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Colombo.—Mr. Vincent Van Geyzel.

REPORT.

DIRECTED and sustained by the good Providence of God during another year, your Committee have now the pleasure of presenting their Eleventh Annual Report.

The steady progress of the Mission furnishes abundant proof that their labours have not been in vain in the Lord; for although the seed-time of Christian effort calls for the exercise of faith and patience, yet having been favoured to gather the "first-fruits," your Committee would present these before the Lord while pleading for his blessing upon the widening fields of their operations.

INDIA.

In India the Mission is still represented by our zealous and indefatigable missionaries, Mr. Thomas, at St. Thomas' Mount, Madras, and by Mr. Coopoosawmy Row, at Poonamallee, also near Madras. These, with the Teachers in the several Schools, are under the superintendence of our highly respected brother Mr. Doll, whose disinterested devotedness to the affairs of the Mission deserves the highest commendation.

ST. THOMAS' MOUNT, MADRAS.—The labours of Mr. Thomas have been carried on as usual during the past year. Though he feels the effects of the infirmities attending advancing years, his zeal in the cause of Christ has not diminished, as is shown by his monthly journals, which contain details of his various departments of labour. Holding a daily prayer-meeting, teaching in the day-school, visiting the native hospital, preaching in the mission-house and by the way-side, visiting inquirers, and distributing tracts and portions of the Scriptures in the native languages of the district, constitute his regular work, which on the Lord's-day is greatly increased. His stations in and near St. Thomas' Mount are Mount Bazaar,

Tailor-street, Post-office-street, Gunshed, Native Troop Line, Morrisparcherry, and the Native Hospital.

Happily we have no records of exciting scenes of violence and persecution, such as occurred in the experience of the early missionaries of the cross. The shield of British law is thrown around the native missionaries in India, and though it sometimes happens that this is insufficient to protect them from violence, yet on the whole the danger is not much greater than was incurred in the rural districts of England in the last century, in the days of Whitefield and Wesley. And, to complete the parallel, there are in India now, as there were in England then, individuals of social rank and influence who kindly afford help and protection to the preacher in his work. In Mr. Thomas' case, Mrs. Colonel Young, Mrs. Colonel Dyer, and others, are mentioned as having given him their countenance and support, and the opportunity of holding services on their premises,—their native servants always forming part of the audience. Among the servants of Mrs. Young are three of that interesting class called *enquirers*, who hear the word not only with approval, but appear to receive it with affection. These it is hoped will ultimately be baptized and form the nucleus of a church.

The following extracts relating to Mr. Thomas' labours will, it is believed, be read with interest:—

6th May.—*Palaveram.*—On proceeding to this place, on the high-road, I gathered a number of people and preached the necessity of a new heart and faith in Christ Jesus, whom I described in his person and works. The word was listened to with encouraging attention; distributed tracts; then went and preached to the domestic servants; after went to the public bazaar, read 1 Thess. iv. 15th to 18th verses, and exposed the system of idolatrous worship; lifted up Jesus as a crucified Saviour to all who believe in him. This excited the feelings of a Mussulman, so that he made an attack on me with reference to Christ, when I compared the life of Christ with that of Mahomed, and exposed the wicked deeds of that libertine, and the trickeries connected with his death. This led other Mussulmen in the crowd—nearly thirty of them—to join my opponent, and attack me with abuses and threats. I left this place and went to Chetty Bazaar and preached Christ. Distributed handbills.

9th June.—*District Post-office.*—Preached Christ, the Saviour of sinners, near this place; also in Church-street. The gatherings were large and encouraging; attention very good, and large number of tracts dispensed. One Chetty, after receiving a tract, tore it to pieces, and cast it at my feet.

12th.—*Palaveram Bazaar.*—I preached here Jesus the Saviour of sinners; then went to Chetty Bazaar, and preached on "Faith in Jesus;" also preached to Colonel Dyer's servants on the "New Birth,"

and to Captain McDonald's servants on "Christianity." The word was heard attentively and without objections or caviling. Tracts eagerly received.

23rd.—*Mission House.*—Stood at the gateway and preached on John ix. 4, 5, after reading a portion of it. A large assembly collected and heard me. I gave away nearly fifty tracts.

As we have often mentioned, Mr. Thomas is frequently visited by enquirers. It is an encouraging sign when the natives take the trouble to come to the missionary's house to seek information on spiritual things. As a sample of this the following extract is given :—

20th January.—*Mission House.*—One Hindoo native officer and four Mussulmen called to see me, and we entered into some argument about Christ; and after some interesting and profitable conversation and exposition relative to Christ as an atonement for sinners and the only way of salvation, they left, taking away a gospel portion in the Telugu language.

Though on a small scale, Mr. Thomas' Day and Sunday-school work is regularly carried on with the assistance of Mrs. Thomas. But Mr. T. complains greatly of the want of a competent school teacher appointed to the sole work of teaching the children of natives the elements of Christian truth. For want of this the school is necessarily kept on at a disadvantage, having to compete not only with the government secular schools, but with the better schools connected with other missionary societies. The Committee hope with the increase of their funds to be enabled to establish and support thoroughly good schools at each of their mission stations.

