

# GENERAL REPORT

OF THE

## EIGHTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

### THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,

AT THE HEAD-QUARTERS, ADYAR, MADRAS,  
DECEMBER 27TH, 28TH, 29TH AND 30TH, 1893.  
WITH OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.

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THE President-Founder called the meeting to order at noon, on the 27th December, according to custom. The attendance was exceptionally large. Delegates or members were present from the American and European Sections, and from the following countries: England, Ceylon, Sweden, America, and various parts of India. They represented the following religions: Hindu (Advaita, Dvaita, Vis'ishthádvaita); Buddhist, including two priests of the Ramanya Nikaya; Zoroastrian; Christian; Islam.

The Indian Delegates came from the Presidencies of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-western Provinces and Panjáb. The most conspicuous figure among those assembled was, of course, Mrs. Annie Besant (now lovingly re-named "Annabai" by the Hindus), and the course of daily morning lectures which she gave, was the most interesting feature of the Convention. Congratulatory telegrams were read from the General Secretaries of the American and European Sections, from Shanghai (Dharmapala), and from the Bombay and Bareilly Branches.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

I bid you welcome once more, my brothers, friends and colleagues, to the annual home-coming of the members of our scattered Theosophical family; glad to have been spared to do it, gladdest of all that I am able to greet you with a joy in my heart to which it has long been a stranger. The night's blackness is rolling away, the dawn of a happier day is breaking. Thanks—as I believe—to the kind help of those whom I call my Masters and the Elder Brothers of the race, our patient and loyal persistence is about being rewarded by help of the most valuable kind, for they have sent me "Annabai" to share my burden, relieve our mental distress, and win the respect and sympathy of good people. While she is not yet able to quite fill the void left by the departure of my co-Founder, H. P. B., she will be in time, and

meanwhile is able to render service that her Teacher could not, by her peerless oratory and her scientific training. This meeting will be historical, as marking her first appearance at our Annual Conventions:—her first, but not her last, for I have some reason to hope that she will devote a certain part of her future years to Indian work. [Great applause.]

#### THE E. S. T.

Mrs. Besant's and my close association in the Indian tour now in progress, and the consequent mutual insight into our respective characters and motives of action, has brought us to a perfect understanding which, I believe, nothing can henceforth shake. She and I are now at one as regards the proper scope and function of the E. S. T. as one of the activities carried on by our members; others of the class being our educational work in Ceylon, and that which H. Dharmapala and I, with other Buddhist colleagues, are carrying on through the channel of the Mahâ Bodhi Society. Whatever misunderstandings have occurred hitherto with respect to the exact relationship between the Society, as a body, and the Esoteric Section which I chartered in 1888,—now known as the Eastern School of Theosophy—and of which she is the sweet spirit and the guiding-star, have passed away—I hope, forever.

#### ACTIVITIES.

The past year has been one of exceptional activity and the results supremely important. In the European Section, Mr. Mead, the General Secretary, and Mrs. Besant have visited the Branches on the Continent; Mr. Kingsland, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Hodder, Mr. H. T. Edge, Mrs. Besant and others those in Great Britain; Mrs. Cooper-Oakley did very useful work by lecturing in Australasia, and organizing Leagues of Theosophical Workers; Mrs. Besant, Mr. Claude F. Wright, Mr. B. Harding and Dr. Allen Griffiths have covered thousands of miles in their official journeyings in the United States of America; Mr. S. V. Edge, Mr. W. R. Old, Pandit Bhavani Shanker, Mr. C. Kotayya, Mr. P. R. Venkatarama Iyer, Mr. R. Jagganathiah, Mr. T. Swaminathiah, Mr. J. Srinivasa Row, Mr. Purnendu Narain Singh and myself have made extensive tours throughout India; I have visited Ceylon and Burma, and am now accompanying Mrs. Besant on her long Indian tour, as above remarked.

#### THE CHICAGO THEOSOPHICAL CONGRESS.

The most important feature of the Society's year was the Theosophical Congress, held as a part of the World's Parliament of Religions at Chicago, on the 15th and 16th of September, the splendid success of which was largely due to the devoted energy, zeal and excellent organizing faculty of Mr. W. Q. Judge, aided by Mr. G. E. Wright, President of our Chicago Branch, and a number of their colleagues, together with the generous support, moral and pecuniary, given by them and the American and European Sections, aided in lesser degree by the Indian Section. The Society is deeply indebted to these gentlemen for their services and will remember them with gratitude. The Society is also under special

obligations to its Indian Members, G. N. Chakravarti and H. Dharmapala for attending the Congress and ably representing its eclectic character. The success of the Congress was, however, a greater surprise to us than it can have been to outsiders, for it showed such a deep and world-wide interest in our movement, as we had not suspected or dared hope for. It was not the eloquence of Mrs. Besant alone which drew audiences of 3,000 and 4,000 people daily to our sessions in the 'Hall of Washington' and other Halls for the addresses and arguments of all our speakers were listened to with profound attention, and their effect was reflected in the comments of the Press and the space accorded to reports of the proceedings. In common with every other working member in the Society, I am encouraged by this demonstration to unflagging persistence in the work, and very recent assurances from sources I most respect, give me the conviction of speedy and complete success. At the same time I am warned to expect fresh disagreeable surprises; but for these, long experience has fortified me, and the Society, as heretofore, will emerge purer and stronger than ever. The Society is gradually learning that personalities are but broken reeds to lean upon; and that the best of us are but mortals, fallible and weak.

#### MRS. BESANT'S TOUR.

Mrs. Besant and the Countess Wachtmeister landed at Colombo on the 10th of November last; were the guests of our respected sister, Mrs. Musæus Higgins, at Sanghamitta School; visited with me Kandy, Galle and Panadure; were welcomed by some 2,000 of the pupils of our Buddhist secular schools; and Mrs. Besant lectured a number of times to large audiences with great acceptance. On November 15th we crossed by steamer to Tuticorin, and thence embraced in our programme Tinnevely, Madura, Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Kumbakonum, Erode, Coimbatore, Bangalore, Bellary, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Bezwada and Rajahmundry, at all of which places Mrs. Besant lectured and aroused the enthusiasm of the people. Everywhere our party received the greatest kindness and the most lavish hospitality. The preliminary arrangements were perfect and reflect great credit on Mr. Edge who attended to them. We resume our travel on the 7th January, and have to visit twenty-four more stations before the end of March, when Mrs. Besant will return to England. From the considerable number of new members taken into the Society thus far, the increased sales of our literature, the large attendance at this Convention, and the tone of the Indian press, I forecast a great permanent benefit to the movement in India from the present tour. If the general wish that our dear sister should spend a portion of each year henceforth in this country be gratified, I think that we shall soon see the influence of this Section becoming what it should be in the life of a Society, begotten out of the soul of India and devoted to the spread of Aryan teachings throughout the world.

### A VERNACULAR SUB-SECTION.

To hasten this desirable result, I recommend the careful consideration of a plan suggested by our unselfish and untiring brothers, Mr. R. Jagganathiah and T. Swaminathiah, of the Bellary Sanmarga Sabha, for the formation of a Vernacular Sub-Section. We have already done something in past years by starting a number of vernacular journals, issuing books and pamphlets in vernacular languages, forming boys' Sunday schools and societies, establishing Sanskrit schools, and sending around lecturers to speak in their native tongues to the non-English knowing masses. But this is not enough nor is the Bellary plan a perfect one. We ought to have a well-digested scheme which should cover all India with our schools, societies, journals and village preachers, all combined to afford multitudinous channels for the spread of the ancient enlightened views upon religion and ethics which we represent. We should have a man at the head of it as Director-General and under him a Chief Superintendent to reside in each Presidency capital, while under these latter should be a corps, as large as our means might permit, of local workers operating in harmony with our local Branches and centres. This great scheme was partially foreshadowed in one of my early addresses at Bombay. It is so important that I shall refer the memorandum of our Bellary colleagues to a Special Committee for report to the present Convention.

### NEW INDIAN CENTRES.

Our highly esteemed sister, the Countess Wachtmeister, has come to India with the purpose of taking up her residence at Allahabad or some other northern station, as the case may be, and there forming a new centre of Theosophical work at her own cost. Her tireless and unselfish activity as the head of the Theosophical Publishing Society of London, and as founder of numerous lending Theosophical libraries, warrant us in expecting satisfactory results from her new venture, provided that she receives from our local branches in N. W. P. and Punjab the co-operation which she has the right to count upon and which the case demands.

Miss F. Henrietta Müller, F. T. S., who is already widely known and respected throughout India as well as among the European and American Sections of our Society, is also helping us materially, by giving to our Bombay Branch, rent-free, a spacious suite of rooms on Hornby Road, for its Head-quarters and Library, with living rooms for a Superintendent and others for our brother, Mr. T. S. Ganapati Iyer, F. T. S., for whose support she makes herself personally responsible. Miss Müller has already found an excellent Swedish-American lady F. T. S. of means to come out and try the experiment of starting the desired social centre. In this practical scheme the Countess Wachtmeister has promised her sympathetic co-operation, and upon the completion of Mrs. Besant's tour will stop at Bombay for some weeks to give the expected lady the benefit of her advice and experience. Meanwhile I have request-

ed Mr. Old to go to Bombay and take over the charge of the preliminary arrangements.

#### THE GOPALACHARLU DEFALCATION.

The saddest event of the year was the lamentable defalcation of the late Treasurer of the Society, by which the Society was robbed of the sum of about Rs. 8,600. The crime was made possible by his having in his unofficial custody two subscribed funds, *viz.*, the "H. P. B. Memorial" and the "Olcott Pension," which had not yet passed into the Society's account-books, and were reported by him to be on deposit in the Post Office Savings Bank. He kept a Petty Cash book, in which he recorded the sums as subscribed, and made public acknowledgment of the same monthly in the *Theosophist*. Some smaller embezzlements were made by false-entries in our books of account and in the P. O. Savings Bank Pass Book of the Subbarow Medal Fund. Upon the verge of discovery he took his own life; and thus perished miserably a man who was honored for his literary and scholastic ability throughout our Theosophical world. It has been thought by some that if due care had been exercised, he would not have had the chance to commit these crimes, but every year we read in the press of all civilised countries of similar and far worse offences by trusted officers of the soundest banks and the most carefully managed public companies and private business houses. The fact is that the world's vast business is transacted on the basis of mutual confidence. In Sir Henry Maine's "Ancient Law," pp. 306 and 307, we read that, as regards the multiplicity and astounding complication and success of great frauds,

"The very character of these frauds shows clearly that before they became possible, the moral obligations of which they are the breach, must have been more than proportionately developed. It is the confidence reposed in and deserved by the many which affords facilities for the bad faith of the few, so that, if colossal examples of dishonesty occur, there is no surer conclusion than that scrupulous honesty is displayed in the average of the transactions which, in the particular case, have supplied the delinquent with his opportunity."

