# SUPPLEMENT TO THE THEOSOPHIST. <br> OCTOBER 1903. 

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 21st August to 20th September 1903, are acknowledged with thanks :-

Head-Quarters Fund.

Babu Madan Mohan Lal, Udaipur. Donation in the name of "Hari" who lately passed away

Rs. A. P.

## IIBRARY FUND.

T. A. Barnes, Esq., Seattle, U. S. A., Executor of the late Chas. A. White'sEstate, bequeathed to the Adyar Library, T.S., deposited in London and Westminster Bank, Ld., London, in Col. Olcott's account, the sum of ( $(6,400)$ four hundred pounds, @ Rs. I5 per pound, amounting to
Mr. O. V. Nanjundiah, Penukonda. Donation in memory of his mother who lately passed away
An F, T. S. of Burmah. Subscription for August 1903
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## panchama Education Fund.

Babu Amaranath Mukerji, Calcutta, through Mr. D. K. Bisvas, Assistant Secretary, Ind. Section T. S. $\ldots-5$-... 50 Mrs. Isabel Stead, through Col. Olcott fo-I2-0 ... ... 9 o 0
"A. E. W.," Donation, f, $2-0-7$... ... ... ... $30 \quad 7 \quad 0$
Mrs, M. S. Loudon, St. Thomas Mount, Donation for July and August 1903
Mr. C. Sambiah Chettiar, Donation for July Igo3 ...
"W.," Baroda, Subscription from May to August Ig03 (e) Rs. 50 Antwerp Branch $\dddot{T} . \mathrm{S}$., through Col. Olcott. Donation, Rs. I8 Io 13 o
 Mr. L. Rusten, Minneapolis, Minn., Donation for-19-9 ... $14 \mathrm{I}_{3}$ o
Adyar, Madras, 21 st September, 1903.

## T. Vijiaraghava Charlu, Treasurer T. S.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MOVEMENTS.

The President-Founder, who is now visiting Cuba, writes that he expects to return to London the last week in October, and will sail from Marseilles for Colombo on November ist and reach Adyar late in the month.

## MADRAS CENTRAL DISTRICTS THEOSOPHICAL, FEDERATION.

A meeting of Theosophists of the Central T. S. Branches in the Madras Presidency was held at Cuddapah on the 22nd and 23rd of August, Mr. T. Ramachandra Row, retired Sub-Judge, occupying the chair. There was a large attendance consisting of delegates from 13 Branches and almost the whole of the educated public of Cuddapah, including a number of orthocox pandits and a few Mahomedan gentlemen. Mr. A. Nanjundappa delivered an address of welcome. He referred to the work of the Theosophical Society in the past quarter of a century and observed that the object of having such federal meetings was to bring together all ardent and sincere Theosophists from time to time in different local centres to devise and settle on an active scheme for the propagation of Theosophy and to do all that was necessary to spread a knowledge of its tenets.

He was followed by Mr. T. Ramachandra Row; the Chairman, who delivered an eloquent and stirring address on "Our Present Needs." His plea was for individual reform. Individual reform was sure to bring about social and national reform. He said the Theosophical teachings shed a great amount of light on Hindu religion and philosophy, which was also true with reference to every religion and philosophy, Referring to the story in the Kenopanishad where Agni, Vayu and Indra boasted of their prowess, he said the story taught us three lessons which represented the teachings of the three principal schools of Hindu Philosophy. The three schools were not mutually antagonistic as it was mistakenly supposed, but they were mutual complements. The first lesson was that it was in God that all moved and had their being. That was the common point, and in essence God and man were the same. The second lesson was that they were all instruments of God through whom his influence poured itself out to the world. Though all differed in their outer manifestations they were to realise the essence in their inner attitude. That was the grand teaching of the Visishtâdvaita philosophy. The third lesson was that in action they were all to be separate, each doing the duty that was his, according to the Dharma and caste to which each belonged. In that matter each had his own individual characteristics. Those three lessons represented the teachings of the three systems of philosophy known as Advaita, Visishtâdvaita and Dvaita. He said the essence of life consisted in service, and depicted the evils of intellectual conceit, emphasising strongly the practice of infinite love and charity. He said India needed a handful of earnest Leaders; men with clear vision, strong moral courage and deep faith, who could act as men of faith, showing their love and extending their charity to all, could accomplish wonders, and if we had only a few such men India would be sure to rise once more in the scale of nations.

Mr. V. E. Sudarsana Mudaliar of Anantapur then delivered a very interesting and instructive address on "Duty," and Mr. V. V. S. Avadhani, District Munsiff of Gooty, next delivered an erudite address on " Ideal duty according to the Gîtâ."

On the 23 rd the federation resumed its sittings at 12 noon. Mr. N. K. Ramaswami Iyer of Chittûr delivered a learned address on "Theosophy, the Religion of Science." In concluding his remarks he said that he was a free-thinker and that after a period of nearly 20 years of patient study he became a Theosophist, as he found that Theosophy was a synthetic presentment of partial beliefs and truths. The lecture was received with enthusiasm.

Mr. R. Jagannathiah followed and delivered an address on "The Bible and the Bhagavad Gîtâ," and quoted largely from both and illustrated that the fundamental teachings of all religions were identical. He referred to Lord Srî Krishna and Lord Jesus as great Masters who incarnated at proper times and places for the purpose of re-establishing Dharma.

Mr. V. Subaraya Mudaliar then delivered a short address on "Practical Hints on Theosophy," which was very interesting.

Mr. J. Srinivasa Row of Gooty delivered a very stirring address in Telugu on "Grihasta Dharma " or "The Duty of a Householder."

Mr. Monza Mian Khan Bahadur, and an orthodox pandit, then delivered short addresses in Telugu and maintained that Truth was one, by whatever name it was called.

Mr. V. C. Seshachariar of Madras delivered an impassioned and eloquent address on the good work the Theosophical Society had done in the past and the great work that had yet to be done, and exhorted all theosophists present to realise the importance of their promises and requested the general public to sympathise and co-operate with them in the noble and unselfish work of the world's regeneration. He concluded his remarks by stating that the Theosophical Society had behind it the solid power and substantial support of highly evolved spiritual beings whose life task was the uplifting and perfecting of humanity towards the attainment of its final goal.

The lectures were interspersed with conversazióni, and much interest was manifested throughout the meetings. It is evident that the
interests of Theosophy may be greatly advanced by such gatherings. The next meeting of the Federation will be held at Chittur on the zoth and 2Ist of August, 1904. Brother T. Ramachandra Rao Garu, B.A., B.L., Retired Sub-Judge, has been elected President of the Federation for the coming year, and Brother C. Ramaiya Garu, B.A., L.. T., of Cuddapah, Secretary.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN INDIA.

A much needed society has recently been organised in the Bengal Presidency, having the following objects :-
(I) To prevent the public and private wrongs of children and the corruption of their morals.
(2) To take action for the enforcement of laws for their protection, and when desirable, to have the laws on the matter amended.
(3) To provide and maintain an organisation for the above objects.
(4) To do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

According to the Indian Mirror many poor, suffering or sinful waifs have been rescued and provided with homes, since this Society commenced its work, and public meetings have been held in Calcutta, under the presidency of the Hon. Justice Pratt, and in Darjiling under the presidency of His Honour the Lientenant-Governor, who kindly granted the use of the Durbar Hall for the meeting. At this meeting the Chairman gave expression to the deep interest which he felt in the work of the Society, which he thought was working on right lines. He assured the meeting of the sympathy of the Local Government in all efforts for the amelioration of the condition of the children of the land, and was confident that with a Viceroy at the head of the Imperial Government, like the present ruler, who put his whole soul into any measure of reform, and who never left off what he felt was a benefit to the country, the Society might be certain of most sympathetic treatment to what they proposed for the moral welfare of the children of India.

The Committee earnestly appeal to all interested in this work of protection, for the funds necessary to enable them to increase their efforts to succour the homeless, unprotected and oppressed among the children of our Empire.

On receipt of a full account of any case the Committee will gladly give advice as to how the case may be dealt with.
A. E. SUMMERS,

Secretary,
S. P. C. I., 136, Dhrumtatlah, Calcutta.

It goes without saying, that Societies like the above, should be organised in all our large cities.

## NEW BRANCHES.

## NETHERLANDS SECTION.

I have much pleasure in reporting that a Charter was issued on the 2nd September for a Lodge to be formed at Buitenzorg, Java, to be called the Buitenzorg Lodge.

Also a Charter was issued oil the same day for a Lodge at Soerabaya, Java, to be called the Soerabaya Lodge.
W. B. Fricke, Gen. Secretary.

SOUTH AMERICA.
I have pleasure in announcing the issue of a Charter on the sth August for a Branch at Lima, Peru, to be called the Lima T. S. The President is Mr. José Arturo Ego-Aguirre, and the Secretary Mr. Fedetico Valles-Vargas.

INDIAN SECTION.
I beg to report that a charter was issued on August 2ist, 1903, for the formation of a Branch of the Theosophical Society at Jodhpur, to be known as the Besant Lodge. The President is K. Manjunath Bhatji, B.A. ; the Secretary is Swami Raghunath Puri ; Nayâ Bâss, Jodhpur.
D. K. Bisvas,

Assistant Secretary.

## A LECTURE ON KINDERGARTEN.

Under the auspices of the Teachers' Association, a public meeting was held on Sept. I2th, in the Teachers' College Hall, Saidapet, when Mrs. N. A. Courtright gave a demonstration of the Kindergarten method of teaching. Mr. J. H. Stone, Principal of the College, occupied the chair. There was a large gathering of the staff and the normal students of the training institutions at Saidapet and in Madras.

In introducing the subject, the lecturer said that the aim of education was the full and harmonious development of the various powers latent in the children, as opposed to the old aim of simply "cramming " the memory with dry and unintelligible information. The methods adopted should satisfy the child's activity which should itself be made the medium of instruction. The means suggested were action-songs, games, drawing, object-lessons, etc., intermingled with conversation, stories, spelling and writing. The pupils brought for the demonstration of the methods by Mrs. Courtright, belonged to the Panchama Free Schools established by Colonel H. S. Olcott ; and the teachers employed in training them were of poor educational qualifications.

In spite of these disadvantages, she proved by her demonstration, that the Kindergarten methods could be successfully applied in Indian Schools.

The Chairman highly commended the rational method of teach* ing employed by Mrs. Courtright and her staff in their schools. He remarked that the demonstration was in no way a spasmodic outburst, but the result of a regular system continuously practised during the year and had proved clearly that Mrs. Courtright had not only done enough to satisfy the inspecting officers, but had also trained her teachers to euter into the spirit of Kindergarten and make them realize how important it was, and that the demonstration clearly proved that Kindergarten did not hinder, but rather helped school work, and that the greater the number of channels into which a child's activity was properly guided, the greater the chances of success in after life.

After the usual vote of thanks to the lecturer and the Chairman, the meeting was brought to a close when the children were given light refreshments.-Madras Mail.

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Miss Ida R. Patch. Donation
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B A. standard, and wished it a long course of prosperity. He then called on Babu Bhagavan Das, the Hon. Secretary, to read the report, The report showed the growing prosperity of the Institution, $3 \hat{z}^{2}$ boys were on the rolls, and the staff numbered 24 Professors and teachers, The improvements in the curriculum, and the successful introduction of clay-modelling for the younger boys were described ; the course of religions instrnction was outlined, and the wide acceptance by other schools and Colleges of the series of religions and moral text-books on Hinduism was noted. A scheme of national Hindu religious and moral education has thus been successfully inaugurated. The examination results were brilliant, except in English; only 4 out of 42 failed in Mathematics, none out of 31 in Further Mathematics, 1 out of II in Logic, 2 out of II in Sanskrit, none out of 11 in History, none out of 31 in Physies, I out of 3 I in Chemistry. The Boarding House was full, and further accommodation was urgently needed. The Library, Museum, Debating Clubs, etc., were all flourishing, and the record in games was most satisfactory. The Sanskrit Department, the Ranivir Pathshala, handed over to the College by H. H. the Maharaja of Kashmir, was improving, and the opposition to the introduction of English as a second language was lessening. A free boarding house for Pathshala students was being prepared. The cash receipts during the year were Rs. I, 35,000 , of this Rs. 5 r, 000 had been invested, and Rs. 22,000 spent in purchase of lands and in buildings, none of the latter being done in the preceding year. The year closed with Rs. $1,99,000$ in investments, and Rs. 40,000 awaiting investments, including lands and buildings. A Legacy of Rs. 30,000 and one of Rs. 1,000 had been notified, but not as yet received. A leading Bombay merchant, Seth Dharamsey Moraipi Goculdas, had collected Rs. 40.000 , of which Rs. 20,000 were remitted in the year under report and Rs 15,000 since. The affiliated Srinagar High School, was doing admirably well, under the care of Mr. Wilson, sent there by the College, and had now 600 boys under tuition. The report which will shortly be printed in extenso was loudly applanded. Various recitations, and the distribution of a large number of prizes followed; the acting principal, Mr. M. Collins, then addressed the meeting, and was followed by H. Banbury, Esq., the Headmaster. The meeting was closed by a speech from Mrs. Annie Besant, who laid stress on the importance of the national movement they were leading in joining together Western culture and Hindu religion.

## THE CONVENTION OF 1903.

Delegates and Members who desire special accommodations, or separate huts, at the December Convention at Adyar, are now notified to send in their requests to the Treasurer of the T. S., Adyar, without needless delay. We can not reasonably be expected to provide these extra accommodations unless sufficient time is given us for their preparation.

Mrs. Besant will deliver the four morning lectures as usual, commenciug Sunday, Dec. ${ }^{2} 7$ th, the general subject being, "The Evolutior of Man." Further notice will be given in our next issue.

Countess Wachtmeister will also be present at the Convention.
W. A. E.

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Rs. A. P.
Babu Upendra Nath Basu, General Secretary, Indian Section, Theosophical Society, Benares. $25 \%$ Dues for quarters ending 3ist March, 3 oth June, and 3 oth September 1903. Deducting the amount of Rs. $217-8-0$ advanced towards the quarter ending 3 Ist March 1903.

Do. Advance on the quarter ending 3Ist December 1903 ... o 136 Mr, John Bottomley and Miss M. A. M. Knox through Mr. Fred. W. Bell of Johannesburg, Entrance Fees and aunual dues $\qquad$
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PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND.
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Miss Alice Rice, Honolulu... ... ... ... ... I5 o o
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Babu Madan Mohan Lal, Udaipur. Donation in September 1903. (Shown in his name as balance Re. I in November issue is a mistake)

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In Mr. A. I. Willian's name, a donation of Rs. 15-4-0 is shown in June and July numbers of the Supplement to the Theosophist, the latter is a mistake. Only once the sum of Rs. I5-4-o was received.

ADYAR, MADRAS, )
20th November 1903.;
T. VIJIARAGHAVA CHARLU,

Treasurer, $\dot{T} . S$

## CONVENTION NOTICE.

All Europeans who desire accommodations, either rooms or cadjan huts, and Hindus who require huts at the coming Convention at Adyar are requested to notify the Treasurer of the T. S., at Adyar, without further delay. It takes some time to prepare all these extra conveniences, and short notice will not suffice.

The four morning lectures by Mrs. Besant will commence on Sunday, Dec. 27th, the general subject being, "The Evolution of Man."

## NEW BRANCHES. <br> Indian Section.

On October 20th a Charter was issued for the formation of a Branch of the T. S. at Alleppy, to be called the Annapurni T. S. The President is S. Venkatarama Naidu, L. M. S. ; the Secretary is K. L. Dhammaraja Ayar, B.A. I..T., Head Master, High School, -both of Alleppy.

A Charter was issued on 2nd November 1903, for the formation of a Branch at Kottayam, to be called the Gautama Lodge, T. S. The Pres-
ident is S. Kallyanarama Aiyar, Esq., District Munsiff, Kottayam, Travancore. The Secretary is S, Ramaswami Aiyar, Esq., B.A., Teacher, Kottayam, Travancore.
D. K. Bisvas,

Assistant Secretary.

## NETHERLANDS SECTION.

I have much pleasure in informing you that a Charter was issued on the 27th October for a Lodge at Djokdjakarta, Java, to be known as the Djokasche Lodge of the Theosophical Society.
W. B. Fricke,

General Secretary.

## NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

"Bhagavadgitâ," Sanskrit Text, Dutch edition (incomplete), by J. W. Boissevain! ; "Thâpurânyâstava," by Punnâsseri Nambi Niiakantha S'arma; "Dharma S'ikha" (Hindi); "The Solar System of the Ancients Discovered," presented by T. Srinivasa Rao, F. T. S.; "A Dictionary of the Hindustan Language," presented by J. W. Boissevain.

## THE CENTRAL HINDU COLLEGE FUND.

We are glad to give publicity to Mrs. Besant's plans for collecting funds in aid of Hindu religious education, which we copy from the Central Hindu College Magazine :-" We have not yet succeeded in reaching the great mass of Hindus with regard to our College: the English-educated Hindus have for the most part heard of it, but only a small minority have helped it financially. We need now to make widespread efforts to collect the small sums which no Hindu-English-educated or other-would grudge, and for this we must enlist the services of a large army of workers. The following three schemes will now be set on foot, and I solicit for their working the aid of good Hindus all over the country ; moreover, boys are the very people to take part in these, and if they will help, we shall have a national movement in sup. port of Hinduism. The first is

TIIE SNOWBALI.
A sum of Annas 8 is the basis of their scheme, and who will grndge Annas 8 in support of Hinduism? One person begins by asking five of his friends each to give him Annas 8 for Hindu religious education, and each to collect from five other people Annas 8 apiece. The first five thus collect from twenty-five people. Each of these twenty-five, in giving his Annas 8, promises to collect from five others Annas 8 apiece. The third set therefore numbers 125 people, and each of these, having given his Annas 8 , collects Annas 8 from tive others, who. in their turn repeat the same process; and so on, and on. Each man or woman, boy or girl, on collecting the Annas 8 from five people hands the Rs, $2-8$ to the person to whom he originally paid his Annas 8 . This person hands it on to the one to whom he himself originally paid his own Annas 8, and so it reaches in time the starter of the Snowball in the town. Fach town should have its own Snowball, and the starter sends to Mrs. Anmie Besant, Benares City, the sums collected in his district. The name is taken from the fact that a little lump of snow, set rolling, gathers more and more snow as it rolls, till a large mass is formed. The second scheme is

## THE COLLECTING BOX.

We are going to have a number of small closed boxes made, bearing the name of the College, with a slit in the top through which money can be dropped in. These will be issued to responsible persons acting as Head Collectors, who will give a box into the charge of anyone willing to collect. When the box is full it will be handed in to the Head Collector, who will open it, count the money and give a receipt for it, re-seal the empty box and return it to the direct collector. The Head Collectors forward the money to Mrs. Annie Besant. Benares City Such boxes may also be kept in houses, and a few pice be dropped in from time to time by the family and by visitors. The third scheme is

THE RUPEE FUND,
This we borrow from Aligarh, and surely Hindus will not be behind Mahomedans in helping their College. Anyone who is willing to collect sums of one rupee writes to Mrs. Annie Besant, Benares City, for a receipt book, containing 50 receipts, and asks all his friends for Re. I for Hindu religious education.

If these three schemes are properly worked, we shall gather in such large sums, that we shall be able to spread Hindu religious education all over the country. The progress of the schemes will be reported in these columns month by month."

## LECTURES ON THEOSOPHY.

We learn from the South Indian Mail that a course of eight lectures has been recently delivered at the Hall of Theosophy, Madura, by Pandit Bhavani Shankar, who always awakens interest in Eastern Scriptures.
" His lectures though extempore, were well reasoned out and consequently put a heavy strain upon the hearers' brain, and by way of relief were interspersed with flashes of humour, and pleasant episodes from the Mahâbharrata, \&c. He was successful in creating a real taste amongst his auditors, for persistent study of our religious books, which are a treasure-house of wisdom."

## THE MUSAEUS SCHOOL FOR BUDDHIST GIRLS.

We are indebted to the October Prasnottara for the following paragraph concerning Mrs. Higgins' School and Orphanage for Sinhalese Girls, at Cinnamon Gardens, Colombo :-
" We have a very gratifying account of the above institution from our esteemed colleague Miss Lilian Edger, M.A., who on her way to New Zealand passer a few days in the company of the Sinhalese girls that are being trained in it, and great credit is due to Mrs. Higgins, the founder, and the life and soul thereof, for her exceedingly judicious management of it. Mrs. Higgins has undoubtedly conferred a great boon upon the little island by giving the girls under her charge a thorough training in house-keeping-and thus turning them out into really capable housewives. The value of this is so little understood by advocates of Female Education that there is hardly another school in the land where attention is paid to this important branch of woman's equipment, and the consequence is that the prejudice against female education which prevails so largely among the masses here is strengthened instead of lessened and the growth of girls' schools bears no proportion whatever tothe increase of academies for boys."

It would be productive of great good, if in all schools for the education of girls, practical training in housewifely duties were to be given to each pupil connected therewith. Mirs. Higgins tries to act the part of a mother to the girls who are placed under her charge, and to instruct them in the practice of such duties as they will, in later years be called upon to perform in their own homes.

We are glad to learn, from the Ceylon Independent, that Mr. Peter de Abrew, Business Manager of the Musaeus School, and member of the Hope Lodge, T.S., has been appointed to take charge of the "Commercial Sample Room and Enquiry Bureau," in connection with Ceylon exhibits at the St. Louis Exposition or World's Fair, to be held in America next year. In addition to being thoroughly familiar with the products of Ceylon, Mr. de Abrew, will also be able to answer queries in relation to Eastern religions, in which the Americans manifest a growing interest, so we judge he will prove to be the right man for the position.

## DECLARATION OF OBJECTS OF JOINT FREEMASONRY IN INDIA.

The Supreme Council of Universal Joint Freemasonry has founded its Masonic Temple on Liberty of Thought, Morality, Solidarity and Justice, and its Lodges are open to all, without distinction of sex, religion, race or nation.

The Dharma Lodge is founded under the auspices of a masonic body which admits women to its ranks, and it is necessary that its position towards the world in general and towards Freemasonry in particular should be defined.

The following is the programme to which it adheres :-
Article 1.-Joint Freemasonry of India asserts, in accordance with the ancient declaration of Freemasonry, the existence of a creative principle under the title of "Grand Architect of the Universe."

Article 2.-It imposes no restrictions on the free search after Truth and, in order to secure that freedom, exacts tolerance from all its members.

Article 3.-Joint Freemasonry is therefore open to men and women of all nationalites, of all races, and of all creeds.

Article 4.-The aim of Joint Freemasonry is to combat ignorance in all its forms; it urges upon its members obedience to the laws of their country, the maintenance of a high standard of honour, the upholding of justice, a kindly feeling towards all, and a ceaseless endeavour to promote the welfare of Humanity.

Article 5.-Every Freemason belonging to the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite is bound faithfully to observe the decisions of the Supreme Council to which he owes allegiance.

This programme is based upon the principles adopted by the Convention of all the Supreme Councils held at Lausanne in 1875.

The Lodge demands from its members active service for Humanity by study and thought, and by such religious, literary, political or social activities as are not antagonistic to the principles given above. Unlike the majority of other Lodges it promotes in its meetings the fullest discussion of all means intended to advance these principles, enjoining on its members the widest tolerance and complete courtesy towards all expressions of opinion. The Lodge reminds its members by its sub-title-DHARMA-of the obligation each owes to all, and calls upon them to discharge that obligation in private and public life.

Whilst warmly sympathising with all movements which have for their aim the betterment of the Human Race, the Lodge, by its very nature, cannot as a body pledge itself to the support of the particular methods employed by other organisations for the realisation of this object.

In addition to the discussion of practical methods to advance the welfare of Humanity, the Lodge will endeavour to promote the study of masonic traditions and symbolism, and their elucidation.

Members are expected to acquaint the Lodge from time to time with the fruits of whatever study of this nature they may be engaged in, and, whenever possible, Transactions will be issued embodying the knowledge acquired.

By these means it is hoped that Joint Freemasonry will gradually help to infuse into Masonry a deeper significance, and thus increase its utility as a powerful agency for the dissemination of material and spiritual benefits to all races and to all creeds. And as no such effort can be successful unless women work side by side with men, the Lodge will continually urge Freemasonry to admit women to membership, so that eventually there may be but one masonic body throughout the world, composed of men and women of all nationalities, proceeding along organised lines in the service of Humanity.*

The Lodge does not include in its activities any social functions which might clash with the opinions of any of its members.

Such are the aims which the DHARmA Lodge sets before it, and it calls upon all its members-men and women-to justify its existence alike by their words and by their silence.

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# SUPPLEMENT TO THE THEOSOPHIST. 

FEBRUARY 1904.

EXECUTIVE NOTICE.
Theosophical Society, PRESIDENT'S OfFICE, ADYAR, 6th Fanuary, 1904.
The following decision is of sufficient importance to warrant its publication for general information:

The question at issue was as to the legality of a vote taken by a Branch of the Society in a non-sectionalised country, to the effect that " no member shall hold office under the Society, to which pay is attached, and that the present holders of such offices be notified that from and after July, 1904, they must choose between relinquishing their salaries or their membership in the Society."

My decision was that the resolution in question was absolutely unconstitutional, au invasion of the private rights of members, an act of inexcusable injustice, and therefore null and void. It was my ruling that this decision should be entered in the Society's Minute Book and that the notifications to the parties concerned, if already officially given, should be officially cancelled and withdrawn. I cannot imagine how such action-absolutely without precedent in the history of the Society should have suggested itself to its proposers and supporters. If approved by me it would serve as a general precedent for the government of all the Sections and Branches of the Society throughout the world; it would drive out of their modest employment a large number of our colleagues of both sexes who are, as a rule, our best and most unselfish workers, depriving me of my headquarters staff anci nearly every Section of the persons who-usually at the cost of great self-sacrifice on their part-are conducting the business of the Sectional bureaux. Because Mrs. Besant and I and some others are able to give our services to the Society without recompense, that does not imply that the rest of our workers, not so fortunately circumstanced, can do likewise. I then ordered the officers of the Branch to restore to their full rights of membership the paid employees interested in the action of the Branch.
H. S. Ol.cott, P. T. S.

## EXECUTIVE NOTICE.

> Theosophical. Society, President's Office,
> ADYAR, 7 th Fanuary, 1904.

The following temporary appointments are made in the Adyar Library for one year with effect from to-day.
I. Pandit A. Subrahmanya Dikshit, F. T. S., of Naranammalpuram, is appointed to do the work of comparing MSS. copied for the Library, on a monthly salary of Rs. (20) twenty. He should compare with the help of another pandit, at least $(6,500)$ six thousand five hundred granthas per month to entitle him to his full pay, or he will be paid proportionately to the work turned out.
2. A. Subrahmanya Sastri of Kadattur is appointed to copy on fibrous palm leaf such old and damaged MSS as need to be re-copied, on a monthly salary of Rs. (15) fifteen. He should copy at least (5,000) five thousand granthas per month to entitle him to his full pay otherwise he
will be paid in proportion to the work turned out. Until the indented palmleaf bundles are received from Galle he will be put on the work of comparisor1.
H. S. OLCOTT, P. T. S.

THE TREASURER'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.
Owing to the Treasurer's absence on duty in Northern India, his monthly report is postponed.

Mr. BOISSEVAIN'S TOUR.
Our very esteemed young colleague, Mr. J. W. Boissevain, F. T. S., of Amsterdam, is about to start on a tour to some parts of Northern India and has been furnished with a list of Branches, so that he may notify their Secretaries in advance of his arrival. Mr. Boissevain is an assiduous student of Sanskrit: and after a year's residence at Adyar will return to Holland to take his degree of Doctor of Letters and Philosophy, at his University. He has begun his literary work by publishing his translation into the Dutch language of the Bhagavad Gitâ. We cordially commend him to our northern colleagues and bespeak for him those fraternal courtesies which Hindus are ever ready to show to strangers.
H. S. O.

THE FIRE IN RANGOON.
The Secretary of the Rangoon. T. S., Brother M. Subramania Iyer, writes us as follows:-

There was a big fire in 49 th Street, where our Branch quarters are situated, on the night of the ist January. Our property, including the Library, which is valued at Rs, 15,000 , would have been burnt had it not been for the timely exertions of our Brother, William Kennedy. He has done a great service to the movement and we are very much indebted to him.