Poonamallee, Madras.—*Mr. M. A. Coopoosawmy Row.*—A report received since we issued a Periodical Paper in April last, states that our missionary, Coopoosawmy Row, has had a long and severe illness, which at one time threatened his life. In March he was so debilitated that entire cessation from his work became absolutely necessary, and he proceeded to Vellore, where he speedily became worse from an attack of dysentery, and had it not been for the prompt and kind attention of Mr. John, an American missionary in the neighbourhood, he would, humanly speaking, have lost his life. But this "good Samaritan" took him to the hills, where he gradually recovered strength, and though after his return to his mission station he had a serious relapse, we are happy now to state that through the goodness of God he has regained his usual

health, and is labouring in the Lord's work with energy and diligence. His feelings in reviewing the dealings of God with him will be seen by the following extract from his first report after his recovery:—

"Since my last report how many changes and how much of God's goodness have been experienced by me. Affliction and sickness came upon me, but the Lord took me in his arms and brought me through. The saying of the Psalmist was verily experienced by me—'Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for *thou art with me*.' My sincere thanks are due to those Christian people that showed me hospitality and kindness in the time of my affliction. Thank God I am once more on my legs and able to begin my duties."

In another letter he says:—

"The brethren in England have been very kind to me, as is fully seen and proved by the many actions of your love. My prayer to God is that he will prosper and bless all your works for his cause and the good of souls. I pray you to give him thanks for his mercy to me, and pray that I may be a humble, true, and devoted labourer to the last."

As a brief specimen of a day's labours carried on by our brother, we give the following record:—

Jan. 7th.—This morning, at half-past six o'clock, I left home, went to Keeyrlparcherry, preached for nearly an hour to a congregation of twenty or thirty people on John ix.; that being done taught in the Sunday-school; then went to another street to preach, where I was much disturbed. I next went to the fishermen's village, read a portion of John xii. and preached a short while to about ten people; after went to Island Parcherry, read and preached to nearly twenty people for about an hour, and then returned home. At half-past ten o'clock I conducted Divine service in the Mission native church in Telugu, preaching from Psa. xcv. 7, 8. In the afternoon visited an old woman, read to her Rom. viii. and prayed with her. She expressed herself much comforted. In the evening had Bible class among the members of the church.

As before reported, a small church of baptized believers has been formed at Poonamallee, of which Mr. Coopoosawmy Row is the recognized pastor. These converts are the fruits of his labours since he became the agent of the Strict Baptist Mission, and afford delightful proof that God has looked upon our feeble efforts with his approving smile. While we would not make success the measure of our duty, it is nevertheless very encouraging when it comes, and we trust will prove the earnest of larger blessing yet to be realized among the heathen through the labours of our missionaries.

We now proceed to give a few brief extracts from the journals of Coopoosawmy Row, such as may serve to illustrate the nature of his work, the spirit in which it is carried on, and its reception by the people.

Writing in January last he reports as follows:—

13th.—Went to Coopum this morning, read a portion of Scriptures, and preached upon the "Miraculous Draught of Fishes" for about two hours. There were about fifty people that listened; but latterly were disturbed by a policeman and another man. Brother Thomas having come to Poonamallee, he and myself went to the Bazaar in the evening, and preached for about two hours. Nearly 200 people I think assembled around us while we preached the gospel.

21st.—Preached at Keeyrlparcherry. Although my hearers were few in number, earnest attention was paid to the address. The people hearing so attentively, and evidently interested in what I said, I forgetting everything about me, spoke for nearly four hours. After conducted Divine service, then Sunday-school, and in the afternoon went visiting and tract distributing among the poor, the feeble, and the sick.

The great idolatrous feasts of India afford a fine opportunity of preaching Christianity to thousands.

May 9th.—Went to Travellore, being new moon time. Some thousands of poor deluded souls had assembled from hundreds of miles, and spent any amount of money to procure salvation. To a great portion of these I pointed out the way of salvation, directing them to the Hill of Calvary, the blood shed on the cross, as the price alone that has purchased salvation, peace and heavenly joy. I had really to starve all day, and knock about exposed to the sun. May the Lord in mercy pity them, and direct their souls by his Spirit to the fountain filled with Emmanuel's blood, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

The reception given to the preached word is much like that recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. Some mock and deride, others doubt and question, and others take up stones to intimidate, occasionally one being thrown, which would have caused death had it not missed its mark. Others again profess willingness at once to profess Christianity if it did not involve the giving up of caste. Occasionally a hearer is found to respond heartily to the word spoken. As in the following instance—"An old man who said that he had been all over India and to Benares heard me very attentively, and bore testimony to my preaching by saying 'there is no redemption from sin in anything except in the blood of Jesus Christ.'"