Upon our loss becoming known, the first one to come to my rescue was—whom do you think? Annie Besant, who sent me £50 she had just received in a legacy, and to cheer me up cabled me that it was on its way out. [Applause]. Immediately after, there came to me from London a formal paper executed by Annie Besant, G. R. S. Mead, as Gen. Sec. European Section, W. Q. Judge, as Gen. Sec. American Section, Bertram Keightley, as Gen. Sec. Indian Section, Dr. Archibald Keightley, Mrs. Keightley, and Miss Müller, pledging themselves to repay to our Treasury within the next two years the whole sum stolen, and sending me drafts for £150, in addition to Mrs. Besant's £50, as part payment of the guarantee. I was empowered to divide the sum up proportionately between the several depleted funds, and should have done so had I been forced to do so at once. As, however, I could manage to go on until the end of the fiscal year without this help, I thought I might venture to set the £200

aside temporarily as a Suspense Account, meanwhile laying the case before the Indian members and asking them to make good the losses, and not allow a few kind, generous friends abroad, to cramp themselves to do for us what we ought to do for ourselves, when such noble charities as the Bow Club, the Crèche, the League of Theosophical Workers, etc., needed aid, some most urgently : I thought this an opportunity to encourage in our Indian colleagues that spirit of Theosophical altruism which has been so constantly exemplified at the West in the practical work of our members. Thus far my appeal has drawn out Indian subscriptions to the amount of Rs. 968, and therefore the Guarantee Fund has in the Suspense Account the handsome sum of Rs. 4,722-12-9, or more than half of the defalcation.

#### FINANCIAL.

To avoid the haste with which the auditors have to work if appointed only on the first day of the Annual Meeting, I have this time profited by the earlier presence of Messrs. D. Gostling and P. D. Khan, of Bombay, both skilled accountants and engaged in mercantile affairs, and appointed them to audit the Head-quarters account books, count the cash and verify the bank deposits, and their report will presently be read to you. I shall henceforth try to arrange for a quarterly audit, to be reported in the official department of the *Theosophist*, instead of an annual one only. The Society's cash is now all deposited in my name in the Bank of Madras, and I have transferred the Government Four per cents. to the joint account of myself and Mr. V. Coopposwamy Iyer, F. T. S., one of the Trustees named in the Deed of Trust of December 1892, by which I transferred the real and other property of the Society to a Board of Trustees. The Society not being registered, I was not permitted by the Indian Companies' Act to transfer the securities to the Board of Trustees as a whole. The cash accounts appended to this Address show that the Society is in a solvent condition, and, while much hampered by the want of money to extend our work as I should like, we manage to get enough to pay our way. Economies have been introduced in our domestic expenditures, the buildings kept in good repair, and the place carefully looked after by Mr. M. G. Hari Row, F. T. S., whom I have appointed Superintendent since my last Annual Report.

#### THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

Our collection of books is slowly but steadily growing, and during the year some important works have been added. The revised Catalogue shows that we now have the following :

#### *List of Bound Books and Palm-leaf MSS.*

##### ORIENTAL SECTION.

Vedas and Vedāngas with their Commentaries	...	125
Itihasas and Purānas	... ..	115
Dharmas'āstras (Law)	... ..	197
Philosophy of the Six Schools.	... ..	312

Jyotisha, Vaidya, and other S'ástras ...	...	...	75
Religion (including Jainism)..	...	...	288
Tantras ...	...	...	72
Grammars and Lexicons ...	...	...	167
General Oriental Literature...	...	...	188
Miscellaneous Reference Works; including Oriental Catalogues, "Sacred Books of the East" and Trübner's "Oriental Series," &c....	...	...	515
Pali Texts..	...	...	63
Indian Vernaculars; including Shemitic Tongues, Arabic, Hebrew, &c ...	...	...	578
Tibetan Texts, MSS	...	...	12
Japanese and Chinese	...	...	1,353
Total, Oriental Books and MSS.			4,060
Do. Dec. 27th, 1892....			3,381
Increase during 1893...			679

#### WESTERN SECTION.

General Literature, including History, Biography, Science, Art, Philosophy, Fiction, Metaphysic, etc.	...	...	3,000
Works on Theosophy by Members and others	...	670	
			3,670
Add Oriental Works	...	4,060	

Total of Books in Adyar Library,  
December 27th, 1893. 7,730

The Society is indebted to the following gentlemen for their donations of books to the Adyar Library during the past year: H. H. Keralavarma of Travancore; Manavedarajah of Calicut; Rajah of Karvetnagar; the Dewan Bahadur S. Subramaniam Iyer of Madras; Pandit R. Anantakrishna S'ástri, of the Adyar Library; and others.

After the death of S. E. Gopalacharlu, I dispensed with the services of our late Pandit, and appointed Mr. Anantakrishna S'ástri to the vacancy. He has been very active in securing the good-will of influential gentlemen for the Library, and we are indebted to his efforts for some of the valuable additions to our catalogue.

#### GROWTH OF THE SOCIETY.

Results yearly prove the wisdom of the plan of dividing the Society into sections, and I hope in time to be able to extend it over the whole world. Australasia and New Zealand are almost ripe for it, and in time I hope to find some competent person with the requisite leisure to re-organize the Buddhist Section in Ceylon. But for the formation of the American and European Sections, the tie between Head-quarters and those distant parts of the world must have been ruptured before now.

My endeavour has been from the first to build up a federal league on the basis of our Three Declared Objects which, while giving all members and branches the greatest latitude of opinion and choice of work, should yet be a compact working entity, with the welding together of its units by the bond of a strong common tie of mutual interest and clearly defined corporate policy. The chief Executive has already become in great part, and must ultimately be entirely, the mere official pivot of the wheel, the central unit of its life, the representative of its federative character, the umpire in all intersectional disputes, the wielder of the Council's authority. As I gave autonomy to each section as it came into being, so I mean to treat each future one, believing that our common interests will best be guarded by local administrators. I abhor the very semblance of autocratic interference, but I equally detest that principle of nullification which drives people to try to subvert constitutions under which they have prospered and which has proved in practice well fitted to promote the general well being. This feeling has made me resent at times what seemed attempts to make the Society responsible for special authorities, ideas and dogmas which, however good in themselves, were foreign to the views of some of our members, and hence an invasion of their personal rights of conscience under our constitution. As the official guardian of that instrument, my duty requires this of me, and I hope never to fail in it.

My respected colleague, Mr. A. P. Sinnett, and a few others, hold views quite different from my own upon the subject of T. S. solidarity. They think that after my death

"No successor should be elected as head of the Society all over the world, but it should drift into an organization which would be much better adapted to the proportions the Society has now assumed.....Control of the Presidential sort, as regards the Society as a whole, is an idea, in fact, that only belongs to the infancy of such an organization. Now that the movement has firmly taken root, it does not require that kind of nursing.....At any given moment when the system.....would be carried out—supposing that moment ever to arrive—the Presidents of the then existing, or chartered Lodges, would be the Parliament of the Society, and might have the opportunity of coming together in a conference once a year, at some time and place fixed by the General Secretary. Then it would be publicly notified that any bodies of people who, since the last period, had formed themselves into a Theosophical Lodge, could communicate with the General Council, and, if found to understand the ideas of our Society, be then and there recognized as having formed a new lodge. Then the President of such a Lodge would take his place in the sectional Parliament or Council. The functions of the General Secretary would, of course, be reduced almost to a nullity, but the Presidents of Lodges could freely communicate amongst themselves, and if, from time to time, any co-operative action became desirable, could agree upon it."

While unconvinced of the superiority of this plan over the one in vogue, I have deemed it my duty to quote a few passages from a semi-private letter, that the views of a small group of able friends may be



recorded at this stage of affairs. For my part, I cannot see how a world-covering movement like ours could possibly be kept advancing without some official thread to string the beads of sections and branches upon, and without one general and various local central offices, from which official circulars and other documents should issue, a propaganda be directed, the results of sectional and general conferences be communicated, and information of general interest disseminated ; one at which disputes might be decided and archives kept. The plan proposed seems to me one of segregation into units called Branches, of the fostering of exclusiveness, of the abandonment of the propagandist work whose fruits are the spread of the movement, of the destruction of the sense of moral responsibility to the Society as a whole, for industrious and altruistic work, of the sweeping away of our present constitutional limits, which keep the movement strictly within the lines of our Three Declared Objects, and of the rupture of the common tie of fraternity which makes every member feel a family interest in all that the Society does in every quarter of the globe. However, the plan is laid before you for your information and such consideration as it may deserve.

The statistics of the Recording Secretary's office show a greater increase in the number of Branches (48) than in any previous year, as will be seen from the following tabulation :

CHARTERS ISSUED BY THE T. S. TO THE CLOSE OF EACH YEAR SINCE ITS  
FOUNDATION IN 1875.

1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893
1	2	10	25	52	95	107	124	136	158	179	206	241	279	304	352

Upon turning over some packages of our earlier records, I found that we had been mistaken as to the dates of the charters of our first two Branches, the British Theosophical Society (now known as the London Lodge of the T. S.) and the Ionian T. S. of Corfu, Greece. The first named was organized in 1878, the latter in 1879. Mr. Gopalacharlu had also reported carelessly the numbers of certain other years. The true statistical data are given above, and the figures prove that a momentum of growth has been developed that nothing can stop.

NEW BRANCHES OF 1893.

*India.*—Almorah ; Bhavani ; Jullunder ; Prodatur ; Penukonda ; Gantama ; and Agra.

*America.*—Syracuse ; Reading ; Grenada ; Kalayana ; Alaya ; Harvard ; Blue Mountains ; Bulwer Lytton ; Dayton ; Columbus ; Englewood ; S'ravaka ; Corinthian ; Lake City ; Macon ; Orion ; Port Townsend ; and Toledo.

*Europe*.—Nyköping; Kalmar; Stockholm (2); Helsingborg; Norwegian; Lund; Gothenburg; Örebro; Athene: Madrid; Bournemouth; Southport; Valencia; Middlesborough; Barcelona; Edinburgh; Bristol; Bow and Copenhagen.

*Australasia*.—Dunedin; and Capricornian.

*Argentine Republic*.—Luz.

#### BRANCHES DISSOLVED AND SUMMARY.

Charters issued from the founding of the T. S. to the close of 1893 = 352.

Deducting 30 charters hitherto extinguished, we have 322 living, *i. e.*, uncanceled, charters at the close of the year 1893.

Geographically the new year's Branches are distributed as follows:—

Asia 9; Europe 20; U. S. America 18; South America 1.

Our Indian Branches are established in the following Countries, Presidencies, and Provinces:

Bengal 36; Behar 8; N. W. P., Panjáb and Oudh 29; Central Provinces 4; Bombay 9; Kattyawar 2; Madras 61; Ceylon 22; and Burmah 3.

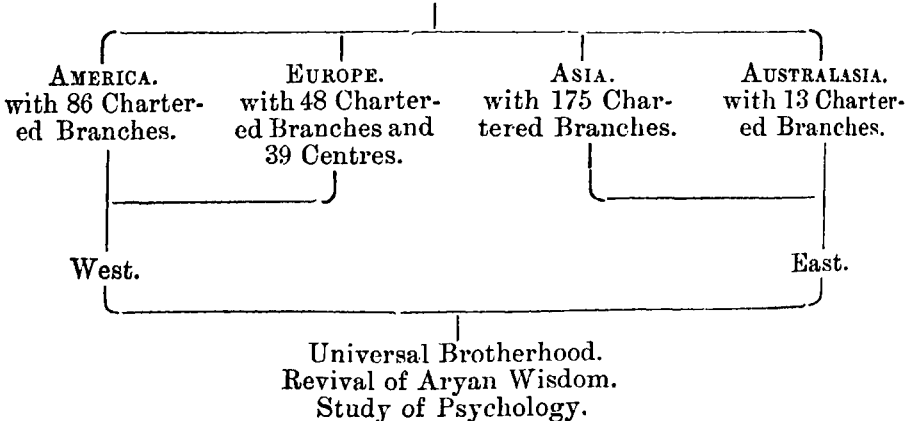
In other parts of the world we have: England 23; Scotland 2; Ireland 1; France 2; Austria 2; Sweden 10; Greece 1; Holland 1; Belgium 1; Russia 1; Spain 3; Norway 1; U. S. America 82; S. America 1; W. Indies 3; Australasia 12; Phillipine Islands 1; Japan 1, *i. e.*—in Asia 175; in Europe 48; in Australasia 13; and in the Americas and W. Indies 86.