## A GROSS FABRICATION.

A valued correspondent begs me to say whether the statement, in the Life of Swami Davananda Sarasvati, by Pandit Lekhram, that I tried" to induce Mr. Mulraj to be the Mahatma of the Theosophical Society," but was refused, is true or false. It is not only false but stupidly so: such an idea never entered my head. I met Mr. Mulraj once at Lahore and our talk was largely about Indian polities, in respect to which I found he held very strong opinions. My correspondent is unwise to get frightened about any of these childish falsehoods that people, sometimes through ignorance, often through malice, put into circulation. The quarter-century of our Society's work in India has established its reputation beyond the possibility of injury from any attack.
H. S. O.

## GIFTS TO THE ADYAR IIBRARY.

Señor D. R. Maynade of Barcelona, Spain, and his fellow members of the T. S., have sent two richly bound and printed Volumes of "Isis Unveiled " in Spanish, copies of Mrs. Besant's "Doctrine of the Heart" and "Karma," and of Swami Vivekananda's "Yoga Philosophy," all in Spanish translations. For which our best thanks are offered.

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# SUPPLEMENT TO THE THEOSOPHIST. 

## MARCH 1904.

## NEW BRANCHES

Scandinavian Section.
A new Branch has been formed at Ostersünd, Sweden. The President is Mr. A. Lindeberg and the Secretary, Mr. J. Brome. The date of the charter is not given, but the Lodge was formed probably in October.

Arvid Knös,<br>General Secretary.

## BRITISH SECTION.

A Branch of the Theosophical Society has been founded in Brussels, Belgium, by Armand Rombauts, Jean Bertinchamps, E. van Gasse, Mme. Felix Washer, Mue. L. Bouvier-Washer, Mme van Tilt and Mme. Rombauts, to be known as the Isis Branch.

BERTRAM KEIGHTLEY,
General Secretary.

## AMERICAN SECTION.

On November 6th a charter was issued to the Wilkesbarre T. S., Wilkesbarre, Pa. The President is Mrs. Ida C. Brown, Box 223, Wyouing, Pa .

On December i6th a charter was issued to the Spokane T.S., Spokane, Washington, with 19 charter members. The President is Mrs. Lizzie Sanders; the Secretary is Mr. John Mackenzie, P. O. Box 584 , Spokane, Washington.

The Euclid T. S. and the Forest City T. S., both of Cleveland Ohio, have united with the Cleveland T. S. On Dec. 28th a charter was issned to the Grand Rapids T. S., Grand Rapids, Michigan, with 9 charter members. The President is Dr. Frances M. Hubbard ; the Secretary is Mr. Judson J. Town, 338 , Scribner St. There are now 70 Branches in the American Section.

> ALEXANDER FULLERTON, General Secretary:

## Indian Section.

Kottayam (The Gautam Lodge) chartered 2.11 .03 President S. Kalyanram Iyer, Esq., Dist. Munsif. Kottayam. Secretary : S. Ramaswami Iyer, Esq. Asstt. Teacher, M. T. S. Seminary, Kottayam.

Allahabad (The Golden Chain Lodge) chartered 2-12-03. President:Babu Lakshmi Narayan. Secretary: Satish Chandra Mitter.

Kishengarli chartered II-T2-03. President: Rao Bahadur Syam Sunder L. Lal, B.A., C I.E., Dewar, Kishengarh. Secretary : Dr. Onkar Singh, I.M.S., Kishengarh.

Manjeri (The Naryan Lodge) chartered 11.12 .03 . President: M. R Sundram Iyer, Esq. Secretary : M.V. Eswara lyer. Esq.

Diamond Harbour (The Ganga Sagar T. S). Formed, 20.1.04 President: Babu Chandra Kumar Ghose. Secretary: Sarada Prasad Dutta.

Vellore.-Revived. 17-9-03. President: A, Sheshachela Rao, Esq. retired Manager, D.P.W., Vellore. Secretary: V. Nadamuni Mudaliar, Esq., retired Sub-Asstt. Inspector of Schools, Vellore.

Bhawanipore. Revived, ${ }^{13-12-0} 3$. President: Babu Hemendro Nath Mitter, Secretary : Kali Das Rai Chowdhary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.
The Treasurer's Financial Statement will appear in our next issue.

## NEW ZEALAND SECTION CONVENTION.

From letters received we learn that the Convention held in Auckland on December 3oth, was a large and important gathering ; every Branch was represented. Miss Edger, just now on a lecturing tour in the Colonies and concerning whose work we hear very favorable reports was voted to the Chair. The General Secretary, Dr. C. W. Sanders, was re-elected, and also the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Harold Large, A friendly and harmonious feeling prevailed; the financial position is good, and the Section is to be congratulated on its good work and progress. A large public meeting closed the proceedings.

## OBITUARY.

One of the most earnest and efficient workers for Theosophy on the Pacific coast, Dr. Jerome A. Anderson, has passed to higher planes, From a private letter we take the following paragraph :-
"Towards the end of October the Doctor suffered from an attack of pneumonia, and indeed nearly died then. He never fully recovered from that, but was anxious to be up and about, attending to his work, and was impatient of illness. He suffered frequent relapses and finally on Christmas day suddenly took a turn for the worse and passed peacefully out, about I-30 P.M. It was a great shock to the family, but they know the philosophy, they know he is still with them, and that he will always be doing service whether they see him or not. Hence they are reconciled and are adjusting themselves to the changed state of affairs on the physical plane. Mr. Leadbeater came up from Los Angeles to officiate at the Dr.'s funeral. A large number of members and friends were in attendance and Mr. L. gave us a beautiful address-it was an address of life, not death."

Dr. Anderson was fifty-six years of age and emigrated from his native state, Indiana, to California about thirty-three years ago. During the past twenty-five years he has been practising medicine in San Francisco, and was highly esteemed by his many friends. He was President of the San Francisco Lodge of the T. S., and also of the Pacific Coast Federation of Theosophical Branches, which he had recently helped to organize. His services in the Theosophical field will be greatly missed. He was well-known as a lecturer and writer. His books on "Reinearnation," and "Karma, or the Law of Cause and Effect " are valuable Theosophical productions. According to his wish his body was cremated at the Cypress Lawn Crematorium.

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APRIL 1904.

## EXECUTIVE NOTICE.

OUR "DAY OF REMFMBRANCE.,"
ADYAR, 27 th March 1904.
The officers and members of our Society, the world over, are requested to meet together at their several roonts of assembly on Sunday, the Sth of May, proximo (White Lotus Day): to recall to memory the unselfish services to our cause of H. P. Blavatsky, Damodar Keshow Mavalankar, Petronella Catherina Meuleman, Charles Blech, Louis Dramard, Paul Gillard, George F. Wright, Marie Caithness-Pomar, Emilie de Morsier, Arthur Arnould, F. K. Gaboriau, Emil, von Sayn-Wittgenstein, Gustav and Mary Gebhard, John C. Staples, George Peell, Carl H. Hartmann, Louisa Shaw, Ann C. Lloyd, Salvador de la Fuente y Romero, Charles A. White, P. N. Jog, T. Subbarow, N. Bhashyacharya, Nobin K. Banerji, Tookaram Tatya, Kavasji M. Shroff, Rustomji K. Master, P. Iyaloo Naidu, A. J. Cooper-Oakley, V. Cooppoosamy Iyer, Harisinhji Rupsinhji. J.S. Gadgi1, G. Muttuswamy Chetty, S. Ramaswamier, Richard Harte, K. N. Seervai, Charles E. Powell, Andris Perera, Dharma Gunewardene, Ambaghawatte, Medankara, Mohattiwatte Gunananda, Simon Perera Abeyawardene, Gregoris Edrewere, Isabella B. Mitchell, Jerome A. Anderson and all others whose names are unintentionally omitted from this imperfect list, but which General Secretaries will please add in their Sectional bulletins. These, our respected colleagues, who have passed out of sight but live and are not forgotten, did what they conld in their respective countries to aid the theosophical movement, some by money, some by still more valuable personal service and stimulating example. The undersigned summons his surviving comrades to recall their merits and send after them strong thoughts of loving good will. And then, we must not forget those others, like William Q. Judge and Edward B. Rambo, who did great service to the movement for many years before being led away into the unwise step of secession. In the books of Karma are not their good deeds recorded equally with their evil ones: and is it not so with us all? Are we commissioned to sit in judgment upon our brothers? The undersigned, then, prays his colleagues to expel from their minds in this suggested assemblage all thenghts but those of affectionate remembrance, thus to render to the departed the most substantial help of all, that of fervent prayers for their well-being and speedy evolution in the Path.
H. S. OL,COTT, P.T.S.

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 2ISt November 1903 to 3 Ist March 1904, are acknowledged with thanks:-

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## DEATH OF SIR EDWIN ARNOLD.

In the departure of this gifted man-Sanskritist, school-teachers, author, journalist and poet--there has passed away one who has undoubtedly done more than any of his contemporaries to popularise Buddhism in the Western world. Several hundred thousand copies of his "Light of Asia" have been sold, we believe, in America alone, while translations of it have appeared in vations langtages. On its appear-
ance, it was reviewed by H. P. B., in enthusiastic terms, in The Theosophist (in the opening number, October 1879). I made his personal acquaintance at London in the year 1884, at the hospitable board of Mrs. Tennant, mother-in-law of the beautiful and accomplished wives of the late F. M. H. Myers and Sir H. M. Stanley; I lunched with him at his house, and he kindly presented me with some of the original MS. of his world-famous Buddhist book. Later, when he revisited India, coming viai Ceylon I organised, at the request of the High Priest. Sumangala, his reception at Colombo, and drafted the address of the High Priest. His feelings towards me were cordial, and I may almost say that in him, I have lost a personal friend. His poetised translations from the Sanskrit, most ably render the sense of the ancient books. He must have had a great faculty of concentration, for he told me, at his house, that he had writtem the most touching passages of the "Light of Asia" in the compartment of a railway carriage, in the company of some dealers of Billingsgate Market, who were loudly discussing betiveen themselves, the price of fish. On the death of Lord Tennyson, he was one of the most earnest candidates for the vacant Laureateship, but it was given for some inserutable reason, to a man who-well. Austin !
H. S. O.

## THE INTERNATIONAI, THEOSOPHICAL CONGRESS

Mr. Fricke writes that they are straining every nerve to prepare for the meeting of the Congress of European Sections at Amsterdani on the 19th, 20 th and 2 ist of June. The best Hall in the city has been engaged and everything will be done that is possible to those dear, unselfish, intensely earnest Dutchmen, the models for us all to pattern after. Mr. Johann van Manen, the Hon. Secretary, was still in Java at our latest advices. The Vahana Lodge at Amsterdam are organizing an art exhibition in connection with the congress.

## THE JOHANNESBURG T.S.

The Annual Report of the Johannesburg T.S. informs us of the remarkable progress made by our South African brothers during the past twelve-month, From a membership of 16 the Branch now numbers 123 , more spacions quarters have been secured, and a library and a monthly magazine started. Another Branch has been chartered at Krugersdorp and centres established at other places. All this commendable activity points to the formation of a South African Section in the future.

## NEW BRANCHES. <br> South America.

I take pleasure in reporting that a charter was issued on January 14th, 1904, for the formation of a Branch of the T.S. at Sancti Spiritus, Cuba, to be known as the "Bhakti Gyan T.S." The President is Mr. Mantel Janer-Roman ; the Secretary is Mr. Julio Rodriguez Fernandez.

LUIS SCHEINER,
Presidential Agent.

## SCANDINAVIA.

On the igth February-this year-another Branch was chartered in this Section, the "Maria Lodge," at Kjobenhavi1 (Copenhagen), Denmark, consisting of seven members. The President is Mrs. Johanne Meyer, and the Secretary, Mrs. Johanne Deichmann, of Osterbrogade 9, Copenhagen.

Arvid Knös,
General Secrelary.

## AMERICA.

On February 26th a Charter was issued to the Webb City 'T.S., Webb City, Mo., with fourteen Charter Members. The President and Secretary is Francis E. Martin, 322 S . Hall St.

Alexander Fulierton,
Ceneral Secretary.

FRANCl:
On the first of January, 1004, a new Branch, called the Agni was formed at Geneva, Switzerland, under the jurisdiction of the French Section. President, Mr, C. Rosetti ; Secretary, Mlle. H. Stephani.

TH. Pascai,
General Secrelary.

## SADHARAN DHARMA

The Sadharan Dharma movement aims to show to all classes of people the way of living a higher and nobler life. In addition to its previous literature, the promoters propose to start a fortnightly paper in English, during the present month, to be called Practical Wisdom. No price is fixed for the paper, but those who apply for it are expected to aid in its support. Mrs, Eva A. Wellman, formerly of San Francisco, U. S. A. is to edit the periodical. The address is Shanti Ashram, Muttra, India.

## THF: ADYAR DHARMASA LA:

Our Hindu brothers and other Theosophists, may be glad to know that a Brahman cook has been engaged and a Dharmasálâ established at our Adyar Headquarters, so that Hindus who wish to spend some time at Adyar, and enjoy its restful quiet, and avail themselves of the privileges of the library, may now have full opportunity to do so, and be made welcome. The President-Fonnder has confided to Messrs. T. Ramachendra Row, C. Sambiah, T. V. Charlu and T. Sreenivasa Iyengat the duty of framing the necessary rules and looking after the comfort of visitors. One of our Hindu houses is set apart for this purpose.

## DEATH OF THE MARQUIS DE, BOURBEL.

This gentleman, the eldest bsother of our dear Countess Wachtmeister, died at Lahore on the 26th March. He had served in the British Army in the Corps of Eingineers, and retired in the year 1887, with the rank of Major-General, and since then has been in the employ of the Kashmir State. There was a strong family likeness between him and his sister, to whom we offer our friendly condolence. The de Bourbels belong to the aneient Freneh nobility.

## ALMS AND OBJECTS OF THE MADRAS HINDU ASSOCIATION.

t. The Association shall be styled the Madras Hindu Association.
2. Objects :-
i. Promotion of Hindut social and religions advancement on national lines in harmony with the spirit of Hindu Civilisation.
ii. Adoption, by means of a well correlated system of education, of all that is helpful int outside civilisations into the life of the Hindu people.
iii. Continued endeavour to work out from time to time such changes and improvements, in relation to the social and religious institutions of the Hindu people, as are ripe for accomplishtment and are neetled in the interests of true progress.
iv. Protection of the unity of Hindu society by enabling it to withstand all such aggressive forees as operate against that unity, as well as by working to infuse strength and enlightenment into all the sections of that society so as more and more to consolidate that unity.
3. Means to be adopted :-

Dissemination of correct ideas regarding the Hindu ideals of life and conduct by means of writing, teaching and preaching and by working in other ways from within the community for its advancement.
2. ii. The education of Hindu girls and women in accordance with Hindu ideals and in keeping with modern requirements.
iii. (a) The education and enlightenment of Hindu pandits and priests, so as to equip them well both with the ancient religious and secular learning of India, and with the results of modern European thought and culture, and thas enlist their sympathies and active cooperation in the achievement of the various social and religious changes that may, from time to time, be found necessary in connection with the organisation of Hindu society and its institutions.
(b) The organisation of periodical conferences of pandits and Finglish educated Hindus for the purpose of advancing thereby the objects of the Association.
iv. The enlightenment and uplifting of the depressed and the backward classes of the Hindu community, by organising and bringing into operation Hindu Missionary work among them, so as to give them religious and secular instruction and by helping them by means of works of charity and philanthropy calculated to raise their moral and material condition.
v. Religious education of Hindu boys and girls in all Hindu Schools and Colleges, as also in those that are maintained by the state.

The affording of facilities for the re-admission into the fold of Hindu society of repentant converts into alien religions, and the seeking and obtaining of religious sanction, therefor when necessary:
vii. Endeavour to provide for the maintenance and up-bringing of Hindu orphans in accordance with Hindu ideals of life and conduct.
viii. Marriage reform. This has to be worked out so as not to conflict with the high spiritnal and sacramental ideal of Hindn marriage but so as at the same time to diminish, as far as possible, all avoidable misery and hardship that may arise out of the marriage relation. It is on various grounds considered inexpedient for the Association as a body to take up the question of the re-marriage of widows.

Attempts are to be made:
(a) To gradually raise the age of betrothals and marriages in the case of girls as well as boys, so as therely to diminish the chances of early widowhood and its attendant hardships.
(b) To discourage money considerations in concluding marriage alliances
(c) To diminish the expenditure on marriages, and to simplify the festivities connected with them.
ix. The education of widows, and the organisation of institutions wherein they may be looked after and trained to help on the progress of Hindu society and religion consistently with the ideal of service and remunciation prescribed for them by the Hindu religion.
x. The affording of facilities for the admission of 'foreign-travelled 'Hindus into their community, provided they continue to be Hindus in life as well as in religion.
xi. The encouragement of inter-dining and inter-marriages between the members of the various sub-sections of each of the four chief castes.

The foregoing is copied from a pamphlet recently issued by G. A. Natesan \& Co., giving the objects of the above-mentioned association and an account of its inaugural meeting.

The subjects discussed therein merit the careful attention of all Hindus.
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Telugu Books.

| Brahma Vidya | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
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| Brahma Jnâun Sáram | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Sujnâna Bodhini | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Pancharatnam | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Vedânta Sàram | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Jnânânjananı | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Uttara Gîtâ Manjari | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Brahmabilamın | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Bhagavad Uttara Gîtầ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Bhagwat Gîtâ, by Ramachandrânanda Sarasvati, (Tamil) |  |  |  |

## New Books in English.

Against Vivisection, by Mrs, Besant
Education as a National Daty, do
Proofs of the Existence of Soal, do
Logic of Vegetarianism
Mathematical Law in the Spiritual World

| Better food for boys |
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| Parables from Nature |
| Ideals of the East |$\quad \ldots$


| Philosophy of Tslam, in English |
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## Photographs.

Photo of Mrs. Besant and H. P. B. in one



## VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS.

The Madras Mail of April 3oth says that the news of the appoint. ment of the Hon. SirS. Subramania Iyer as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Madras, in succession to the Hon. Sir Arnold White, resigned
"Will be received with great satisfaction by the native community, who will see an additional reason for congratulating themselves and the learned and respected Judge in that he is the first Indian to be appointed to this responsible and honourable office. It was only recently that he acted for a period of six months as Chief Justice of Madras, and discharged his duties with an ability that won the respect of Bench and Bar. His present appointment is another proof of the confidence which the Madras Government place in this cultured Hindu Judge, who took his seat as Vice-Chancellor at yesterday's Meeting of the Senate amidst the applause of those "present." It also proves that to be an avowed Theosophist is no bar to Social eminence.

## THE FUENTE LEGACY.

The most absurd rumours are afloat concerning the amount of the Fuente legacy which is variously estimated at from 630,000 to $\not \subset 70,000$, Nothing is definitely settled yet, as the matter has to pass through the Courts at London and Paris for final adjudication. As soon as this is decided upon particulars will be published in the Theosophist ; it is certain, however, that the sum will not be anything like the smaller of the two above mentioned.

## THE ORIENTAI, PUBLISHING CO., LIMITED.

A Joint-Stock Company bearing the above title has recently been formed in Mylapore, Madras, having for its chief object the publication of rare and important Sanskrit works, and their translations in English and Vernaculars. These will be furnished at special rates to shareholders and subscribers, in monthly issues. The cost of a share is Rs. 30 , and the capital is fixed at Rs, 30,000 . The founders of the Company, who are all Theosophists, among whom is Dr. W. A. English, its President, hope to do some good work along the line of the Second Object of the T. S. For particulars address the Secretary, 32, East Mada St.

## THE EDUCATION OF INDIAN GIRLS.

We have received from Mrs. Besant a highly important pamphlet bearing the above title, a large portion of which we here reproduce. In her opening paragraphs Mrs. Besant says :-
"One of the first things done by Countess Wachtmeister and myself, when we came to India in 1893, was to concern ourselves with the question of the education of girls. But many thoughtful Indians begged us to wait until we had secured the confidence of the Hindu community, so that no suspicion could arise with regard to our objects. The unhappy perversion of an Indian lady had shaken the confidence of the Hindu public with respect to girls' education, and they feared Christian proselytising under the garb of interest in education. The advice seemed sound, and we accepted it.

Ten years have passed since then, and we may truly say that the confidence of the Hindu public in the purity of our aims and the straightforwardness of our actions has been won. The appeals to me to take up the education of girls have been many and urgent, and unqualified approval of the scheme I have submitted in writing and speech has been expressed. It seems time, therefore, to give this scheme a wider publicity, and, if it be acceptable, as it seems to be, to a large number of

Hindus, then to let it serve as the basis of a national movement for the education of girls. It is already being followed in a few small girls' schools, carried on by Lodges of the Theosophical Society, and may henceforth take a fuller shape.

The national movement for girls' education must be on national lines : it must accept the general Hindu conceptions of woman's place in the national life, not the dwarfed modern view but the ancient ideal. It must see in the woman the mother and the wife, or, as in some cases, the learned and pious ascetic, the Brahmavâdini of older days. It cannot see in her the rival and competitor of man in all forms of outside and public employment, as woman, under different economic conditions, is coming to be, more and more, in the West. The West must work out in its own way the artificial problem which has been created there as to the relation of the sexes. The East has not to face that problem, and the lines of Western female education are not suitable for the education of Eastern girls. There may be exceptional cases, and when parents wish their daughters to follow the same course of education as their sons, they can readily secure for them that which they desire. But the national movement for the education of girls must be one which meets the national needs, and India needs nobly trained wives and mothers wise and tender rulers of the household, educated teachers of the young, helpful counsellors' of their husbands, skilled nurses of the sick, rather than girl graduates, educated for the learned professions."

Mrs. Besant than proceeds to state the chief features of the system of education which is deemed desirable for Indian girls. First in order comes.

Religious and Moral Education.- The author thinks that, in the main, the course adopted for boys at the Central Hindu College will be suitable for Hindu girls. Islâmic and Zoroastrian girls should be instructed in the principles of their respective religions.
II. Literary Education.-In addition to a thorough knowledge of one's own Vernacular, both in reading and writing, a colloquial knowledge of some other vernacular is recommended, and further Mrs. Besant says :-
"A classical language, Samskrit or Arabic or Persian, according to the girl's religion, should be learned sufficiently to read with pleasure the noble literature contained therein, and the quick Indian girl will readily master sufficient of one of these tongues to prove a never-failing delight to her in her womanhood, and to listen with intelligent pleasure to the reading of her husband as he enjoys the masterpieces of the great writers. Indian history and Indian geography should be thoroughly taught, and reading-books should be provided consisting of stories of all the sweetest and strongest women in Indian story, so that the girls may feel inspired by these noblest types of womanhood as compelling ideals, and may have before them these glorious proofs of the heights to which Indian women have climbed. The very narrowness of their present lives, their triviality and frivolity, render the more necessary the presentation to them of a broad and splendid type as a model for their uplifting, and their minds will be thus widened and their ideas enlarged, at the same time that they will be led along lines purely national and in consonance with immemorial ideals. If the Westernising, in a bad sense, of Indian men be undesirable, still more undesirable is such Westernising of Indian women ; the world cannot afford to lose the pure, lofty, tender and yet strong type of Indian womanhood. It is desirable, also, seeing how much English thought is dominating the minds of the men, and how many sympathetic Englishmen seek to know their Indian sisters, that the girls should learn English, and have thus opened to them the world of thought outside India; in later life they may make many a pleasant excursion into that world in the company of their husbands, and the larger horizons will interest without injuting."
III. Scientific Education.-"Nothing is more necessary to the Indian wife and mother, ruler often of a household that is a little village, than a knowledge of sanitary laws, of the value of foodstuffs, of nursing the sick, of simple medicines, of 'first aid' in accidents, of cookery of the more delicate kind, of household management, and the keeping of accounts. The hygiene of the household should be thoroughly taughtthe value of fresh air, sunlight, and scrupulous cleanliness ; these were, indeed, thoroughly understood and practised by the elder generation, and must still, if learned in the school-room, find their field of practice in the home; but the latest generation seems to be in all this far behind its grandmothers. Essential again is a knowledge of the value of foodstuffs, and of their effects on the body in the building of muscular, nervous and fatty tissues, of their stimulative or nutrient qualities. Some knowledge of simple medicines is needed by every mother, that she may not be incessantly calling in a doctor ; she should also be able to deal with accidental injuries, completely with slight ones, and sufficiently with serious ones to prevent loss of life while awaiting the surgeon's coming ; simple nursing every girl should learn, and the importance of accuracy in observing directions, keeping fixed hours for food and medicine, etc. Sufficient arithmetic should be learned for all household purposes, for quick and accurate calculation of quantities and prices, and the keeping of accounts. A knowledge of cookery has always been part of the education, of the Indian housewife, and this should still have its place in education or there will be little comfort in the house for husband and children. The Indian cook-like cooks in other countries - does his work all the better if the housemother is able to supervise and correct.'
IV. Artistic Education.-Under this head, music, painting and drawing are recommended; also embroidery and fine needle work, and the cutting, making and mending of such garments as are commonly needed.
V. Physical Education--The importance of bodily training is pointed out, and some of the results of lack of physical exercise stated.

In closing her pamphlet Mrs. Besant says :
"There will always be some exceptional girls who need for the due evolution of their faculties a more profound and a wider education, and these must be helped to what they need as individuals, each on her own line. Such girls may be born into India in order to restore to her the learned women of the past and to place again in her diadem the long-lost pearl of lofty female ; intelligence. It is not for any to thwart them in their upward climbing, or to place unnecessary obstacles in their path.

Of this we may be sure, that Indian greatness will not return until Indian womanhood obtains a larger, a freer, and a fuller life, for largely in the hands of Indian women must lie the redemption of India. The wife inspires or retards the husband; the mother makes or mars the child. The power of woman to uplift or debase man is practically unlimited, and man and woman must walk forward hand-in-hand to, the raising of India, else will she never be raised at all. The battle for the religious and moral education of boys is won, although the victory has still to be made effective all over India. The battle for the education of girls is just beginning, and may I's'vara bless those who are the vanguard, and all beneficent Powers enlighten their minds and make strong their hearts."

## COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS.

We have received;several handbills announcing (a)that prizes amounting to Rs. 150 are to be awarded in July next to the first 21 candidates, of the VIIth Standard, who successfully pass the examination in Mrs. Besant's book, "Srî Ramachandra, the Ideal King;" (b) that the Bame number of prizes to the same amount, for VIth and VIIth Stand-
ard pupils will be awarded under the same conditions, for successful candidates in the "Sanâtana Dhârma Series, No. II., Part 'iii., eleven chapters only ; and (c) that similar prizes for Gujarâti or Marâthi pupils of lower standards will also be awarded. For further particulars apply to M. D. Shroff, Hon. Sec., 2I, Hornby! Road, Fort, Bombay.

## SEARCH FOR MANUSCRIPTS.

Mr. G. Krishna Sâstrî, Honorary Librarian of the Adyar Library, has received a commission from the President-Founder to search for rare MSS. in certain districts of the Madras Presidency where it is known that valuable ones exist. The shelving for the Library extension is almost completed and we shall soon be able to make room for double the number of books that we have in our present collection. The President recommends Pandit G. Krishna Sâstrî to the confidence and brotherly help of all our members who may be in a position to aid him in the important work which has been assigned to him.

## PRIZE ESSAYS

Prizes ranging from 15 to 75 rupees and amounting to Rs. 200 are to be awarded to the writers (members of the T.S. excepted) of the five best essays on Mr. Leadbeater's book, "Some Glimpses of Occultism." The essays must be sent to J. J. Vimadalal, M.A., c/o Blavatsky Lodge, T. S., Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, on or before the 7 th of September next, with the writer's full name and address, in a closed envelope, bearing on its face a word or sentence that shall also be written at the foot of the essay. Three copies of the book will be available for study at the Blavatsky Lodge daily, free of charge, from II A.M. to 8 P.M. For full particulars, address,-Vissonji Khimji, Dadar Station, Bombay.

## NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

" Government or Human Evolution," by Edmond Kelly. Two volumes under this heading, the first entitled "Justice," and the second "Individualism and Collectivism" have been presented by the author.
"The Economy of Human Life," presented by J. W. Boissevain.
"The Kanets of Kulu and Punjab," presented by Captain Thomas Banon.

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## New Books in English.

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| Proofs of the Existence of Soul, do | ... |  | 0 |
| Logic of Vegetarianism | ... |  | 014 |
| Mathematical Law in the Spiritual World |  |  | 014 |
| Better food for boys |  |  | 014 |
| Parables from Nature | ... |  | 014 |
| Ideals of the East |  |  | 312 |
| Philosophy of Islam, in English |  |  | 10 |

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Photo of Col. H. S. Olcott, lately taken, Cabinet size
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Wood Cat of Sri Krishna Chaitanya

# SUPPLEMENT TO THE THEOSOPHIST. 

JUNE 1904.