The following extract will show under what encouraging circumstances Coopoosawmy unfolds his message, and how his heart warms in his work:—

Jan. 23rd.—Went early this morning to Valiampakum, seven miles

from here. First preached to a group of hunters, who, though they at first objected, heard me very attentively—especially one old man. From here I went to another village called Patay, where high-class natives reside, and preached to ten men and twenty women. Oh what an interesting time this was—how the Lord stood by me, and gave me grace and power to speak, and to answer all their many questions satisfactorily! I spent at least four hours preaching Christ and him crucified to my truly interesting congregation, who are of the Naidoo caste, and speak the Telugu language; but not one of them was able to read either Telugu or Tamil. They begged of me to open a school, and promised to erect a shed for the school-house, and another for the teacher if we appointed one, and to pay fees for instruction. Oh I am exceedingly anxious about them, and earnestly wish we could give them a school teacher.

This extract naturally leads to the subject of the schools established at our mission stations. It will be seen that really good schools are valued by the natives, and form an important adjunct to a missionary's labours, just as a good Sunday-school is an important adjunct to the work of the ministry at home. The fact that in our Mission-schools caste is not recognized acts as a hindrance to their extension, as is shown by a recent offer made by a wealthy native to support a school in connection with the Mission if caste distinctions between the different scholars would be kept up. That the Bible is read, and Christian truth taught and explained in our schools, also creates a prejudice against them in the minds of the native parents in favour of the Government secular schools. We can therefore overcome these obstacles only by raising the standard of the schools generally, so that the parents may be induced to send their children, notwithstanding their avowed Christian character, which your Committee shall always carefully maintain. For this purpose native Christians must be employed who are really competent to teach, which again involves an increased expenditure. Still, while we are convinced that these schools are being made useful for the main end the Mission aims at, we cannot but urge our friends to give us the means of maintaining them in efficiency.

The Kishparcherry School is doing well. It includes 21 Pariah scholars and a few adults. The attendance is apparently irregular; but all the scholars attend some time or other every day: their various labours in tending cattle, working in the fields, &c., prevents their attendance all at one time.

The Anglo-Vernacular School at Poonamallee, under Murryan's care, has 27 children. Six who were Mahommedans have left on account of the Scripture teaching. Mr.

Thomas and Mr. Coopoosawmy's Row's schools are doing fairly well under their present lack of efficient head school teachers. A new girls' (separate) school has been opened, with 17 girls in attendance. In regard to all these schools, we are informed that the gift of remnants of chintz, print, calico, &c., with sewing cotton, needles, &c., would be most acceptable, as most of the children come half-naked. If any of our friends who have materials of this sort will kindly send them to the care of the Secretaries, they will be sent to India for this purpose; where they will be gladly received. By so doing they will confer a great boon on the poor children of our mission schools, by helping them to come decently clad, and inducing them to be regular in attendance. Mr. Doll says that nothing but the material is wanted, as the clothing required is of the most simple description, and can be better made up on the spot.

CEYLON.

Colombo.—The intelligence from this station is very encouraging. Reference was made in the last Annual Report to a misunderstanding which had arisen between Mr. Van Geyzel, the indefatigable and judicious superintendent of the Mission, and the church, owing to the twofold office which Mr Andriesz sustained, as their pastor and our missionary. Your Committee, however, are now happy to report that the church has seen its error—unanimity is restored, and peace and brotherly love prevail. The Lord is also blessing the labours of Mr. Andriesz, who is very devoted to his work, not only as a pastor, but also as an itinerant preacher, at the various stations at Pettah, Slave Island, New Bazaar, Silversmith's Street, Cramer's Lane, &c.

On March 14th last, Mr. Andriesz, reports an interview he had had with a young woman who was under conviction for sin. She had been moral and upright, and thought that she was safe for heaven, until she heard him preach a sermon against "those that are at ease in Zion." She then felt herself to be a great sinner, and her false peace of mind departed. Mr. A. directed her to Jesus, and read to her many encouraging invitations of the gospel. She found peace in believing, and some time afterwards applied for baptism.

On April 13th, Mr. Andriesz reports the results of an inter-

view with a Romanist. He says, "Whilst I was speaking to the people in the streets, a man came up to me and requested me to come home to his house, and speak to his wife and convince her of the errors of Romanism." In course of conversation, Mr. A. found that the husband had formerly been a Romanist, though he was then a Protestant. Mr. A. faithfully told them that the mere change of religious opinion was of no avail, but change of heart was necessary to salvation. "They both heard me with delight," continues Mr. A. He left them two tracts, and promised to call again.

"Since then," he adds, "I have often seen them.....I am glad to say that the man has confessed that a new light has dawned upon him." Up to the time of Mr. A.'s former visit, he confesses he was ignorant of true religion, but now he has come to know the truth. As for his wife, she is now well aware of the absurdity of confessing to a priest, and the unprofitableness of attending the mass.