Total of living Branches on the 27th December 1893 = 322.

Besides these the General Secretary of the European Section reports the existence of 39 Centres in Europe, as yet unchartered, but nuclei of future Branches. During the past year about 19 such Centres have been expanded into regular Branches under this normal law of growth. Adding these centres to the registered Branches (322), we have a grand total of chartered and unchartered Branches amounting to 361.

For convenience of grouping I will adopt a figure which I copy from a Calcutta paper as being the most practical.

#### THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.



## OUR LITERATURE.

The Sectional reports give us the details of our literary activities, upon which I need not further dwell. A survey of the field of contemporary literature shows that while our members have largely swelled our list of publications, many non-Theosophists have also been writing books, pamphlets and articles upon occult subjects, and that the old Aryan ideas on the basic questions of life and mind are rapidly permeating Western thought. Following is a list of the year's

*New Books.*

- "Reincarnation, a Study of the Soul ;" by J. K. Anderson.
- "The Secret Doctrine ;" (Revised Edition), by H. P. Blavatsky.
- "Death and After ?" by Annie Besant.
- "Key to Theosophy ;" (Revised Edition), by H. P. Blavatsky.
- "The Voice of the Silence ;" (Revised Edition), by H. P. Blavatsky.
- "Stanzas of Dzyan ;" from the "Secret Doctrine" of H. P. Blavatsky.
- "The Sepher Yetzirah ;" (Revised Edition), by W. Wynn Westcott.
- "The Marriage of the Soul, and other Poems ;" by W. Scott-Elliott.
- "The Golden Stairs ;" by A. E. Waite.
- "Azoth ; or the Star in the East ;" by A. E. Waite.
- "Magic ; White and Black ;" (Revised Edition), by Franz Hartmann.
- "The Esoteric Basis of Christianity, Genesis : Part II ;" by W. Kingsland.
- "The Ocean of Theosophy ;" by W. Q. Judge. (Two Editions).
- "Reminiscences of Mme. Blavatsky and the Secret Doctrine ;" by the Countess Wachtmeister.
- "Notes on Nirvana ;" G. R. S. Mead.
- "Through Storm to Peace ;" Annie Besant.
- "Theosophical Gleanings, No. 1."
- "Lectures on Astrology ;" W. R. Old.
- "Light on the Path, with Commentary ;" by S. Srinivas Row.
- "The New Method of Health ;" Franz Hartmann.
- "Thoughts on the Bhagavad Gítá ;" by A. Nilakantha Sástri.
- "Vasudevamananam ;" K. Narainswamy.
- "Hatha Yoga Pradipika ;" Tookaram Tatya.

*Pamphlets.*

- "Death as viewed by Theosophy ;" A. Fullerton.
- "Theosophical Mahatmas ;" do
- "Evolution according to Theosophy ;" Katharine Hillard.
- "Theosophy and Christianity ;" W. Copeland.
- "An Exposition of Theosophy ;" Annie Besant.
- "Theosophy and its Message ;" Long.
- "The Crown of Life ;" Nicholson.
- "Translations of the Scottish Lodge T. S." (Six numbers).
- "Transactions of the London Lodge T. S." (Two numbers).

"Information for Enquirers."

"A Rough Outline of Theosophy;" Annie Besant.

"Why you should be a Theosophist?" do

"What Theosophy is;" do

"Theosophy and the Society of Jesus;" do

"Theosophy and Christianity;" do

"Theosophy and Roman Catholicism;" Herbert Burrows.

"Yoga; the Science of the Soul;" G. R. S. Mead.

"Theosophy in Questions and Answers;" Annie Besant.

"Theosophy and Occultism;" a Hindu F. T. S.

"A Short Glossary of Theosophical Terms;" (Revised Edition).

"The Second Object of the Theosophical Society;" S. V. Edge.

"The Place of Peace;" Annie Besant.

"The Uttara-gītā;" Tookaram Tatya.

"Vedanta Vartikam;" B. P. Narasimiah.

"Asceticism;" H. S. Olcott.

"Absolute Monism;" Sundaram Iyer.

"Annie Besant on Theosophy;" Nym Crinkle.

"Theosophy for School Boys;" O. L. Sarma.

"Kinship between Hinduism and Buddhism;" H. S. Olcott.

"The Rules of Rāj Yoga;" Tookaram Tatya.

Over 100,000 Tracts.

### *Reprints.*

"Bhagavad Gītā;"

American.

"Pantajali's Yoga Aphorisms;"

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"Working Glossary;"

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"Echoes from the Orient;" W. Q. Judge.

"A Study of Man;" J. D. Buck.

"The Astral Light;" Nizida.

"What is Theosophy?" W. R. Old.

Many pamphlets.

### *Translations.*

"The Secret Doctrine."

Swedish.

"Short Articles by H. P. B."

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"A Study of Man."

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"The Esoteric Basis of Christianity."

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"The Rationale of Mesmerism."

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"The Alcohol Question."

"

"The Seven Principles."

Dutch.

"Reincarnation."

"

"A Rough Outline of Theosophy"

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"Karma and Reincarnation."

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"Key to Theosophy."

"

"Epitome of Theosophical Teachings."

"

"Theosophy and Religion."

"

"Introduction to the Secret Doctrine."

"

Light on the Path."	Dutch
"Through Storm to Peace."	"
"Helen Blavatsky, Annie Besant and Modern Theosophy."	Italian.
"The Bhagavad Gítá."	German.
"What is Theosophy?"	"
"The Science of Breath."	"
"The Key to Theosophy."	"
"Light on the Path."	Bohemian.
"Epítome of Theosophical Teachings."	French.
"Voice of the Silence."	"
"Key to Theosophy."	"
"Letters that have helped me."	"
"Isis Unveiled."	Spanish.
"Key to Theosophy"	"
"Bhagavad Gita"	"
"Reincarnation." (Manual)	Gujarati.
Do do	Urdu.
"Seven Principles of Man." do	"
<i>Journals.</i>	
The Theosophist, English (Monthly)	12 numbers.
The Path "	12 "
Lucifer, "	12 "
Teosofisk Tidskrift, Swedish,	8 "
Theosofia, Dutch,	12 "
Lotus Blüthen, German,	8 "
Pokrok, Bohemian,	8 "
Le Lotus Bleu, French,	12 "
L'Aurore, "	12 "
Estudios Teosoficas, Spanish,	6 "
Sophia, "	6 "
Theosophic Thinker, English,	(weekly)
Theosophical Siftings, "	18 numbers.
Vahan, "	12 "
Forum, "	12 "
Prasnottara, "	10 "
Oriental Department, "	4 "
Book Notes, "	9 "
The Irish Theosophist "	12 "
The Upadhi, "	(MSS. Edit.)
Pauses, "	(12 members.)
Luz, Spanish,	6 "
Pacific Theosophist, English,	12 "
The Kalpa, Bengali,	(monthly)
The Adhyátama Málá, Guzarati,	do

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Report of Proceedings, 17th Anniversary of the Theosophical Society, 1892.

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#### THE HARTMANN LEGACY.

My latest advices from Brisbane show that the terrific financial crisis of this year has upset all values of real property, so that there has been no possibility of our doing anything with the Hartmann estate save to leave it alone.

#### MY WORK IN BUDDHISM.

The chief feature of my work during the past year is my taking, with H. Dharmapála and other Buddhists, the preliminary steps towards acquiring the Buddha Gaya Shrine for the Buddhists by purchase. The Government of Bengal is now conducting a Cadastral Survey of that portion of Behar, and until that is finished, we cannot push our negotiations farther than we have. A pious Burmese gentleman has offered us the estimated sum to make the purchase, another at Mandalay has just reported the collection of Rs. 17,000 more towards the same object, and Mr. Dharmapála—whose cablegram of greeting from Shanghae you have heard read—has been doing more in the same matter in Japan. I am pleased to know that the benevolent interest of Sir Edwin Arnold, Lord Kimberly, Prof. Rhys Davids and many other Western gentlemen of influence has been expressed to Dharmapála with respect to this very meritorious and noble work.

#### THE REVISED RULES OF THE T. S.

During the past year the General Council has carefully revised the Rules of the Society and a copy will be attached to this Report, with my official certificate. The only radical alteration has been in the term of the Presidential office, which we have fixed at seven years, in the belief that a satisfactory incumbent will be indefinitely re-elected, while an unsatisfactory one should not be immovably fixed in office.

#### EDUCATION IN CEYLON.

The official reports of Mr. Buultjens, our able General Superintendent of Buddhist Schools in Ceylon, the Hon. T. B. Panabokke, Superintendent of our schools in the Kandyan Province, and Mr. T. D. S. Amarasuriya, Pres. Galle T.S., show a most encouraging state of affairs. Our schools increase, more and more are being registered for Grant-in-aid, our pupils stand as well as any others as regards percentages of passes, and the great body of the people are rapidly coming to realise the value of education. They begin to see the danger of entrusting children whom the parents do not wish perverted or turned into scoffers at all religion, to teachers whose strongest wish is either to snatch them away from their ancestral religion, or to imbue them

with their own crude materialistic and anti-religious views. I wish to impress upon your minds the fact that the Sinhalese villagers who are building these school-houses and supporting their teachers prior to registration, are entitled to the respect of every true Theosophist: verily their action is based upon self-sacrifice, for they are very poor, and until now have been in the mass ignorant. In the department of female education our results are especially important and gratifying. Mrs. Higgins has succeeded, with the help of her staff, and the practical aid of Mr. Peter D'Abrew, in making the Sanghamitta School an educational institution that would be a credit to any Western country. Mrs. Besant and the Countess Watchmeister, who with myself enjoyed Mrs. Higgins' generous hospitality recently, were charmed to see the effects upon the girls of the motherly love and strict family discipline with which she has governed her school: the children throng about her to touch her dress, get a kind word, or offer her a flower, and to those who know Eastern musical capacities, it is most surprising to hear the whole school singing Pali sacred and English secular songs, to the accompaniment of the piano.

I am grieved that since our leaving Colombo a rupture has occurred between Mrs. Higgins and the Women's Education Society, which dormant since more than a year, has just been resuscitated, and made demands upon Mrs. Higgins, which she was unwilling to comply with. She has accordingly sent me her resignation as Lady Principal of the Sanghamitta School, and already taken measures to re-open after the Christmas holidays in another building as a private school. It is too early for me to make any official statement in the affair, but I have the highest appreciation of Mrs. Higgins' unselfish character, altruism of motive, and great abilities as a teacher. At the same time there is something to be said for the W. E. S., and I shall do what I can to restore harmony and good-will.

