell in the same warfare, or rather wou the same victory, and who

Lord.
"Years ago, when the angel of death seemed to be let loose in Congo, and each succeeding mail brought news of death, the churches counted the cost, and resolved that the work should be carried on. Since then
great advance has been made and the blesaing of Ood has been manifeat. It is a cause of thankfulness that wo have now eight stations fully equipped in Congo, from which the light of life is spreading to the nntions which are sitting in the surrounding gloom.
"But even when we take the most hopeful view of the progress of the work of our own and other sooieties, we cannot fail to see that we are still a long way from the acoomplishment of our object-the evangelisation of the Congo basin. The magnitude of the task is not properly understood. The Congo territory, first heard of only a few years ago, has a greater area than India. To many who have some knowledge of Indian affairs, and to whom 'Congo' is only a name, this will bo hard to realise ; but such is the fact. Our own stations form a line nearly a thousand miles long; but how short that line looks on the map! During the last few years the Congo basin has been traversed in every direction, and everywhere people have been found, all having for religion only a degrading fetishism, well called devil worship.
"It is impossible to sey how many different languages are spoken in this vast region, but probably there are not less than one hundred, and in about ten of those only is the Gospel being preached.
"We are in a position to carry the mossage of salvation to some of the tribes that are still in darkness. The Peace and the Goodurill are able to undertake more than the supplying of the stations already established on the Upper River; but there are no men to open new stations. The call for men was never more urgent than it is now, for the need was never so well known as it is now. Through
many open doors of opporturuity the apponl is sounding, 'Comn nver and help us.'
"Men who arn jnalous for the glory of God and who long for the salvation of their fellows are the ment who are wanted. Will none surh respond to the osil?
"It should be remembered niso that not only aro workers needed for the ' regions beyond,' but reinforcemants are sometimes called for in already ostablished stations. One is wanted now to step into the gap made by the falling asleep of our brotber Bulfern. While we are thankful that the rate of mortality in the Mission has lately been less than it was some years ago, we do not seek to hide the general unhealthiness of the Congo region; and intending candidates should count the cost before seeking to go out. An extract from the report of deputies who recently visited another West African mission will give some idea of the costliness of these African missions: ' Your deputies . . . especially emphasise the fact that one-third of the staff must always be counted as off duty through sickness and invaliding. In fact, three agents are required for the work to be done by two; and even with this reserve the Board would need to be on the outlook for suitable candidates to be in preparation for emergencies which any bad season may bring about.'
"In the greater part of Africa the average day of the labourer is short. We may therefore with all the more earnestness pray the Lord of the harvest that He would send iorth labourers into His harvest.

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# EXTRACTS FROM PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE. 



T the last meeting of the General Committee on Tuesday, March 20th, the Treasuror, W. R. Rickett, Esq., in the Chair, after reading the Scriptures, and prayer by the Rev. T. H. Martin, GJasgow,

The secretary reported the deceace of the Rev. W. Howieson, formerly Pastor of Walworth Rond Church, on Sunday cvaning, Maroh 11 th. Mr. Howieson was for a long torm of years a most active and valued member of the Executive Committee of the Society and Chairman of the Western Sub-Committee; and, upon retirement from regular pastoral work, he was unanimously elected an Honorary Member of Committce. The Searetary was instructed to convey to the bereaved widow and family a very affectionate expression of the Committea's aympathy and of their eumest prayors for their solace and support in this season of sore loss and trial.

The MInates of the recent Bengal, North-West, and Binghalese Minaion Conferences were carefully considerod.

Letters trom the Rev. A. E. Bcrivener, relative to the death of the Zev. W. P. Belfern, were presented and read. Writing from Funchal, Madeira, under date of February 28th, Mr. Scrivener reports:-
"Mr. Belfern's death was a great surprise to me. He was apparently recovering so rapidly and so well from his severe fever, that I thought that in a fow days at most he would be up and about. After seeing him safely ashore at Madeira, and plecing him under the care of Mrs. Smart, I returned to the steamer to see our luggege through the Customs. On my return to Mr. Smart's house, I was shocked to learn Mr. Balfern had had a severe attack of coughing and hemorrhage. A doctor had been sent for at once, who had pronounced him seriously ill from pulmonary oongestion, both lungs being badly implicated. So cartain was I of Mr. Balfern's recovery that I felt almost inclined to doubt the diagnosis of the doctor; but one glance was quite sufficient to convince me of his greatly altered condition. The doctor thought there was just a chance of his recovery, and certainly was mostattentive, paying several visits throughout the dey. In spite of all we could do, however, he remained in much the same condition-sometimes better, sometimes worse-until about 11 p.m. the same day, when, after several violent efforts to breathe, he was overcome by the disease, and expired. The doctor says that the trouble in the lungs must have commenced with the chill which was the cause of the fever, but that the disease should have reached such an advanced stage unsuspected by anyone, as also by Mr. Balfern himsalf, is to me most surprising. In our journeying together down country to the month of the Congo, Mr. Balfern often remarked on his healthiness, and expressed himself as very doubtful of the expediency of his return to England. There can be no doubt now that our many delays on the Luwer River were very prejudicial to him, and that his system became charged with malaria, ouly needing the unfortunate chill to bring about the deeplylamented and fatal result."