In a letter recently received from Mr. Van Geyzel, he reports that on Sunday night, the 26th May, Mr. A. had the pleasure of baptizing four candidates—two male and two female, before a large congregation. "He preached," says Mr. V. G., "a very eloquent and heart-stirring sermon from the words, 'Why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized.' One candidate is a shoemaker by trade, an elderly man; another a young man, by trade a printer, and is connected as a scholar in our Pettah Sunday-school; the third an elderly woman, and the last our missionary's eldest daughter, about eighteen years old.....An elderly woman, a very old backslider, is also a regular attendant on Mr. A.'s ministry, and an applicant for church membership. After many storms and tempests we are enjoying a sweet calm.....Truly we can believe the promise of the Lord, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee.' We have lately been sowing in tears, but the Lord is helping us to reap with joy."

On the 3rd of June also, he refers to a conversation in the Borella district with a Roman Catholic female, who, when he entered the house, said, repulsively, "Sir, you need not come here; for I don't belong to your sect of people." He replied, that he had come to tell something of an urgent nature,—sat down by her side, and began to open up the gospel. At first she became quite angry; but as he went on to explain that there are in reality but two sects, viz., the children of God and the children of this world, and shewed the great difference

between mere outward religion and a change of heart, her anger subsided, until at length, remarks Mr. Andriesz, "she heard me with delight," and requested me to come to see her again.

In his journal for July, Mr. Andriesz reports that he has been greatly discouraged in his labours at Silversmith's Street, where he has been accustomed to hold a service in the house of one of the newly-baptized converts, whose husband and daughter are bitterly opposed to the truth. While thus assembled, the husband came in in a rage, put his wife out of the house, and said that no more meetings should be held in that place. The meeting was therefore removed to Cramer's Lane.

This circumstance, though in itself discouraging, may nevertheless be taken as an omen for good; for it is a sign of the genuineness of the work of grace when the enemies of Christ oppose.

Mr. Andriesz further reports that a Bible Class has been established on Monday evenings, which is well attended both by men and women.

The Sunday School at Pettah continues to flourish, under the superintendence of Mr. Van Geyzel. We have recently received portraits of the teachers, and also portraits of the European and native ministers of the Baptist denomination in the island of Ceylon. It will have been noticed that another of the scholars has recently been baptized.

There is also a branch Sunday School at Cramer's Lane; and recently another branch school has been opened at Grand Pass, where a building has been erected at the trifling cost of £4 only! the ground rent of which is 2s. per month. This is used also for the Day School conducted by Mr. Jayewardine, and which is also progressing very satisfactorily.

Your Committee have thus briefly detailed the principal points of interest in the labours of the Mission during the past year. They rejoice to *know* that spiritual good has been accomplished by the instrumentality employed; and they are encouraged to *believe* that much has been accomplished which is at present unknown to them. But the day shall declare it. "For he who goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." They would take this opportunity of stating their conviction that in Mr. Thomas, Mr. Coopoosawmy Row,

and Mr. Andriesz, they have three missionaries whose hearts are filled with the love of Christ, and fired with zeal to be his instruments in leading their heathen fellow-countrymen to a knowledge of themselves and of Him. They speak of what they themselves have tasted and handled of the Word of life, and have proved their willingness to endure hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ. Your Committee have marked their appreciation of their character and labours by a small addition to their salaries, which their increased cost of living renders acceptable.

"The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few;" and in connection with this Mission necessarily few—not because additional active zealous missionaries cannot be obtained, (for these have offered themselves,) but because the funds placed at the disposal of your Committee have not at present warranted such a course. They nevertheless believe that, considering the number of agents and the variety of the agencies in connection with the small amount expended, this Mission is altogether unprecedented. The urgent recommendations of their zealous friend, Mr. Doll, for the extension of the mission-field in India have been carefully considered, and as it will be seen by the balance sheet that we are now in a more favourable position as to funds, they hope soon to be able to adopt some of these at least. It will be obvious that regard must be had not merely to the balance in hand at any particular time, but to the prospect of permanency in the increase of funds before any new agents can be engaged for missionary labour. Your Committee, governed they trust by Christian principles, dare not venture upon any course which would ultimately involve them in debt and difficulty.

The Mission is, however, gradually gaining the confidence of the denomination, being supported by eighteen churches, in London and the provinces. On June 5th last, an interesting meeting was held at Deptford, presided over by Mr. Anderson, the minister of the chapel; when the claims of the Mission were advocated by Messrs. J. T. Briscoe, Cooper, and Alderson. The usual sermons at Tunbridge Wells were preached by our aged brother, Mr. Dickerson, owing to the illness of our President; and through the influence of our good friend, Mr. Wilkins of Soho, the churches at Thame and other places in Buckinghamshire are beginning to take an earnest and practical interest in the Mission—meetings having been held at Thame, Askett and Sydenham on its behalf.

While thanking the subscribers generally, for their liberal and valued aid, your Committee feel that they ought to mention with gratitude the kind interest manifested in the various Sabbath schools, not mentioning any by name, which might discourage those whose amounts are small but increasing. The results of the labours of their superintendents, teachers, and scholars, form no inconsiderable portion of the income of the Mission, as will be seen by the balance-sheet.