#### MY RETIREMENT.

With the formation of my present close acquaintance with Mrs. Besant, my course has become very clearly marked out in my mind. Unless something unexpected and of a very revolutionary character should happen, I mean to abandon the last lingering thought of retirement and stop at my post until removed by the hand of death. "Annabai" will in time become to me what H. P. B. was, and I shall try to prove as staunch and loyal a colleague to her as I think you will concede I have been to my lamented co-Founder of this Society. In her bright integrity, her passionate love of truth, her grand trained intellect and her unquestioning altruism, I feel a strength and support which acts upon me as the elbow-touch of the comrade to the soldier in battle. Disciples of the same Master, devoted to the same cause, and now friends who know and trust each other, we may, I hope and pray, henceforth resemble in this movement the Aryan god, who is dual when

looked at from two aspects, but when properly understood is but one and indivisible. [Great applause].

Brothers, listen to the reading of the official documents.

Annie Besant, as delegate of the American Section T. S., then read the following report of the General Secretary :—

### REPORT OF THE AMERICAN SECTION, T. S.

GENERAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 144, MADISON AVENUE,

NEW YORK, Nov. 1st, 1893.

#### *To the President of the Theosophical Society.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—The number of Branches of the Society on the roll of the American Section at the date of this report is 80. The actual increase (Nov. 1st 1892 to Nov. 1st 1893) is 17. Of reported deaths we have had 20, of resignations 60, of expulsions none. The number of members added amounts to 753, and these have come to the ranks from all parts of the country.

Earnest theosophical work has proceeded steadily in every district, owing to the devoted efforts of a number of members scattered all over the land, who are all united by a common ideal and who measurably keep in touch with each other directly or indirectly by means of correspondence through the central office. This does not imply or in any way indicate that there is the slightest crystallization in the Society's ranks; it is simply an attempt on the part of many members to carry out, as far as possible in such a hurry as prevails here, the injunction and request of our old teacher H. P. B., to form a union irrespective of beliefs for the purpose of pushing forward the cause of the T. S. And although this united body of devotees, as I may call them, has not succeeded altogether in accomplishing the object set, it has had a distinct and visible effect on our movement. It has infused energy, given directness, added devotion, aroused flagging spirits, and resulted in an increase of public and private notice given to Theosophy, which, culminating before the end of the summer, made it possible that the whole T. S. should have its rightful and dignified place in the Great Parliament of Religions.

As I am in constant and intimate correspondence with members all over the United States, from the Atlantic Coast to the Pacific, up to Puget Sound and down to New Orleans, I am in a position to report facts as to the attitude and ideals of the whole body. Distinctly it is the fact that a great and deep gratitude exists for H. P. Blavatsky, together with a reverence for the ideals she set; most truly is it the case that wherever that gratitude is absent or that reverence flags, then the work is not so vigorous or self-sacrificing. It is not that there is any dogma or sect following her supposed or known utterances, but an energy and devotion due to her words and the plans she outlined for work individual and co-operate. Of dogma there is none, nor any lean-



ing to such a thing. There are, to be sure, earnestness and conviction in those who have firmly grasped theosophical theories of life, but there is that toleration of the opinions of others which our platform inculcates and on which H. P. B. herself always insisted. So you can assure the whole T. S. which through you as President receives the yearly reports, that this Section is exactly in the condition, fundamentally, I have attempted to outline.

The greatest event of the year here was the Congress of the Society in the Parliament of Religions at the World's Fair in Chicago on Sept. 15th and 16th. This, while it had place in our territory, was not of course a sectional matter, but concerned the whole T. S., and properly should be treated of by you in your own remarks. But, although I acted for you as Vice-President under your delegation and order, I was of course compelled to apply to the American Section for aid, and also to deal with the liberally-subscribed funds in my capacity as General Secretary, passing the same through my books so as to save as much labor and time as possible. From the members in America I received \$ 1016.98, with \$ 100 appropriated by the Executive Committee out of the General Fund. Of this, as well as of all other items connected with the Congress, I will fully separately report as soon as I can close the whole matter. Indian donations were about \$ 91.10, Australian \$ 4.87, and those from Europe \$ 1851.34. The expenses were large, the item for printing the verbatim report of the speeches, etc., being itself, almost \$ 500, or, say, 1,600 rupees.

The progress of the Congress was wonderful, great crowds attended, extraordinary interest was manifested, and beyond any doubt very great good was done. Its chief characteristic, it seems to me, was the marking of an epoch in the development of religious thought.

Our travelling lecturers continue their work. Brother Claude F. Wright attended the Congress, and immediately at its close started on a tour to include Kansas City, St. Louis, Minneapolis, and other places on the way home. This will cover many thousands of miles. Brother B. Harding of the Aryan also visited many places, and stayed over at Chicago to help them there after the Congress. On the Pacific Coast Dr. Allen Griffiths continues to move up and down that great district, lecturing, exciting inquiry, helping branches, and in all ways trying to make the T. S. strong west of the Rocky Mountains. These are illustrations of the work going on.

All our usual activities go on as before without any abatement. We hope for more and more, but at the same time do not forget the caution conveyed to us some years ago by H. P. B.—to be careful not to grow out of proportion to our inner strength. And we are devising ways and means for increasing the actual philosophical and moral strength of the organization.

Last year I reported that the receptacle for that portion of the ashes of H. P. B. intrusted to the Section had not been constructed.

Since then it has been made at the head-quarters at 144, Madison Ave, New York, as described in the *Path* hitherto. It is built into the wall of a room on the third floor with marble. The receptacle proper is made of a solid piece of onyx. The effect of the whole is very fine. When further funds come in, it will be finished by the addition of pillars and its Egyptian top as provided for in the design.

At this date I am just starting a new method of helping students of theosophy in this section by forming with the consent of the Executive Committee a Theosophical correspondence class open to all the members of the Section. It will be carried on by means of questions on theosophical doctrines and ideas to be studied and replied to by the members, those answers to be then examined here by earnest members who are willing to thus help and by myself. Comments and suggestions are to be made on the replies, errors pointed out, and books and pamphlets indicated for further study. And every now and then a summary of the subject under study will be forwarded to the class. This, it is hoped, will help the members very much and lead to a broader, deeper knowledge of theosophical doctrines so as to educate the Section therein as well as leading to further growth. No fees are asked, but members are for the present expected to supply postage, though in course of time, if the work grows very heavy, they may be requested to pay a small fee. Several members who do not need this help specially are devoting themselves to looking up references and citation on all the different subjects that may come up for consideration. The circular giving the outline of the plan has been widely distributed, and already the applications have begun to come in to quite a number.

The Oriental Department will be still carried on, though not by monthly issues. The papers will appear less often and of larger size. No. 13 began the new series and 14 will soon be out. It was never supposed that this department would in this Section rise to the truly scholarly character of the publications of Asiatic Societies or those of the Orientalists of Europe, but they will give the members more knowledge of Eastern life, thought, and literature than they could otherwise get. Some plans are now on foot to greatly improve the Department, but as they are still rather inchoate, it would be premature to set them forth here.

The American Section desires once again to offer to the whole Society the assurances of its loyalty and devotion, and of a continuation, with more and more energy, of the work we have to do.

For the Executive Committee.

Fraternally yours,

WILLIAM Q. JUDGE,

General Secretary,  
American Section, T. S.

The Countess Wachtmeister, acting for Annie Besant, who also represented the European Section T. S., delivered the following report :—

## REPORT OF THE EUROPEAN SECTION, T. S.

GENERAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

LONDON, *December, 1893.*

*To the President Founder of the Theosophical Society.*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—The number of Lodges now on the roll of the Theosophical Society in Europe is 48, with 39 centres, which we trust will before long be in a position to become properly chartered Lodges in their turn. Since last November, Lodges have been chartered in the following towns : Bournemouth, Valencia, Madrid, Barcelona, Middlesborough, Edinburgh, Bristol, Bow, Bradford (Athene), Southport, Stockholm (2), Gothenburg, Kalmar, Lund, Nyköping, Helsingborg, Christiania, Copenhagen and Orebro. The increase is thus considerable, Sweden alone having added nine new Lodges to the general total, since our last European Convention. This organization into chartered branches has been partly due to the presence there of the Countess Wachtmeister, whose personal coöperation has ever meant increased activity in whatever department of our work she has lent her invaluable assistance. Membership has proportionately increased, and I have to report that since November last, 418 diplomas have been issued through this office. During the same period 1 member has been expelled, 34 have resigned, and 2 have died; this making but a small loss as compared to the increase.

The amount sent to the Society's head-quarters, Adyar, for Charter and Diploma Fees between November 1st, 1892, and November 1st, 1893, is £ 47-5-11.

Great Britain has been especially active amongst other countries in the Section. In London the Blavatsky Lodge, with Mrs. Besant as its President, continues not only to increase in numbers (there being now some 350 members on the books), but at the same time to send out numerous off-shoots in the neighbouring localities. The Adelphi Lodge, one of the earlier off-shoots, is especially flourishing owing to its central position. The Lodges in Birmingham, Liverpool, Manchester, Croydon, Brixton, Harrogate, Bradford and Bow, amongst many others, are all strong centres of independent propaganda. Dublin has particularly distinguished itself by the production of "The Irish Theosophist," which is now circulated far and wide in Ireland. The members in Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Finland have just constituted themselves into a Scandinavian Sub-section. Not the least activity of our Swedish brothers has been the translation of "The Secret Doctrine" from advance proof-sheets of the revised edition.

Holland and Belgium now possess head-quarters of their own, consisting of two houses, where a band of devoted workers are doing much to bring Theosophy into wider notice. By a royal decree the "Neder-

landsche Theosophische Vereeniging" has been recognized as a properly constituted legal body. Mrs. Besant's visit to Amsterdam aroused great interest, and the Dutch press accorded her a hearty welcome. A clergyman of liberal mind offered her his church for the purpose of a public lecture.

Spain has made the most gratifying progress during the past year, and has had the three new charters issued to it. New Lodges and centres have sprung up; the original Theosophical Spanish magazine has been metamorphosed into a handsome review called "Sophia," and last, though far from least, a head-quarters has been established in Madrid, from whence our friend and colleague, Señor José Xifrè, directs the efforts of his loyal fellow-workers.

In France the difficulties have been many, but in spite of these, three new volumes on Theosophy have been published, and a close network of correspondence has been diligently kept up throughout the country. Three new centres have been established in the provinces, whilst in Paris the head-quarters have been moved to more commodious premises in the Quartier Latin—the intellectual heart of that city.

In Vienna the Lodge is practically dormant, though that in Prague is in a far more healthy condition. There translations have been made of "Light on the Path," "Nature's Finer Forces," etc., and a magazine in Bohemian also treats of Theosophical subjects. Dr. Franz Hartmann has been hard at work as usual, and the pages of the "Lotus Blüthen" speak eloquently for themselves of what he has accomplished.

A German translation from the English of the "Bhagavad Gîtâ," with Subba Row's notes thereon, has been a work of especial importance.

I can only say of Greece that it has done what little it could under circumstances that in most cases would have stopped all effort.

Several centres have been established in Switzerland and one in the Canary Islands.