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 21st April to 20th May 1904 are acknowledged with thanks :-

Rs. A. P.

## Head-Quarters Fund.

Babu Upendra Nath Basu, Benares, General Secretary, Indian
Section, T. S. $25 \%$ Dues for the quarter ending 3 ISt March 1904, Balance
Mr. Fred. W. Bell, Johannesburg, Entrance Fees and Dues of
II members
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Library Fund.
An F.T.S. of Burma, Subscription ... ... ... ... 50 o
ANniversary Fund.
Indian Section, T. S., for last Convention expenses ... $\ldots 250$ o o
Mr. P. Gopala Menon, in addition to Rs. 5 already acknowl-
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", Sundara Ramiah, Trichy. ... ... ... ... ... Io o
Periakulam Branch, T. S. $\ldots$... ......

Hadala Branch, T. S., Kathiwar
Panchaama Education Fund.
Lansing T. S., through Mr. A. Fullerton ... ... ... 3 o o Miss Alice Rice, Honolulu ... ... ...
Mrs. and Major Loudon, St. Thomas Mount ... ... ... 5 o o
Mr. N. V. Mudaliar, in addition to Rs. 385 ... ... ... 5 o o

Adyar, Madras,
20th May 1904.
T. Vijiaraghava Charlu,

Treasurer, T.S.

## WHITE LOTUS DAY THROUGHOUT INDIA.

We have not space in our Supplement to publish the various reports of the observance of White Lotus Day in India, and, furthermore, they should be sent to Theosophy in India, the Sectional Organ; but we are pleased to notice that the general public of Coimbatore, irrespective of the T. S., came forward and subscribed liberally for bags of rice, dhal and other articles of food, so that the poor might be provided with a generous repast on that day. It would be well if the public would co-operate with all Branches of the T. S., in their several localities, on White Lotus Day, and make it a day of general beneficence to the poor, as supplemental to the other functions.

## THE RAMAKRISHNA SHEBASRAM, KANKHAL.

The Ramakrishna Shêbâsram was started at Kankhal (near HaridWar) in the month of June 1901 with a branch at Rishikesh opened during the winter months by the Sanyasi brotherhood founded by the late Swami Vivekananda to serve and nurse sadhus, pilgrims and others who live and congregate in these holy Tirthas in large numbers when they are sick and helpless. The system of work adopted has been
that of having in door patients and tending and keeping them till they recover, as well as of distributing medicine (and proper food when necessary) to out-door patients.

It is hardly necessary to mention that this work-a work of lovehas been done by Sanyasîs with funds supplied by public subscription.

We earnestly appeal to those who wish to bless themselves by nursing the sâdhus, pilgrims and others in their hours of sickness and helplessness, to provide the Râmakrishna Shêbâsram with funds, how. ever small, to carry on the good work it has undertaken.

Remittances may be made to the Editor, Prabuddha Bharata, P.O., Lahaghat, Almora. All receipts will be duly acknowledged in the Prabuddha Bharata.

## NEW BRANCHES.

## INDIA.

The Southern Federation of Tamil-speaking Branches of the T. S. held a very successful meeting at Triplicane, May 21st and 22nd. The President-Founder presided and about 60 Delegates were in attendance. We have been expecting a report of the meeting, and publish this only as a preliminary notice.

## SWEDEN.

I have the pleasure to inform you that on April ist a new Lodge, Ellsof Lodge, was formed in the town of Elsof. The President is Mr. A. Körner, and the Secretary Miss Gundborg Rahmı; address, Elsof. The number of members is 13 .

On April r5th a Lodge was formed in the town of Kristianstad, the Kristianstad Lodge. The President is Mr. M. Alund, and the Secretary, Mr. Holmberg ; address, Kristianstad. The number of members is $9_{i}$ Both towns are situated in Southern Sweden.

ARVID KNÖS,<br>General Secretary

## "SANKHYA KARIKA."

We are informed that there is a large stock of "Sanikhya Karika, " ty Iswar Krishna, for sale by the Bengal Theosophical Society, and if the whole lot is sold off it will leave in the hands of the Lodge a large sum of money which will be devoted to philanthropic purposes, which they are not able to accomplish now for want of funds.

There are two editions of this valuable book:-
(a) Printed in bold Devanagari type text and Gaur Pada Acharaya's Vashya, together with English translation and annotation by H. T. Colebrook with introduction by H. H. Wilson, and an easy Bengali translation of the Vashya of Gaur Pada Acharya. Price Re. I-4 only. Postage extra, As. 2; per V. P. P, Re. I-7.
(b) Printed in Bengal character text, and Vashya by Gaur Pada Acharya with an easy Bengali translation of the text and Vashya. Price Io annas, postage extra I anna. Per V. P. P., I2 anuas.

If any lover of Sankhya Philosophy is desirous of having a copy of this invaluable book he may write to the undersigned remitting its price and stating which of the two editions he requires.

> RAJKumar Ray,
> Honorary Treasurer, The Bengal Theosophical Society, 28-2 Fhamapuker Lane,
> Harrison Road P. O., Calcutta.

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# SUPPLEMENT TO THE THEOSOPHIST. 

## JULY 1904.

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL, STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 21st May 1904, to 23rd June 1904, are acknowledged with thanks :-

## Head-Quarters Fund.

Rs. A. P.
Madras Stable Company, for sale of a chestnut horse
... 2040
Charles Blech, Treasurer, French Section, T.S., $25 \%$ dues
from Inst May 1903 to 30th April 1904 .... $\ldots$... $\quad \cdots 588 \quad 5 \quad$ a
Be tram Keightley, General Secretary, British Section, T.S.,
$25 \%$ dues for 6 months ending 30 April $1904 \quad \ldots \quad$... 808 \& o
Miss Elizabeth Rosen, Berlin, Treasurer, German Section,
T.S., $25^{\circ}$ dues for 1902-03 ... ... ... ... $97 \quad 6 \quad 0$

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C. Sambiah, Mylapore, subscription for March 1904 ... ... I 8 o

Library Fund.
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A. Ramaswamy Sastrial, Trichy, Convention expenses
... 700
M. Subba Row, Gooty, T.S.

Panchama Education Fund.
Miss Alice Rice, Honolulu

## Anniversary Fund.

Mrs, and Major London, St. Thomas Mount... .... ... 5 oo Sale-proceeds of Mangoes at Kodambakam and Mylapore
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N. V. Moodaliar, in addition to Rs. 390 (to make up the promise amount $\mathrm{Rs}_{0} 400$.)

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Adyar, Madras,
T. Vijiaraghava Charlie,

Treasurer, T.S.

Fine 1904.

## ENGLISH UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP.

## won by ananda College,

It gives us great pleasure to publish the following concerning the Success of Ananda College, Colombo, at the recent University Scholarship Examination. Although this Buddhist College is the youngest school, it has competed successfully with others which have been longer established and are better endowed. Referring to this matter, the Ceylon Independent has the following:
"As in duty bound, we congratulate Ananda College on the splendid success achieved by its senior student, G. K. W. Perera, who, as will be seen from the official communication we publish elsewhere, has been recommended for election to the English University Scholarship, on the result of the examination held recently in Colombo, under the autthority of the Oxford and Cambridge Schools Examination Board. The Scholarship is admittedly the Educational Blue Ribbon for Ceylonese students, and Perera's achievement is certainly one to be proud of, considering that it has been won in the face of the keenest competition, and Ananda College the youngest of Colombo's educational institutions, has proved, by this one coup d'etat, that the work it has been doing has been none the less solid for being of an unostentatious nature, We all know the many drawbacks, the innumerable difficulties and disadvantages that schools and Colleges in Ceylon have to contend with, where English is a foreign language to nine-tenths of the students, and we fancy these difficulties have been ten-fold greater in the case of Ananda College. The distinction it has achieved, therefore, is proportionately enhanced, and we feel that the hard-working and energetic Principal of the College, Mr. D. B. Jayetilleke, is to be doubly congrat-ulated-first on the victory per se, and secondly on the proud position to which it has attained, in one bound, so to speak. The other students who showed special merit-E. A. Lewis in Mathematics, A. Mahadeva in English, V. Gabriel in English History and C. J. de Silva in Chemistry -are also to be congratulated on having received this special mention. The remarks of the Examiners are interesting and afford matter for comment. This they will receive in an early issue.

## Another Ceylon paper says :

The results of the English University Scholarship Examination held in March last, together with the Report of the Board, received by the last mail, have been sent to us for publication, by the Director of Public Instruction. The coveted scholarship has been won by G. K. W. Perera of Ananda College and we offer him and the Principal of the College and all concerned our hearty congratulations. This is the first instance in the history of Buddhist educational institutions in the Island that such 2 distinction has been earned, and in the interests of education generally we would fain hope that it will be the precursor of many more such.

In the Report which followed the above, several other pupils are mentioned as having shown special merit.

We here append a list of names of those standing highest in order of merit at the different Schools and Colleges, and showing the total of marks gained by each:

| Order of Merit. | Name and School. |  | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 1 | G. K. W. Perera | ...Ananda College | 1250 |
| 2 | E. A. Lewis | ...St. Thomas' College | II86 |
| 3 4 | A. Mahadeva <br> J. Joseph | .... Royal College | I155 1013 |
|  | K. C. Jayasuriya (Miss) | .... Private Study | 964 |
| 6 | F. W. Hallock | ....St. Thomas' College | 918 |
|  | P. M. A. Corea | ....St. Benedict's Institute | 880 |
| 8 | C. W. W. Kanangara | ....Richmond College | 885 |
| 9 | G. Amarasinghe | ... Do do | 854 |
| 10 | V. Gabriel | ...St. Thomas' College | 760 |
| II I2 | C. I. de Silva | ...Royal College <br> ...Wesley College | 730 668 |

[^2]raising sufficient funds to meet the needs of this flourishing Buddhist School.

## MR. CHARLU'S ILLNESS.

We regret to say that the Veteran Manager of the theosophist and Treasurer of the T. S., Mr. T. V. Charlu, was prostrated recently by paraplegia, and is quite unable to attend to business or even speak. This, of course, creates much confusion in our office work and we can only ask the indulgence of the public. The good wishes of all of us, his colleagues, will go out for Mr. Charlu's speedy restoration to his usual robust health, He is slowly improving.

## NEW BRANCHES.

## AMERICA.

On April ist a charter was issued to the Brooklyn T.S., Brooklyn, N.Y., with 7 charter-members. The President is Mr. Worth Osgood, 402, Madison St.

On May 6th a charter was issued to Norfolk T. S., Norfolk, Va, with 7 charter-members. The President is Albert P. Warrington, and the Secretary Miss Ethel Neely, 517, Colonial Avenue, Norfolk, Va.

On May 7th, a charter was issued to Huntington Lodge T. S., Boston, Mass., with io charter members. The President is Mrs. L. Jennie Miller, 320, Huntington Chambers, and the Secretary Mrs. Isabella M. Dowling, 46, Hereford St.

On May, 28th, 1904, a charter was issued to the California Lodge T. S., San Franscisco, California, with 15 charter-members.

Leavenworth T.S., Leavenworth, Kansas ; Manasa T.S., Dayton, Ohio, and Shila T.S., Chicago, Ill., have dissolved, but the Shila members have either joined Chicago T. S. or become members at large.

The Ishwara T.S. has changed its name to Minneapolis T.S. ; Aloha T.S. to Honolulu T.S.; Unity Lodge T.S. to Pasadena Lodge T.S.; San Lorenzo T.S. to Santa Cruz; Ananda Lodge T.S. to Seattle Lodge T.S.; Fidelity Lodge T.S. to Buffalo T.S.; Isis T.S. to Denver T.S.; H. P. B. Lodge T.S. to San Diego Lodge T.S, ; Blavatsky T.S. to Rochester T.S.; Luxor Lodge T.S. to Lincoln (Neb.) T.S.; North Star Lodge T.S. to Superior Lodge T.S. I hope in time to be able to notify you of like change in Los Angeles, Kansas City, and one or two other points.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON,

## India.

A charter was issued on 22nd March, 1904, to the Sti Krishna Lodge, Enangudy. The President is Mr. V. Ramachendta Naidu Garu, the Secretary is Mr. N. Strinivasa Naidu Garu.

A charter was issued March 15th to the nembers of the Hubli Brauch, at Hubli. The President is Rao Bahadur S. B. Chitgupi ; the Secretary and Treasurer is Mr. G. A. Hoskate.

On March 24th a charter was issued to members of the Mirzapur Bratich, Mirzapur. The President is Mr. Harish Chandra Chatterjee; the Secretary, Mr. Mahendra Nath Ganguli.

On March 25th a charter was issued to the Dhulia Branch, at Dhulia. The President is Mr. Mahadev Krishna Apté ; the Secretary Mr. Ardesher S. Dalal.

On I3th April a charter was issued to the Tirumantra Lodge, at Tuticorin. The President is Mr. C.S. Viraraghava Iyer ; the Secretary Mt. A, Subrauania Iyer.

On 27th April a charter was issued to the Saharaupur Branch at Saharanpur. The President is Mr. Dipchand Rathur; the Secretary Dr. Chanon Singh.

Upendranath Basu,
General Secretary.

## SWEDEN.

I take pleasure in reporting that a charter was issued on 24 th April, 1904, for the formation of the Gefle Lodge at Gefle in Sweden. The President is Miss Hilda Ljungberg ; the Secretary, Mr. Anders Hedlund, -32, Drottingatan, Gefle, Sweden.

ARVID KNös,
General Secretary.

ERRATA.
In June Theosophist, several errors appear-
In Mr. Hamilton's signature, p, 540, the first initial should be T.
In the Supplement, under the head of "New Branches" (where the printers inserted it on their own responsibility), the word Triplicane should read Trichinopoly.

In the advertisement of the new book, "Extracts from the Vahan," the dates given as "August 1891 to July 1893," should be, August 1891 to July 1903 .

Also, in April Theosophist, article, "Death of Solovyoff," p. 433 line 19 , "June 1885 , p. 597 " should read, June 1895, p. 596.

## SUPPLEMENT TO THE THEOSOPHIST.

## AUGUST 1904.

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 24 th June 1904 to $22 n d$ July 1904, are acknowledged with thanks :-

HEAD-QUARTERS FUND.

Rs. A. P.
Major C. L. Peacocke, Johannesburg, dues for 8 members and
2 charters
... 15 I 8 -
Arvid Knös, General Secretary, Scandinavian ... Section
T. S. $25 \%$ dues for 1904 … ... American. Section,

Alexander Fullerton, General Secretary, American. Section,
T. S. $25 \%$ dues for quarter ending 3oth June 1904, $\$ 272$
in joint cheque
... 4II 20
... ...
Luis Scheiner, Buenos Aires T. S. dues and fees of Mem-
bers $£ 8$
Mr. J. Arnold an unattached Member of Sbanghai, through
Mr. A. Schwarz ... ... ... ... 1500
.. 8i6 o o

Fred. W. Bell, Transvaal, $25 \%$ dues for entrance fees, \&cc. ... 48 I2 o
C. Ibare Akinsan, Lagos T. S., West Africa, charter fee ... 1590

Dr. R. Steiner, General Secretary, German Section, T. S. dues
of $25 \%$... ... ... ... ... 216 o
A friend, Mylapore, Subscription ... ... ... I 8 o
LIBRARY FUND.
An F. T. S. of Burma, Subscription for June I904 ... ... 50 o o
A friend ...

## ANNIVERSARY FUND

Belgaum Branch T. S. through Mr. Narayanasami Naidu ... 2000
PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND.
Miss Mary Gerber through Mr. Alexander Fullerton ... I5 o o
Nathoobhai Doshi, Ahmedabad, in memory of his deceased daughter, Jasood
Baroda Prasad Baser, Baidyanath, Deoghar $5-0$
Dala Pu-... 5 o
Major \& Mrs. Loudon, St. Thomas' Mount ... .... 500
A friend, Mylapore, Subscription
$\cdots$ … 80
ADYAR MADRAS,

> Fuly Igo4.

Treasurer T. S.

## Mrs. BESANT IN EUROPE.

The following list of Mrs. Besant's engagements in Europe will give a fair idea of the tireless activity which she displays while on tour. Visited:


May \& June

London
Do.
Do.
Do.
-.. 5 Lectures, Blavatsky Lodge.
... 2 London Lodge.
... Series of 6, Queen's Hall,
... 6 Albemarle Street.
... I Lecture each at Hampstead, Battersea, Croydon, West London and North London Lodges (usually, Lodge Meeting and three public Lectures).

| June | 7 | $\&$ | 8 | Edinburgh, |
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| " | I8 | to | Oxford |  |
| On |  |  |  |  |

.. 2 Lectures, etc.
... i Lecture
...Dutch Convention and Interna. tional Congress.

... Lecture to,Christo-Theosophical Society.
... Big Queen's Hall.
...British Convention.
July 22 Leeds.
23 Didsbury.
, 24 Manchester.
," 25 Liverpool.
,, 26 Do.
", 27 Middlesboro.
", 28 Newcastle.
,, 29 Harrogate.
," $3^{\circ}$ Do.
", ," Do.
", 31 Do.

## THE ANANDA COLLEGE.

## Colombo, Ceylon.

It will be a matter of great satisfaction to our revered PresidentFounder. Colonel H. S. Olcott. who has been the means of saving nearly 40,000 Buddhist children from the proselytising efforts of the enemies of Buddhism, as well as to the whole Theosophical World, to learn that the unremittent efforts of his colleagues of the Colombo Buddhist Theosophical Society, for the last 24 years, have resulted in a brilliant success for the Ananda College at the last University Scholarship Examination.

The Institution was founded by the first Theosophical missionary stationed in Colombo in the early eighties, Mr. C. W. Leadbeater.

After our dear brother Leadbeater left Ceylon for England, the College, which was then called "Colombo Buddhist High School," was placed in the hands of Brother A. E. Butiltjens, B. A., himself an University Scholar, whose efforts resulted in obtaining the excellent accommodation at the present premises, which embraces three acres of ground.

Mr. Buültjens after some years of service had to abandon College work on Medical advice, and Brother D. B. Jayatilaka, B.A., who had done good work in Kandy and the hill country, succeeded him as Principal.

Ever since his appointment, Mr. Jayatilaka has taken evey possible measure to improve the College, with the result that G. K. W. Perera, who was this year sent in for the University Examination, won the Scholarship of $f 200$ per year, tenable for four years.

This is the first time a pupil of Ananda College has been sent in for this Examination and therefore great credit is due to Mr. Jayatilaka and his staff, which is composed entirely of Native Masters, for defeating the premier Colleges of Colombo,-the Royal, Wesley, and St. Thomas."

Since this success, scores of children seek admission into the College monthly, but the Principal has most reluctantly refused admission for want of accommodation. The Colombo Buddhist Theosophical Society
has had the question, for some time, of acquiring the College land which is now held on a lease, and erecting buildings for class rooms and quarters for about 100 boarders. It is estimated that Rs. 60,000 ( $£ 4,000$, will be required for the purpose and it is hoped the public will contribute freely to enable the Society to accomplish this most pressing object. The Ceylon Standard gives a brief account (herewith enclosed) of the "At Home" held on the gth instant at the Ananda College in honot of the event.

## D. S. S. Wickramaratna. Secretary B. T.S., Colombo.

## PRESENTATION TO THE UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR, MR, G. K. W. PERERA.*

The President and members of the Colombo Buddhist Theosophical Society were 'At Home' at the Ananda College on Saturday from 4 to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mm}$, the occasion being the presentation of a purse to Mr. G. K. W. Perera, the University Scholar. The Ananda College grounds presented a festive appearance with vari-coloured flags, and the interior of the hall was tastefully decorated. The presence of the Coronation Band also enlivened the proceedings. At $3-45 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{m}$., the guests began to arrive and by 4 p.m., the hall of the College was thronged. Mr. Mirando, the President, in making the presentation, addressed the gathering in happy terms, expressing his pleasure at the opportunity of performing such a pleasing task on behalf of the public and also of the Buddhists, as a reward and mark of appreciation for the labours of the Colombo Buddhist Theosophical Society for the last 24 years and for which he, as its President, justly felt proud, the more so as it was an unique instance where a native of Ceylon trained by native masters ever gained the much coveted distinction of securing the University Scholarship. In the course of his remarks he exhorted Mr. Perera to be careful in his future career in England by withstanding all the temptations in his way, and expressing the hope that he would return to the Island full of honours. Mr. W. F. Gunawardhana, Mudaliyar, Mr. John de silva, Proctor, and Messrs. D. S. S. Wickramaratna and D. B. Jayatilaka who were the next speakers, congratulated the College, the Masters, the Society and Mr. Perera, on their success, and exhorted Buddhists to be loyal in co-operation in carrying on the arduous task of upkeeping the 174 Buddhist schools they had now, and for extending the premises of Ananda College, where the accommodation is limited. Mr. Perera in accepting the purse, replied in a few words, thanking the subscribers and acknowledging his gratitude to the Principal, Mr. Jayatilaka, for the great pains he took to train him, and to the Colombo Buddhist Theosophical Society for the good work they were doing for the community in the cause of education.

## NEW BRANCHES.

## America.

On June 8th a charter was issued to the Rock Island, T. S., Rock Island, Illinois, with a charter-membership of eight.

The name of Olcott Lodge T. S., Kansas City, Mo., is changed to Kansas City T. S.

## ALEXANDER FULLERTON, <br> General Secretary.

## South America.

A charter was issued on June ist for a Branch of the T. S. at San Josè (Costa Rica) to be known as the "Rama Veriya T. S." The President is Mr. Tomas Povedano $y$ de Arcos, and the Secretary Mr. Josè Monturiol y Tenorio.

LUIS SCHEINER,
Presidential Agent.

[^3]India.
On 25th May 1904, a charter was issued for the formation of the Ramnad Branch, T. S. The President is Mr. S. Muthuduraiswami Terar; the Secretary is Mr. S. Subbier.

On May 28th a charter was issued for the formation of the Moradabad Branch, T. S. The President is Mr. Thakoor Sanker Sinha Bhupji ; the Secretary is Mr. Lala Ram Sarup.
D. K. Biswas,

Assistant Secretary,

## AID FOR THE PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND.

Occasionally we get a few words of cheer and encouragement, like the following, coming direct from the heart, and for which we are thankful. Mr. C. Nathoobhai Doshi sends us a contribution to the Panchama Education Fund, in memory of his deceased daughter, and adds that he wishes us " hearty success in the noblest movement ever inaugurated by a mortal for the uplifting of the poor, degraded and helpless portion of humanity."

## NEW BOOKS FOR ADYAR LIBRARY.

Buddhist Catechism, by Col. H. S. Olentt (German Language).
Hindu Social Reform on National Lines, by Rao Bahadur M. Rangacharriar, M.A.

Teosofica, by Alejandro Sorondo (Spanish Language).
South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. III., by E. Hultzsch, Ph. D.
The Kanets of Kulu and Lahou1, Punjab: A study in contact Metamorphism, by T. H. Holland, A. R.. C. S.

Ode for Peace day, by David W. M. Burn:
Religion and the Customs of the Persians and other Yranians, as described by the Grecian and Roman Authors, Parts 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, $\mathrm{I}_{2}, \mathrm{I} 4, \mathrm{I} 5$, and I 6 .

Jewish Angelology and Demonology, by K. R. Came.
Avesta and Genesis, by K. R. Came.
The Avesta Doctrine regarding man in relation to his body and soul.
A short treatise on theNauyot ceremony, by Dustur J. M. Jamash Asana, M.A., Ph. D.

Observations on J. Darmesteter's Theory, by Darab Dastur Peshotam Sanjana, B.A.

Tansar's Alleged Pahlavi Letter, by do
Asterisms in Iranian Literature, by B. T. Anklesarai, M.A.,
Haurvatat and Ameretat, by Hirji P. Wadia, B.A., L.L.B.
The Tamils 1800 years ago, by V. Kanakasabhai.
Songs of the Lotus Circle.
The Meaning of the Gift.
Les Lois de la Destinée, by Le Docteur Th. Pascal.
Dr. J. H. Barrows on the clains of Christianity.
Treatment of Indians by the Boers, \&c., by The Hon, Mr. G. K. Gokhale, B.A.

Den Kristna Trosbekânnelsen, by C. W. Leadbeater. (Swedish language).

Take Heed unto Yourselves, by the Paramhamasa Sivanarayan Swami.

Technical Education in America and Japan, Interviews with D. Handford Henderson.

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# SUPPLEMENT TO THE THEOSOPHIST. 

## SEPTEMBER 1904.

## EXECUTIVE NOTICE.

> THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
> PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
> ADYAR, 10 th August 1904.

Mr. T. Vijiaraghava Charlu, Treasurer, T.S., having had a paralytic stroke which incapacitates him for doing business, Mr. Frank Davidson, F. T. S., of Auckland, New Zealand, is hereby appointed Treasurer of the Society from this date and until further notice. General Secretaries, Presidential Agents and others are therefore notified to make no further remittance to Mr. Charlu by name but only to the order of the "Treasurer of the Theosophical Society, Adyar," or to the undersigned.
H. S. OLCOTT,
P.T.S,

THE MANAGERSHIP OF THE THEOSOPHIST.
For the reason of Mr. Charlu's physical incapacity a new Manager of the Theosophist must be appointed. Meanwhile the business agents and correspondents of the Magazine and Book Depôt are requested to send no money on those accounts to Mr. T. V. Charlu by name, but to make all Postal Money Orders, bank drafts and other cash remittances, payable simply to the "Manager of the Theosophist," Adyar, Madras, without naming any person.

## H. S. OLCOTT.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following receipts from 23rd July to 23rd August are acknowledged with thanks :-

## HEAD-QUARTERS FUND.

Rs. A. P.
Major C. L. Peacocke, Durban, Natal, S. Africa, Dues and
Entrance Fees firo-2-0, less exchange
. $147 \quad 25$
uis Scheiner, Presidential Agent, for charter fee of Fraternidad T. S., Banes
$\ldots \$ 50$
Entrance and Diploma fees of four members of Concordia T. S. Havana Cuba..

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Babu Chhagan Lal Kaji, Junagad, Donation
Sale-proceeds of garden dry leaves during June and July

## Library Fund.

An F. T. S. of Burmah, Subscription for July ... ... 50 o
ANNIVERSARY FUND.
G. Ramaswamy Iyer, Esq., Tinnevelly ... ... ... 50 o

PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND.
Babu Atma Ram of Simla through Babu D. K. Biswas, Benares,

Donation A friend at Adyar, Donation $\quad$... $\quad . . \quad$... $\quad . . \quad 2 \quad 0 \quad 0$ Sale-proceeds of garden trees at Kodambaukam premises $\quad . . .$| 10 | 0 | 0 |
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## F. DAvidson,

Treasurer, T. S.

## THE REGISTRATION OF THE SOCIETY.

I regret to find that a scheme to register the Theosophical Society is being rushed through the Sections as though it were a matter which presented no difficulties, was one which removed all obstacles from our path and which had my entire approval. It is needless to tell those who are acquainted with T. S. History, that if I had believed registration possible I should have carried it out, years ago ; but my opinion is quite contrary, and is confirmed by the opinion of eminent legal Counsel whom I have consulted. and whose decision, with accompany. ing documents is now being put in type and will shortly be published. Under the illusive belief which has been put in circulation, resolutions have been adopted by the British, Dutch and French Sections and the Executive Committee of the Indian Section, urging me to take immediate steps for the registration of the Society, Meanwhile, Sectional Officers will do well to suspend further action until they have the facts before them.
H. S. OL.COTT.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MOVEMENTS.

Naturally enough, as soon as the temperance movement, started by our Buddhist colleagues in the Southern Province of Ceylon, had developed its tremendous force, the Buddhist people began to importune Colonel Olcott to come and show them how to give it proper direction. Accordingly he left home for Colombo on the 29 th ultimo, and by the time this reaches the hands of our readers should be in the thick of the fight. We learn that great preparations were making to give him a proper reception and testify the feelings of love and gratitude which the Sinhalese people have for him, personally and officially. In our next number we hope to give details of this latest benevolent outcome of our movement.

## BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

The President-Founder spent his 7 2nd birthday anniversary with a small party of friends at his cottage in Ootacamund. The room was tastefully decorated with choice flowers from garden and field. There were present Major-General Morgan and Miss Morgan, Mrs. Courtright, Miss Weeks, Mr. Davidson, Dr. Egbert and Mr. Fort. The afternoon was spent very pleasantly, and abundant good wishes were showered upon the P. F.