In a letter, dated Funchal, February 25th, Mr. Scrivener wites:-
" The remains of the late Mr. W. P. Balfern were interred in the English

Cemetery last Tuesday morning, at ten o'clock. The triatues of the camptary kindly granted me permisaion to conduct the aprvier, which I acoorlingly did. Mr. and Mrs. Smart, Misa Newton, one or two Engliah visitora, and Mr, Jefferrl attendel. The service was a very simple one, the hymn, 'Sleep on, helover,' heing sung at the close. Mra. Smart and her sister very kindly mada aome beantiful wreaths of white flowers, do., which were pluced on the coffin, and afterwarcls arranged on the top of the grave. In the conduct of the funeral arrangements I have been very greatly namiated by Mr. Smurt, who, in fact, all through this very sad time, has been most kind and brotherly."

The arrival in England was reported of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Phillips from San Salvador, and Mr. Frnest Fughes from Boloho, Upper Conco River, tho modioal belviser of the Socioty reporting that all three urgently needod rest and quiet, being still in poor health.

A letter from the Rev. A. E. Scriveder, dated Funchal, March 13th, was read, reporting that by medical advice he did not intend leaving Madeira for England until the 10th or 11 th of April.

Special prayer was offered by the Rev. J. Baillie, of Bloomsbury, and Ed. Rawlings, Esq., of Wimbledon Common.

Leave was given to the Rev. Denham Bobinson, of Serampore College, to roturn at once to England, his health having seriously given way, and Dr. Crombie, of Calcutta, advising an immediate change to England.

An appeal for pecuniary assistance from the Bombay Baptist Church was regretfully declined in consequence of the present financial position of the Society.

The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. J. Jenkyn Brown, of Birmingham.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.



IBLE TBANBLATION SOCLETY.-In order to meet the convenience of friends the accounts will be kept open until Saturdsy, April 7th, by which dste it is respectfully requested that the contributions and lists for the next Annual Report may be forwarded to the Secretary, Rev. William Hill.

An Appeal from Gya-The Rev. Prem Chand, our misaionary at Gya, writes:-"My dear Mr. Baynes,-I have to thank through you the kind friend who gave me the magic lantern which I have received. It is a good one, and no doubt would work well, but, alas! no slides came with it. It is useless to me for the work without Scripture slides. I should feel greatly obliged if you could kindly find for me a set of Scripture slides, coloured if possible, illustrative of the life of Jesus Christ. Will you, dear Mr. Baynes, appeal on my behalf to the readers of the Missionary Herild for a gift of lantern slides? They would be of real use in my evangelistic work here.Prear Cland."

Who will respond ?-The Rev. Fred Harmon, of Chouping, Shantung, is just at present taking a course of study in ophthalmic surgery at the Moor-
fielda and North Jondon Rospitals, with a view to increase his usefulness on his raturn to China in the early autumn. He writes:-"I have just been informed that 1 must procure certain expensive instruments and lenses for my optich] work, flro some absolutely needful medical text-books. I want at once f20 for these purposes, and before $I$ start for China a further necessary eguijment for instruments and drugs to the amount of $\mathbf{£ 3 5}$. Where can I look for these suma so that on my retum to China I may be ready to make the heal uae of the training and experience lam now enjoying :" The Committec earneatly trust that some reader of the Hrbald may be led to reapond to this appeal, as in the present financial condition of the Nociety they are unuble to supply the needful funds.

The Dov. W. R. James, of Medaripore, East Bengal, writes :-"Our hearts have been very much touched by the account in the Herald for January of the poor girl who gave all her aavings towerds helping our people here in famine distress. Mr. Spurgoon had the story of her gift translated into Benguli, and it has beon distributed as a small leaflet among our beel churches. Thus you sec that her example has already borne much more fruit than she jrobebly ever dreemed. The spiritual good it will do will be much more than the help it was intended to render towards supplying physical want. The Lord bless the giver and bless her example !"