Speaking now more generally, the output of new literature continues to be large, considerably over 200 books, magazines and pamphlets having been published. Perhaps the heaviest work done has been that on the editing and republication of "The Secret Doctrine;" but I think that in this as in all cases, labour will reap its reward, as those who have seen the completed first volume will be able to judge for themselves. Volume the second will be out in its turn before very long, and the separate Index, when finished, will be no unworthy companion to the other two, containing as it will some 100,000 references.

Passing on to other branches of activity, I may mention that over 2,000 Lodge meetings have been held during the year—this being exclusive of public lectures. The numbers of the "Oriental Department," which have been issued, have given great satisfaction to members in Europe. And I am happy to place on record here the hearty applause with which the General Secretary's words of thanks to our Eastern contributors were welcomed at the Convention last held in London.

A field of work where special efforts have been made is that of visiting the country and foreign Lodges. Besides the General Secretary's visits to many branches on the Continent and elsewhere, Brother W. Kingsland has spent several months working diligently with the Northern, and later with some of the Southern, English Lodges. Other members have also devoted what spare time they had to travelling from point to point to where help was most needed. I make no separate notice of Mrs. Besant's lecturing tours, both in America, in England and now in India, because an account of them—of her crowded audiences and enthusiastic receptions—would too nearly fill the limited number of the pages of your report. Nor, indeed, is the mention of this "visiting" in any way official; though as undertaken by private individuals in this Section it cannot well pass without notice. Under this head, too, comes Mrs. Cooper-Oakley's most successful work in Australasia. The welcome she there received, the immense development of propagandist effort that followed her on her journey, as well as the consolidation of such centres as already existed—with all this you will be familiar through the pages of "Lucifer", without further repetition on my part.

Perhaps one of the hardest worked organs in this great body of the Theosophical Society has been the H. P. B. Press. Over 18 tons of paper have been passed through its devouring jaws under the guidance of its presiding genius, our Brother James M. Pryse. Whilst "devouring" it has yet managed to "create" on an equally large scale, and the printing of new editions of "The Secret Doctrine", "The Key to Theosophy", "The Voice of the Silence", and of "Simon Magus", etc., with all the work on "Lucifer", and many thousands of Mrs. Besant's manuals and pamphlets has not prevented its providing some 250,000 pamphlets and leaflets for distribution amongst enquirers. A great task indeed, yet its appetite shows no sign of flagging.

Our "League of Theosophical workers" has some good work to show for the past twelve months. The Working Woman's Club in East London, the H. P. B. Home and Clare Crèche, have both continued to flourish as before. Besides these a new and successful Day Nursery and Club for Working Women has been established in one of Manchester's poorest districts owing to the exertions of some members of the Manchester Lodge. A large Men's Club has been started by Mr. M. U. Moore in close proximity to head-quarters in London. So popular has it become, in spite of no alcohol being allowed within the premises, that more rooms have already had to be added in order to accommodate its ever-increasing membership. Soup kitchens, work circles, Sunday classes for children, girls' guilds, sewing and debating classes have been started in various parts of Great Britain and the Continent. The Press group has been busily occupied with cuttings about Theosophy; attacks have been answered, short articles on simple aspects of the subject have been inserted in many newspapers, and although it is not possible to state with any exactness the number so dealt with the total must

without doubt be set down to many thousands. Reports of Lodge meetings have been regularly inserted by several newspapers, and on one occasion a regular three months debate on Theosophy was kept up in a weekly.

Such is a brief notice of some of the chief items of activity in this Section.

For the Executive Committee.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Fraternally yours,

G. R. S. MEAD,

*General Secretary,*

*European Section, T. S.*

Mr. Edge then read the subjoined report:—

*To the President Founder, T. S.*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

I herewith beg to forward you the report of the Indian Section T. S. for the past year.

Yours faithfully,

SYDNEY V. EDGE,

*Actg. Gen. Secy.*

### INDIAN SECTION REPORT.

*To the Members of the Indian Section T. S.*

*Fellow-workers :*

Our Third Annual Convention which we have met here this morning to celebrate, concludes what, I believe, has been a year of useful, practical work in the cause of Theosophy; and one which a Section struggling like ours against so many difficulties may look back on, if not with pride, at least with the conviction that progress has been made, that we have moved forward and not backward. And the presence at Adyar to-day of our illustrious Western visitors, and of our many Hindu brothers, is indeed a bright augury for the future well-being of our Section. Let me therefore before I proceed further, on behalf of this representative gathering of our Indian Members express the joy which we all feel on seeing seated among us this morning our Sister—Annie Besant. It is perhaps too late in the day to welcome Mrs. Besant to India; for others have had that pleasing task; and she has already become personally known to thousands of Hindus to whom before she was but a name. Let our expression of feeling this morning take the form of gratitude to Annie Besant for the work that she has accomplished and will accomplish for India; and when she leaves us let us show by our renewed and enthusiastic efforts, that we have caught the reflection of her eloquence and untiring zeal.

Countess Wachtmeister too, who has been associated so long with our cause, is with us this morning and we bid her a hearty welcome, joining therewith the hope that we may benefit by her long experience in the Society's work, recognising as we do in her a tried and trusted friend.

Those of you who have read the newspapers and seen the reports will have known what a phenomenal success Annie Besant's visit has been in the South. Everywhere the greatest enthusiasm has prevailed, and it indeed seems as if another revival of true religious thought was about to take place in India. You have heard from the President-Founder what an impression Mrs. Besant has produced here in India, and there is no need to dwell further upon it. The increase of our work, which is already apparent, will sufficiently remind us of this for some time to come. The towns visited by Mrs. Besant, Countess Wachtmeister and the President-Founder in Southern India, will be found detailed under a subsequent heading. Their Northern tour will include Calcutta, Berhampur, Bankipore, Benares, Allahabad, Agra, Muttra, Delhi, Meerut, Hardwar, Umballa, Ludhiana, Jallunder, Kapurthala, Lahore, Moradabad, Bareilly, Lucknow, Cawnpore, Nagpur, Poona, Bombay, and Surat. Further thanks to the generous contributors who have enabled Mrs. Besant to undertake the present tour, particularly the Kasi Tattva Sabha of Benares, are scarcely needed; they can see for themselves that they will reap a thousandfold of what they have sown in the harvest of India's spiritual regeneration.

Bertram Keightley, who went home at the beginning of the year to see his aged mother, has been compelled by the failing state of her health to remain in England, and the date of his return is at present uncertain. It has been, I know, a matter for great disappointment to him that he could not accompany Mrs. Besant on her tour out here. You will all, I am sure, join with me in wishing Brother Keightley a speedy return to India.

Our particular thanks are due to Bros W. R. Old and P. R. Venkatarama of the Head-quarters' Staff for their work of the year; the former for his services in all departments willingly and unselfishly given, the latter for his untiring labour in the work of correspondence and book keeping. Praise is really unneeded in these cases, for we can all be sure that our brothers find their reward in the work itself. Our Branch Inspectors, Bros. Bhavani Shanker and J. Srinivasa Row, also deserve our thanks for their useful work. The latter has been instrumental in the forming of two new Branches. Their reports will show the precise nature of the work accomplished by them.

It is with regret that I have to record the deaths of the following members:—Ramrai Sukhubai, Ram Mohan Bannerji, Indra Narain Biswas, V. Lakshmana Modaliar, Burjorji Bapooji Meherji, N. Lukshminarasu, Balaji

Khan Deroo Adhay, Udhaya Chandra Ghose, T. L. Narasimham, Nimchand de, Rajendranath Bannerji, M. Sunderamma, Rajagopalachariar, V. Sambasiva Row, A. V. Jaggu Row and Mr. J. Lakshmi Kanta Row.

It is exceedingly pleasurable to have to report that the past year has produced great activity in this direction, equalling,

*Visits to* if not exceeding, that of either of its predecessors.

*Branches.* The following Branches were visited by the President-Founder and myself during the months of January, March and April: Calcutta, Bankipore, Gyn, Allahabad, Benares, Berhampur, Delhi, Monghyr, Bhagulpur, Jamalpur, Mozufferpur and Rajmahal. The President-Founder also visited: Pakur and Nilphamari.

The following Branches in addition to the above-named were visited by myself:—Poona, Darjeeling, Nellore, Masulipatam, Bezvada, Guntur, Narasarrowpett, Ellore, Coennadu, Rajahmundry, Vizagapatam and Vizianagram. W. R. Old visited Combaconam, Coimbatore, Chittoor, Bangalore, Erode, Bhavani, Sholinghur and Madanapalle.

Pandit Bhavani Shanker has visited and inspected the following:—Poona, Bombay, Surat, Nassiek, Nagpur, Jubbulpur, Hoshangabad and Gooty.

J. Srinivasa Row has spent some time at each of the following Branches:—Bellary, Cuddapah, Nellore, Adoni, Prodattur, Pennacoda and some smaller places.

Messrs. R. G. Buxy and C. Kotayya have not this year been in a position to take up the work of Branch visiting. The former has been compelled through ill-health to resign his appointment.

Mrs. Annie Besant's tour up to date has included Tinnevely, Madurai, Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Combaconam, Erode, Coimbatore, Bangalore, Bellary, Hyderabad, Bezvada and Rajahmundry.

Babu P. N. Sinha has visited Arrah, Monghyr and Mozufferpore.

I have to thank these Branches for their generous contributions towards travelling expenses, which have enabled all this work to be accomplished at a comparatively small cost to the working income of the Section. Our Branch-visiting this year, I am happy to say, has produced greater and more lasting activity than we anticipated, and several inert Branches have been roused into activity. This is an encouraging sign for Mrs. Besant's Northern tour.

I give below a short account of the activities of the more important Branches. Those not mentioned in the list are for the most part dormant, or at all events have not displayed systematic activity.

#### MADRAS PRESIDENCY.

The *Bangalore Branch* has held very regular meetings, at which the attendance has been fairly good. Pamphlets have been printed and issued. A medal in honour of H. P. B. has been established, to be awarded in the discretion of the Lodge to the most deserving subject. The *Cumbaconam Branch*, in addition to the literary work elsewhere



referred to, has held regular meetings and done good work. The same may be said of *Coimbatore*, *Masulipatam*, *Madanapalle*, *Rajahmundry* and *Bellary*. The following Branches have been fairly active in their own way:—*Cuddapah*, *Madras*, *Guntoor*, *Chittoor*, *Adoni*, *Hyderabad* and *Secunderabad*.

#### BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

The *Bombay Branch* has held its usual daily meetings, and in spite of opposition and some diminution in its membership, has continued to make steady progress. Its literary work is elsewhere referred to. Miss Müller has been a good friend to the Branch. *Surat*, as usual, has been to the fore in every respect. The H. P. B. Theosophical Publication Society is elsewhere referred to, as also the literary activity of the Branch; regular meetings have been held. *Poona* and *Bhavnagar* are numerically strong and fairly active. The other Branches have not distinguished themselves particularly.

#### BENGAL AND BEHAR.

The *Calcutta Branch* has this year won back its old reputation for steady work. The *Kalpa*, its Monthly Journal, is elsewhere referred to. The Branch has secured a head-quarters and undertaken special branches of work. *Berhampur Branch* continues to carry on its useful activity. It has a good meeting-room and library. *Bankipore* is a pattern Branch in every respect. The quarterly reports published during the year show many forms of activity, including instructions to students, study of the "Secret Doctrine", and so forth. The greatest credit is due to this Branch. The following Branches are working fairly well:—*Jamalpur*, *Mozufferpore*, *Pakur*, *Midnapur*, *Nilphamari*, *Rajmahal*, *Ranchi* and *Tipperah*.