## MRS. BESANT'S MOVEMENTS.

During September, Mrs. Annie Besant will visit the following towns : Copenhagen, Denmark; Gottenburg, Stockholm, and Lund, Sweden; Christiania, Norway; Hamburg, Berlin, Weimar, Leipzig, Munich, Stuttgart and Cologne, Germany. In October, the following lectures in London are arranged: 2nd, Brotherhood Church; 6th and $1_{3}$ th, Blavatsky Lodge ; 9th and 16th, Queen's Hall ; 12th, Pioneer Club; 15th, Passmore Edwards' Settlement. ; 16th (morning) South Place Institute. She leaves Brindisi for India on October 23.

## NEW BRANCHES. <br> NEW ZEALAND.

A charter has been issued to J. H. Simpson, James Mackie and others to form a Branch of the Society at Onehunga, New Zealand, to be known as the Onehunga Branch of the T. S. The President is Mr. J. H. Simpson and the Secretary Mr. James Mackie.

C. W. SANDERS,<br>General Secretary.

## India.

A Branch of the T. S., located at Hospet, was chartered on June roth and is to be known as the Hospet Theosophical Society. The President is M. Deva Row, Esq., District Munsiff; the Secretary, S. Sarwagnacharya, Esq., Pleader, Hospet.

On July ist a charter was issued for forming the Ganapati Theosophical Society, located at Kurundwad. The President is B. C. Patisardhan, Esq., B.A. ; the Secretary and Treasurer is Datto Ganesh Randalkar, Esq., Pleader, Kurundwad.

D. K. Bisvas,<br>Assistant Secretary.

## America.

Harmony Lodge, T. S., Los Angeles, California, has changed its name to Los Angeles T. S. Boston Lodge, T. S., and Besant Lodge T. S., both of Boston, Mass, have relinquished their charters and have united to form a new Branch-the Boston T. S.

## Alexander Fullerton, <br> Gencral Secretary.

## British Section.

I have pleasure in stating that a charter has been issued this day to J. R. Anderson, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Owen, Miss F. E.. Steinberg, Miss E. Hastings, F. W. Rogers and A. P. Chattock, to form a Branch at Clifton, Bristol, to be known as the Clifton Branch.

BERTRAM KEIGHTLEY,<br>General Secretary.

## FREE LENDING LIBRARY IN BOMBAY.

We are informed that one of our Bombay brothers, Mr. S. D. Morarji Goculdas, llas recently opened at his residence, China Bâg, a Free Lending Library of Theosophical works, thus furnishing a channel for disseminating the truths embodied in our T. S. literature. We understand that during the month just past, roo issues of T.S. books were made to educated readers. Let Theosophists in every city bestir themselves in like manner: A little earnest co-operation is all that is required to set the ball rolling in every town where there is a live Branch of the T.S.

## THE CEYLON TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT,

It is gratifying to observe a remarkable improvement in the condition of the Buddhists in Ceylon as well as of men of other denomipations.

Ever since the establishment of the Theosoplical Society in Ceylon by the President-Founder in I880, it has been the endeavour of the Members to unite the Buddhists together and help them in their moral and spiritual advancement. The Sarasavisandaresa, the Sinhalese organ, and The Buddhist, the English organ, have been ever since their incep. tion, advocating the value of moral and spiritual purity and the need of acquiring the same by the observance of religious precepts. Twentyfour years thus passed away without exhibiting any appreciable mark of improvement, and the cry heard all round was "crime on the increase."

Different men adduced different reasons for this increase of crimesome attributing it to want of elementary knowledge of the languages, some to the use of alcohol.

The much perplexed problem has, at last, been solved, towards the close of our XXIVth year, by a Buddhist brother in the Southern Province, Mr. P. A. De Silva of Kataluwa, commonly known as Bandarewatte Mahatmeya.

This person, himself addicted to the use of alcohol, had a large number of comrades, who themselves were liquor drinkers, and he, by a sudden impulse, determined to abstain from this habit, and, with the concurrence of his comrades, formed the first Temperance Association at Kataluwa, when hundreds joined the movement. Encouraged by the success of this first step, he formed ig branches in the whole of Talpe Pathu of Galle District and the wave is rolling everywhere in the lowcountry and up-country. Since March, the month of embarkation, there have been within this short period of four months, over a hundred Branches formed, and thousands have joined the movement. It is difficult to estimate the exact number but in a short time statistics will be available.

It is cheerful to see the working classes so jubilant because of their victory over the liquor demon as they exhibit their weekly savings, which otherwise would have gone to enrich the dealers.

The success of the movement can be easily imagined from the fact that litigation has decreased to a very large extent and Magistrates who, before the movement, had to sit from 9 A.M. to 7 P. M. do not now find enough work from II to 2 .

It is hoped that the XXVth year of the Society can boast of a wonderfully successful movement which the members of other denominations have tried to establish but failed with the material resources which they obtained from abroad and the grace which they claim to have received from above.

D. S. S. Wickremeratne,<br>Secretary, B. T. S., Colombo.

## NEW BOOKS FOR THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

## EASTERN SECTION.

A pamphlet about Indian Girls' Education, by Annie Besant (Tamil).

Theosophy (Tamil).
Sanskrit-English Dictionary (Practical Edition), by V. S. Apte, M.A. Jataka Parijata, Part III. ( 7 to Io Adhyayas).

## WESTERN SECTION.

The Twentieth Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology, by J. W. Powell.

First Fruits, by M. D. Ved,
History of Buddhism for Children, by A. Christina Albers.

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# GENERAL REPORT 

OF THE

# TWENTY-EIGHTH <br> ANNIVERSARY AND CONVENTION 

OF THE
THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
Hfld at Adyar, Madras, India, DECEMBER $27 \mathrm{TH}, 28 \mathrm{TH}, 29 \mathrm{TH}$ AND 30TH, 1903.

WITH OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.
The 28th Convention and Anniversary of the Society was notable above all its predecessors in the number of delegates, members and friends in attendance and the widely cosmopolitan character of the gathering. There were delegates present from the Scandinavian, British, French, Dutch, Italian, Australasian, New Zealand, and Indian Sections, as well as a representative group of the Buddhists of Ceylon ; 29 Parsis from Bombay, Surat, Hyderabad and other places came, and among the active members were Principals of five Colleges and a contingent of some thirty Europeans, both ladies and gentlemen. The lovely garden of the headquarters was very much occupied with temporary structures - huts, bathing-rooms and long ranges of contiguous habitations ordered in advance by individual delegates and branches for their temporary accommodation. The flat roofs of the main building and the two others situate along the river bauk were covered with leaf and bamboo structures, and the extension of the Adyar Library, an imposing-looking two-story building, being fortunately unfinished inside, the upper and lower floors were ingeniously laid off in small single apartments for the accommodation of European, Parsi, Buddhist and Jain delegates. Sixty-five persons had to be supplied with food and lodgings after the European fashion, while the long brick dining-floors near the Brahmin well, converted for the time being into lofty dining-halls by superstructures of bamboo and palmleaf, were enlarged so as to contain in all two hundred and twenty running feet in length, affording the opportunity of having 700 Hindus eating their meals simultaneonsly. The staff of domestic servants, of gardeners and watchmen, water-carriers, etc., was doubled and, for the time being
the headquarters buildings and grounds were converted into a sort of village teeming with inhabitants. This enormous increase in the attendance was partly due to the incidence of the meeting of the Indian National Congress, which draws several thousand persons from all parts of India. But the constantly growing popularity of Mrs. Besant throughout India had also much to do in the affair. The Convention Hall can, with close packing, be made to hold about 1,500 people, but the applications for tickets of admission rose to several thousands. This made a very serious complication, as those to whoni the Committee appointed by the President to make selections should deny tickets would, in most cases, feel themselves aggrieved, the more so since the majority of them had come from distant points expressly to attend the Convention. Finding himself in a complete dilemma, the President-Founder gladly accepted Mrs. Besant's offer to give a popular lecture on the 27 th December in the open air before commencing her usual course of four discourses to the Convention. Her subject was "The Value of Theosophy in the Raising of India." On one of the lawns an area of 7,500 square feet was enclosed, with a fence and seats and carpets for the holders of tickets for reserved places, and a speaker's platform with a roof sloped to serve as a sounding-board was erected. But by early dawn such a crowd had gathered that they swept away the fence and took possession of all the ground, the benches and chairs were passed over their heads to the outside, and the crowd squatted on the carpets spread around the platform, By the time that the President-Founder and Mrs. Besant appeared, the audience numbered some 5,000 persons. Our distinguished guests, high European officials and ladies, the highest officials of Native States, Rajahs, Nawabs and Zemindars had to be content with places under the trees and outside the crowd, the great mango and banyan trees themselves were full of onlookers. Mrs, Besant's voice, to our astonishment-for she had been suffering from a severe cold-rang out clear and strong and her lecture was listened to in profound silence, with occasional irrepressible outbursts of cheering. The tax on her throat was too much, however, to continue the lectures in the open air and the subsequent ones had to be given in the Convention Hall. At the first lecture the crush was very great, and so importunate were the outsiders that they actually smashed the heavy wood and iron Western gate of the Hall and came in with a rush.

The Convention proper was called to order by the PresidentFounder as usual at noon on the 27 th and after the usual preliminaries he delivered the following Annual Address:

## President's Address.

Brothers: It is again my privilege to report a year of unrelaxing activity and gratifying success. The groups of small flags which you see around this hall represent so many different countries
to which our theosophical movement has extended. There] should be forty-six of them, the last to be counted having been Costa Rica, in Central America, from which the glad tidings reached me only a few weeks ago, while I was in the Island of Cuba. It occurred to me at Paris that it would be an excellent way to give you an idea of the world-wide extension of the movement if I should have such trophies as these put up around the walls of the Convention Hall ; it is, in fact, a valuable object lesson for you all to just pass around from column to column and see how the standards of all these countries now hang side by side, as though in seeming amity, although they represent countries which have passed through dreadful eras of international strife, and some of whom are even now preparing to take each other by the throat.

## New Sections.

No new Section charters have been issuled during the last twelve month but, as I told you last year, the formation of one in South America is imminent, and I was assured at Havana quite recently that they expected to add, within the coming quarter, three new branches to the four existing ones and then to demand a charter for the Cuban Section of the T. S. This will probably astonish you as it did me, and yet I am quite prepared to receive such an application when I consider the firmness of character and the single-minded zeal of the Cuban colleagues whom it has been my good fortune to meet. I am told that a majority of men in Spanish-speaking countries are not so much hostile to religion as positively indifferent to its truth or falsehood. This is a much more dangerous state of mind than ofen religious revolt; for the latter breeds its martyrs while the former engenders only the habit of mental indolence and vicious proclivities. Yet, at the same time, among these Latin peoples, I have found a large public eager to gain information about theosophical teachings, among them, the staunch friends in the West Indies and South America who have clustered around us and seem to be willing to work with energy and unselfishness for the spread of ideas.

## The Movement in India.

The Annual Report of the General Secretary of the Indian Section, to be presently read to you, shows au unabated activity and growth, for which our sincere thanks are due to the brothers who have been charged with the administration of affairs. Great praise is due to Mr. K. Narayanasawmy Iyer and his brother Inspectors of Branches. The Central Hindu College-which, of course, is not a work of the Theosophical Society but of Mrs. Besant and her associates, just as the Society is not directing the educational movement in Ceylon, but only individual members-has greatly prospered during the past year. Mr. M. U. Moore has not yet been
able to join the teaching staff but Mr. George Arundale (an Honours man of Cambridge University, in Philosophy) has made a grand beginning in his professorship, and if his health should be spared, will win a most honourable name for himself as a successful teacher. The Central Hindu College, says Prof. Armitage, in The Chronicle of the London Missionary Society for October, is " vibrating with happy energy," the College reports show "how freely the native princes are pouring their gifts into the treasury" ..." the whole educational edifice rests on a religious foundation, and the students diligently practise the duties assigned to the Hindu boy from remote antiquity. Ancient hymns from the Vedas are chanted and liturgical passages are duly recited each morning before studies begin, and every boy and young man is taught that the noblest ideals of manly virtue, as of spiritual culture, are put before him in the Hindu writings." The colossal achievements of Mrs. Besant in promoting the Hindu religious revival (begun when H. P. B. and I arrived in India in 1879), will never be thoroughly appreciated until her biographer takes up the story of her activities. To the reflective Hindu of the future, the fact of its all being accomplished by an English lady will enhance the wonder of the result of her labours. She has already received gifts in money and real estate for the College to the extent of $4 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs of rupees.

## American Section.

The first notable incident in Mr. Fullerton's report is the fact that, after all the activity since the re-organisation of the Section the number of branches stands at 70 . This seems to be the pivotal point, the numbers running up a few figures and then dropping back again as immature and too hastily formed branches appear, dissolve and others come in. Mr. Leadbeater's tour has met with surprising success, his six months' courses in Chicago having filled a large hall week after week. Mr, Leadbeater has made, during the intervals of his public engagements, two notable books-" Man, Visible and Invisible," and "The other side of death," while a third is now in press. A generous subscription of one thousand dollars by an individual member lias been made to the Propaganda Fund for the expenses of travelling lecturers, so that we may reasonably hope to find in Mr. Fullerton's next report the evidence of widespread activity throughout the section.

## Other Sections.

The reports from all the Sections are encouraging, as will be seen on their perusal. Under its new title the British Section is working well. That of the French Section is especially encourag* ing

Our "Day of Remembrance."

The death of one after another of our most respected colleagues has caused me to conceive of the idea of guarding against the possibility of our soon forgetting their services by giving a broader character to the White Lotus Day, orginally proclaimed by me just after Mme. Blavatsky's death. A sentence which occurs in one of the letters from a Master to Mr. Sinnett has dwelt in my memory ever since I read it, viz., " ingratitude is not among our vices."* As we are whirled along on the current of busy external life, harassed by cares and excited by experiences of good and evil fortune, we are but too prone to forget those once dear and admired associates who stood beside us in our battle for Truth, but from time to time have passed out of our sight. Men who were young and in the prime of life when our Society came into view are now old and nearing the goal of their life's karma; they disappear in the course of nature, leaving behind them only the records of useful work, to be soon obliterated in the page of everyday life. For my part, I cannot see why, in keeping fresh the memory of H. P. B., we should fail to bear in mind the names and deeds of those who made possible the accomplishment of the purpose of her delegated mission. Each country mourns its departed theosophical leaders; France has lost Blech; Holland, Meulemann ; India, Rustomji Master, Damodar, Nobin Bannerji, K. M. Shroff and others; the Ceylon Buddhists recall the names of Medankara, Ambaghawatte, Batuwantudawe, Mohattiwatte and others; England has recently lost Louisa Shaw ; Australia mourns Staples, and so on and so on. If the older members have forgotten these former leaders, what chance is there that our new recruits will ever know to whom their gratitude is due for service ungrudgingly rendered? Our Society is still young and it is not too late for us to begin this labour of love and respect. I am gratified to know that this suggestion of mine has been received with warm welcome in the American, British, French, Italian, Scandinavian and some other Sections, so that, in now announcing the step I am about to take, I shall have the general, if not the unanimous concurrence of my colleagues. Henceforth, then, the White Lotus Day shall be our "White Lotus Day of Remembrance " and when we gather together let it be a part of the programme of the meeting to include in the discourse upon H. P. Blavatsky the names of her greatest colleagues ; those which have a world-wide celebrity to be mentioned throughout all the Sections and the others to be remembered by the Sections to which they respectively belonged. The meeting should be opened in a reverent spirit and the thoughts of all present should be directed so that the currents flowing outward from the physical to the higher
planes may bear to the objects of our remembrance our united, best and strongest wishes for the welfare of the departed.

Presidential Journeys.
My whole time from March until December of the past year, excluding a month in Holland, was spent in France, England, and the Island of Cuba, and devoted to the business of proving the will and securing the Estate of the late Señor Salvador de la Fuentey Romero, the anonymous benefactor to whom we are indebted for the "Founders" and "Damodar" Funds. The seal of secrecy having been removed by that gentleman's death, I am now free to mention his name in connection with his pecuniary gifts to the Society. His property lies in France, England and Cuba and I made, under bad advice, the mistake of beginning proceedings in the Court at Paris instead of going straight to Havana. Eivery legal subterfuge was employed to defeat my object, but in the long run I succeeded in vindicating our legal rights and after accomplishing the now quite easy task of procuring probate in England and France, I shall be able to dispose of the money according to the provisions of the Will.

## Theosophy in Europe.

In July last, at the time of the Annual Convention of the British Section, the work of forming a Federation of European Sections was inaugurated at London with my consent and under my chairmanship. Delegates representing the British, French, Dutch, German and Italian Sections attended and a number of excellent Speeches were made, showing the best feeling to prevail throughout Europe. An invitation from the Dutch Section to hold the next session at Amsterdam was thankfully accepted and Mr. Johan van Manen was elected Secretary, and Editor of the papers that might be presented for inclusion in a bound volume. Having been detained involuntarily over five months at Paris I had the delightful opportunity of making the personal acquaintance of all the members in that city. I also presided at their celebration of White Lotus Day and the Annual Convention. The impression made upon my mind by this intimate relationship with my French colleagnes was that the future of Theosophy in France is full of hope. In Holland I passed several weeks and was more thoroughly convinced than ever that among our Dutch members Theosophy is a strong factor in shaping their lives. The devoted services of our group at the Amsteldijk headquarters, headed by Mr. Fricke, deserve the highest praise. Despite the staggering blow caused by the death of that beloved "Mother of Dutch Theosophy," Madame Meuleman, they are pushing on the movement with unflagging determination, I had the opportunity of presiding at the Annual Convention at Amsterdam,
of the Dutch Section, and on that occasion received, on behalf of the Adyar Library, a splendid casket of ebony adorned with gold and coral, made and presented by the members of the Section as a receptacle for the superb autograph album which they gave me on my seventieth birthday. A brief visit to Geneva brought me into contact with the leaders of our movement in that historic city of Switzerland and enabled me to form, as in other places, friendships which will endure during my whole life. The historical memorandum supplied by Mrs. Cooper-Oakley at the request of the Council of the Italian Section shows a remarkable state of things. Despite the suspicions and ill-will of the clerical party, Theosophy is spreading throughout that country and among our recruits are a number belonging to the military and naval services.

The Countess Wachtmeister and her son, and Mme. Helen Sjöstedt, of Göteburg, who have visited the extreme north of Sweden, report their astonishment at finding so deep an interest in theosophical matters up there and such eagerness to procure Swedish translations of our literature.

## Adyar.

Visitors now at our headquarters have expressed surprise and gratification upon seeing the various improvements in the buildings which have been recently made, notably the two-storied extension of the Adyar Library building. The necessity for providing more room for our collections of Eastern and Western literature is continually pressing upon our notice. The library is growing rapidly, several thousand volumes of French and Spanish books, well-bound and of intrinsic merit, which came into my possession at Havana, are now on their way here. I hope to be able to show the delegates to our next biennial Adyar Convention the Library buildings completed and both the Eastern and Western collections housed under the same roof. Among other needed improvements about the place will be a convenient Indian rest-house, or dharmasala, with kitchens attached, for the accommodation of visitors and of students who may flock to us to use our Oriental Library. A comfortable reading room will also be provided, and I have in mind a suggested scheme of a Lending Library. My life term is closing now and $I$ am building and planning for the upkeep of the Library headquarters for my successor.

## Growth of the Society.

During the twelve-month we have chartered forty-seven new branches of which twenty-one are in India, but since the revival of a long dormant branch is practically equivalent to the creation of a new one, if we should add to the above number the twenty-seven which have been revived in India, we should dhave a total of seventyfour branches added to our roll. The following is the ustual statistical information :

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## New Branches in Each Section.

America has added two new Branches to our list during the past year and four of her former branches have been dissolved or amalgamated.

India has added twenty-one new Branches to her Section, twenty-seven dormant ones have been revived and several centres formed.

In the British Section four new Branches have been formed,
New Zealand has two new Branches.
In the Scandinavian Section two new Branches have also been formed,

Netherlands Section shows five new Branches, including three in the Dutch East Indies.

The French Section has three new Branches.
Germany has one new Branch.
South America has three new Branches.
In Cuba two new Branches have been chartered.
In South Africa one new Branch has been formed.

## Localities of New Branches.

American Section:-Providence, R. I., Wilkesbarre, Pa.
Indian Section :-Twenty-one localities (mention omitted).
British Section :-Brussels, Newcastle upon Tyne, Southampton, York.

Scandinavian :-Hernosand, Ostersund.
New Zealand :-Napier, Auckland.
Netherlands :-Nymegen, Hilversum ; and in Dutch East Indies, Soerbaya, Buitengorg, Djokdjakarta.

French Section :-Nice, Geneva (Switzerland), Sofia (Bulgaria).
German Section :-Weimar.
South Africa :-Krugersdorf.
South America:-Combarbalâ (Chile) Montevideo (Uruguay), Lima (Peru).

Cuba.-Havana, Banes.

## The Adyar Itbrary.

It now appears that I was greatly misled by the reports of our former Librarian as to the number and quality of Sanskrit works in our collection : involuntarily and innocently I was made to represent our literary treasures as greater than they are, It will be seen, however, from the report of Mr. G. Krishna Sastri, that the Adyar Library holds an important place among the libraries of India, with the added capital soon to come into our possession. I shall be in a position to add enormonsly to its importance. The Librarian says:

To the President-Founder, T. S., Managing Trustee of the Adyar Library:-I beg to submit the following report on the progress of the Adyar Library for the year ending 3 rst December 1903, and also to bring to your notice its urgent needs:-

We had, at the beginning of the current year, 3,219 MSS. and 4.345 printed works in the Eastern Section, and 6,124 printed works in the Western Section of our Library as shown in Statement A., not reckoning the duplicates of $2,453 \mathrm{MSS}$. and 861 printed works in the Eastern Section.

I made a short tour of two months in a few places in the Malabar District and Cochin Territory and Pandit Yajnesvara Dikshita was on tour for two months in the suburbs of Chingleput and in a few places in the Cuddalore District with such results as are shown in Statement B. Although the MSS. collected this year have not as yet been properly examined and judged, we have found on a cursory examination that out of 621 MSS. secured by us 157 are rare and useful to the Library, and that out of 24 books collected by me, 7 are likewise rare and useful.

Statements C and D show that $\mathrm{I7}$ MSS. covering 40,500 granthas (counting 32 letters for 'a grantha) were loaned to us during the year, for copying for the Library, and that in of them have been completely copied and two are being copied. 14 MSS. copied during last year and those copied this year, together making a total of 67,553 granthas, have to be compared hereafter.

The Registers maintained in both the Sections of the Library show that the establishment has done satisfactory work, that the attendance has been regular and that no employee has taken more than 80 days' leave (allowed by the rules) during the year.

They also show that 'during the year under report (up to the r 5 th instant) more than 500 visitors (not counting the Indian ladies, school boys and those who are unable to write) have visited the Library, that more than 500 works have been used by the members at the Headquarters and that nearly 500 works have been consulted by those who came from outside for purposes of reading and reference.

I have said in my last year's report that we were then in a position to proceed this year with the card catalogue of the Eastern Section. But to be able to do so, we had to re-arrange alphabetically all the Palm-leaf MSS. and to renew the old labels put on them, for the following reasons:- They were not in the first place uniform in point of particulars and size. They looked very shabby and many of them were already worn out. They were kept loose on the top of the cadjan bundles underneath the thread with which they are tied, and consequently they very often interchanged places. They were so flimsy that they could not last long. Our new printed tickets with cloth backs are uniform in point of particulars and size and can be put on the top of any palm-leaf MS. by passing its thread through a ring-hole in each of them.

Our two assistant pandits were engaged during the greater part of the year in renewing all the old labels and in writing more than 3,000 new tickets after rejudging the MSS. when necessary.

All MSS. collected up to the end of last year have been dealt with in this manner.

We have now fairly entered upon the work of preparing our final catalogue which will enable us to issue the descriptive catalogue in due course. I have adopted the following method which is the least defective and the most convenient for references, after constulting the standard catalogues and reading the opinions of eminent orientalists :-

When a palm-leaf MS. is admitted, the new (printed) ticket is put upon it and after judging it, the necessary particulars are noted in the printed slip. Two cards, one for the author and another for the work, are then written. Then the particulars of each printed slip are copied into the "Alphabetical" and "Subject" Registers kept for the purpose. The same method has to be followed in the case of the printed works in the Eastern Section.

When the descriptive catalogue is required, the Pandits need only attach to the printed slip a fly-leaf at the bottom giving the beginning, the end and the colophon.

I take this opportunity of bringing to your notice the fact that our establishment is so small that we cannot get through the new catalogue within a reasonable time without additional hands. We require from the beginning of next year two more Pandits for the catalogue work, two Pandits for comparing work which is largely in arrears (vide Statement C), and three more copyists. More than 50 useful MSS. are so far damaged as to become useless for reference very soon if not ordered to be re-written in a short time.

I would recommend that they be re-written on the strong fibrous palm-leaf, for the following reasons: The fibrous palm-leaf is cheaper and more durable than paper. The cost of copying on
palm-leaf is comparatively less. The art of writing on palm-leaf which is fast dying out in India can, by this means, be revived.

The appointment of a clerk to assist me in the work of sorting out and arranging alphabetically the slips and cards and in writing up the new Registers and"cards, is also a necessity if the new catalogue is to be finished within a short time. With the addition of 4 more Pandits, 3 more copyists and a clerk we can turn out very good results from the beginning of next year.

Nearly 6,000 printed slips for MSS. and 5,000 slips for printed works in the Eastern Section have now to be prepared, giving the necessary particulars of each MS. or printed work as the case may be. A Pandit could, on an average, prepare in a day 20 slips for MSS. and 40 slips for printed works. Calculating at this rate it would take more than one year for two Pandits deputed for that purpose alone to finish the writing of these slips. The late Curator of the Government Oriental Library required ten years to get through his Sanskrit catalogue which was prepared under his supervision by two Pandits and a few copyists ; and it will not, therefore, be too much if we require the additional hands now asked for, for preparing our final catalogue of Sanskrit and Vernacular MSS. and printed works.

Each Pandit is required by us to fill up on an average 25 slips a day in the case of MSS, and 50 slips a day in the case of printed works. If the additional establishment is sanctioned, then the four Pandits should turn out on an arerage between i20 to ${ }^{5} 50$ slips a day, and hand them to me. I shall have to prepare twice as many cards as there are slips and then have the particulars found in the slips entered in the alphabetical Registers. When all the slips are completed they should again be arranged alphabetically according to subject-matter and then copied into the subject Registers.

On comparing our Library list with that of the Mysore Government Oriental Library Catalogue issued in 1900, we find that they have 2,189 original MSS. exclusive of the commentaries, etc., that they have more than 200 MSS, that we should like to possess copies of ; that we have in our collection more than roo MSS. that they would like to possess copies of, and that we have secured more than 20 MSS. that are unique although the names of a few of them have been mentioned in the Catalogus Catalogorum. Comparing our establishment with that of the Mysore Library we find that they have, besides the Curator, 3 or 4 well paid Pandits and a Librarian, and a sufficient number of copyists and temporary hands.

It will be better for us to get from the Mysore Library from time to time, a few of those MSS. that we would like to possess copies of, and have them copied and compared here alone, and
then returned, and they could also get in the same manner from us any MSS. they may require.

I therefore beg to bring to your prominent notice the necessity of additional staff and request you to give your best consideration to the matter.

Mr. J. W. Boissevain of Amsterdam whom you invited to Adyar who is now getting himself acquainted with this Library work and studying the South Indian characters, fully concurs with me in the views set forth above, after having himself carefully gone into the details.

The publication of the proposed Sanskrit magazine will go to increase the utility of the Library and enable us to increase its literary treasures by enlisting the sympathy of the owners of private libraries. The Oriental scholars too will then begin to take greater interest in this Library and help it in many ways.

If the requisite addition to the Library staff is sanctioned, we are ready to begin the proposed Sanskrit periodical without prejudice to our catalogue work.
G. Krishna $\mathrm{S}^{\prime} \mathrm{A}^{\prime}$ Stri',

Librarian.

ADYAR,<br>18th December 1903.

## Statement A.

Manuscripts and printed books in Eastern and Western Sections of the Adyar Library, as per stock taken on the 15 th December 1903.

| Subjects. |  | Manuscripts. |  | Printed Works. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Original. | Duplicate. | Original. | Duplicate. |
| 1. Samskrita Literature |  | 2,858 | 2,357 | 2,041 | 579 |
| 2. Vernacular do |  | 287 | 2,96 | 780 | 282 |
| 3. Buddhistic do | $\ldots$ | 62* | - | 1,368 | ... |
| 4. Other religious do | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 86 | $\cdots$ |
| 5. Miscellaneous do | ... | 10 | ... | 70 |  |
|  |  | 3,219 | 2,453 | 4,345 | 861 |

* Includes one copperplate MS.