But in all their calculations and efforts on behalf of this Mission, your Committee desire to be impressed, while they seek to impress others, with the fact often confessed, but not so often practically regarded, of our absolute and entire dependence on the Spirit of God for those spiritual results which alone can give their Missionary efforts any high and lasting value. We reckon up the number of our Missionaries, our Mission Stations and our Schools, and the amount of our funds; but if this concluded the sum of our resources, we should be poor indeed, even were these increased tenfold. Let us not reckon our forces apart from the Holy Spirit, who alone can give them success. And as this consideration implies the need of a spirit of prayer for his gracious influences, your Committee would venture to urge upon their friends the frequent and earnest remembrance of this Mission in private at the throne of grace, and the establishment of periodical prayer-meetings, at which they might unite with one accord in prayer and supplication that God would crown their feeble efforts with success, and that the word of the Lord, preached and circulated by our Missionaries, may have "free course and be glorified" in heathen lands in the conversion of sinners to himself.

Encouraged by the past, and hopeful for the future, they look forward to another year of labour for the Lord, and believe that they shall not labour in vain. While "attempting great things *for* God," they would also honour his word by "expecting great things *from* God," and while humbly seeking to extend his kingdom in the world, would account his approving smile their highest honour.

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THE STRICT

Abstract of Treasurer's Account

RECEIPTS.

				£	s.	d.
Balance in hand last Audit				111	3	9½
Collected at last Annual Meeting				5	0	0
Individual Subscriptions, as per List				36	7	6
Keppel Street Chapel.	Collections	7	13 8			
	Subscriptions & Donations per Mr. Collier	15	19 0			
	Sunday School	34	1 7			
				57	14	3
Soho Chapel, Oxford Street.	Collected by Mrs. Hall	1	15 0			
	Sunday School	19	14 11			
				21	9	11
Salem Chapel, Meard's Court, Soho.—Per Miss Squirrell				1	16	6
Mount Zion Chapel, Chadwell Street.	Subscriptions & Donations, per Mr. Corney, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Shepherd, and Miss Evans	30	14 11			
	Sunday School	3	3 4½			
				33	18	3½
Mount Zion Chapel, Hill Street.—Sunday School				1	9	1
Wilderness Row Chapel.	Sunday School	7	5 0			
	Mr. Hewlett's Box	0	7 4½			
	Mr. Eaton's Box	0	14 5			
				8	6	9½
Johnson Street Chapel, Notting Hill.—Sunday School.				4	12	0
Bethesda Chapel, Lever Street.—Sunday School				1	0	0
Zion Chapel, Deptford.	Collected by Miss Stubbins	4	18 5			
	Collection at Public Meeting	2	10 6			
	Sunday School	9	19 7			
				17	8	6
Carmel Chapel, Pimlico.	Per Miss Adams	2	0 2			
	Sunday School	4	9 6			
				6	9	8
Homerton Row Chapel.—Sunday School				3	7	1
Foot's Cray.—Per Mr. Rogers				7	7	0
Carmel Chapel, Woolwich.—Sunday School				0	15	0
Tunbridge Wells.	Hanover Chapel and School, per Mr. Saltmarsh			6	12	5
Leicester: Baptist Chapel, St. Peter's Lane.	Collection	4	16 0			
	Donations, per Mr. Hedges	1	10 0			
				6	6	0
Sturry.—Per Mr. Hancock				3	19	9
Reading.—Providence Chapel Sunday School				1	1	0
Chatteris.—Per Misses Brown and Hurry				0	8	10
Profit on sale of Memoirs of Coopoosawmy Row				0	14	10
Three years' Interest on money invested in London and County Bank				9	3	6
				£347	0	8½

We, the undersigned, have examined the above

BAPTIST MISSION.

from October 1st, 1871, to October 16th, 1872.

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Expenses of last Annual Meeting	0	8	3
MADRAS :—Payments to Mr. Thomas, Mr. M. A Coopoosawmy Row, and Mr. Michael; Rent of Mission Premises; Tracts; Superintendent's postages; and miscellaneous expenses (per Mr. Doll), 3 quarters	91	19	0
CEYLON :—Payments to Mr. Andriesz and Mr. Jayewardine (per Mr. VanGeyzel), wages of servant for cleaning Mission Premises, and grant for ground for School Building	92	0	0
Printing Annual Report, Periodical Papers, &c., &c.	10	12	3
Missionary Periodicals for Sunday Schools	5	13	8
Mission Boxes and Collecting Books	0	9	5
Postages to India and Ceylon, Stamps, &c.	4	14	9
Minister's Expenses	0	10	0
Balance in Treasurer's hands*	140	13	4½

ANNUAL MEETING.

Held at Salem Chapel, Meard's Court, Soho, London, Tuesday Evening, Oct. 22, 1872.

Mr. JOHN T. BRISCOE in the Chair.

Mr. WILLIAMSON opened the Meeting by prayer.

Moved by Mr. S. MILNER, seconded by Mr. SHEPHERD, and carried unanimously:

"That the Report now read be adopted and circulated, and that the persons whose names have been read by the Secretary (names on page 2) be the Committee and Officers for the year ensuing."