#### NORTH-WEST PROVINCES.

*Allahabad* had the honour of sending a delegate to the Parliament of Religions at Chicago, and *Benares* subscribed generously to the Besant Travelling Fund. *Meerut* works steadily and its monthly vernacular paper is issued regularly. *Almorah*, though a new Branch, promises well. *Bara-banki* has also been doing useful work.

#### PUNJAB.

*Ludhiana Branch* has a good record of activities in translation work, delivery of public lectures, etc. Bro. Sturdy's visit has produced good results. *Umbala Branch* works well and should do even better after Mrs. Besant's visit. *Fategarh*, *Dehra Dun* and *Muttra* are also working to some extent.

#### CENTRAL PROVINCES.

*Nagpur*, *Hoshangabad* and *Jubbulpore*, were recently visited by Pandit Bhavani Shanker, and it is to be hoped they will show more activity in future.

Charters have been granted to Branches at the following places :

*New Branches and Members.* Agra, Almorah, Bhavani, Prodattur, Jallandhur and Penuconda; in all 6 as against 7 last year. I may mention in this connection that the Head-quarters staff are of opinion that charters should only be issued in cases where there is a strong probability of branches continuing active, as past experience shows that the transfer of one important member is quite sufficient in many cases to terminate the existence of a weakly Branch.

Our Register shows 261 admissions as against 220 last year; the greater part of these being the direct outcome of Branch-visiting. This increase in membership is a promising sign.

The following are the Publications issued by the Section during the past year: *Prasnottara*, vol. III, "Theosophical Gleanings", "Lectures on Astrology", "Why you should be a Theosophist", "Theosophy and Life", "Second Object of the T. S.", "Annie Besant on Theosophy", "Light on the Path", with Srinivasa Row's Commentary, and miscellaneous pamphlets for free distribution, amounting to about 15,000.

There has been, I am glad to say, a good response to the earnest appeal made last Convention, for more Branch work in this field, and I am pleased to announce that the following journals have been started this year. *The Kalpa*, a Bengali Theosophical monthly, issued by the Calcutta Branch and edited by Dr. Rakhal Ch. Sen; *The Theosophic Thinker*, an English weekly edited by R. Jagannathiah; *The Adhyátma Málá*, a Gujerati monthly issued by the Surat T. S. Below I give the principal publications of the various Branches:—

*Cumbaconam*—"Thoughts on the Bhagavad-Gítá" in English, by A. Nilakanta Shástri; *Vásudevámánanam* (Eng.), by K. Narainsawmy; "Epitome of Theosophy" (Tamil), by A. Siva Row; *Vicháraságara* (Tamil), by A. Siva Row; and in addition large editions of several English pamphlets for free distribution.

*Bombay*:—By Mr. Tookaram Tatya for the Bombay Publication Fund—in English, *Uttara-Gítá*; *Mahimna Stotra*; *Rules of Rája Yoga*; *Hatha Yoga Pradipika* and other translations; also many books in Sanskrit, Marathi and Hindí. By the Bombay Branch, *Pauses* (now the *Theosophic Gleaner*), vol. III, and pamphlets for distributions.

*Surat*:—"Epitome of Theosophy" (Gujerati); *Annie Besant's Manual on Reincarnation* (Gujerati).

*Ludhiana*.—"Seven Principles of Man" (Besant), translated into Urdu, also "Reincarnation" into the same, and small pamphlets for distribution.

*Bangalore* :—Three useful pamphlets in English.

The following Branches have also published pamphlets :—Umballa, Meerut, Madanapalle, Almorah.

Bro. N. B. Aitreya reports that he issues useful pamphlets from the "Olcott Press" at Saugor. Some are in English, others in Hindî.

*The Charitable Dispensary at Bombay* dispensed medicine for nervous complaints, fever, spleen and liver complaints, etc., to from 2,000 to 25,000 patients, mostly Parsis. The cases treated were for the most part those that had been rejected as incurable by public hospitals and private dispensaries.

A donation of Rs. 2,000 has been given for the Dispensary by Bachubai, daughter of the late Khatan Makanji, thus raising the Dispensary Fund to Rs. 12,000.

Mr. P. R. Venkatarama Aiyer, who has had charge of most of the correspondence, reports a decided improvement this year, particularly in the direction of philosophic discussion carried on by correspondence. Correspondents in India have been introduced to our members abroad and good has been done in this way. I ask the earnest attention of members to the Theosophical Correspondence Class recently organised by Mr. Judge in America. Our Indian Section Fellows should join heartily in this excellent scheme.

Owing to the generosity of our Western Brothers, we were enabled to send a delegate to the Chicago Parliament of Religions to represent the Indian Section. The choice fell upon Bro. Gyanendra N. Chakravarti of Allahabad, and he consented to go. It was the unanimous opinion of all that Bro. Chakravarti's visit was in every respect a success, and that his presence both in Europe and America has done much towards strengthening the bonds of union between the East and the West. I am, I feel sure, expressing the feelings of all his Hindu brothers, when I heartily congratulate Bro. Chakravarti on the good and lasting work that he has done in the West this year.

The General Secretary of the European Section, in his letter of greeting to this present Convention, extends his hearty thanks to all Hindus who have helped him with literary contributions during the past year. This branch of our activity is an extremely important one, and the short and simple extracts from Eastern sacred literature furnished by the Department have been thankfully and eagerly read by many. I would take this opportunity of urging upon the members of the Indian Section the necessity for keeping up Bro. Mead's useful publications by a generous supply of contributions.

I am sorry to report that the *Prasnottara* has this year been a complete failure. In spite of repeated appeals for support in the shape of literary contributions, it has been allowed to languish, with the consequence that during the last two months we have not been able to issue any numbers at all. It has been apparent to me for sometimes past that the *Prasnottara*, at all events out here, is useless. More than half our members never read it at all, and a considerable proportion of those who do, have expressed the opinion that this system of question and answer is not altogether desirable in India. This, I may add, is the opinion of our leading members, many of whom have represented to me the advisability of discontinuing the publication of the *Prasnottara*. I therefore take advantage of the present opportunity to ask the members of the Indian Section, to allow me to discontinue the journal and to substitute therefor the publication from time to time of such short papers, articles, and so forth, as shall be deemed suitable.

To pass now to a consideration of our financial position. The following abstract of the detailed financial statement appended to this report will give you an idea of our financial status at the end of this, the third year of our existence.

<i>Totals of Income.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
Balance on hand on the 1st of January ...	1,533	1	3	Allowances to workers...	1,181	0	0
Donations ...	2,051	5	11	Travelling expenses ...	1,057	1	0
Annual Dues ...	2,731	12	0	Printing ...	1,661	10	1
Entrance Fees...	2,034	8	0	Postage ...	1,102	8	0
Contribution towards Travelling expenses...	440	12	0	Stationery ...	263	11	6
Sale of " <i>Prasnottara</i> "...	74	9	6	Cost of feeding the Delegates in the last Convention ...	329	6	0
Charter Fees ...	25	0	0	Do of pandals do ...	40	12	0
				Telegrams ...	65	2	0
				Christmas presents, &c. ...	20	0	0
				Repairs & Charities ...	127	10	5
				Donation to " <i>The Theosophic Thinker</i> " ...	20	0	0
				Donation to Head-quarters for 1893 ...	1,041	7	2
				Sundries ...	1	4	10
Total...	8,891	0	8	Total...	6,910	5	0
				Balance on hand on the 27th of December 1893 ...	1,980	11	8

A comparison of the above with last year's account shows that the receipts accruing from *Annual Dues* are practically the same as last year. *Entrance Fees* show an increase of Rs. 500, due to the greater number of diplomas issued as the result of Branch visiting. Under *Donations* we have also an increase of Rs. 1,000. Of this Rs. 500 was the donation

of a generous member of the Amballa Branch. *Contributions to travelling expenses* are about the same, as also general receipts falling under the head of *sundries*.

Turning now to our expenditure we find a decrease of Rs. 200 in *printing charges*, due principally to the discontinuance of the Branch paper. As many, if not more, general pamphlets have, however, been issued, and the cost of some of these has been borne by Branches. The expenditure under *postage* is approximately the same as last year. Under *allowances to workers* we have an increase of Rs. 500, due to the addition to our staff in the person of Mr. W. R. Old; but this is counterbalanced by a decrease of Rs. 560 in *travelling expenses*. We have been enabled this year to donate Rs. 1,025 towards the up-keep of Head-quarters, which we could not do last year, and this, I am glad to announce, as it is only right and fair, that the Indian Section which gets its quarters free and pays no percentage on the entrance fees received, should contribute according to its means to the maintenance of Head-quarters.

We have again to tender our hearty thanks to the *Theosophist* Office for paying the allowance of Mr. S. V. Edge, as in the two previous years.

Comparing our total net Income and Expenditure for 1893 with that of 1892, we get the following result:—

<i>Total Net Income.</i>				<i>Total Net Expenditure.</i>			
1892	...	Rs. 5,789	3 0		Rs. 5,444	7 3	
1893	...	„ 7,415	7 4		„ 6,910	5 0	

This shows an increase of some Rs. 1,600 in income and about Rs. 1,300 in expenditure.

It should be noted that the balance in hand from the previous year is not included in these income totals, nor the donation of the *Theosophist* Office abovementioned, which has not passed through the accounts.

The increase on both sides of our account is satisfactory, and I trust that our financial status may be as good and even better next year.

The Annie Besant and Chicago Parliament of Religions Funds are published elsewhere for general information.

It has been decided by the Committee in whose hands the management of this Fund is, that the first work undertaken shall be the collection and publication of H. P. B.'s scattered writings. In pursuance of this, steps are being taken both in London and here, to collect everything of importance that H. P. B. wrote, and I believe that during the coming year, the work of publication will be commenced. There are to be also some Oriental translations, including S'ankara's Commentary on the Bhagavad-gíta, the translation of which Mr. Mahadeva Shástrí of Mysore is now completing.

Associations composed of students founded for the study of reli-

*Affiliated Students' Associations and Schools.*

gion and moral training have been founded by the following Branches:—Ludhiana, Pakur, Bankipore and Calcutta, while those previously existing at Allahabad, Madanapalle, Masulipatam and Bellary are continuing their work. At Pakur, Bellary, Guntur and Madanapalle the Sanskrit schools are working more or less satisfactorily. The Umballa Branch has founded a Hindu-Mohamedan school.

I wish to take the present opportunity of drawing the earnest attention of members to the importance of this Branch of our work and the great opportunities that lie before us in this direction of making the Theosophical Society more of a power for good in India. I would see every Branch of our Section doing something for the youth of the land, and there is no reason why this should not be so. When the matter comes up for discussion later on, in the Convention, I trust that those members who have had experience in this matter will give us the benefit of their advice.

The activity of our brothers at Surat has resulted in the formation of a Society bearing this name, which has already collected a considerable fund and accomplished good work. I cordially recommend this excellent organisation to the attention of members as an exceedingly useful institution, and I take this opportunity of congratulating Dr. Edal Behram and his colleagues on their work. I see, on referring to last year's report, that a similar proposition hailing from Dehra Dun, fell through from want of support, but certain of our members promised donations should it be started. Now that a Propaganda Society is an accomplished fact, I trust that those gentlemen will renew their promises in favour of Surat. The amount of good which the Society can accomplish will, of course, be in proportion to the funds at its disposal.