Statement A-(continued).


Statement B.
Manuscripts and printed books collected for the Adyar Library during the year 1903.

| Through whom collected. |  | MSS. |  | Printed works. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 号 |  | 汞 |  |
| Through the late Dr, A. Vaidisvara Sastri of Kumbakonara. | 18 | 18 | 19 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |
| Do his brother Mr. A. Narayana Sastri.* | 32 113 | 13 | 19 | 7 |  |
| Do G. Krishna Sastri ... So... | 113 | 17 | 72 | 7 | 17 |
| Do the late Pandit Visvesvara Sastri's son. | 156 | 9 | 147 | ... | ... |
| Purchased from do ... | 43 | 43 | 157 | ... | $\ldots$ |
| Through T. Yajneswara Dikshita ... ... | 192 | 35 | 157 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Purchased from do ... ... | 1 69 | 1 | 69 | $\ldots$ | ... |
| Through K. Purchased from Aiyer do | 69 |  | 69 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Purchased from do ... | 10 | 10 | ... |  | ... |
| Total | 634 | 146 | 464 | 7 | 17 |

Statement $C$.
Work of copying Manuscripts for the Adyar Library turned out during 1903,


Statement $D$.
Rare MSS. loaned to us by the owners of private Libraries for the purpose of taking copies for the Adyar Library in 1903.


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## Our Literâture.

We are as active as ever in the output of books, pamphlets and magazines and the rendering of our English:works into the various Continental languages goes on as heretofore. The year's list is as follows :

> Books and Pamphlets Published During the Past Year. Englisis.

" Man, Visible and Invisible," by C. W. Leadbeater.
"The Other Side of Death,"
"Some Glimpses of Occultism, Ancient and Modern," by C. W. Leadbeater,
"The Nature of Theosophical Evidence," by C. W. Leadbeater,
"Rationale of Telepathy and Mind Cure,"
"The Soul and its Vestures," "
"Reincarnation,"
"Life after Death-Purgatory," "
"Lifer Deth- "
"Life after Death-The Heaven-World," "
"England and India," by Annie Besant.
" Did Jesus live 100 years, B.C. ?" by G. R. S. Mead.
"Elements of Theosophy," by Lilian Edger.
"Studies in the Bhagavad Gita," (No. 2) by 'Dreamer.'
"Theosophy and Home Life," by E. W. Bell. Transactions of the London Lodge.
"The Constitution of the Earth," No. 38, by A. P. Sinnet,
" The Law of Sacrifice," No. 39, by W. Scott Elliot.
"The Sanatana Dharma Series."
No. 2 "Elementary Text Book."
,, 3, " Advanced Text Book."
"Free will and Necessity," by A. Schwarz.
" Vedanta and Theosophy," by G. Krishna S'âstrî.
" Daily Practice of the Hindus."
"Sunday Class Diary."
"Theosophy and the Theosophical Society."
" Value of Devotion " and " Gurus and Chelas."
Danish,
"Esoteric Christianity," *
Swedish.
" Outline of Theosophy." *

## Dutch.

" Ancient Wisdom." *
"Outline of Theosophy."*
"The Mental Plane." *
"Second Series Lectures," (Mrs. Besant).
"Incidents in the Life of Madame Blavatsky*."
"Secret Doctrine," * (Nos. 5 and 6).
"Reincarnation," * (2nd Edition).

## FRENCH,

"L'Islamisme et Son Esoterisme."
"Les Mystieques devant la Science."
"Esotiric Christianity." *
"Introduction to Theosophy." *
"Some Difficulties of the Inner Life." *
" Man, Visible and Invisible." *
"An Outline of Theosophy."*

## Italitan.

"Thought Power." *
"Reincarnation,"*
"Outline of Theosophy." *
"Death and After." *
Geneva Lectures (Dr. Pascals).
" The Daily Practice of Theosophy." *
" Light on the Path." *
"Esoteric Christianity." *
"L'Inconntue." *

## German.

"Christendom as a Mystical Fact,"
"Esoteric Christianity."*
"Astral Plane,"
"Outline of Theosophy."
Vernacular.
"The Place of Peace."
"Invisible Helpers."
"Light on the Path."
"Sri Ramachandra."
"Man's Condition After Death."
"Life of Zoroaster."
"Sanatana Dharma Catechism," Bengali and Hindi.
"Death and After," Bengali.
"Satpancha Choupai," Hindi.
"The Twelve Minor, Upanishads," Tamil.
"The Building of the Cosmos," Urdu.
"Iswara Bhakti," Canarese.
" Margopadesha Mâlâ," Surat T. S.
"Hridaya Vinoda."
Magazines.
The Theosophist,
The Theosophical Review,
Vahan,Prasnottara,Theosophic Gleaner,Central Hindu College Magazine,The Buddhist,Journal of the Mahia-bodhi Society,Theosophy in Australasia,New Zealand Theosophical Magazine,The South African Theosophist,Modern Astrology,Theosophical Messenger,Theosophical Forum,The Lotus Journal,Teosofisi Tidskrift (Swedish),Lucifer (German),English (Monthly.)

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| $"$ | $"$ |
| $"$ | $"$ |Revue Théosophique Fransaise, (French),

Bulletin Theosophique3Sophia (Spanish),"
Phitadelphia (Spanish), ..... "
Theosophia (Dutch),Theosophischer Maandblad,Der Vâhan (German), trans, and original,Le Bulletin Théosophique (French),

The Punjab Theosophist, The Cherag (Gujarati), The Pantia, Sanmârga Bodhini,POLYGLOT.

POLYGLOT.
$\qquad$ Vernacular (Monthly). $" \#$
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Telugu
(Weekly.

The Panchama Education Movement.
The report of Mrs. N. A. Courtright, Superintendent of my Panchama schools (Vide p. 40) is eminently worthy of your attention. During the year she has introduced with success some kindergarten methods in connection with the general scheme of primary education. The Director of Public Instruction and other leading educationists of the Presidency have expressed their deep interest in the progress of the experiment after visiting our schools and seeing the children taught, while the satistical pages adjoined to Mrs. Courtright's report show the stricking fact that, as against an average of $76 \%$ in all the schools of the Madras Presidency for the year 1902-03 in the infant, first, second, third and fourth standards, the average of the four Olcott Free Schools during the same period and in the same standards was $89 \%$. I believe that the greater part of this handsome result is due to the special pains that are taken and the judicious plan of treatment adopted in educating the Pariah children,

However that may be, the comparison is a striking one and full of promise for the success of our experiment in the raising to the level of manhood and self-respect these down-trodden victims of human injustice.

## Buddhist Education.

We are favoured to-day with the presence of my old friend and tried colleague, Mr. D. B. Jayatilleke, Principal of the Ananda (Buddhist) College, Colombo, Ceylon, and Mr. F. L. Woodward, m.A., (Cantab.), who has recently accepted, at much self-sacrifice, the difficult post of Principal of the Mahinda Buddhist College at Galle. Owing to neglect and mismanagement this once promising educational institution fell so low that when Mr . Woodward joined there were only 89 boys on the roll. Within the short time that he has been in office he has raised the number to 150 and there is every reason to believe that the College will soon reach the state of prosperity and usefulness. The educational movement throughout Ceylon holds its own and if the Trustees of Mahinda College succeed in getting the substantial help which they are expecting from a certain quarter an immense impetus will be given to the whole movement. The Ceylon Buddhists, as I have heretofore observed, deserve our interest and respect for the pertinacity displayed by them during the past nineteen years. The Girls' school of Mrs, Higgins prospers as in the past.

## Financial.

The Legacy of Rs. 16,000 by the late Mr. P. N. Jog, of Amraoti, mentioned in my last year's report as having been mulcted in the sum of Rs. II,000 for cost of Probate, has, in consequence of my protest, been made up to the full sum bequeathed, and the sums which I distributed among the Sections as help towards propaganda work have brought in very satisfactory returns. The White Estate is still unsettled owing to the Trustees having been worsted in litigation with a squatter on some of Mr. White's land. The Estate has had to pay heavy costs, and at present the outcome is doubtful. The third estate which I reported last year as having been bequeathed to me in her will by an American lady has been taken away from us by the friend in question by the execution of a new will, her interest in Adyar having lapsed for reasons best known to herself and which it is not our business to inquire into. The investment in a large loan made by us on a Behar estate several years ago, and which, owing to the calamities of drought, famine and pestilence in that Province, has not yielded us a rupee of interest, seems now to be in a fair way of settlement. The estate was recently, by order of the Court, sold at auction and bought in by me at a price which is far enough below the estimated value of the property to ensure us the return of our capital with ten per cent. interest and a profit in addition.

## Messages of Congratulation.

A cable despatch of Congratulation was received from Genoa, Italy and a letter from the General Secretary of the Australasian Section. Various telegrams from Branches and members in India were received during the sessions of the Society and of the Indian Section.

## REPORT OF THE AMERICAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder T. S.:-The following statistics of the American Section cover the year from Nov. 1, 1902, to Nov. 1, 1903.

One Branch has been chartered ; Providence T. S., Providence, R. I.

Four Branches have dissolved: Council Bluffs T. S., Council Bluffs, Iowa; Omaha T. S., Omaha, Neb; ; Wachtmeister T. S., Washington, D. C. ; Eastern Psychology Lodge T. S., Chicago, Ill. The last virtually amalgamated with the Chicago T.S. There are now 70 Branches in the Section, a loss of 3 .

Members admitted during the year 415 ; resigned 25 ; died 13 . The increase is 19 I .

The recent Convention transferred The Theosophic Messenger from San Francisco to Chicago and entrusted its editing to the National Committee. Communications should hereafter be addressed to National Committee, Editor, 5131 Washington Ave., Chicago, III.

Following Mr. Leadbeater's "Outline of Theosophy" came his "Man, Visible and Invisible" and his "The Other Side of Death," and still another work, " SSome Glimpses of Occultism, Ancient and Modern," consisting of the new matter given in his 28 lectures at Chicago, is now being issued by the Theosophical Book Concern of that city.

Other than the continuance of Mr. Leadbeater's tour and the fortunate fact that it is to be prolonged until February, 1905, at which time he will sail for his visit to Australia and New Zealand, the Section has no imomentous matter to report. Yet there is an item of interest in connection with the recent Annual Convention, held at the close of September. There had been arranged a series of eight or nine Post-Convention meetings, several each day and lasting for some days, whereat should be illustrated H.P.B. Training Class methods, Class and Branch work, \&e., and ineluding a Conference of Delegates with the National Committee. The attendance, the interest, the vigorous vitality of these meetings surprised even the projectors, the meetings were really the feature of Convention, and undoubtedly they will be provided at every Convention hereafter. As in the Convention of 1902, the spirit of genial barmony was so universal, so palpable, that it was commented upon by many.

At the present era a skilled lecturer and Branch-trainer, Mt. Thomas Prime, is giving his whole time to such work, his missionary sphere being now the Pacific Coast. A subscription at Convention, swelled by a gift of $\$ 1,000$ from one member, will make possible much valuable service from several field-workers this year, and it is hoped that from these will arise one who shall be comparable to Mr. Prime and shall do in the East what he is doing in the West. If this enormous country could be adequately traversed, it might readily become a Theosophical garden. And assuredly the new sub-Race will need for its home a region thus thoroughly and fittingly prepared.

The recent Convention enthusiastically welcomed the PresidentFounder's suggestion that the White Lotus Day Celebration hereafter include commemoration of the services of prominently active Theosophists dying during the preceding year, and unanimously, adopted a Resolution endorsing it.

The Chicago Branch is now one of the largest in the T. S., having 246 members.

Alexander Fullerton,
General Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE BRITISH SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T. S.:-Until my return to England from India in February last, Mrs. Hooper most kindly continued to act as General Secretary and my heartiest thanks are due to her for the able manner in which she discharged the duties of this office, The growth of the Society has continued to be steady and satisfactory and the following new Branches, four in all, have been added to our roll, viz., Lotus Blanc (Brussels), Newcastle upon Tyne, Southampton, and York, making our total number up to 42 , including the Belgian and Spanish Branches, which, with your kind sanction, have continued to be affiliated to this Section, and are still represented on our Executive Committee by Senor Xifré and Dr. Mench. Between November ist, 1902 and October 31st, 1903, 271 new members have joined the Section, 31 have resigned, to have died and 86 have lapsed.

The Annual Convention, held in July, under the chairmanship of the President-Founder, was most successful, though we all sorely missed Mrs. Besant's inspiring presence amongst us , as we have also continually missed it throughout the year. Several important subjects occupied the attention of the Convention, the most important of which, perhaps, was the question of the financial position of the Section, which for some years past has been very largely dependent upon guaranteed annual donations to make both ends meet. The donations have not been fully maintained, and as old contributors drop off, their place had not been
taken by niew comers. The Executive Committee, therefore, were compelled to consider the whole position with earnest care and on the Report of the Treasurer, it was unanimously resolved to recommend to the Convention the increase of the Annual Dues from members of Lodges to ro shillings and from unattached members to $£ 1$ and to abolish the present Entrance Fee of £r. After considerable discussion, the Convention by a large majority adopted these recommendations and decided that they should come into effect from May I, 1904. It is my pleasant duty here to place on record the sincere thanks and appreciation of this Section for the help of our President-Founder, who generously agreed to limit the amount of the payments of this Section to Adyar to 25 per cent. of the Annual Dues calculated on the old basis, subject to the total sum remitted not falling below this year's total. For this substantial lelp in the task of putting this Section on a sound financial basis we are most grateful and trust hereafter to prove it in deeds as well as words.

In connection with our Convention the inaugural meetings of the Federation of European Sections were held ; one a business and the other a public meeting: the President-Founder presiding at both. Both were conspiciously successful and give promise that this fresh step in drawing closet the bonds of international solidarity between all the workers in our great movement will prove exceedingly useful and effective. In this connection I may add that the Executive Committee has recently appointed a strong Special Committee to represent the Section and to further the objects in view in every way. Of this Committee, Miss Spink has most kindly accepted the Secretaryship, and as she takes the greatest interest in the work, we feel confident that it will grow and prosper.

During the winter months Mr. Mead gave two most interesting courses of lectures at 28, Albemarle Street, on Tuesdays, dealing with "The Wisdom of Egypt in Greek Tradition" and "The Theosophy of Egypt in Greek Tradition," respectively, During the spring he also paid a six weeks' visit to Italy, where he lectured a good deal and helped on the work of our Italiam brothers to the best of his power.

Miss Arundale also held a highly valuable class at the Headquarters for the study of the "Bhagavad Gitầ," until her departure for India early this year, and Mr. Dyne continued his classes in Science, dealing with Dr. Bose's work, " Response in the Living and Non-living," and with "Cranial Psychology and Theosophy."

The Practice Debating Class, or class for Theosophical Discussion, also continued its meetings regularly, while the Social Committee, to which our most grateful thanks are due for its admirable work, again arranged for the usual Monday afternoon Question Meetings and also organised several "At Homes."

After his return in February the General Secretary gave a series of twelve lectures upon Mr. Myers' recent work, "Human Person-
ality," on Monday afternoons, taking the place of the ustal Question Meetings, also delivering a course of six lectures on the same sub. ject in Edinburgh in October, to very good audiences. Mr. A. H. Ward has continued his most valuable study class and Miss Lloyd her correspondence class, with great success.

The Blavatsky Lodge has held its regular Thursday and Sunday evening meetings throughout the year and the average attendance has been fairly good.

Thus the Head-quarters has been very fully utilised and, heavy as are the expenses which its upkeep entails, there can be no doubt that its central, convenient, accessible locality and good surroundings give to the whole Theosophical movement a dignity and position which is of the very greatest value to the cause and which could be secured in no other way.

Mrs. Hooper visited Bournemouth (twice), Plymouth, Exeter, Cardiff, Bath, Bristol, Manchester (twice), Didsbury (twice), Harrogate, Leeds, Bradford, Liverpool, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Newcastle, Hull, York and Middlesbrough, giving most useful and valuable help to the Lodge in each place. Mrs. Lauder visited Bath, Bristol and Sotthampton, doing similar work, and Miss Edith Ward paid very interesting and useful visits and gave lectures at Bath, Bradford, Middlesbrough, Eidinburgh, Harrogate, Leeds, Didsbury, Liverpool, Manchester, Birmingham, Southampton, Bristol, Bath, Plymouth, Exeter and Bournemouth.

The Northern Federation held its usual quarterly meetings at Harrogate, In November I902, Mr. Mead presided, and the meetings in February, May, July and October, 1903 were presided over respectively by Mrs. Hooper, the General Secretary, Mrs. Cooper. Oakley, on a visit from Italy, and Mr. Mead, the last-named also lecturing iu Manchester during his visit to the North. Several of the Dutch members paid a welcome visit to the meetings in July.

The General Secretary included in his lecturing tour in May, besides the Federation meetings, lectures in Manchester, Liverpool, Bradford, York, Huhl, Middlesbrough, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Sheffield and Birmingham. He also presided at the Meeting of the South Western Federation at Exeter in March and visited the various Lodges of the Federation.

The Federation of London Lodges held its meetings at 28, Albemarle Street, in January, April and October, under the presidency of Mr. Sinnett, Mrs. Hooper and Captain Lauder, and like the other Federations has proved very useful in promoting co-operation and the feeling of unity among the various Lodges.

Mr. George Arundale, who had for some months held the post of Joint Assistant Secretary, accepted an appointment as Professor in the Central Hindu College, and left us at the beginning of 1903 with his aunt, Miss Arundale, to take up his new duties. We have thus lost two most valuable workers by transfer to other spheres of
activity ; while more recently a sad accident has removed from this plane Miss Louisa Shaw of Harrogate, one of our most devoted, earnest, reliable and valued workers, who for seven years had been Secretary of the Harrogate Lodge, and had rendered invaluable service to the cause of Theosophy throughout the North of England.

The Lending Library has continued its most valuable and useful work, under the able direction of Miss Lloyd and Miss Gaines, and is steadily increasing in the area of its usefulness. Ninety-two fresh subscribers joined it during the past year, and fifty-two new books were added to its shelves.

The princcipal additions to Theosophical literature during the past year in England have been Mr. Leadbeater's books: " Man : Visible and Invisible ;" and "The Other Side of Death," in addition to a series of his Chicago lectures which have been issued in pamphlet form ; while Mrs. Besant has only published in book form two of her lectures this year, viz.: "Theosophy and Imperialism," and "England and India," though she has contributed a most valuable series of articles to the Theosophical Review, which has well maintained its usual level of value during the year. Mr. Mead has issued a substantial volume dealing with his early Christian researches and entitled "Did Jesus live roo B.C?" The London Lodge Transactions comprise a study by Mr. Sinnett, "The Constitution of the Earth," and Mr. Scott-Elliot's "Law of Sacrifice." Several very useful pamphlets have been published by the Harrogate Lodge including three by the late Miss Louisa Shaw and one on "Theosophy and the Churches," by Mr. Hodgson Smith, being the concluding lecture of a most valuable series given (with the exception of Mr. Smith's) by members of the chief Christian churches under the auspices of the Harrogate Lodge.

In conclusion, it only remains to say that we have every reason to feel satisfied with the steady progress of the movement, with its regular growth in numbers, and what is of far more importance, with the earnestness and quality of its membership. We are, I think, on the eve of entering upon a new phase of our history as regards the general attitude of the thinking world towards the studies which engage our attention, and great, nay almost incredible as has been the change in the last twenty years, it will seem little indeed when we again come to look back over twenty years and measure the ground which we then shall have travelled over. But for ourselves, for the movement in which we are each of us a living cell, the next few years will bring the answer to that all-important question, the question whether we are strong enough, devoted enough, patient enough, large-hearted and open-minded enough to accomplish the great task committed to our care, to achieve that fusion of the higher development of the intellect with the quickening and the growth of the deeper spiritual nature within us, which is the very essence of the
next onward step in the evolution of the human race. For we are the pioneers of that New Day, ad it is our privilege and our inmense responsibility to eatch the first stirrings of that fresher and more living air whose breathing ever heralds the coming of dawn; and just in proportion as we fill our lungs with that new inspiration, and quicken our hearts to respond to the prilse-beat of the new life, so shall we truly fulfil our mission and achieve the purpose for which we have been gathered together.

> Bertram Keightley, General Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE INDIAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T.S.:-The facts and figures given below will speak for themselves as to the work of the Indian Section during the year ending 3oth September 1903; they will no doubt form a mere skeleton, but ought to suffice for your purpose, as they will give you a fair idea about the nature and extent of that work and a comparative view of the situation in India.

Twenty-one new Branches have been chartered, and as many as 27 old and dormant ones waked up into activity-while only 17 went to sleep. The total number of Branches at the end of the year is 284 including dormant ones. There have been 730 new admissions, whereas the loss by resignation amounts to 25 only. 69 however passed away by death and $I_{5}$ dropped out by apathy. But the total number of members in the register down to the close of the session is 7,596 : the increase during the year under report being 62 I.

The literary activity of the Section is represented by the publication of the following books and magazines.

Books translated :-
"The Place of Peace" ... ... In Gujarati.
"Invisible Helpers " ... ... Do.
"Light on the Path" ... ... Do.
"Sanatana Dharma Catechism " ... In Bengali and Hindi.
"Death and After" ... ... In Bengali
" The Twelve Minor Upanishads "... In Tamil.
"The Building of the Cosmos " ... In Urdu.
"Sri Ramachandra" ... ... In Gujarati.
Books published :--.
" Daily Practice of the Hindus " ... In English.
"Sunday Class Diary"
...
... Do.
"Theosophy and the Theosophical Society" In English:
"Satpancha Choupai " ... ... In Hindi.
"Value of Devotion" and "Gurus and Chelas "... ... ... In English.
"The Yoga of Action," by Dreamer Do.


Magazines :-

| The Pantha | In Bengali, |
| :---: | :---: |
| The Theosophical Gleaner | In English. |
| The Brahma Vidya Prachárak | In Hind |
| The Prasnottara ... | In English. |
| The Cherag | Gujarati. |

The work of Inspection of Branches has been more systematic and thorough than ever before and we are thankful to the generosity of a few of our members for improvement in this most important department of our activity.
$\left.\begin{array}{lcccl}\text { Mrs. Besant lectured at } & \ldots & \ldots & \text { Twenty-six places. } \\ \text { Miss Edger at } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \text { Fourteen places. } \\ \text { Mr. F. T. Brooks visited } & \ldots & \ldots & \text { Two places. } \\ \begin{array}{c}\text { M.R.Ry. }\end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c}\text { K. }\end{array} & \text { Narayan } & \text { Swami } & \text { Iyer } & \\ \text { visited } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots\end{array}\right)$ Twenty-two places.


Nor have we done badly in the matter of finance, the income under the various heads being:-

|  | 1903-1904. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Rs. | A |
| Entrance fees | ... | ** | ... 5,763 | 8 |
| Annual Dues | ... | $\ldots$ | ... 6,955 | I |
| Receipts from Prasnoltara | ... | ... | 161 | 10 |
| Garden | ... | ... | 108 | 10 |
| Boarding Receipts | ... | ... | 792 | 1 I |
| Interests on Deposits ... | ... | ... | 112 | 13 |
| Rent of Buildings | $\ldots$ | ... | 761 | 7 |
| Miscellaneous | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 15 | 6 |

Donations to :-
The General Fund
Travelling
The Convention
Dispensary
White Lotus Day
Inspection

Royalty on H. P. B.'s Books
and the nett increase over last year's receipts being $\mathrm{RS}_{5}, 5806.5$ including donations received for the Building Fund.

But the most noteworthy features of the year's activity are:-
( I ) The Registration of the Section, which gives us a legal status.
(2) The forming of three different Federations of T.S. Lodges, viz.:-
(i) "The Bhagirathi Federation" in Bengal;
(ii) "The Federation of the Tamil Districts," and
(iii) "The Madras Central Districts Theosophical Federation" in Madras, which is a sure sign of the growth of interest at the various arcs of the circle.
(3) The marked improvement in the Prasnottara under the able Editorship of Mr. Arundale.

Among other things may be mentioned the realization of Rs, 2,000 from the Maharaja of Kashmir out of the Rs. 12,000 promised by him, the connection of the Section premises with the waterworks which adds greatly to the convenience of its ever-increasing inmates ; the success of our Charitable Homœopathic Dispensary ; the completion of the Shrine and Puja rooms ; and the construction of Lodge-buildings by some more of our Branches.

I hope you will find these facts and figures gratifying and full of promise for the future as well. But what strikes me as more gratifying still, is the absence of a single cloud from our Sectional firmament during the whole of the year, the steady and continual progress which the movement has made, and the way in which our Head-quarters have drawn visitors from all corners of the globe, tending to make the Brotherhood of man an accomplished reality rather than a distant dream.

Upendranath Basu,<br>General Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE SCANDINAVIAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T.S : - In July of this year a new Lodge was formed at Hernosand. The number of Lodges is now 15 . There are 88 new Members. Those who left during the year are 62 , 60 resigned and 2 have died. Increase since last report 26 .

In 1902 the Teosofisk Tidskrift was published monthly in numbers. We have also had "Outline of Theosophy," by Mr. Leadbeater translated into Swedish, and "Esoteric Christianity," by Mrs. Besant, into Danish. Other works are also being prepared. The various Lodges are doing good work, some members being very zealous.

According to resolutions last year a Special Committee was formed for exchanging lectures and papers with various Loodges, and the plan is much appreciated.

During the Spring and beginning of Summer this year, the Section had the great pleasure of receiving a visit from its Honorary Member, the Countess Constance Wachtmeister, who visited most of the Lodges in the Section. All the members have expressed their great thankfulness for having had the pleasure of receiving her, and everywhere the Countess seems to have been able to rouse the members' own interest to life and stronger activity ; in several places she has even prevailed upon more than one outsider to interest himself and help our work by joining the Society. It was moreover, through the Countess' visit to Hernosand that this Lodge was formed. The Section is most gratefully indebted to its Honorary Member for her having given a munificent subscription for the publishing in Swedish of Mr. Leadbeater's latest work, "The Other Side of Death."

With the sum ( $£ 20$ ) which the Section received through you.' Mr. President, for propaganda work, the Executive Committee arranged a lecturing tour by Mrs. Helen Sjöstedt from Götheberg, which is specially intended for the Northern Lodges of the Section, and some other places where we believe an interest is being taken in Theosophical teachings. This tour, which is going on at present, is giving good results ; there seems to be every reason to hope it will afford encouragement and support to members, and help others to seek the truth.

Our Section extends over a vast area, and comprises four different countries. There are under these circumstances, a great many members who do not belong to any Lodge, but are Unattactied and lack opportunity to meet with people of the same opinion in order to exchange thought with them. With a wish to remedy in some degree such cases of isolation, opportunities have been given these members to enter into correspondence with others. Many have availed themselves of this and expressed their great thankfulness for such an advantage having been procured for them.

In many new places in the Scandinavian countries we notice a great and increasing interest in Theosophy, and also a few clergymen are making enquiries into the subject. Last Whitsuntide the Section celebrated its Annual Meeting in Christiania, the capital of Norway. It was well attended, representatives from all four Scandinavian countries being present; several good lectures were delivered, and generally strong and devoted
brotherly feeling prevailed throughout. Lastly, I beg you, Mr. President, to present to the Twenty-eighth Aunual Meeting a warm and brotherly greeting from the Scandinavian Section. Though separated by distance, we are near you in thought, and wish you every success in your work. We deeply feel our obligation for all we have received, and our sincere desire is to be able to make some little contribution to the great common work.

Arvid Knös,
General Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE AUSTRALASIAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T.S:-For the second time I have the pleasure of handing you the annual returns of the Australasian Section. Herewith you will receive the tabulated summary of Branches with the number of members in each, and the usual statements showing additions to and removals from the roll during the year. From these you will see that there are thirteen Branches as before. I regret to have again to send you a long list of removals, chiefly by dropping out. We have during the year admitted 63 new members, reinstated 6, and admitted 4 from other Sections. This is against 33 new members last year, and 55 the year before. All our Branches can be reported in active work excepting Rockhampton and Newtown (Sydney). The former place has gone through a severe strain owing to the great drought, greatly reducing its population, and establishing a chronic anxiety about material things very hard to break through. The failure of Newtown to reach the immense population around is a matter of lack of suitable members to meet the public in platform work, and the unsuitability of their quarters (a private dwelling) as a centre for active propaganda, The chief points of growth in new members this year have been Adelaide, Fremantle, Perth, Brisbane and Cairns. The visits which have been paid to some of these Branches may in a measure account for this. Adelaide had not been visited by a General Secretary for many years, and Perth and Fremantle never before. The number of members struck off the roll appears large, but we are still dealing with !a rather heavy accumulation of indifferent members who, weeded out year by year, would not attract notice. In a country of such magnificent distances, where also the population is largely nomadic, it is difficult sometimes to keep moving members in view, or to sustain the interest of those isolated ones who do not meet a fellow-student once during the year.