A Double Wedding at Berhampore, Ganjam, Orissa-On Friday, the 29th December, Berhampore generally, and the native Christian community in particular, were en fetce in honour of a double event in the household of our popular hospital assistant, Mr. M. Rajarowdoss-namely, the marriage of his brother, Mr. M. Sudarsanam, with Srimati Moti, daughter of Mr. Solomon Mahanti, and of his sister, Srimati Shantamma, with Mr. P. Devadatham. The intereating ceremonies were perfcrmed in the Baptist chapel by the Rev. R. L. Lacey, assisted by Mr. D. Mahanti, Pensioned Sheristadar of the District Court and District Registrar of Marriages; the service being read by Mr. Lacey in Oriya, and interpreted into Telugu by Mr. Mahanti. The chapel was crowded to excess by relations of the happy brides and bridegrooms, and a large concourse of friends-Europeans, Eurasians, Mussulmans, Telugus, Oriyes, Brahmins, and Christians. After the service, which was followed by all present with the closest attention, all present adjourned to Mr. Rajarow's house in Bhapur, where light refreshments, fruit and flowers, pan supari and attar, were distributed, and appropriate songs in Telugu and Oriya were sung, including an Oriye Epithalamium, specially composed for the occasion by Mr. D. Mahanti. This happy event has a peculiar interest in the fact that by Mr. Sudarsanam, a Telugu, marrying an Oriya lady, a great step has been taken towards aniting the Telugu and Oriya Christian communities in these parts, which at present are scarcely in touch with each other owing to differences of langaages and customs and traditions.

Recent Congo News.-The Rev. Lawson Forfeitt, writing from Underhill Station, under date of February 19th, reports:-" Mrs. Harrison arrived here safely on the 3rd. Mr. and Mrs. Bentley are still here in consequence of the
block on the road. Ab, however, a small caravan arrived here yaterday from Lukunga-the first sinoe November-there in hope of their anon atarting for Wathen Station."

From Bopoto Station the Rev. F. R. Ornm writes (. Tanuary : ird, $1 \times 9.4$, ;-"The magio lantern from the Downs Chapel, Chapton, has arrived in capital condition, and works aplendidly. We gave the first public exhibition on Christmas evening, and had a large ancl attentive audience to see what they called the 'ghoste.' The selection of slides is admirable, and we shall hope to spend some very profitable evenings, explaining piotures about Joseph, Pilgrim's Progress, \&o. We are all well. Mrs. Forfeitt enjoys capital health."

From Lakolela Btation the Rev. John Whitehead reports (Junuary ith, 1894):-"We are in splendid health, and I am devoutly thankful we did not remain in England another month, else, through stoppage of the road, we might have had long to wait fat Underhill. Now, thank God, we are at our station, hard at work and full of hope."

From Monsembl Station the Rev. W. H. Stapleton writes (December 29th, 1893): " Mrs. Stapleton gave birth to a son on the 12 th of this month; all well."

Institution for the Education of the Daughters of Misgionaries, "Walthamstow Hall," Sevenoaks.-The Annual Meeting of the above Institution will be held this year at Walthamstow Hall, Sevenoaks, on Thursday, May 17th, at 3.30 p.m. The Rev. G. S. Barrett, D.D., of Norwich, has kindy consented to take the chair.

## THE LORD LOYETH A CHEERFUL GIYER.

NCE again we have most gratefully to achowledge welcome gifts for the work of the Mission:-Old silver coins and is parcel of clothing from Mrs. Garside, of East Bournemouth; silver bracelets, chain and locket from "L.L.B.," Leicester, who writes:-"I deeply regret, as my means are so poor, I cannot give money; my prayers are ever for the prosperity of the work;" two gold rings from the Rev.. E. R. Pullen, of Shirley, Southbampton, who writes:-" The oldest member of our church, Mrs. Gordon, has just died, aged ninety-two, and left word shortly before her death that the two gold rings, sent herewith, were to be given to the Baptist Missionary Society, the work of which she always followed with the deepest interest;" articles of silver jewellery from Miss A. R. B., for the work of the Mission; two small rings from Anon., Purley, Southampton; a small fruit knife from a Widow, " who has no money to give, hardly earning enough by her needle to find actual food"; a small silver coin from an Old Soldier, who "served in Indiaduring the terrible Mutiny, and saw the wonderful powers of Christ in many of the native Christians"; a small silver ring from a School Girl, who loves to read the Missionary Herald; and two silver bracelets, from "A Missionary Sister," per Miss Barker, of Olney House, Hastings.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.



HE Committee desire gratefully to acknowledge the receipt of the following weloome and useful gifts :-

Parcel of magazines, from Mrs. Braden, Barlswood, for Congo; a piece of fancy work, from "A Friend," Stratford; a parcel of clothing, from Mrs. Garside, Bournemouth, for India; and a box of articles, from Mrs. Scott, Lymington, for Lily Scott, in Mrs. Bentley's School, Wathen, Lower Congo River.

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    SPECIAL MISSIONARY ADDRESS TO YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN,
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    By Rev. Dr. J. G. Paton, of the New Hebrides.
    Rev. W. Carey, of Barisal, will take part in the Meeting.
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