Without being unduly optimistic, I think I may claim that the state of the Indian Section at the end of this year shows a decided improvement on that of previous years. The Branches have shown greater activity; Branch-visiting has produced more lasting results, the Finance is satisfactory; the correspondence has been better. Branches too have shown more original activity and a desire to make use of local advantages. The Vernacular work has gone on, and last, but by no means least, we have Annie Besant's visit and her eloquent lectures to crown the year.

In our Indian work, as our President-Founder can tell us, we have often to wait long before we reap the harvest of a particular seed-sowing; and too often our reaping is not in proportion to our toil. But on the other hand, we often find results where we least expect, some scattered, wind-blown seed produces fruit undreamed of,—and we are encouraged

and resume manfully our toil. So also we cannot always judge fairly of the progress of our work, by studying individual years. We must take larger periods of time. If then you will consider the practical influence of the Theosophical Society in India to-day, as compared with what it was three years ago, you will admit, I think, that the organising efforts of the Indian Section have not been thrown away, and that seed sown long ago, by others, is now coming to perfection under our fostering hands.

You must each of you judge for yourselves, by your own observation, of the truth of this year's report, and supplement the details given therein by what you have seen in your own localities, for India is a vast territory, and it is not always easy to judge of things from this out-of-the-way corner of Madras. I trust that there are many here who can truthfully say,—“Theosophy has during the past year made progress in my locality.”

This question of localities brings me to the real difficulty of our Indian work,—the crying need for local centres, such as we have here at Adyar. Until something is done in this direction, I feel convinced, that our Indian Theosophical problem will remain unsolved. This country is not like Europe or the United States, where Branches support themselves, but it is the very essential of our work here that our Branches should be fostered and energised from local centres. It seems possible that this year something may at last be done in this direction, and we shall all of us require to give our most earnest attention to any plans that may be forthcoming, and our practical coöperation in rendering them feasible.

Annie Besant's visit will, without doubt, mark a new era in our Indian Section work, and what we have all to do is to use the opportunity to the fullest, by carefully directing into right channels this newly-infused stream of vitality. A year of honest and sincere work lies behind us, one full of promise and hope is before us.

In concluding this report I have nothing new to add, no advice to give that has not already been given, in better terms, by others. This large gathering here is a sufficient testimony to the earnestness of our members and of the good work accomplished in the past. The future, if we remain true to ourselves and our Cause, will surely surpass our present, even as it, in its turn, has more than realised the aspirations of the past.

SYDNEY V. EDGE,  
*Acting General Secretary.*

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## THE WORK IN CEYLON: REPORT OF MR. BUULTJENS.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Mr. R. A. Mirando, elected as President of the Colombo T. S. at the beginning of the year, has efficiently filled the vacancy caused last year by the death of Pandit Batuwantudave, and Pandit T. Karunaratne has filled the editorial chair rendered vacant by Pandit Weragame Banda's death. The Colombo Society continues to do good and useful work, holds regular meetings, Bana-preaching is continued, and Sunday lectures are systematically given. The circulations of the *Sandaresa* and *Buddhist* continue to increase under the able management of Mr. H. S. Perera. The Secretaries of the Society, Messrs. C. P. Goonewardene and D. J. Subasinha, help me in the General School Department in visiting and examining the vernacular schools in the outstations. Mr. T. G. Harrison has taken up the organisation of "Sunday" Schools for the spread of religious knowledge.

*Central Province Schools.*—The increase of schools led me to recommend a provincial classification of schools, and with Colonel H. S. Olcott's approval, I transferred the management of the Central Province Schools to the Hon. T. B. Panabokke, M. L. C.

Statistics relating to these schools have been forwarded to the Convention. Mr. D. S. S. Wickremaratne, Secretary, Kandy T. S., assisted by Mr. D. B. Jayatilaka, B. A., Principal of the Kandy English School, visit and organise the schools in the province.

*Colombo English Boys' School.*—The average attendance is the same as last year—near 200. As pointed out last year no increase in numbers can take place as the rented house is insufficient to accommodate large numbers. No successful effort has yet been made to buy up a block of land and put up buildings. As the leading Buddhist school in the Island it is a shame that no permanent and substantial abode has been yet obtained for it. Arrangements are in progress, however, to take on a long lease a block of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  acres in a central part of Colombo; and the building will be put up by public subscription,—about Rs. 5,000 required.

The Government Grant Examination was as unsatisfactory as last year. We obtained Rs. 724 in 1892 and Rs. 739 in 1893. The other schools in Colombo have also suffered from the new policy of Government to "pluck" boys, and the leading Christian institution in Colombo, St. Thomas' College, secured only Rs. 925 last year.

In the public examinations, however, the Colombo Buddhist School did very well. H. Peries of our school coming 4th in the Cambridge Senior Local with Honors in Class II. The following is the list of Passes.

*Senior Local.*

H. Peries

—Age 18—Passed in English, Latin, French,  
German, Mathematics, Applied  
Mathematics, Natural Science  
and Drawing.



D. J. Wimalasurendra—Age 18—Passed in English, Latin, Mathematics, Applied Mathematics  
Natural Science and Drawing.

C. C. Piyatissa —Aged 16—Passed in English, Latin, German and Mathematics.

S. Samarasinha —Aged 16— Passed in English, Latin, Mathematics and Natural Science.

*Junior Local.*

C. W. Goonewardene, }  
R. Gunaratne, } Passed.

B. C. Fernando, Passed and satisfied the requirements of the  
Medical Preliminary Certificate.

It is worth noting that the Buddhist School passed the only two successful candidates in German, in the Island, of these students Peries has joined the Medical College to qualify as a Doctor, and also B. C. Fernando; whilst Wimalasurendra has entered the Technical Institute. Piyatissa and R. Gunaratne help me as teachers of the lower classes of the school, and Samarasinha has entered a mercantile firm.

*London Matriculation Examination.*

D. J. Wimalasurendra passed this examination, also obtaining honors in Division Second. This was the only successful candidate in the Island.

The income of the school by grants and fees for 1893 was about Rs. 3,896, and it is time that we secure the services of an English graduate from one of the Universities, since in the best schools in Colombo there are four to five graduates. An energetic graduate from Oxford or Cambridge—who is a Theosophist—would be a desideratum.

*List of Schools registered this year.*

1. Sanghamitta Girls' School	...	...	124
2. Mahinda College-Galle—registered under Dr. Daly	...	...	200
3. Katugastota School—Central Province Department	...	...	...
4. Badulla School—provisionally registered	...	...	100

*Vernacular.*

*Attendance.*

5. Nedimale Mixed	...	...	...	260
6. Galkisse Boys	...	...	...	151
7. Polwatta Boys	...	...	...	165
8. Ahangama Boys	...	...	...	159
9. Passara Girls—provisionally registered	...	...	...	58
10. Gampola Girls	}	Central Province Department	...	
11. Hatton Boys				
12. Haguranketa Boys				

*Registered Schools handed over to my management from private managers.*

1. Panadura Pattiya Boys	...	...	150
2. Wellawatta Boys	...	...	50

3. Panadura Pattiya Girls...	...	...	100
4. Pothupitiya Mixed	...	...	108

The total number of registered schools under T. S. last year was 9.  
The total number of registered schools up to date is 25.

*Vernacular Schools in Western and Southern Provinces awaiting registration next year.*

1. Kirilapone Boys	...	...	...	110
2. Walane Boys	...	...	...	150
3. Arukgoda Boys	...	...	...	75
4. Puhuvella Mixed	...	...	...	140
5. Thebuvane Girls	...	...	...	30
6. Moragalla Mixed	...	...	...	100
7. Welitara Boys	...	...	...	50
8. Athangama Girls	...	...	...	—
9. Wiragampita Mixed	...	...	...	160
10. Dikvella	...	...	...	75
11. Veyangoda Boys	...	...	...	100
12. Maradane Boys	...	...	...	—

Arrangements are in progress to start schools at the following places:—

1. Dehivala District—An English School.
2. Ambalangoda do
3. Tangalla do
4. Kotahena do
5. Matara do
6. Karandeniya Vernacular Boys.
7. Rajjama do Mixed.
8. Gintota do Boys.
9. Walagama do do
10. Kaburugamuva do do
11. Habaraduva do do
12. Mirigama do do
13. Henaratgoda do Girls

*Registered prior to 1893.*

1. Colombo English Boys—Attend, 250 Grant 1'014.
2. Wellawatta Girls „ 102 „ 188'50.
3. Do Boys „ 50 „ 75'00.
4. Panadure Pattiya Boys „ 150 „ 233'00.
5. Do Girls „ 100 „ 176'00.
6. Dangedra Boys „ 165 „ 264'00.
7. Ambalangoda Boys „ 191 „ 482'00.
8. Do Girls „ 135 „ 360'00.
9. Ambagahawatte Girls „ 200 „ 281'50.
10. Wekada Mixed „ 170 about Grant 260'00.
11. Pothupitiya „ 108 not received.

The Local Committees and the Local Managers deserve every praise for the up-keep of their respective schools, active interest they take, without such valuable co-operation it would be impossible for me to direct the educational movement.

#### THE QUARTER-MILE-CLAUSE.

Last year I reported of the vexatious clause introduced by the Director of Public Instruction at the instance of the Christian missionaries, which damaged the registration of our schools. I am glad to report now that my petition to the Legislative Council and the advocacy therein made by the Hon. T. B. Panabokke, M. L. C., had the effect of limiting the operation of the clause to villages only and permitting the registration of schools in towns. I was therefore compelled to pull down our school buildings at Nugegoda and Karagampitiya and to erect new buildings beyond the quarter-mile-limit. A commodious and substantial school room, costing Rs. 700, was put up at the latter place, chiefly through the generosity of Mr. Rupasinha, and a new school at the latter place, costing Rs. 150, at the expense of the village committee. After a long struggle I am happy to state that the Karagampitiya School, known as the Olcott School, has been registered for grant, and that the Nugegoda one will also be registered next month. Weragampita, our only other Quarter-Mile-School, is in a town, but yet because another school outside the town limits is within a quarter-mile, the Director has ruled that it cannot be registered. I have sent up an appeal against this decision to His Excellency the Governor, and I have reason to hope for ultimate success. We are determined that the school shall be registered, like the other two, even if it does cost us time, patience and money.

The marked progress made by the Buddhists at large in education may be judged from the following fact gathered from the Public Instruction Report.

In 1891, there were 18 registered Buddhist schools receiving Government grant of Rs. 4,600; in 1892, there were 34 such schools in receipt of Rs. 10,223. Thus within a year the number of schools nearly doubled, and the amount of grant was more than doubled.

A. E. BUULTJENS, B. A.,

*Superintendent of Buddhist Schools*

*under the T. S. in Ceylon.*

Colombo, Dec. 19, 1893.

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#### *Report on the Buddhist Schools in the Central Circuit under the management of the Kandy Buddhist Theosophical Society.*

It is gratifying to report that the educational work in the Kandyan Districts is annually progressing. We have now 17 schools, 7 for girls, 7 for boys, 2 mixed schools, and 1 night school, with a total number of about 1,400 boys and 500 girls. Of these 17 schools, 7 schools have only

been registered for grants and two other applications are before Government, and it is hoped that many of the unregistered schools will be placed on the list of aided schools ere long. The increase in the number of schools, especially girls' schools, which are sadly wanted in the Kandyan Districts, is a matter for satisfaction.