Convention.-Our Convention at Easter this year was held at Melbourne, and was a very successful gathering, though, as usual, there were still too many Branches unrepresented except by proxy, The time and money required to cover the long distances between
the chief cities of the states will always militate against these Annual Conventions. The principal business this year was the laying of plans for visiting and lecturing tours for the next two years, and the arrangement for carrying on the issue of the Sectional Magazine. In the course of my subsequent visit to Branches not represented by a Delegate, a great feature was made in the report given by them of the undoubted stimulus and encouragement derived by all members present at the meeting, and of their having carried away with them a spirit of comradeship and brotherhood by contact with each other which was felt on all sides to be most inspiriting. It is my belief that delegates on returning to their Branches carry with them from these annual gatherings a fresh inspiration for the year's work which those Branches not represented would be without.

Activities.-Beyond the usual Branch routine of meetings and lectures, the chief item has been a round of visits by myself to such of our Branches as were not visited last year. On my way to Convention in April I visited Hobart and Launceston in Tasmania, spending a week in each place. After Convention, and a stay of about two weeks in Melbourne, a fortnight was given to Adelaide, and somewhat over three weeks to Fremantle and Perth in Western Australia, a distance by sea from Syduey, including the detour to Tasmania, of very nearly 3,000 miles. On the return journey a fortnight was given to visiting some of the country districts of Victoria, of doubtful value however, owing to the inclemency of the weather in Victoria in mid-winter. Public lectures were given at all places visited, and a considerable quantity of literature sold at the various meet-ings-the audiences at Perth being the largest the writer had ever addressed. This success was mainly due to the splendid newspaper reports which were given us throughout Western Australia. By arranging at the outset for interviews by a reporter from each of the leading papers, a full report of which appeared as an introduction to the lectures, a splendid start was made in each place. The efforts of the members everywhere to secure the success of the lectures and meetings generally deserve my cordial acknowledgment, and I brought home with me a feeling of strength from their loyalty and brotherhood which should always pervade us in a cause such as ours. If any one thing more than another is of value in these visits it is that workers at all centres are made to feel that our movement is worldwide and not merely parochial. In connection with country activities, mention should be made of the lectures given during the year at Ballarat and Bendigo in Victoria by Mr. and Mrs. Hunt.

Literary Work.-We have continued our small magazine the same as usual this year. A stricter attention to collection of subscriptions has shown somewhat better financial results for "T. in A.," but the paper still pays only two-thirds of its cost; however the majority of us are convinced of its great usefulness especially in out-of-the-way corners of the continent. These local publications are
often the only means whereby some country members can ever see what is going ou.

Branch Activities.-It is easier at some centres; than at others to reach the public by Branch work. Some public propaganda is however an essential to vitality, and growth comes in proportion. At Fremantle, Perth, Hobart and Launceston the great need is a central room for the work. In Western Australia the press is not unfriendly and would always give occasional notice to a well-established lecture room. The Tasmanian press is less inclined to help us, but all these Branches will move ahead when in well known and central quarters. Adelaide has a capital room centrally and beautifully situated and could some more of the members develope qualities as public speakers they would hasten the good future before the branch. Regular public meetings are held once or twice a week. Melbourne has a full list of meetings, and gives a public lecture in an outside hall right in the centre of the city, every Sunday night. Their book depôt is very active, and every chance is embraced of carryiny work into the country.

Ibis Lodge. - This Branch pursues a steady course of work in a suburb of Melbourne. Its labours are more with members and students than with the public. They issue a capital syllabus of papers, and do an excellent work in their neighbourhood. Brisbane continues its public propaganda much as usual. It has to work against a hostile press, and to fight an atmosphere of conventionalism to reach the better classes of Society. At Cairns Mr. Mayers has kept us constantly before the public in the press, taking every chance offered, and raising discussions which sometimes occupy many columns of their space. At Sydney the audiences at the Sunday public lectures have grown so as to compel the consideration of a larger room in the near future, Attendance at the other weekly meetings is also much larger than last year. We have to record the retirement, owing to old age and failing health, of their venerable President, Mr. George Peell, whose many years of loyal service will always remain in :the memory of all who have been associated with him in the pioneer days of the T. S. in Australia. Charters Towers-cum Townsville-has this year suffered a severe loss by the departure for America of Mr. M. J. Whitty, the pioneer of the work there. By this removal Townsville becomes the real centre of the Branch work, and the energy of the members there promises to gather renewed vitality out of the trial they have undergone.

Book Depôrs. - We have now six Branches with depôts of books for sate, at three of which a considerable output of literature is constantly going on. From the data available, we are unable to give figures, but all round there has been a marked increase in sales. At head-quarters the increase has been nearly 50 per cent. At even a small centre like Cairns the constant energy of the Secre-
tary has obtained sale for a quantity of literature which would do credit to a large branch.

Prospects.-With Miss Edger lecturing for us next year, and Mr, Leadbeater touring the Section in 1905, we shall probably be having a very active time for two or three years to come and, although it may try all our resources to the utmost to carry out our somewhat ambitious programme, we have every confidence that we shall see it through.

W. G. John,<br>General Secretary,

## REPORT OF THE NEW ZEALAND SECTION.

To the President-Founder T.S. :-I have pleasure in announcing that two new Branches have been formed during the year, one in Napier, for the purpose of study, and one in Auckland, called the H.P.B. Lodge, which has taken the place of the Waitemata Bratich. The latter Branch charter was surrendered on the formation of the former.

During the year, 29 new members have been admitted, if have resigned, 13 lapsed, I transferred, I died, making an increase of 3.

The Convention held on the and January in Dunedin brought some changes. M. Harold Large, B.A, Cambridge, was appointed Assistant General Secretary, and the N. Z. Theosophical Magazine which had hitherto been edited by Mrs. Draffin, except for nearly a year past during her severe illness, when it was taken in hand by several of the Auckland Branch members, was transferred to the N.Z. Section. The Magazine has since been a powerful lever for organisation and propaganda work. Although the circulation has increased to 700 it does not pay its way. At the present time it seems of greater moment to keep before us the question, "What will help the work as a whole ? " As a literary production it will do little more than increase the interest in the larger Reviews and Magazines which are quite sufficient to supply the intellectual, scientific and artistic needs of the Theosophical world. As a propagandist Magazine it will be a messenger to keep our members aware of the local activities and bring about more and more of that co-operation we all need. In order to keep the Magazine going we have adopted the suggestion given out by you, Sir, during your visit to New Zealand some years ago, of "a penny a day" contribution from each member. This penny a-day scheme covers the whole financial field, and will when complete solve our fiuatrial problem. Two Bratriches-, the H. P. B. which has unanimously taken up the scheme, and Dunedinhave led the way. The others have not yet realised the importance of it. Contributions already represent an income of $£ 75$ a year. Many of the contributors are very poor and have hard work to keep up their payments but so far all have done so joyfully and coupled
their doles with kind thoughts which serve, more than they know, to promote the well-being of the Section. The value of the scheme has been seen by several non-members who have joined the Society afterwards.

Miss Edger has begun her lecturing with us and afforded in each series an intellectual treat which has already done much good.

Branch work has been varied throughout the year. Beginning with the Auckland Branch, the Lecture record shows up well. The H.P.B. Branch has grown up to meet a new demand - the Christian side of Theosophy wants emphasising-and after six months of study has now begun outside work. In Wellington some of the younger members from the Birmingham Lodge have aroused the public and prepared themselves for new and greater efforts. Christchurch on the contrary is for the time inactive, having suffered from a too rapid growth in the past, which ere long we hope to see changed for the better. Dunedin has done steady work throughout the year: there is a strong nucleus whose co-operation has been marked. From this centre a group has gone to Invercargill to carry the same loyal and earnest spirit. From Wellington to New Plymotuth in the North Island, and Wellington to Napier the work has followed the railway in a Y, with Woodville and Pahiatua at the junction.

Activity is apparent in Gisborne on the East Coast and at the Kawhia Settlement in the West, also Nelson which is in touch with Wellington. These among the isolated towns. The terra incognita to the North of Auckland is showing life. We can now report that in New Zealand from the North Cape to the Bluff, from the East Cape to Egmont there are members all eager to carry the glad tidings of Theosophy, co-operation and harmony. It seems as if there will be a fusion of the intellectual and higher emotional aspects of lite working along the lines of the great social evolution now manifesting in this country.

C. W. Sanders,<br>General Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE NETHERLANDS SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T. S. :-It is a great pleasure to me to be able to send you again a very favorable report of the Theosophical work of our Section. Very sorry I am that the past year has in one respect been a very sad one to us on account of the departure of Madame Meuleman, our great friend and teacher, which loss was already touched upon by you in a note in your last Annual Report. Although we miss the cheering face of Madame Meuleman as well as her wise counsel, we have tried to the best of our ability to continue the work she loved so well and we may say that although she is not present in the body. she continues to pour her love and her power on the movement in Holland. As you well know, her body
was cremated at Hamburg on the 26 th November of last year, in the presence of 24 members of the Dutch and several members of the German Section.

Since my last report the Dutch Section has added five new Lodges to her number, two of which, namely, at Nymegen and Hilversum are situated in Holland, whilst the other three, namely, at Soerabaya, Buitenzorg and Djokdjakarta, are situated in the Dutch East Indies, so that we are fourteen lodges in all.

The addition of nembers during the past year up to 3oth April of this year has also been very satisfactory. 169 new members joined, 4 who had resigned joined again, whilst 2 were transferred from other Sections, On the other hand we lost one member by death, 23 resigned, 3 were taken off the Registers, and 4 were transferred to other Sections.

Thus 175 new members joined whilst 33 had to be deducted so that the real addition to our numbers during the year is 144 .

On the 3 oth April 1903 the total number of registered members in the Netherlands was greater than in any previous year. It has not been a sudden growth but a steady one, which I to a great extent attribute to the use made of the study classes, which are continually and regularly held by all the Lodges, not alone for members, but also for others interested in Theosophy.

Our literary activity has been, thanks to the zeal of our Theosophical Publishing Society in Amsterdam, very great indeed during the past year.

The following publications were issued :-
Annie Besant's "Ancient Wisdom," translated by Ada Waller.
C. W. Leadbeater's "Outline of Theosophy," translated by C. Dijkgraff.
C. W. Leadbeater's "Mental Plane," translated by Joh. van Manen.
Annie Besant's "Second Series Lectures," translated and stenographed by Dr. J. J. Hallo.
A. P. Sinnett's "Incidents in the Life of Madame Blavatsky," translated by Henri van Ginkel.
H. P. Blavatsky's "Secret Doctrine," numbers 5, 6, translated by Johan van Manen.
Vol, XI of Theosophia, 12 numbers.
Further produced in Semarang by Mr. P. A. van Asperen van der Velde, 12 numbers Theosophy, of the Dutch East Indies, whilst a Second Edition of "Reincarnation," by Mr. M. Reepmaker was issued at Rotterdam.

Our Seventh Annual Meeting we had the pleasure of seeing opened by the President-Founder, on which occasion he addressed some warm-hearted and well-chosen words to the Dutch members. In the afternoon of the same day the Section presented him with a beautiful black ebony wooden casket, with brass and silver ornaments
and inlaid with coral and precions stones, to serve as a receptacle for the album which was presented to the Colonel on his yoth birthday and which we hear has been placed in the Library at Adyar.

You will be aware that at the last Annual Meeting of the British Section it was resolved that the next International Theosophical Congress should be held at Amsterdam, and most likely it will take place in the latter end of June next.

We hope Mrs. Annie Besant will be in Europe at that time, and she has promised that if such is the case she will take the chair at the Congress meetings. May the activities of the Theosophical Society continue to increase all over the world; may the Theosophical ideas get more and more hold of the human mind, so that love and affection, peace and good will can take the place of envy, hatred and strife. Therefore we send you our best thoughts and our kindest wishes for the success of your Annual Convention, so that year after year the power and the strength of this great movement may be shown, a movement that the Great Spiritual Teachers of the Human Race have started for the benefit of the world.

W. B. Fricke,

General Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE FRENCH SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T. S.:-I have the honour to report the activities of the French Section, T. S., during the past year as follows :-

Three new branches have been formed ; the "Vidya," at Nice, on the 27th November, 1902 ; the "Philalethes," at Geneva, on the 12 th of January, 1903 ; the "Sofia," at Sofia, in Bulgaria, on the 12 th of February, 1903. The total number of Branches belonging to this jurisdiction is now 20; 108 new members have been admitted during the year, 44 have resigned and 6 deceased.

The Revue Théosophique Francaise (formerly the Lotus Bleu', and the Bulletin Théosophique have regularly appeared throughout the year. In our literary department the other work done has been the publication of "L'Islamisme et son Eisotêrisme," by an F.T.S. and "Les Mystiques devant la Science," by L. Revel, both original works, and the following translations: Mrs. Besant's "Esoteric Christianity," "Introduction to Theosophy," and "Some Difficulties of the Inner Life," and Mr. Leadbeater's "Man Visible and Invisible" and "An Outline of Theosophy."

The result of the activity of the French Section in the past year is not manifested in a considerable increase in the number of Members but, asin the past, is rather to be appreciated by the quality of our recruits and above all by the progressive awakening of signs of help and devotedness in Paris and in the provincial Branches.

A group of precious co-workers have just come forward who share in the teaching of the Sunday Conferences and weekly Lectures, so that the Section no longer depends, as in the past, on the General Secretary, seconded by a few old devoted Theosophists, but can henceforth walk alone, a most promising event for which we are most happy.

Theosophical ideas continue to permeate slowly, but steadily the scientific mentality. Such a book as "La Philosophie de l'Effort" recently published by Mr. Ar. Sabatier, Dean of the "Faculté de Theologie Protestante" of Montpellier, could easily pass, with theosophical terms excepted, for the work of a learned member of the Society.

On the other hand, physicians and physiologists continue the study of the tissues and seek for the Life in the molecules and even the atoms, narrowing unceasingly the field of the theories of automatism and of unconsciousness in matter endowed with qualities recognized as lofty, but the origin of which is not sufficiently sotight for.

For instance, Mr. Dastre in his work "La Vie et la Mort" finds intense life in Crystals, considers them as real germs which reproduce in their solutions, and proves that the sterilization of the same by flame kills them and annihilates their crystallogenic functions, just as microbes cease to multiply after the sterilization of their culture-serum.

The " Energy " as conceived by Mr. Dastre possesses all the Power and Intelligence of our "Logos " and so it becomes easy to replace his scientific name by the theosophical substitute. One of our Members, an engineer, has recently delivered an interesting Lecture on this subject at our Sectional Head-quarters.

Roman Catholicism evolves also, and if the transformation has not yet reached the summit, if Rome remains immovable in her dogmatic fortress, the mass is in a ferment and efforts towards toleration and union are manifested by useful results. A Society has been formed by a Catholic Committee at Grenoble for the propagation of associated prayers for religious, political or inter-confessional peace, and for the union of Christian Churches in particular. This Society is under the direction of a Catholic priest and it invites other religious bodies to found analogous associations in order to attain as soon as possible unity between men. "O Father, let them be one as we are One."

For this purpose, this association requires from its members half an hour of prayer, weekly, on Saturday evenings or nights: it invites them to exchange printed matter as well as letters, to study together and mutually to help members and associations.

We have had the pleasure of having in Paris during the course of the year, Countess Wachtmeister, for some months, and Mr. and Mrs, Mead for a week, during which time Mr. Mead gave an interest-
ing lecture at Head-quarters on one of the subjects he has most studied.

Finally, the most agreeable event of the year has been the prolonged stay in Paris of our venerable President-Founder, who shed forth upon all, his warm atmosphere of sympathy, and who in his turn has been able to appreciate the gratitude and affection of the Members of our Section. We beg to offer to him our sincerest wishes, and equally the same to Mrs. Besant and to our Brothers of the Indian Section, so largely represented at the Convention at Adyar.

Th. Pascal,
General Secretary,

## REPORT OF THE ITALIAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T. S.:-I have been asked by the General Secretary to send you a detailed report of the work done in Italy during the year, and to report the progress which Theosophy is making. The first point to notice is a development in Sicily. One of our English Members, Mr. Swinton-Hunter, spent some weeks there in January, and after that an invitation was sent to me to go, and I went and a small group of earnest students was formed, with the Adrocate Sulli Rao at the head. Later on in the Summer Signor Amendola gave some very good lectures, and I believe that during the early Spring, a good Lodge will be formed: a small library has already been started. This is the first opening that we have had in Sicily, and it promises well. One curious feature in Italy is the way the Military and Naval officers are joining the movement; one Lodge is officered by Military men; and a good many others are interested in the studies, we have a dozen members who are officers in the Italian army, and six who are Naval officers. It will be noticed that the publication of Teosofia has been stopped. This was done at the urgent recommendation of the well-known Astronomer, Prof. Parro, and various other thoughtful members, who considered that a small publication of that kind was a danger to the Society in Italy : as it gave too much information about the Society, and was not sufficiently strong to withstand any attack made on it.

The admirable review conducted so ably by our distinguished Member, Dottore Cervesato is making most splendid progress, and is doing the most valuable work in preparing the general public for Theosophical ideas. The latest demand for it has come from Burmah. The translation work has made much progress and, besides the list of books already translated, we have had, Mrs. Besant's, "Thought Power" and "Reincarnation," published last spring ; Mr. Leadbeater's "Outlines of Theosophy," and his "The Other Side of Death ;" Dr. Pascal's Lectures at Geneva; and at this moment, we have "The

Daily practice of Theosophy," by the Countess Wachtmeister ; "Light on the Path " and "Esoteric Christianity," by Mrs. Besant; as the new books for this coming season; and for the general public we have "L'Inconnue," by Cammille Flammarion. The first edition of "Sapienza Antica" (the "Ancient Wisdom ") is nearly sold out, which shows a tolerably large outside demand and is a good sign to us.

The work for this year is now beginning, and I hope that it will be a year of fuller work and more serious development.

We have had one serious loss, the Count Gamba, one of the most respected of the Roman Senators, has passed over to the "Great Majority." He had been a materialist all his life, and in Theosophy he had found his first possibility of a scientific belief. His last spoken words to his poor wife were "Che Gioia." So I hope that he had already had a glimpse of the spiritual life.

I beg to thank you, dear Mr. President, for the beautiful suggestion you have made, that the 8th of May shall be a commemoration day for all our dear fellow-workers who pass out of their bodies, and who are yet living and working. Your suggestion meets with the warmest approval here.

And now, I only add a word of warmest greeting to all Brothers, known and unknown, in our Indian land; I congratulate you in the name of the Italian brothers for all your noble work, and in their name I send the warmest greetings of Theosophical Italy.

## Isabel Cooper Oakley, <br> President, Executive Committee.

Note.-The total number of Italian branches is now 12; number of members admitted during the year, 47 ; net increase of membership, 3r. The following works have been translated: Mrs. Besant's "Reincarnation," "Thought Power," "Esoteric Christianity ;" Mr. Leadbeater's " Outline of Theosphy ;" M. C.'s "Light on the Path ;" Countess Wachtmeister's " Theosophy in Daily Practice ;" M. Cléré's "Ceque c'est la Theosophie; " the last named from French, the others from English. As to the general activities and future outlook, Signor Decio Calvari reports them as promising.

## REPORT OF THE GERMAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder, T. S. : -With my fraternal and most cordial greetings I have pleasure in submitting to you the Annual Report of the German Section of the Theosophical Society.

A new branch has been formed at Weimar, under the title of the Weimar Branch of the T. S.

The total number of branches in Germany and German-Switzerland is now II; 47 new members have joined during the year and two resigued. Miss Marie V. Sivers (Motzstrasse, I7, Berlin W.) has been elected Assistant to the General Secretary.

In the month of June last there appeared the first number of a new monthly magazine, Lucifer, under my editorship. It is published at Motzstrasse 17, and is dedicated to theosophical propaganda in German-speaking countries. Our old organ, The Vâhan, edited by Herr Richard Bresch, at Leipzig, has continued to appear as usual.

A new work entitled "Christendom as a Mystical Fact," by myself, has been published, and another, "Theosophy, a Picture of the World and the Destiny of Man," is in preparation by me and will shortly appear. The following translations have been published: Mrs. Besant's "Esoteric Christianity," Mr. Leadbeater's "Astral Plane" and "Outline of Theosophy."

On the whole I venture to say that we are authorized to entertain the best hopes for the future. I myself am doing my best to aid in propagating Theosophy in Germany, lecturing in Berlin and in other towns. We hope to form within the next few weeks branches at Coln and Nurnberg.

Our work is difficult as so many of our old members are reluctant to enter upon the work of propaganda in the present state of German thought, but I am fully persuaded, after considering all sides of the question, that positive work must overcome all obstacles : at the beginning success will be slow, but the movement will become stronger as it acquires momentum. With my whole soul I promise to do everything in my power to forward it.

Rudolf Steiner,
General Secretary.

## SOUTH AFRICAN REPORT.

To the President Founder, T. S.:-As there will not now be at my disposal sufficient time to prepare a thoroughly comprehensive report of our doings and proceedings during the last year-which has been a year of considerable activity-I will content myself by conveying on behalf of this Branch our hearty good wishes and fraternal greeting to your honoured self and to all those assembled at your convention.

We hope that it may be our privilege to be the means of furthering the cause of Theosophy in this part of the world, and trust that under the guidance of the Masters we may be enabled to rise to the performance of whatever may be required of us.

From the remnant of our former organisation, numbering about seven members, during the last twelve months we have raised our membership (associates and ordinary members) to 122. The South Atrican Theosophist has been started on what we trust will be a prosperous and useful career.

A very fair library has been got together, and twice during the period above mentioned have we been obliged to move to larger quarters. Regular lectures, and Enquirer's and other meetings have been inaugurated, as well as regular study-classes. Agents for the 'Theosophical Publishing Company' have been found in a Johannesburg firm of booksellers and quite a large quantity of Theosophical literature has been absorbed by this community.

The first annual convention of the re-organised Branch will be held next January when a full record of our activities, \&c, will be presented by our President to the annual General Meeting, a copy of which reports, \&c. will be duly forwarded for your information.

I cannot conclude without expressing our appreciation and thankfulness that Miss Pope has been allowed to come and assist us in our work in this field, and only trust that our Branch will develope -as it shows signs of doing-into a strong and useful Section.

> Fred. W. Bell, Hon. Secretary Johannesburg Branch T.S

## SOUTH AMERICAN REPORT.

To the President-Founder, T. S.:-The Theosophical movement in South America during the present year, shows a satisfactory result. Five new branches have been formed, viz., in the island of Cuba, Concordia T. S. at Havana, Fraternidad T. S. at Banes; in Chile the Annie Besant T. S. at Combarbala ; in Uruguay the H. P. Blavatsky T. S. at Montevideo ; and in Perúr the Lima T. S. at Lima. Total branches in South America 12. Total members 126, of which 36 are new. Independent members 4. Retired 2, Deceased I.

Two more branches are in formation one in Cuba and one at Montevideo (Uruguay)--The Havana T. S. at Havana has changed its name to Annie Besant T. S.

As to propaganda work, the principal promoters have been the same as in years past, Mr. Alejandro Sorondo and Mr. F.W. Fernandez at Buenos Aires, old and faithful soldiers in our army. In Cuba Mr. Masso and Mr. Hipolito Mora have done splendid work.

After the formation of 3 branches in Chile and the appearance of its corresponding review, Theosophy has been introduced in the city of Montevideo. A well organised and active branch has been the outcome of this effort, together with the foundation of a special school of Theosophy, managed by Mr. Juan A. Viera, to which 20 students belong at present. A former spiritual circle called Fraternidad Universal has donated its library containing not less than 600 volumes, under certain conditions, to this Branch, H. P. Blavatsky T. S. Total sessions of this lodge 50.

The Vi-Dharma branch at Buenos Aires held its monthly lectures regularly. The audieuce is increasing and a selected number of Anglo-

Saxon friends is generally present-Mr. Alejandro Sorondo, Mr, F. W. Fernandez and Miss Emilia M. Salzá, a very able young lady professor have spoken on the following themes: "The Seven Sheaths of Man," "Karmic law," "The Planetary Chain," Difference between Theoso. phy and Spiritism, "Man from his Origin to our Days," "The Place of Theosophy in Modern Society," "Impressions Gathered through Theosophical Readings," etc. Sessions have been held every Friday and without interruption.

The Luz T. S. has dedicated itself towards studying the " Secret Doctrine."

Several pamphlets of propaganda have been published at Buenos Aires, Rosario, and Chile. The donation of $£$ Io so kindly sent to us by our respected President, and other smaller amounts given for such altruistic purpose have been accepted with thanks and invested in this channel. Philadelphia the leading South American Theosophical Magazine has greatly improved in reading matter and now appears in nicely finished volumes. The Argentina, an interesting weekly paper, with a wide circulation, has published some very good articles on Theosophy. The result is shown by a great many inquiries received from the remotest Provinces of the Republic.

A general increasing interest for Theosophy is noted all through South America, and our next move will be to act more directly on the English-speaking public in'Argentina, which is now prepared to receive the teachings of truth and wisdom.

With the most respectful regards from all brothers in South America, to our dear President, I beg to join with my sincere wishes for your health, welfare and peace.

LuIS SCHEINER, Presidential Agent.

## REPORT ON THE PARIAH SCHOOLS.

To Colonel H. S. Olcott and Dr. Wm. A. English, Managing Trustees, Pariah Free Schools :-I herewith submit the annual report on the four schools under my superintendence.

The Tiruvalluvar School, Mylapore, which was, last December, recognized by the Government (for grant-in-aid) as a Lower Primary School, has been classed this year as an Upper Primary School.

Each of our four schools is now qualified as an Upper Primary School, and each will send pupils for the Government fourth-standard examination. Since the final examinations (for standard fotr) are set for the first week in January, my report of these classes will always necessarily be a year in arrears. The result of the Government examinations of the pupils in standards below the fourth is herewith appended.

The total percentage of passes ( $90 \%$ as shown in the statistical tabulations appended to this document) will be gratifying to those
friends whose loyal support makes the work possible; and the statistics will be interesting to all, as proving the educative capacity of the young of the backward races.

The work in our schools qualifies pupils for Form I. This past year 17 of our boys, having completed the course of study afforded in our schools, have been in attendance at other, higher educational institutions. Of these, seven boys were paid for (i.e., books, school fees and in some instances clothing and food were given) by private contribution for this special purpose made by members of the family living at Headquarters.

Scientists maintain that beyond a given age, members of the backward races are incapable of profiting by formal educational studies. Finding our Pariahs phenomenally bright up to Form I., I have been interested to determine what the results would be through and beyond Form I. I have asked for detailed reports, but the Principals of schools where our boys are now studying are unable to make their report to me in time to be included this year. I hope next year to furnish information on this point. In addition to helping such boys as had the ambition to continue their school-education, our hope has been, in aiding them, to have our boys ultimately become teachers in our own schools.

This past year we have sent four of our teachers to Government Training Schools in order to fully qualify them for teaching. Each of these four teachers has received from our Panchama School Fund a monthly stipend of Re. I to Rs. 5, to aid them in meeting current expenses. These four teachers will take up work in our schools again on January 20th, 1904. Three other of our teachers were able to qualify, by passing Government Examinations this year. Next year we shall send two other teachers to Training School and will arrange for still six others (who will remain at work in our schools) to fully qualify. By the close of the next year (1904) or, by the time the other contemplated schools are builded, it will be possible to arrange qualified staffs of teachers for the required work in the new schools. This help we have given to pupils to continue their studies beyond the limitations of our own schools, and the help we have afforded our teachers to raise the standard of individual qualification for work will be of the greatest possible benefit to (I) the individual, (2) to the schoois, and (3) to the race, indirectly.