Moved by Mr. STYLES, seconded by MR. BENNETT:—

"That this meeting, recognizing the obligation resting upon believers individually, as well as upon the churches collectively, to spread the gospel amongst those who are ignorant and out of the way; and believing also that wherever the gospel is preached it becomes sooner or later the power of God unto the salvation of sinners, earnestly commends the Strict Baptist Mission to the support of Strict Baptists generally.

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. WILSON, seconded by Mr. COOPER, and carried also unanimously:

"That the thanks of this Meeting be presented to the Chairman for his kindness in presiding, to the Friends at Salem Chapel, for, granting the use of the chapel, and to the Ladies for their services at the tea-table.

Collections, Subscriptions, and Donations.

Keppel-street Chapel, London.

Miss Ashlin	3	3	0
Mr. S. Milner	1	0	0
Mr. H. Cooper	1	0	0
Miss Haines	1	0	0
Mr. Smith, Watford	1	0	0
Mr. Dinham	1	0	0
Mr. Pearson	1	0	0
Miss Colls	0	10	6
Mr. C. Smith	0	10	6
Mr. Collier	0	10	6
Mr. Gaze	0	10	6
Mrs. Gaze	0	10	0
Miss Jan Gaze	0	10	0
Miss Louisa Gaze	0	10	0
Mr. Russell	0	10	0
Mrs. Schweitzer	0	10	0
A Friend	0	10	0
Mrs. Lowe	0	10	0
Mr. Long	0	10	0
Mr. Parker	0	5	0
Miss Kelsey	0	5	0
Mrs. Raymont	0	4	0
Sunday School	34	1	7

Soho Chapel, Oxford-street.

PER MRS. W. A. HALL.

Mr. Falkner	0	5	0
Mrs. Falkner	0	5	0
Miss P. Falkner	0	2	6
Miss J. Falkner	0	2	6
Mr. W. A. Hall	0	5	0
Mrs. W. A. Hall	0	5	0
Mrs. Arnold	0	10	0
Sunday-school, per Mr. Joseph Falkner	19	14	11

Salem Chapel, Meard's-court.

Collected by Miss Squirrell	1	16	6

Mount Zion Chapel, Chadwell street.

PER MR. CORNEY.

Mr. F. Butcher, Tring	2	0	0
Mr. Joshua Earles	1	11	6
Mr. Franklin	1	1	0
Mr. Hodges, Jun.	1	1	0
Mr. Shelton	1	1	0
Mr. Martin, Reading	1	1	0
Mrs. Dalton	1	1	0
Mr. Glover, Tring	1	0	0
Mr. Berry	1	0	0
Mr. Newby	1	0	0
Mr. Corney	1	0	0
Mr. Horton	0	10	6
Mr. Hazelton	0	10	0
Mr. Sawyer	0	10	0
Mr. Abbott	0	10	0
Mr. Sidders	0	10	0
Miss Corney	0	10	0
Miss Butcher	0	10	0
Miss M. A. Butcher	0	10	0
Miss Ellen Butcher	0	10	0
Mrs. Comb	0	10	0
Mrs. Hawker	0	7	0
Miss Page	0	5	0
Miss Clara Butcher	0	5	0
Mr. Hoddy	0	5	0
Mr. Mote, Sen.	0	5	0
Mr. W. Mote	0	5	6
Mr. E. Mote	0	5	0
Mr. Toms	0	5	0
Mr. Elliston	0	5	0
Mr. Pullen	0	5	0
Mr. R. H. M.	0	5	0
Mr. Pryke	0	4	0
Mr. Whitehouse	0	2	6
Misses Snelson	0	2	6
Mr. Hammond	0	2	6
Mr. Doggett	0	2	6
Mr. J. R.	0	2	6
Mrs. Dawes	0	2	0
Mrs. Acre	0	1	0
Mrs. Leyhair	0	2	6
Mrs. Toussaint	0	10	0
Mrs. Smith	0	10	0
Mrs. Avery	0	5	0
Mrs. Codd	0	5	0
Miss Lawrence	0	5	0
Miss Toone	0	1	0
Miss H. Wilks	0	5	0
Mr. Woodrow	0	5	0
Mr. Clutterbuck	0	5	0
Mr. Cobb	0	5	0
Mr. White	0	5	0
Mr. Clinch	0	5	0
Mr. Fricker	0	6	4
Mr. Smith	0	5	4
Mr. Jonathan Toussaint	0	7	6
Mr. Thomas Miller	0	5	5
Mr. Dickens	0	5	5
Mr. Neil	0	2	0
Mrs. Whiteman	0	4	0
Mr. Ayling	0	2	1
Per Mr. Shepherd	0	12	0
Collected by Mr. M. Jackson	1	17	11
Do by Miss Evans	1	5	5
Sunday-school, per Mr. Briscoe	3	3	4½

Mount Zion Chapel, Hill-street.

Sunday-school, per Mr. Tinson	1	9	1

Wilderness Row Chapel.