Every endeavour has been made this year to increase the average daily attendance of pupils; but poverty and sickness are strong opposing forces. The H. P. B. Memorial School is situated near a large tannery and several brick-yards. The employees of these industries are largely coolies earning a mere pittance. Their children form the bulk of pupils in attendance at the H. P. B. Whenever there is an opportunity for a few day's work, the children are kept out of school. During the past year the need has been so urgent that the little ones in the Infant Standard have been daily given
a rice cake each, at a cost per week of one rupee for the whole; this, in addition to the small measure of raw rice which is given once a month to each child in attendance at the H. P. B. School. The pupils at the other three schools are not helped in this way, save in individual cases.

Through the kindness of visitors, the pupils in the four schools have this year enjoyed four "treats" consisting of rice-cakes, plantains and jaggery.

There has been a discouraging amotnt of sickness among teachers and pupils. It has been a common occurrence for parents to carry children suffering from fever or other ailments, to school. But in spite of this earnestness on the part of the children, they are often unfit to work, and usually lie on mats on the floor of the school-room; sometimes after a chill has passed, or a fever subsided, a child will take his place and continue work as usual.

The Kindergarten method of work which was introduced late last year, has been continued with much enthusiasm throughout this year. Our schools have initiated work with the leaves from cocoanut and other palm trees instead of using orthodox, imported kindergarten materials.

In addition to the interested visitors (of whom there have been a large number) two of our schools were visited by the late Director of Public Instruction, Mr. G. H. Stuart; the present Deputy Director, Mr. E. Middlemast; Acting Principal of Teachers' College, Saidapet, Mr, J. H. Stone ; and by Mr. J. W. Yates, Principal, Pachaiyappa's College, Madras.

The pupils gave a demonstration of their new method of work (kindergarten principles applied to Primary Standards), before these visitors; and were, later, invited to give an exbibition or demonstration of work at the Teachers' College, Saidapet. The result was successful, even beyond the expectations of those of us who have carefully noted the progressive stages of daily work. Our pupils have been invited to repeat the programme of school work, before the Madras Primary Teachers' Association at their January meeting.

This past year the wall space in each school-room has been converted into black-board, after the Western plan, with much benefit to teachers and pupils.

Subjoined will be found a more detailed report than is possible in this present ; together with a list of recommendations, suggestions, and other points which I beg to lay before the Managing Trustees of the Pariah Education Fund for careful consideration.

Among the teachers forming the faculties of the schools, there have been entire harmony and co-operation. Almost every teacher in out employ is worthy of special mention for meritorious service.

In reviewing the work accomplished during the jear just closing, from the standpoint of inherent mental possibilities, great progress has been made. It has been remarked, by certain Government
officials, that our pupils are working with an intelligent interest before unnoticed and that the pupils are able to apply their knowledge to greater purpose than heretofore.

Personally, even had the result of the examinations given by Government officials, been smaller than it is, I would have been content, since close observation throughout the year, of the individual pupil, convinced me that the work now being done in our schools is all that it could be, possibly. But the Government report of our school examinations bears out my impressions.

As for the coming year, I cannot promise better results than are placed before you in this report. I can only hope that the standard of work will not fall below the present. While feeling gratified at the total percentage of passes, I frankly admit that I am more interested that the school experience shall prove worth while to the individual child. Results of work such as ours cannot be finally gauged by statistics, but by the after effect upon the life, the character, of the individual.

## N. Almee Courtright,

Superintendent.

Numerical return of the Olcott Free Schools for 1902 and 1903.

| Schools. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| O. F. S. | 122 | 83 | 50 | 50 | 123 |
| H. P. B. M. S. ... | 120 (G. 50) | 87 | 44 | 37 (G.17) | 156 |
| D. F. S. | 159 | 115 | 133 | 113 | 179 |
| T. F. S. | 98 (G. 34) | 79 | 34 (G.5) | 34 (G.12) | 103 |
| Total... | 499 | ... | 261 | 234 | 567 |

STATISTICAL APPENDIX.
Results of the Grant Examinations of the Free Schools "Olcott"
(The official school year begins April 1st.)



## REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER OF BUDDHIST SCHOOLS UNDER THE BUDDHIST THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY, COLOMBO.

To the President-Founder, T. S. :- The progress of the work during the closing year has been very satisfactory. There are now 169 schools under the management of the Society, with a total attendance of 21,398 Children. Of these schools I39 are registered as Government Grant-in-Aid Schools and are being regularly inspected by the Government Inspectors. During the year 33 new schools were opened and I3 new schools were registered by the Department of Public Instruction as Grant-in-Aid Schools. There are 29 applications for registration before Government.

A very pleasing feature in connection with our Buddhist schools is the high attendance of children. According to returns published by Government (Ceylon Government Blue Book, 1902) the attendance of a Buddhist school averages 129 against 112 in Government Schools, 105 in Roman Catholic schools, and 75 in Protestant schools.

We have a total of 406 teachers employed in our schools. Of these $225^{\circ}$ hold Government certificates for teaching. In 1902, 23 , candidates from Buddhist schools passed the Government Teachers' Certificate Examination for Sinhalese teachers against 27 of all denominations, though the number of registered schools under Buddhist management in Sinhalese Districts is 178 against 708 schools of Christian denominations. This year 159 candidates presented themselves through the Society for the Government Teachers' Certificate Examination.

There is one feature in the instructions given to children in Buddhist schools to which we devote our special attention. It is the teaching of Religion, which is carried on systematically in all standards of a school, according to a specially prepared syllabus. The children show great progress in this branch of their studies. The good effect on the after-lives of children who have received this early training is already manifest, and is proving to be a great stimulus to the extension of Buddhist educational work.

We are now introducing in all our schools a second set of Reading Books. These are the old Sinhalese Books that were used in teaching children before the new system of schools came into vogue. The books are still held in high esteem and are likely to be greatly appreciated by the children and their parents. The Government Readers will also be used in all classes.

A great deal of attention has been paid during the year in providing suitable buildings for the schools. Most of the village schools were originally held in temporary structures, which had to be put up for want of funds for more substantial ones. People have now come forward in several of the villages and have liberally contributed towards raising new and substantial school buildings, and it is expected
that we shall be able to have good permanent buildings, for all our schools before long.

Our financial position has always caused us great anxiety, as we have had to depend from year to year on voluntary subscriptions for meeting expenses. For several years the expenses were much above the income. The rapid expansion of the work prevented any effective retrenchment, as such a course would have checked the progress which was noticeable on all sides and would have tended to discourage many of our hard workers and warm supporters in the villages. During this year the expenses were curtailed as much as possible without unduly sacrificing the progress of our work.

I am, however, glad to be able to report that a system that has been inaugurated during the last few years and carried out vigorously during this year, has so far succeeded as to remove the anxiety regarding the progress of the work. We are organising a plan for the working of our schools on a local system. It has proved a complete success and within another year the system ought to be in full working order. Where this has been adopted each school in its financial management is vested in a Committee of local residents, who undertake the provision and repair of buildings and school materials from funds raised among themselves. When a school is properly managed the Government Grant-in-Aid suffices to pay the salaries of teachers, but where there is a deficiency, the local Committee provides it.

The management of the schools, the staff and the teaching, is carried on by the society through its General Manager, the local Committee being consulted whenever the Manager of Schools deems it expedient to do so.

During this year 109 of the 169 Schools managed by the Society were worked on the above lines and no difficulty whatever has been experienced. Greater local interest has been taken in the schools, and the attendance of children increased. The remaining schools can be worked on the same lines without much difficulty. Once this is established, we will have put the existing schools on a practical financial basis. The extent of new work will depend entirely on the funds which will be collected and the help we can command in doing the work. There is a greater demand for new schools, and we must be prepared to meet it.

We have under our management 16 English schools. There is now an English school in almost every important town in the Island. Ananda College, under the Principalship of Mr. D. B. Jayatilleke, B.A., maintains its very high standard of work. During the year, the students of the College have done very well at the public examinations. A large number of boys seek admission to the College and there is no more room to accommodate new arrivals. Exteusions of the buildings are urgently needed and it is estimated
that as much as Rs. 54,000 will be required for this purpose. We have no funds for carrying out this much-needed improvement. A Committee has been formed to collect subcriptions for this purpose. The proper equipment of our Central College is a much-needed work.

Dharmaraja College at Kandy has progressed during the year, and the new Principal Mr, K. F. Billimoria, B.A., is doing very good work.

The instructions imparted in our schools liave been based on the requirements of the Government Code of education, with the addition of Religious Instruction. It is now felt that to keep pace with the requirements of the country, something more will have to be attempted before long.

The introduction of Manual Training in our schools is likely to benefit the village girls and boys. For this and other improvements in teaching, and for the purpose of obtaining a sufficient number of qualified teachers for our schools which are rapidly increasing in number, the establishment of one or two schools for training Teachers has become an absolute necessity.

There is a registered Training Class attached to our Gampola school, where two students are prepared for the Teachers' Certificate Examination. This cannot meet our requirements except to a small extent. Unless we are able to supply qualified Teachers for our schools, the progress of the extension work will be greatly checked.

We must be prepared to supply Teachers for the new schools which are being organised in the villages or face the alternative of damping the healthy progressive enthusiasm for educational work which is now a remarkable feature in the Buddhist villages. The people are prepared to help themselves by providing school buildings and the necessary funds for paying Teachers. The Society has to supply the Teachers and organise the work. Hitherto, we have been able to meet the demands with some difficulty, and it is our duty to be prepared to meet the increasing demand of the future. Preliminary steps have been taken to organise a training school for girls, from next year, at Medamulle, about 20 miles from Colombo, where a good number of students can be expected to attend the classes. We shall be greatly helped in this new work if we can obtain assistance among sympathetic and qualified workers from our friends abroad.

In regard to the year's work, my thanks are due to Messrs. D. B. Jayatilleke, D. S. S. Wickramaratna, C. P. Gunewardana, and other members of the Society for valuable help rendered: I have also to express my obligations to the Inspectors, to the local Managers of Schools, and to the Teachers. They have performed their duties diligently and conscientiously.

The progress of the Buddhist educational movement is an event in the recent history of Ceylon on which the Sinhalese Buddhists
owe a deep debt of gratitude to the President-Founder of the Society. The following figures speak for themselves :-

| Year... | 1882 | 1887 | 1892 | 1897 | 1902 | Pupils in 1902. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Buddhist ... ... | 0 | 13 | 34 | 86 | 179 | 23,083 |
| Roman Catholic | 158 | 153 | 183 | 200 | 253 | 30,595 |
| Protestant Missions | 366 | 517 | 357 | 425 | 456 | 38,079 |

Many were the prophecies that were made regarding the future of this movement, and in 1892 Dr. Copleston, the late learned Bishop of Colombo, and now the Metropolitan of India, wrote in his work on Buddhism :
"The last fifteen years have seen a remarkable revival. This has been due mainly to external influences, and is rather academic than national; but it is a real movement, and has a few leaders of high character. The wave has however, as I think, already reached its highest point. As a phase of educated thought it may be traceable for some time to come, but as a popular force it is already passing by."

The Superinteudent, Census of Ceylon, for the year rgor, in his review of the state of the Island makes the following gratifying allusions to the Buddhist educational work:-

Thanks to Colonel Olcott and Madame Blavatsky, the Founders of the Theosophical Society, established in Ceylon in 1880, truer ideas of Buddha's teaching have been spread, and a remarkable revival has occurred under leaders of high character.

The Buddhists have advanced at the same rate as the Sinhalese population (r4 per cent.), but faster than in the previous decade (10.5) the result of increased Buddhistic zeal and propagandism in the decade brought about mainly by the efforts of the Theosophical Society, forwarded by Colonel Olcott and Madame Blavatsky. Previously it was considered, among Sinhalese, rather fashionable to be thought Christians, and I have in my judicial experience known Buddhists taking their oath on the Bible, as a matter of course. This is no longer the case. They are rather proud of their religion and have even become aggressive to Christianity,"

The Buddhists too, show a considerable increase in the number of literates. In every hundred Buddhist males there were in 1901 six literates more than in I89I and II more than in 1881, while the proportion of Buddhist female literates $\left(5^{2}\right)$ is twice the proportion of 1901 and nearly four times that of 188 r . Of late years, thanks to Colonel Olcott, the Buddhist community has awakened from its lethargy and made great advance in the spread of instruction. There are now Buddhist Schools throughout the Island under the management of the Theosophical Society founded by him and really good work is done by them.

I beg to conclude this report with assurances of devotion and affectionate respect to our President-Founder.

> W. A. DE Silva, J. P.

## REPORT ON THE BUDDHIST SCHOOLS, CEYLON,

To the President-Founder, T. S. : - In conformity with the annual custom I beg to submit the report of the work of the Galle Brauch of the Theosophical Society for the twelve months ending November 1903.

In the beginning of the year, Mahinda College, the principal institution of the Society, was removed from the hired premises to the spacious two-storied building acquired in 1902. The building which was out of repair for a continued number of years was repaired and renovated, and now it constitutes one out of the few magnificent buildings in the Fort. I have to thank Mr. D. H. V.S. Gunawardana, who very kindly arranged the purchase of the building. But for his services the purchase would not have been effected with such facility and at such a low rate. The acquisition of permanent quarters for the College has afforded a tangible proof of the stability of the institution.

In the form of an inaugurating ceremony several Buddhist Priests, under the supervision of Rev. B. Seelawansa Thera, chanted Paritta, prior to the occupation of the building, and 285 Buddhist Priests were given alms. Prominent amongst those who attended the alms-giving were the Venerable Hikkaduwe Sri Sumangala, High Priest :of Adams Peak and Galle, and the High Priests, the Revds. giyarathana Tissa and Deepegoda Seelakkanda, who rendered you Preat and valuable assistance at the outset to advance the progress of the Theosophical Society in the Island.

During the first term of the year, Mr. O. A. Jayasekera, who was connected with the College since its organization, and who was acting as the Principal of the College, left us to read for the bar, in which undertaking we wish him success.

His place was taken by Mr. Andrew Dougall, M.A. (Edinburgh) who however severed his connection with the College in July. My appeal last year through yout to our -Brothers and sisters in the West to secure the services of ant European Principal, I ant glad to report, has been a success, for Mr. F. L. Woodward, m.A. (Cantab.), who has been a member of the Blavatsky Lodge (London) of the Theosophical Society, and who has had great and varied experience in educational work for ten years, in England, offered his services to come out here and throw himself into the work of the College. He has proved to be a thorough acquisition to the College, for since he assumed charge as Principal the daily attendance has increased from 89 to 145 , and before the close of the present term I hope the attendance will reach 150 or more. This speaks well for the enthusiastic manner in which our Brother has devoted himself to the work from August, giving his services without any salary. Owing to the increase of attendance two new rooms have been constructed. I regret to state that though the sphere of usefulness of the College
is enlarging, it is not self-supporting yet, and still it needs the voluntary help that has been previously accorded to it. Judging from the tendency of our co-religionists in and around the town I hope to report greater progress next year.

The Government Examination was held in September and 89 children were presented. On account of the delay in the receipt of the report of the Inspector of Schools I am unable to give the definite result of the examination, but there are indications of the result being more satisfactory and the grant higher than the last year. The grant will however be much less than the cost of maintenance. The monthly expenses at present amount to Rs. 320.

Our Schools at Dangedera, Unawatuna, Gintota, Katukurunda, and Meepawala are all making satisfactory progress. For the want of funds the extension of the work is greatly retarded. The children attending all these schools receive their education free. Mr. K. Juanis, F.T.S., has very liberally put up another tiled bungalow for the Gintota School in place of the one which was razed to the ground by the fall of a huge bread-fruit tree, at a cost of RS. $\mathrm{I}, 500$, for which our thanks are due to him. The construction of a new building for the Unawatuna School is going on apace and Mr. T. D. S. Amarasuriya is devoting great attention to it at very great expense. I hope to report the completion of the work next year.

Of the moneys lent on mortgage of properties, the sum of Rs. I, IOO has been recovered, and through the efforts of Mr. D. C. P. Weerakoon, one of our trustees, I hope that a sum of nearly Rs. 940 will be recovered during the next month. These were items written out as bad debts.

Under our supervision there are five Buddhist Sunday Schools established in the temples, Wijayananda Vihara, Sudarmarama Vihara, Paramananda Vihara, Paramavichitrananda Vihara, and Valukarama Vihara, within the town, attended by 420 children, boys and girls. Two hours are spent on every Sunday in teaching the religion, the books chiefly used being Colonel Olcott's catechism and pamphlets by Mr. C. W. Leadbeater. Children attending these are greatly benefited, for great attention is bestowed on them by the Priests, and our thanks are due to Rev. B. Nanaweelasa, D. Kavidaja, M. Dhammasiri, G. Ariawansa, and Wimalana for the interest manifested by them in this work.

The educational movement set on foot by Colonel Olcott and the late lamented Madame H. P. Blavatsky 23 years ago is making wonderful progress throughout the Island, and the following references will amply bear out this statement :

On the eve of his departure, H. E. Sir J. West Ridgeway, Governor of Ceylon and her dependencies, speaking in reply to a farewell-address presented to him by the Buddhists at the Queen's House, Colombo, remarked: "Of all the communities in the Island,

I ain glad to observe, the Buddhists during the past 3 or 4 years, have made greater progress in educational work."

In his voluminous and comprehensive census report to Government, Mr. P. Arunachalam, M.A., (Cantab.), in the chapter on Religion (Vol, I, page 89) says: "Thanks to Colonel Olcott and Madame Blavatsky, the Founders of the Theosophical Society established in Ceylon in 1880, truer ideas of Buddha's teachings have been spread, and a remarkable revival has occurred under leaders of high character."
"The Buddhists have advanced at the same rate as the Sinhalese population (i4 per cent.), but faster than in the previous decade (ro. 5 ), the result of increased Buddhistic zeal and propagandism in the decade, brought about mainly by the efforts of the Theosophical Society founded by Colonel Olcott and Madame Blavatsky" (page 93).

Again, under the chapter on Educatiou, Vol. I, page 136 , he says: " of late years, thanks to Colonel Olcott, the Buddhist community has awakened from its lethargy and made great advance in the spread of instruction. There are now Buddhist Schools throughout the Island under the management of the Theosophical Society founded by him, and really good work is done by them."

I append a statement showing receipts and disbursements during the year.

Above all other members I am glad to record our President, Mr. T.D.S. Amarasuriya, who has as usual rendered invaluable help throughout the year in every work connected with the College, and to him are due the thanks of all our co-religionists in the Galle District.

Wishing the Convention every success, and with affectionate respect to the President-Founder, and heartiest fraternal greetings to our Brethren and Sisters assembled in the Convention.
D. J. Subasinha, Honorary Secretary.

## HEADQUARTERS FUND,

1903. 



LIBRARY FUND


## PERMANENT FUND.



WHITE LOTUS DAY FUND,


FOUNDERS' FUND.


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|  | Rs. | 1. P. |  | Rs. | A. |  |
| Balance on 30th November 1902 | 10,030 | 0 | Madras Bank bas not yet credited any interest or Pro-Notes this year | ... | ... |  |
| Total Rs... | 10,000 | 00 | Total Rs... | ... |  |  |

ANNIVERSARY FUND.
1903.

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|  | 15 | 92 | Caste kitchen Food a/e European do do | $\begin{aligned} & 190 \\ & 213 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}15 & 0 \\ 0 & 0\end{array}$ |
| Mr. P. H. W. Ross, Ellensaburg $£ 1$ |  |  | Pandal Contractor | 250 | 0 |
|  | 15 | 00 | Do Materials | 52 | 40 |
| "Peter DeAbrew, Colombo. | 25 | 00 | Extra servant and extra work | 349 | 96 |
| Collections for huts Coffee hotel-keeper | 25 |  | Telegrams ... | 3 | 12 |
| Loan from Head-quarters Fund | 25 | - | Vietoria Hall Fee | 15 | 11 <br> 0 <br> 0 |
|  | 1,100 |  |  |  |  |
| Total Rs... |  |  | Balance... | 31 | ${ }^{4}{ }_{5} 2^{2}$ |
|  | $\overline{1,200}$ | 92 | Total Rs... | 1,200 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 92 |

SUBBAROW MEDAL FUND.


PRESIDENT-FOUNDER'S TOUR FUND.



To the President of the Theosophical Society.
Dear Sir and Brother, - In acoordance with Rule 29 of the Rules enjoining that the Socieiy's accounts should be certified annually by the period from 23rd. December 1902 to 30th of November 1908 and ture are supported in the former case by letters, etc., from the parties parties who received the payments and by accounts, signed by Col. etc.

Account current of the Theosophical Society for the period from

C. SAMBTAH
S. V. RANGASWAMI.
as revised by the General Council at the Convention of December 1897 Auditors, we have carefully examined the accounts of the Society for have found them correct. The several items of receipts and expendiwho remitted the money and in the latter case by receipts from the Olcott and by Miss Weeks, his Private Secretary, for Bazaar purchases,

1st December 1902 to 21st December 1903.


* From Permanent Fund,
t From Founder's Fund,
$\ddagger$ From Damodar's Fund.

PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND 1903.


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## PANCHAMA EDUCATION FUND.

1903. 



## RULES OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

As Revised in General Council, July 9, 1896.

## Constitution.

I. The title of this Society, which was formed at New York, United States of America, on the 17 th of November, 1875 , is the "Theosophical Society."
2. The objects of the Theosophical Society are :
I. To form a nucleus of the Universal Brotherhood of Humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste or colour.
II. To encourage the study of comparative religion, philosophy and science.
III. To investigate unexplained laws of Nature and the powers latent in man.
3. The Theosophical Society has no concern with politics, caste rules, and social observances. It is unsectarian, and demands no assent to any formula of belief as a qualification of membership.

## Membership.

4. Every application for membership must be made on an authorized form, and must be endorsed by two members of the Society and signed by the applicant ; but no persons under age shall be admitted without the consent of their guardians.
5. Admission to membership may be obtained through the President of a Branch, the General Secretary of a Section, or the Recording Secretary; and a certificate of membership shall be issued to the member, bearing the signature of the President-Founder and the seal of the Society, and countersigned by either the General Secretary of the Section or the Recording Secretary of the T. S., according as the applicantresides within a sectionalized or non-sectionalized territory.

## Officers.

6. The Society shall have a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer.
7. The President-Founder, Colonel H. S. Olcott, holds the office of President of the Theosophical Society for life, and has the right of nominating his successor, subject to the ratification of the Society.
8. The term of the presidency is seven years (subject to the exception named in Rule 7).
9. The President shall nominate the Vice-President, subject to election by the Society. The Vice-President's term of office shall expire upon the election of a new President.
10. The appointments to the offices of the Recording Secretary and the Treasurer shall be vested in the President.
II. The President shall be the custodian of all the archives and records of the Society, and shall be one of the Trustees and administrators for property of all kinds, of which the Society as a whole is possessed
11. The President shall have the power to make provisional appointments to fill all vacancies that occur in the offices of the Society, and
shall have discretionary powers in all matters not specifically provided for in these Rules.
12. On the death or resignation of the President, the Vice-President shall perforin the presidential duties until a successor takes office.

> Organization.
14. Any seven members may apply to be chartered as a Branch, the application to be forwarded to the President through the Secretary of the rearest Section.
15. The President shall have authority to grant or refuse applications for charters, which, if issued, must bear his signature and the seal of the Society, and be recorded at the Headquarters of the Society.
16. A Section may be formed by the President of the Society, upon the application of seven or more chartered Branches.
17. All Charters of Sections or Branches, and all certificates of membership, derive their authority from the President, and may be cancelled by the same authority.
18. Each Branch and Section shall have the power of making its own Rules, provided they do not conflict with the general rules of the Society, and the Rules shall become valid unless their confirmation be refused by the President.
19. Every Section must appoint a General Secretary, who shall be the channel of communication between the President and the Section.
20. The General Secretary of each Section shall forward to the President, anniually, not later than the ist day of November, a report of the work of his Section up to that date, and at any time furnish any further information the President may desire.

## Administration.

2I. The General control and administration of the Society is vested in a General Council, consisting of the President, Vice-President and the General Secretaries.
22. No person can hold two offices in the General Council.

## Election of President.

23. Six months before the expiration of a President's term of office his successor shall be nominated by the General Council, and the nomination shall be sent out by the Vice-President to the General Secretaries and Recording Secretary. Each General Secretary shall take the votes of his Section according to its rules, and the Recording Secretary shall take those of the remaining members of the Society. A majority of two-thirds of the recorded votes shall be necessary for election.

## Headquarters.

24. The Headquarters of the Society are established at Adyar, Madras, India.
25. The Headquarters and all other property of the Society, including the Adyar Library, the permanent and other Funds, are vested in the Trustees, for the time being, of the Theosophical Society, appointed or acting under a Deed of Trust, dated the 14th day of December, 1892, and recorded in the Chingleput District Office, Madras, India.

## Finance.

26. The fees payable to the General Treasury by Branches not comprised within the limits of any Section are as follow : For Charter $£_{1}$; for each Certificate of Membership, 5s.; for the Annual Subscription of each member, 5 s. or equivalents.
27. Unattached Members not belonging to any Section or Branch shall pay the usual 5 s . Entrance Fee and an Annual Subscription of ${ }_{6} I$ to the General Treasury.
28. Each Section shall pay into the General Treasury one-fourth of the total amount received by it from annual dues and entrance fees.
29. The Treasurer's accounts shalb be yearly certified as correct, by qualified auditors appointed by the President.

## Meetings.

30. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held at Adyar and Benares alternately, in the month of December.

3I. The President shall also have the power to convene special meetings at discretion.

## Revision.

32. The Rules of the Society remain in force until amended by the General Council.

True Copy,
C. W. LeADBEATER, Secretary to the Meeting of Council.

Official.
H. S. OLCOTT, P.T.S.

OF THE

## THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

AND
UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD.

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> Henry S. Olcott, (Late Colonel S.C., War Dept., U.S.A.)

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> Wm, A. English, M.D.

> Assistant Recording Secretary.
> (Miss) N. E. Weeks.
> Treasurer.
> T. Vijiaraghava Charlu.

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Alexander Fullerton, American Section. Address 7, West 8th St., New York.
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Address : 59, Avenue de la Bourdonnais, Paris, Generat Secretary, Società Teósofica, Italiań Section. Address : 70 Via di Pietra, Corso, Rome.
Dr, Rudolf Steiner, German Section.
Address : 95, Kaiserallee, Friedenau, Berlin.

President's Private Secretary : Miss Netta E. Weeks. Address : Adyar, Madras.

Cable Addresses :
The President-Founder : - Olcott, Madras," Gen. Sec. Indian Section :-" Besant, Benares,"

Do. European Section :- "Theosoph, Londcn."
Do. Eastern SchooI :- "Blavatsky, London."
Do. American Section :- "Confucius, Newyork,""
Do. Australasian Section :- "Theosoph, Sydney."
Do. New Zealand Section :- "Theosophy, Auckland." Buddhist Committee :-"Sandaresa, Colombo."

* Written thas, the name of the City of New York goes as one word.


## BRANOHES <br> of the

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY (Corrected up to December 1903).

## American Section.

AMERICAN SECTION

| Place. | Name of Branch. | Date of Charter. | President. | Secretal y . | Secretary's Address. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chicago, III. | Chicago T. S. $\quad$. | 1884 | Chas. G. Snow | Mrs Clara F. Gaston | Room 426, 26 Van Buren St. |
| Minneapolis, Minn | Ishwara T. S. | 1887 | Jamie H. Gulick | Mrs. Annette C. Ellison ... | Public Library. |
| Mruskegon, Mich... | Muskegon T. S. | 1890 | F. A. Nims | Mrs. L. E. Booth | 57, 4th St. |
| Toronto, Canada... | Toronto T. S. | 1891 | A. G. Horwood | Hugh A. Tibbetts | 185, College St. |
| St. Paul, Minn. | St. Paul T. S. | 1891 | Mrs. Gertrude Grewe | Mrs. Imogene B. Ossmann... | 537, Endicott A reade. |
| Toledo, Ohio. ... | Toledo T. S. | 1892 | Mrs. Kate H. Maguire | Mrs. Sarah J. Truax | 1217, Jefferson St. |
| Los Angeles, Cal. | Harmony Lodge T. S. ... | 1894 | Ralph S. Baverstock | Miss Mary A. Gray .. | 2225, Bellevue Avenue. |
| Chicago, IIl. | Shila T. S | 1894 | Mrs. Julia A. Darling | Miss Angelina Wann | 6156, Monroe Avenue. |
| HonoluIu, H. I. ... | Honolulu T. S. | 1894 | Wm. H. Pfüger | Miss Nellie Rice | 655, Beretania St. |
| East Las Vegas, N. M. | Annie Besant T. S. | 1895 | John Knox Martin | Imon F. Benedict ... | P. O. Box, 444. |
| San Francisco, Cal | Golden Gate Lodge T. S.... | 1895 | Davis J. Lamoree | Wm. L. Ducey | Room 11, 809 Market St. |
| Pasadena, Cal. ... | Pasadena Lodge T. S. ... | 1896 | T. Merrit | iss Harriett A. Stevenson.. | 43, N. Moline Avenu |
| Santa Cruz, Cal. ... | Santa Cruz T. S | 1896 | Mrs. Rachel Blackmor | Mrs. Ida F. Springer | 89, Garfield St |
| Seattle, Wash. | Seattle Lodge T. S. .. | 1896 | Thomas A. Barnes | Mrs. Louie P. Bush .i. | 529, N. Belmont Avenue. |
| Butte, Montana. | Butte Lodge T. S. ... | 1896 | Mrs. Lina H. Speer | Carl J. Smith ... | 115, N. Main St. |


| Sheridan, Wyoming. | Sheridan T. S. | 1836 | Fernando Herbet | James G. Hunter | Lock Box, 43. |
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| Minneapolis MKinn. | Yggdrasil T. S. | 1897 | John Johnsen |  |  |
| Streator, III. | Streator T. S. | 1897 | John E. Williams | George Goulding |  |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | Buffalo T. S. | 1897 | Miss Annie F. Hastings ... | Oleon E. Rowley | 876, Ellicott Square. |
| Chicago, III. | Englewood White Lodge T.S. | 1897 | Mrs. Maude L. Howard.. | Miss Minnie N. French | 6225, Normal Avenue. |
| Cleveland, Ohio. | Cleveland T. S. ... | 1897 | Frank H. Houghton | Miss Gertrude A. Hopper | Suite 16, The Barrows. |
| New York, $\mathbf{N}$. $\mathbf{Y}$... | New York T. S. | 1897 | Frank F, Knothe | Miss Annie C. McQueen | 135, Wash'n St., Mt. Vernon,NY |
| Washington, D.C. | Washington T. S. | 1897 | Azro J. Cory | Mrs. Sarah M. MacDonald... | 222, A Street, S. E. |
| Philadelphia, Pa... | Philadelphia T. S. | 1897 | D. D. Chidester | Mies Anna M. Breadin | 3041, Susquehanna Ave. |
| Topeka, Kansas ... | Topeka T. S. | 1897 | Judge F. M. Grover | Mrs. Emma B. Greene | 1231, Monroe St. |
| Denver, Colo. | Denver T. S. | 1897 | Solomon Zinn | Mrs. Ida B. Blakemore | 24, High St. |
| San Diego, Cal. | H. P. B. Lodge T. S. | 1897 | Edward Meister | Miss Florence Schinkel | 1437, 5th St. |
| Sacramento, Cal. | Sacramento T.S. | 1897 | Mrs. Mary J. Cravens | Mrs. Eliz. Hughson | 1014, 18th St. |
| Menomonie, Wis | Menomonie T. S. | 1897 | John H. Knapp | Dr. Kate Kelsey |  |
| Jackson, Mich | Jackson T. S. | 1897 | Mrs. Delia Robb | ...... |  |
| Lynn, MLass. | Lynn T. S. | 1897 | Mrs. Helen A. Smith | Nathan A. Bean | 28, Verona St. |


| Place. | Name of Brauch. | Date of Charter. | President. | Secretary. | Secretary's Address. |
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| Detroit, Mich | Detroit T. S. | 1897 | Dr. M. V. Meddaugh | Mrs. Alice E. Meddaugh .. | Suite 605, The Madison. |
| Rochester, $\mathbf{N}$. $\mathbf{Y} \ldots$. | Rochester T. S. | 1897 | Mis. Agnes T. Probst . | George Febard | 214, Parsells Avenue. |
| Syracuse, N. Y. | Central City T. S. | 1897 | Dr. T. C. Walsh | Henry E. De Voe | 714, Hickory St. |
| Eoston, Mass. | AIpha T. S. | 1897 | C. A. Russel - | Miss May Hildreth | 104, Belvidere St. |
| Kansas City, Mo. | Olcott Lodge T. S. | 1897 | Dr. B. W. Lindberg |  |  |
| St. Joseph, Mo. | St. Joseph T. S. | 1897 | Judge Peter J. Carolus ... | Marion C. Copeland | 501, S. 15th St. |
| Newton Highlancs, Mass. | Dharma T. S. | 1897 | Mrs. Minnie C. Holbrook. | Mrs. Susan L. Spaulding ... | 138, Lincoln St. |
| Lima, Ohio | Lima T, S. | 1898 | Elmas W. Jackson | Miss Iva Bowers | 126, E, Market St. |
| New Orleans, La... | Lonisiana T. S. | 1898 | Miss Caroline Durrive | Miss Sidonia A. Bayhi | 1522, Antonine St. |
| Vancouver, B. C... | Yanconver T.S. | 1898 | Thos. E. Knapp .. | Wm. Yarco | 700, Jackson A venue. |
| Freeport, Ill. | Freeport T. S. | 1898 | Frederic J. Kunz ... | Miss Alma Kunz | 42, West St. |
| Lansing, Mich. | Lansing T. S. | 1898 | Wosley Emery | Miss Mary Gerber | Box, 233. |
| Saginaw, Mich. ... | Saginaw T. S. ... | 1898 | Lincoln E. Bradt | Wm. L. Denfeld | 125, N. Washington Avenue. |
| St. Loutis, Mo. .. | St. Louis Lcdge T. S. ... | 1898 | Mrs. Annie M. Goodale ... | Mrs. Florence W. Richardson | 5362, Cambanne Place. |
| Oakl and, Cal. | Oakland T. S. .. | 1893 | Mrs. Sarah E. Merritt ... | Mrs. Eliza J. C. Gilbert ... | Univeraity, Berkerley, Cal. |



AMERICAN SECTION - (Continued $)$.

| Place. | Name of the Branch. | Date of Charter. | President. | Secretary. | Secretary's Address. |
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| Cleveland, Ohio | Euclid T. s. | 1902 | Mrs. Marion G. English ... | Mrs. Dora Jones | 24, Monroe St. |
| Anaconda, Mont. | Anaconda T. S. | 1902 | Edwin B. Catlin | Mrs. Addie M. Tattle | 518, Hickory St. |
| Great Falls, Mont. | Great Falls T. S. | 1902 | Frank Longstaff | Mrs. Margaret R. Kingsbury | 627, N. Fourth Avenue. |
| Helena, Mont. | Helena T. S. | 1902 | Fiank W. Mettler | Francis D. Jones | 402, N. Ewing St. |
| Boston, Masss. | Besant Lodge T. S. | 1902 | Mrs. Florence A. Taylor... | Miss Eliz. S. Hoffman | 295 Warren St., Roxbury, Mass. |
| Kalamazoo, Mrich | Kalamazoo T. S. | 1902 | Mrs. Alma S. Rothermel... |  |  |
| Providence, R. I . | Providence T. S. | 1903 | Frederic E. Shaw | Mrs. Marietta Mo.Aliffe | 50, Hudson St. |

## Indian Section.

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| Adoni | The Adoni T. S. ... | 29-10-1882 | Mr. C. A'dikes'avalu Reddiar. |  | Secretary of the Municipality Adoni, Bellary. |
| Adyar | The Adyar Lodge T. S. | 28-1-1897 | Dr. W. A. English, M.D... | Mr. V. C. Seshachariar, b.A., B.L. | High Court Vakil, Mylapur, Madras. |
| Ahmedabad | The Ahmedabad Branch T.S. | 28-3-1889 | Mr. Ganesh Gopal Pandit, B.A. | Indravadan Madhuvacharan Horâ. | Bhadra, Ahmedabad. |
| Akola | The Akola T. S. ... | 13-12-1901 | Mr. V. K. Desai | Mr. L. G. Oke ... | Pleader, Akola. |
| Aligarh | The Aryan Patriotic T.S... | $\begin{gathered} 30-3-1883 \\ 1898^{*} \end{gathered}$ | Babu Kedernath Chatterjee, в.A. | Babu Durlabh Chandra Banarji. | Postal Press, Aligarh, N.W.P. |
| Allanabad | The Sushupti T. S. | $\begin{gathered} 13-1-1881 \\ 17-11-1901^{*} \end{gathered}$ |  | B. Rameswar Prasada | 235, Bahadur Gunj, Allababad. |
| Do | The Anand Bhavan T. S. | 12-8-1903 | Mr. F. T. Brooks | Nirajan Nath Mitra | e/o Mr. F. T. Brooks, Allahabad |
| Do | The Lotus T. S. | 17-8-1903 | Babu Kali Charan Chatierji | Babu Ram Das Gour | Old Boarding House, M. C. College, Allahabad. |
| Amalapuram | The Amalapuram T. S. | 21-8-1901 | Mr. C. Virabhadrayya ... | Mr. P. V. S. Gopalam | Amalapuram, Godavary. |
| Ambasamudram | The Ambasamudram T.S. | 5-8-1889 | Mr. G. P. Nilakantha Iyer. | Mr. H.T. Subbusami Aiyar... | Pleader, Ambasamudram. |
| Amraoti | The Amraoti T. S. | 12 1-19C0 | Mr. N. M. Desai | Mr. Vis'wanath Kas'inath | Pleader, Amraoti, Berars. |
| Anantapur | The Anantapur T. S. | 29-9-1885 | Mr. V. E. Sudarsana Mudaliar. | Mr. A. D. Gundu Ran | Clerk, Collector's Office, Anantapur. |
| Arni | The Arni T. S. | 1-9-1885 | Mr. V. K. Desikachariar, B.A., B.L. | Mr. R. Vydyanatha Iyer ... | School, Arni. <br> Head Master, Board Middle |


| Arrah | ... | The Arrah T. S. ... | 19-11-1882 | Babu Kailas Chandra Banerji, m.A., B.L. | Babu Durga Prasad | Zemindar, Tarimhalla, Arrah. |
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| Aska | * | The Tattwânusandhânum T. S. | 10-2-1901 | Mr. K. K. Ramalingam .. | Mr. N. Padmanabhaswami Pantulu. | 2nd Grade Pleader, Aska, (Ganjam). |
| Badagara | $\ldots$ | The Mahadeva T. S. | 7-8-1902 | Mr. T. Kannan Nair ... | Mr. N. S. Subrahmanya Aiyar. | Head Master, Lower Secondary School, Badagara. |
| Baidyanath | $\ldots$ | The Brahma Vidyâ Sabha T. S, | 2-2-1899 | Babu Abinash Chandra Banerji, m.A., b.L. | Rai Bahadur Baroda Prasad Basu. | Retired Executive Engineer, Baidyanath, Deoghar. |
| Bangalore | $\cdots$ | The Bangalore Cantonment T. S. | 17-8-1886 | Mr. N. P. Subramania Iyer. | Mr. A. Singaravelu Moodelliar. | Resident's Office, Bangalore. |
| Bankipore | ... | The Bebar T. S. | 14-12-1882 | Babu Purnendu Narain Sinha, M.A., B.L. | Babu Siva Saukar Sahay ... | Pleader, Bankipore. |
| Bansberiah | .. | The Aryan Lodge T. S. ... | 12-2-19C0 | Rajah Kristendu Deb Rao. | Babu Kumar Manindra Deb Rao. | Bansberiah, Raj Bati. |
| Bapatla | . | The Bapatla T. S. | 24-1-1901 | Mr. V. Dakshinâmurti Pantulu Garu. | Mr, C. Venkatadri, B.A. ... | Pleader, Bapatla. |
| Barabanki | ... | The Jnanodaya T. S. | 2-7-1883 | Pt. Parmesvari Das .. |  | Pleader, Barabanki. |
| Bareilly | ... | The Rohilkhund T. S. | 17-11-1881 | Babu Prag Das ... | Babu Prithivi Nath | Munsiff. |
| Baroda | . | The Rewah T. S. | 19.6-1882 | Mr. W. Harding | M. K. Gadgil | Dandya Bazaar Road, Baroda. |
| Belgaum | $\ldots$ | The Belgaum T. S. | 27-6-1901 | Capt. C. Stuart Prince ... | Mr. A. N, Narayanaswamy.. | Church Street, Belgaum. |
| Bellary | $1:$ | The Bellary T. S. | 30-12-1882 |  | Mr. B. P. Narasimmiah, B.A. | Head Clerk, Dist. Court, Bellary. |
| Benares |  | The Kasi Tatwa Sabha T. S. | 27-2-1885 | Dr. A. Richardson ... | Babu Tridhara Ch, Bhatta, B.A., B.L. | Theosophical Society, Benares City. |

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| Berhampore (Bengal). | The Adi Bhautic Bhratri T. S. | 8-11-1882 | Babu Dinanath Ganguli.., | Babu Nafar Das Roy | Zemindar, Gorabazar, Berhampore. |
| Berhampore (Ganjam). | The Berhampore T. S. | 30-4-1901 | Mr. M. V, Chelapati Row Pantulu Garu. | Mr. B. Viyyana Pantulu ... | 1st Grade Pleader, Ganjam. |
| Bezwada | The Bezwada T. S. | 7-10-1887 | Mr. T. Venkatanarsiah ... | Mr. T. Seshachala Rao | Pleader, Bezwada. |
| Bhagulpore | The Bhagulpore T. S. .. | 7-11-1882 | Babu B. Parbati Charan Mukerji. | Babu Devi Prasad | Shekandarpur, Bhagulpore. |
| Bhandara | The Wanagaya T.S. ... | 19-3-1903 | Rai Sahib Gangaram | Babu Gobind Balvant | Pleader, Bhandara. |
| Bhavnagar | The Bhavnagar T. S. | 10-5-1882 | Mr, D. Mahipatray Oza ... | Mr. Balwantray P. Oza | High School, Kathiawar. |
| Bilaspur | The Bilaspur T. S. | 27-5-1903 | Mr. Bainatt Sinha LL.B.. | Mr. R. L. D. Gupta | Medical Hall, Bilaspur. |
| Bhiwani | The Bhiwani T. S. | $\begin{gathered} 16-9-1893 \\ 27-12-1901^{*} \end{gathered}$ |  | Mr. M. A. Lala Saligram | Munieipal Commissioner, Bhiwani. |
| Bombay | The Blavatsky Lodge T.S. | 20-2-1880 | Mr. D. Gostling |  | 37, Hornby Row, Fort, Bombay |
| Do | The Dharmalya T. S. | 2-3-1901 |  | Mr. Gajanan Bhaskar Vaidya, b.A. | 73, Lohar Chaul Kalka Devi, Bombay. |
| Broach | The Atma Vidya Lodge T. S. | $\begin{gathered} 1892 \\ 10-7-1900^{*} \end{gathered}$ | Rao Bahadur Motilal Chunilal. | Mr. Chimanlal Chentilal ... |  |
| Calcutta | The Bengal T. S. ... | 17-4-1883 | The Hon'ble Norendra Nath Sen. | Babu Hirendra Nath Dutt, м,A., B.L. | 139, Cornwallis Street, Caleutia. |

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| Coondapur | The Coondapur T.S. ... | 27-3-1902 | Mr. B. Vaikuntha Baliga. | Mr. B. Subba Row | Pleader, Coondapur. |
| Cuddalore | The Cuddalore T.S. | 9-1-1883 | Mr. M. Tillanayakam Pillai | Mr. R. Venkata Row | Pleader, District Munsif's Court, Cuddalore. |
| Cudapah | The Cuddapah T.S. ... | 2-12-1886 | Mr. A. Nanjundappa, b.A., B.L. | Mr. C. Ramaiya Guru, B.A.,L.T. | Secretary, Municipal Council, Cuddapah. |
| Darjeeling | The Kanchinjanga T.S. ... | 7-11-1882* |  | Sunder Singh, Esq. | Ghoom, Darjeeling. |
| Dehra-Dun | The Dehra-Dun T.S. | 1884† | Lala Baldeo Singh | Babu Ishan Chandra Dev, B.A. | G. T. Survey Office, N. W. P., Dehra-Dun. |
| Delhi | The Indraprastha T.S. | 1-3-1883 | Rai Pyarilal Saheb | Lala Bala Krishna Das | c/o Lala Bhajan Lal, Banker, Chipiwara, Delhi. |
| Dewas | The Besant Branch T.S... | 9-3-1903 | Mr. Gungadar N. Sastri | Mr. Narayana Mahadev Desai | Dewas. |
| Dharampore | The Ramjayanti T.S. $\quad . \cdots$ | 17-6-1897 | Mr. Harpatram Harmukhram Mehta. | Mr. Dahyabhai Vasanji Desai | Assistant Master, English School, Dharampere. |
| Dharwar | The Tatvânveshana T.S. | 22-10-1902 | Rai Bahadur Raghavendra Ramachandra Ganguli. | Mr. C. S. Rama Raju | Agent's Office, S.M.Ry, |
| Dindigul | The Dindigul T.S. | 9-3-1884 | M.R.Ry, L.A. Venguswami Aiyar. | M.R.Ry. S. Subramani Aiyar | Pleader, Dindigul. |
| Durbhanga | The Durbhanga T.S. ... | 25-4-1883 | Babu Krishnadhan Mukerji | Babu Asvinikumar Das, m,A. Babu Vindhyanath Jha. | Head Master, Northbrook School, Laheria Sarai, Durbhanga. |

The Ernacolam T.S.


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| Harur | The Harur T.S. ... | 5-11-1900 | Mr. C, N. Seshagiri Rao... | Mr. C. Shanmuga Mudaliar, | Sub-Inspeoter of Salt, Abkari and Customa Department, Haruf. |
| Hooghly | The Hooghly T.S. ... | 2-2-1900 | Babu Shyamadas Mukerji, м. A. | Dr. Prasad Das Mullick, $\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{B}$. | The Druggista' Hall, Hooghly, |
| Hubli | The Hubli T. Centre | 1903 |  | Mr, S, R, Kappikar | Hubli, |
| Hyderabad (Deccan). | The Hyderabad T.S. ... | 17-12-1882 | Mr, Dorabji Dossabhoy.... | Mr. Jehangir Sorabji ... | Chaddur Ghat, Hyderabad, Decoan. |
| Hyderabad (Sind). | The Hyderabad T.S. .. | $\begin{array}{r} 1896 \\ 25-2-1901^{*} \end{array}$ | Mr. Hiranand Santoke Ram, B.A., Lb.B. | Mr, Khanchand Prataprai, B.A. | Superintendent, Navalrai, Heranand Academy, Hyderabad, (Sind). |
| Jallandhur | The Tatwajnana Pracharini T.S. | 18-11-1883 |  | Babu Sawan Mul | Busteegooanan, Jallandhur, Punjab. |
| Jammoo | The Ranbir Partap T.S.... | 18-1-1901 | Diwan Amar Nath | Mr. Guffar Mall Mahra Madar. | Supt, Engineer's Oflice of H, <br> H. the Maharaja of Jammoo, |
| Jodhpur | The Besant Lodge T.S. | 21-8-1903 | Mr. K. Manjinath Bhatji.. | Swami Ragunatha Puri | Jodhpur. |
| Junagad | The Junagad T.S. | 10-3-1903 | J. Scott, Esq. | Mr. Mani Lal Keshav Ial, B a ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Nagenvada, Junagad. |
| Kanigiri | The Olcott T.S. | 18-12-1890 |  | Mr. A. V. Ramannjacharlu. | Plender, Dt, Munsif's Court, Kanigiri. |
| Karachi | The Karachi T.S. | 21-12-1896 | Mr. Cavasjee Edulji Anklesaria. | Mr. Damodar Vishram ... | \% Mesers, Hwart, Ryrio and Company, Kavachi, |



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| Markapur | The Kesava Samajam or Lodge T. S. | 3-5-1900 | Mr. S. Srinivasa Row . | Mr. A. Srinivasa Iyer | Pleader, Markgpur. |
| Masulipatam | The Masulipatam T. S. . | 13-10-1887 | Mr. Kota Ananda Row Pantulu. | Mr. V. Venkataseshaiya | Postal Pensioner, Sirkillipetta, Masulipatam. |
| Mayavaram | The Mayavaram T. S. | 24-8-1883 |  | Mr. Raja Ram Aiyar | Mayavaram Sanitary Inspeetor |
| Meerut | The Meerut T. S. | 27-2-1882 | Pt. Ram Prasad, m.a. | Dr. L. C. Baijal | Medical Praotitioner, e/o Rai Kishanlal, Assistant Sessions Judge. |
|  | The Maktila T. S. | 25-3-1303 | Mr. D. C. Chandra | Mr. K. B. Mukeyi | Advocate, Maktila. |
| Midnapore | The Midnapore T. S | 17-5-1883 | Babu Girish Chandra Mitra. | Babu Ishan Chandar Singh. | Pleader, Judge's Court, Midnapur. |
| Molkalmuru | The Molkalmuru T. S. ... | 1-3-1901 |  | Mr. M. Venkata Rao | Landholder, Molkalmuru. |
| Mongiyr | The Monghyr T. S. | 23-7-1887 | Pandit Ram Ballav Misra. | Babu Harkandhau Misra | Sheristadar, |
| Motiaari | The Motihari T. S. | 1896* | Babu Siva Sarker Sinha... | Babu Nanda Lal Bhattacharjee, M.A., b.L. | Pleader, Motihari. |
| Muddibihal | The Muddibihal Centre T. S. | 30-8-1902 | Rao Saheb D, A. Idgun ji. | Rao Saheb A, J, Deshpande | Government Pleader, Muddibihal. |
| Muttra | The Muttra T. S. | 20-2-1891 | Pandit Jai Narain Upa. manyu. | Dr. Ramji Mull, ц.м.s. | Medical Hall, Muttra City. |
| Multan | The Multan T. S. | 22-12-1896 |  | Pandit Bal Mukand Trakha. | Pleader, Multan City. |


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| Peddapuram | The Sri Krishna T.S. | 1.6-1901 | Mr. C. Seshayya Garu .. | Mr. S. Velu Mudaliar, | 2ud Grade Pleader. |
| Palghat | The Malabar T.S. | 11-12-1882 | Mr. V. Vengu lyer | Mr. S. Veeraraghava Iyer... | Sekharipu |
| Parvatipu | The Parvatipur T.S | 22-3-1901 | Mr. P, C. Tiruvenkatachari, в.d., b.L. | Mr-J. Sanjiva Row | Hd. Clerk, Collector's Office, Parvatipur. |
| Puttur | The Sarada Lodge | 6-1-1902 | Mr. Lakshman Rao | Mr. B. Mangesh Row | 2nd Grade Pleader. |
| Pollachi | The Pollachi T.S. | 18-6-1888 | Mr. Mnthuramswami Kalingarayar, | Mr. S. K. Narayansawmi Iyer | Pleader, Pollach |
| Ponnani | The Trikara T.S. | 1-12-1902 | Mr. P. Bappu Averg | Mr. P. R. Duraswamy Aiyar; | Pleader, Mf.'s Court, Ponna |
| Purasawakam | The Sri Rama Lodge T.S.. | 28-1-1898 |  | Mr. G. Ranganatha Mudr.... | Malabar. <br> Head Master, Hindu Union Middle Schl., Purasawakam. |
| Purnea | The Purn | 20-5.1902 | Babu Nanda Kishore Lal. | Babu Ram Prasad | Pleader. |
| Penukonda | The Penukonda T.S | 7-12-1893 | Mr. R. Hanumantha Row. | Mr. G. Venkata Subba Iyer. | Pleader, Penukond |
| Periyakulam | The Periyakulam T.S. | 3-3-1884 | Mr. V. Ramabhadra Naidu. | Mr. R. Sundara Rajam Aiyar | Sanitary Inspector, |
| Paramakudi | The Parmakudi T.S, | 9-2-1885 | Mr. T. V. Kokanada Ramay yangar. | Mr. A. S. Krishnaswami Sastri. | kulam. <br> Pleader, Paramakudi. |
| Poona | The Poona T.S. | 25-1-1882 | Khan Bahadur Naoroji Dorabji Khandalwalla. | Mr. Rajana Sivajee | Pleader, Malcohan Tank Road, Poona. |
| Proddatur | The Proddatar T. S. | 10-11-1893 | Mr. Kodandarama Iyer... | Mr. T. K. Anantachariar ... | Sub-Registrar, Proddatur. |





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| Wai | The Wai Centre T. S. ... | 28-6-1899 |  | Ganesh Ram Krishna Vidya. |  |
| Walajanagar | The Wallajah Ranipet Lodge T. S. | 25-3-1898 | Mr. T. P. Narasimha Chariar. | Mr. W. Vijiaraghava Mudaliar. | Pleader, Walajahnagar, North Arcot: |
| Warangal | The Satyavichara T. S. .. | 1891* | Mr. I. Seshagiri Row | Mr. T. Tirumala Row | Teacher, Govt. High School, Warangal. |
| Yeotmal | The Yeotmal T. S. ... | 3-1-1902 | Mr. B. R. Sastckar | Mr. N. V. Thatte, B.A. | Headmaster, A. V. School, Yeotmal. |
| Yellamanchelli | The Sarvasiddhi T. S. ... | 23-4-1901 | Mr. J. M. Nellaswami Pillai. | Mr. K. Venkata Narasayya. | Yellamanchelli. |


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| 1893* | Bolaram | The Bolaram T. S. ... | 27-12-1882 |
| 12-9-02 | Balandshar | The Baron T. S. | 1887* |
| 3-8-1893 | Burdwan | The Brahma Vidya Lodge T.S. | 3-5-1883 |
| 5-12-1896 | Calcuita | The Ladies T. S. | 18-4-1883 |
| 18-7-1885 | Chakdigi | The Chakdigi T. S. | 4-5.1883 |
| 30-10-1901 | Chingleput | The Chingleput T. S. | 7-1-1883 |
| 21-7-1886 | Chittagong | The Chittagong T. S. | 79-1887 |
| 24-5-1883 | Conjeeveram | The Satyavrata T.S. ... | 2-11-1897 |
| 1892* | Cuttack | The Cuttack T.S. | 9.4-1901 |
| 16.6-1887 | Dacca | The Dacea T. S. | 18.3-1883 |
| 23-3-1883 | Dharmapuri | The Dharmapuri Lodge T. S. | ... 8-1-1898 |
| 6-2-1900 | Dumraon | The Dumraon T. S. ... | ... 17-4-1883 |
| 16-9-1893 | Ellore | The Gupta Vidya T. S. ... | 7-10-1887 |
| 7-4-1883 | 3:o ie | The Erode T. S. | 1900* |
| 13-12-1901 | Ferozepur | The Ferozepur T. S. ... | 24-8-1901 |

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| Guntur | The Sadvichara T. S. ... | 1891* | Moradabad | The Atmabodha T. S. | 14-2-1883 |
| Hajipur | The Hajipur T. S. ... | 15-3-1899 | Muddehpoorah | The Muddehpoorah T. S. | 17-1-1881 |
| Hoshangabad | The Narmada T. S. | 7-11,1885 | Mysore | The Mysore T. S. | 6-10-1896 |
| Howrah | The Howrah T. S. | 28-5-1883 | Nadaid | The Gopala Krishna T, S. | 10-6-1901 |
| Jubbalpore | The Bhrigu Kshetra T. S. | 28-5.1883 | Narial | The Narail T. S. | 30-3-1883 |
| Jalpaiguri | The Jalpaiguri T. S. | 5-6-1889 | Nasik | The Nasik T. S. | 1891* |
| Jand | The Jand Centre T. S. ... | 1894* | Nilphamari | The Nilphamari T. S. ... | 14-5゙-92 |
| Jessore | The Tattvajnana Sabha T. S. | 29-3-1883 | Noakhali | The Noakhali T. S. | 26-12-1886 |
| Jeypore | The Jeypore T.S. | 22-2-1881 | Orai | The Orai T. S. | 14-9-1886 |
| Kapurthala | The Kapurthala T. S. | 4-12-1883 | Pahartali | The Mahamuni T. S. | 1887* |
| Karwar | The N. Canara T. S. | 7-1-1883 | Palconda | The Palconda T. S. | 4-12-01 |
| Kavali | The Kavali T. S. | 2-12-01 | Pakur | The Pakur T. S. | 1891* |
| Krishnagiri | The Krishnagiri T. S. | 24-12-1897 | Palni | The Palni T. S. | 15-10-1897 |
| Kuch Rehar | The Kuch Behar T. S. | 1889** | Patukota | The Patukota T. S. | 27-6-1898 |
| Mandalay | The Mandalay T.S. ... | 31-1-1902 | Poonamallee | The Poonamallee T. S. ... | 7-3-1898 |

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