Sunday-school	7	5	0
Mr. Hewlett's box	0	7	4½
Mr. Eaton's ditto	0	14	5

Johnson-street Chapel, Notting Hill.

Sunday School, per Mr. Rowley	4	12	0

Bethesda Chapel, St. Luke's.

Sunday School, per Mr. Waton	1	0	0

Zion Chapel, Deptford.

PER MISS STUBBINS.

Mrs. Boyes	0	5	0
Mr. McRitchie	0	10	0
Mr. H. Everest, (Rochester)	0	5	0
Mrs. Freeman	0	5	0
Mr. Topley	0	10	0
Mr. T. S. Cowell	0	10	0
Mrs. Cowell	0	2	6
Mr. Nash	0	5	0
Miss Stubbins	0	5	0
Mrs. Jude	0	10	0
Mrs. Ruffell	0	5	0
Miss Jackson (5 quarters)	0	10	10
Mr. Kennard	0	2	6
Mr. Young	0	12	7
Collected at Public Meeting	2	10	0
Sunday-school	9	19	7

Carmel Chapel, Pimlico.

PER MISS ADAMS.

Miss Corker	0	2	0
Mrs. Berry	0	5	6
Miss Liscon	0	4	0
Three Friends	0	11	8
Mr. Lamb	0	5	0
Miss Collins	0	1	2
Miss Hudson	0	5	4
Miss Maystone	0	4	0
Miss Delabatouch	0	1	6
Sunday-school, per Mr. Walter	4	9	6

Homerton-row Chapel.

Sunday School, per Mr. Bellman	3	7	1

Foot's Cray.

Sunday School and friends per Mr. Rogers	7	7	0

Carmel Chapel, Woolwich.

Sunday School, per Mr. T. Waller	0	15	0

Hanover Chapel, Tunbridge Wells.

Collections and subscriptions, per Mr. Saltmarsh	6	12	5

St. Peter's-lane, Leicester.

Collection	4	16	0
Donations, per Mr. Hedges	1	10	0

Sturry.

Collected by Mr. Hancock	3	19	9

Providence Chapel, Reading.

Sunday School, per Mr. A. Martin	1	0	0

Chatteris.

Per Misses Brown and Hurry	0	8	10

Individual Subscriptions.

Mrs. Turner, Sevenoaks	7	10	0
Mr. Hiley, (2 years)	4	2	6
Mr. C. Box	2	2	0
Mr. C. Wilson	2	2	0
Rev. H. Dowson	1	1	0
Mr. T. Webster and family	2	0	0
Mr. Squire, per Mr. Webster	0	5	0
Mr. Hale, per ditto	0	5	0
Mr. H. Proctor	0	5	0
Mr. H. Morgan	0	5	0
Mr. J. Underwood	0	10	0
Mr. W. Webster	0	5	0
Mr. Joseph Webster	0	7	6
Miss Gold	1	11	0
Mrs. Hurst	1	11	0
Mr. Gallard	1	0	0
Mrs. Gallard	0	10	0
Mr. C. C. Harris	1	1	0
Mr. James Mote	1	1	0
Mr. T. M. Whittaker	1	1	0
Mrs. Lagden	1	0	0
Mr. Page	0	10	6
Mr. Cousens	0	10	6
Mrs. Lewin	0	10	6
Mr. Williamson	0	10	0
Mr. Pocock	0	10	0
Mr. Oliver	0	10	0
Mr. Norton	0	10	0
Mr. MacRitchie	0	10	0
Mr. Josiah Briscoe	0	10	0
Mr. Minton	0	5	0
Mrs. Watson	0	5	0
Mr. Burley	0	4	0
Mr. Bloom	0	2	6
A Friend, per Mr. Dann	0	2	6
Mr. Matlock	0	2	0

MADRAS.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MISSION SCHOOLS, FROM JULY, 1871, TO JUNE, 1872.

	Rs.	A.	P.
M. A. Coopoosawmy Row	2	0	0
Miss L. Gill	1	8	0
Miss S. Gill,	1	8	0
Mr. H. Thomas	2	0	0
Mr. J. W. Borthistle	1	4	0
Mrs. Borthistle	1	4	0
Mr. C. Taphouse	0	10	0
Mrs. Taphouse	0	10	0
Mr. A. E. Challis	0	14	0
Mrs. R. R. Wale	5	12	0
Mr. G. R. Gill	3	0	0
Mr. H. F. Doll	3	0	0
Mr. W. H. Haller	6	0	0
Mr. J. Elwood	0	8	0

PER MR. H. THOMAS.	Rs.	A.	P.
Mrs. C. W. Young	1	0	0
Master Young	0	2	0
Miss Young	0	2	0
E. John	0	1	0
Mr. J. Laspar	0	4	0
Mr. W. Ferris	0	4	0
Mr. J. Graves	0	8	0
Mr. J. M. Doll	0	2	0
MISSION BOXES.			
Per Strict Baptist Church, St. Thomas' Mount	8	14	1
Mr. W. H. Haller	1	11	0
Mr. H. Thomas	1	4	6

AUXILIARY, COLOMBO, CEYLON.

DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Dunlop, R. V.	1	0	0
Ferguson, A. M.	1	0	0
Ferguson, John	0	15	0
Leechman, G. B.	1	0	0
Leechman, W. C.	1	0	0
Morice, Captain O. T.	0	10	0
Schokman, L. F.	0	10	0
Wickremasekera, Modliar	0	12	0
A. R.	0	6	0

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

From Feb. 1, 1871, to Feb. 1872.

	£	s.	d.
Ball, Edwin	0	10	0
Classen, J. P.	0	2	6
Classen, Jun., J. P.	0	1	0
Corner, E. S.	0	2	0
De Kretser, H. E.	0	9	0
De Kretser, C. L.	0	6	0
De Silva, Benjamin	0	4	0
De Silva, Charles	0	10	0
De Silva, P. D.	0	9	0
De Silva, (Polwatte) John	0	8	0
De Silva, Wm. Chas.	0	6	0
Fernando, J. C.	2	12	0
Gabriel, H. D.	2	8	0
Garnier, E. D.	0	3	6
Garnier, F. T.	0	8	6
Rusbridge, E.	0	4	0
Vanderwert, C. D.	0	2	0
Van Geyzel, Jun. P. E.	0	8	0

	£	s.	d.
Van Hoff, Jas.	0	7	0
Weinman, W. G.	0	3	6
Wontersz, A. J.	0	12	0
Wydeman, E. L.	0	12	0
Cramer's-lane Services.			
Ambrose, A. C.	0	2	0
C. A. L.	0	2	0
Corner, R. B.	0	2	0
De Silva, C. C.	0	1	0
De Silva, S. E.	0	2	9
De Silva, P. D.	0	0	6
De Silva, C. P.	0	1	6
De Silva, Paules	0	2	0
De Soysa, C. H.	0	2	6
Elhart, J. M.	0	2	0
Friend	0	1	0
A. J. F.	0	2	0
Friends (Two)	0	4	9
Ferguson, J.	0	7	6
A Friend	0	10	0
A Friend	0	2	0
G. B. L.	0	5	0
Gabriel, H. D.	0	2	0
Gardiner, H. T.	0	4	0
Henricus, W.	0	2	0
C——, John George	0	4	0
Jansz, H. S.	0	2	0
M. J. A.	0	1	6
Malleappah, F.	0	2	0
Mevill, E.	0	1	6

R. V. D.	0	10	0
Smith, F. W.	0	2	0
Van Dort, J. K. L.	0	2	6
Van Geyzel, Jun, P. E.	0	2	0
Van Geyzel, V.	0	2	0
Weerackody, D. C.	0	3	0
Wydeman, J.	0	1	0
Wydeman, E. L.	0	3	0

English Church.

Corner, R. B.	1	16	0
De Silva, C. C.	0	18	0
De Silva, S. E.	1	4	0
Elhart, J. M.	4	10	0
Fernando, A. J.	1	16	0
Fernando, C. F.	1	10	0
Ford, J. A.	1	10	0
Malleappah, F.	1	4	0
Smith, F. W.	3	12	0
Van Geyzel, V.	4	4	0
Wydeman, J.	0	12	0
Collection at the Services during the month	4	17	6

Cramer's Lane School Building Fund.

W. P. Ranesinghe	0	10	0
Dr. D. P. C. Perera	0	2	0
Paules Silva	0	5	0
J. A. Coristoffelsz	0	2	0
F. W. Smith	0	2	0
A. J. Fernando	0	2	0
M. Cassim Markar	0	2	0
J. Van Hoff	0	2	0
R. B. Corner	0	2	0
Samuel E. De Silva	0	2	0
A. M. Ferguson	0	6	0
Wm. Digby	0	2	0
John Ferguson	0	4	0
W. C. L.	0	4	0
John C. Fernando	0	4	0

COLOMBO MISSION :—*Balance Sheet*, 1871-72.

RECEIPTS.			
Monthly Subscriptions	11	8	0
Donations	6	11	0
Balance due	35	12	4
	£53	11	4

EXPENDITURE.			
Balance last rendered, Account Mission Rent	16	2	3
Balance Furniture Account	6	1	1
Paid rent from February to December, 1871, at 50s. per month	27	10	0
Paid rent for January, 1872	1	10	0
Postages during the year	1	7	6
Reparations, Candles, &c.	1	0	6
	£53	11	4

Cramer's-lane.

Subscriptions received	4	15	0
Balance due	1	15	0
	£6	10	0

Paid for making a pulpit and books, &c.	0	10	0
Paid rent from March, 1871, to February, 1872, at 10s. per month	6	0	0
	£6	10	0

Cramer's-lane School Building Fund.

Subscriptions	2	11	0
Grant from Committee	2	0	0
Balance	0	19	0
	£5	10	0

Cost of Building School Room	4	0	0
Cost of Plastering, painting, &c.	1	10	0
	£5	10	0