#### GRANT-IN-AID ENGLISH SCHOOLS.

*Kandy Boys' Schools*.—The Head Master is Mr. D. B. Jayatillaka, B. A. The attendance is 200. The second Government examination came off in November last, and the school earned 82 per cent. of passes.

*Hatton Boys' School* is progressing. The attendance is 40. The teacher is sparing no pains to improve the attendance. The first Government examination is to come off on the 23rd November.

*Katugastota Boys' School*.—A spacious and a substantial building has been put up at a cost of Rs. 800. The attendance is 150, and the first examination was held in October last when the school earned 80 per cent. of passes. This is the only school of the kind in the Island, to my knowledge, giving free English education.

#### UNREGISTERED ENGLISH SCHOOLS.

These are *Matale Boys' School*, of the Matale Theosophical Society, *Kurunegalle Boys' School*, of the Malia Deva Theosophical Society, and *Hatton Night School*. The total attendance of these schools is 150. The application for the registration of Kurunegala school is before Government.

#### GRANT-IN-AID VERNACULAR SCHOOLS.

*Kandy Girls' School* has an attendance of 100. The first examination was held in November last. Percentage of passes is 82. During the year the school was removed to an upstairs building to provide accommodation for the increasing number.

*Gampola Mixed School* has an attendance of 110 children, including 40 girls. Last year, the school gained 80 per cent. of passes. This year's examination was held on 10th instant and the result is not known yet.

*Ataragalle Boys' School* has an attendance of 130 boys. Last year the school gained 97 per cent. of passes. This year's examination was held on 9th instant, the result is not yet made known to us.

*Hanguranketta Mixed School* was registered this year, and the examination is to come off in January next. The attendance is 100, including 30 girls.

#### UNREGISTERED VERNACULAR SCHOOLS.

*Kadugannawe, Ampitiye, Buwelikada, Rattota, Galagedera* Girls' Schools and *Ampitiye Boys' School* form the unregistered vernacular schools. The total attendance is 200. Application for Rattota school is before Government.

In these places every effort is made to provide suitable buildings and furniture preparatory to application for registration.

The total of grants earned last year was Rs. 1,660, which is far in advance of the grants of the previous year, and amounting to Rs. 747. This year it is expected that the amount would reach Rs. 3,000. My thanks are due to the teachers and the different Societies for their hearty co-operation in the good work to which is mainly due the success as stated above, and especially to Mr. D. B. Jayatillaka, Head Master of the Buddhist High School, Kandy, for periodical inspection of the different schools in addition to his own duties.

It is also my pleasing duty to make special mention of the following gentlemen, whose cordial co-operation in the work deserves great commendation. Messrs. D. S. T. Wickramaratne of Kandy; my Assistant L. B. Yatawara Ratamahatmeya and G. Pussegoda, of Ampitiye; C. B. Ungawella Ratmahatmeya and C. P. Obeysekara, of Galagedera; P. B. Ranaraja, of Hatton; A. H. D. B. de Silva, of Matale; U. D. Wijeytunge, of Kurunegalle; L. B. Ranaraja, of Katugastota; H. F. de Silva, of Gampola; T. B. Fernando, of Gampola; D. G. P. Dharmaratne, of Hurikadurve, Dr. J. Ediriweera, of Hanguranketta; C. P. Gooneratne, of Kadugannawe; C. D. S. Wijeysekara and Hulanga-muwe Ratamahatmeya, of Rattota; H. D. S. Moonesinghe Mohandiram of Buwellikada; and T. D. H. Appuhamy, Peace Officer of Wategama.

T. B. PANABOKKE,

*General Manager of the Buddhist Schools,*

*Central Circle.*

THEOSOPHICAL HALL, }  
KANDY, 16th Nov. 1893.

*Report of the Work in the Southern Province under the supervision of the  
Galle T. S.*

I. The work for the year ending in December 1893 is very satisfactory. It is a great pleasure to see that the people are now beginning to think of the importance of working together, with the result that meetings are often being held for discussing things connected with the public as well as private matters.

1. Mahinda College is now well attended. The first Grant-in-aid Examination was held by the Government Inspector on the 28th November last. He was greatly pleased with the manner in which the boys behaved and gave their lessons. His report is as follows:—

“28th November 1893.—Held the annual examination of this school to-day. The results, so far as I am able to judge at present, are creditable to all those engaged in teaching. I consider the tone and discipline of the school both pleasing, and I believe that the establishment of this institution has supplied a great want. I have been especially struck with the careful training in English each pupil has individually received.”

2. Dagedera Buddhist School is daily progressing. This year it earned a grant of Rs. 264. The attendance is growing large, and it has been decided to enlarge the building.

3. Kalegana Buddhist School is now well attended and is a Grant-in-aid School. The teaching staff is to be increased from next year.

4. Meeripenne Buddhist School has a large attendance and is also a Grant-in-aid School.

5. Kataluwa Buddhist School is now full and another building is to be soon put up. It is a Grant-in-aid School.

6. Ahangama Buddhist School. Owing to the growing attendance, a wing had to be added to the building. It is a Grant-in-aid School.

7. Weligama Buddhist School has a large attendance. It is a Grant-in-aid School.

8. Weragampitiya Buddhist School. This is newly opened at Matara and is being supported by the Galle Buddhist Theosophical Society and others.

9. Dodanduwa Buddhist School has a satisfactory attendance. It is a Grant-in-aid School.

10. Amblangoda. There are three boys' and girls' schools opened by the Buddhists. This is a rapidly flourishing large village, and ere long it would have a High School to meet with the demands of the increasing population.

II. All the Buddhist schools were visited by the Director of Public Instruction about the middle of the year, and he was well pleased with the work.

III. The Local Preacher, Mr. G. Dharmapala, is busily engaged in going through villages, preaching and working with all his might for the success of the Weragampitiya Buddhist School, Matara.

IV. The visit of the President-Founder with the distinguished ladies, Mrs. Annie Besant and Countess Wachtmeister, to Galle, and the heart-stirring addresses delivered, have infused spirit into most of us and we are now eagerly at work.

T. D. S. AMARASURIYA,  
*President, T. S., Galle.*

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,  
GALLE, 20th December 1893.

Mr. Old then read the following :—

# FINANCIAL REPORTS OF 1893.

## SUSPENSE ACCOUNT

OF SUBSCRIPTIONS TOWARDS THE REIMBURSEMENT OF DEFALCATIONS  
BY THE LATE TREASURER. (TO BE HEREAFTER ASSIGNED *pro rata*).

RECEIPTS.		Amount.		EXPENSES.		Amount.	
SUBSCRIPTIONS.	RS.	A.	P.	DEFALCATIONS.	RS.	A.	P.
Mr. Bertram Keightley ...	1,097	2	4	Permanent Fund ...	60	0	0
Annie Besant ...	800	0	0	T. Subba Row Medal Fund...	600	0	0
Miss F. H. Müller ...	1,259	0	3	H. P. B. Memorial ...	3,763	8	0
Mr. K. S. Chandrasekhara Iyer	3	0	0	Head-quarters Fund...	1,272	4	1
Hon. S. Subramaniya Iyer ...	100	0	0	President's Retiring Fund ...	2,612	7	10
Mr. A. Venkatakaniah ...	4	0	0	Private gift to Col. Olcott, donated by him to the T. S.	341	1	8
„ C. Kottaya ...	10	0	0				
„ Purmeshri Das ...	25	0	0				
„ Dorabji Dasabhai ...	100	0	0				
„ Ishwara Prasad ...	100	0	0				
„ B. Jiva Ram ...	16	12	0				
Muttra Branch, T. S....	20	0	0				
Fategarh do ...	20	0	0				
Rai Bahadur B. Basu...	10	0	0				
Mr. Dhanjibhoy Lalji ...	10	0	0				
„ Umanatha Ghosal ...	10	0	0				
„ Pestonji Dhosabhoy ...	100	0	0				
American Section, T. S., sent through Mr. W. Q. Judge...	1,037	14	2				
	4,722	12	9				
Deficit Balance...	3,926	8	10				
Rs...	8,649	5	7		Rs...	8,649	5 7

Subscriptions promised :—

	RS.	A.	P.
Mr. Tookaram Tatya ...	100	0	0
Col. H. S. Olcott ...	100	0	0
Mr. D. Gostling ...	100	0	0
Total Unpaid Subscriptions...	300	0	0

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## ANNIVERSARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 27th Dec. 1892 ...	583	15	6	Boarding expenses of Delegates to Convention, 1892	57	9	0
DONATIONS:—				Printing XVIIth Annual Report ...	363	2	11
Mr. Sitarama S'astri ( <i>Cudda-pah</i> ) ...	1	0	0	Photographing Convention...	53	0	0
„ Sham Charan ( <i>Benares</i> )...	10	0	0	Repairs and Furnishing ...	201	0	0
„ Baroda Prasad Basu ( <i>Vizagapatam</i> ) ...	10	0	0	Painting Branch Shields ...	6	9	0
„ T. R. Krishnasawmy Iyer ( <i>Wegupala</i> ) ...	5	0	0	Travelling expenses of Delegates	50	0	0
„ R. V. Venkatarama Iyer ( <i>Surat</i> ) ...	5	0	0	Jatka hire, Freight, &c. ...	15	4	0
„ A. E. Buultjens ( <i>Colombo</i> )...	11	0	0	Extra servants for Convention ...	9	0	0
Dr. D. J. Edal Behram ( <i>Surat</i> )...	5	0	0	WHITE LOTUS DAY:—			
Rai Bahadur R. Soorya Row Naidu ( <i>Masulipatam</i> ) ...	20	0	0	Bounty to Fishermen ...	32	0	6
Rai Bahadur B. Basu ( <i>Calcutta</i> ) ...	5	0	0	Printing notices ...	1	4	6
Mr. Chandraya Yankaya ( <i>Secunderabad</i> ) ...	20	0	0	Repairing and furnishing for the Convention, December 1893, including half cost of a permanent floor for			
„ Ananta Ram Ghosh ( <i>Chupera</i> ) ...	25	0	0	Brahman meals ...	333	11	6
„ S. Ragavendrao ( <i>Bombay</i> )...	4	0	0	Owing to Head-quarters ...	1,200	0	0
Interest on Savings Bank Acct.	0	3	0	Balance on 25th Dec., 1893...	81	9	3
ANNUAL DUES:—							
Ceylon (Colombo T. S.)	11-6-0						
2 Unattached Members	3-9-0						
Sydney T. S.	117-5-0						
Adelaide T. S.	66-8-0						
Wellington T. S.	3-3-9						
Melbourne T. S.	44-10-0						
Hobart T. S.	26-0-0						
Auckland T. S.	17-0-5						
Rockhampton T. S.	9-6-0						
	299	0	2				
Transferred from Head-quarters Acct. to meet current deficit ...	200	0	0				
Previous loans from Head-quarters ...	1,200	0	0				
Total...	2,404	2	8	Total...	2,404	2	8



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## PERMANENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
Balance on 27th Dec. 1892	21,075	11	3	Interest transferred to Head-quarters ...	408	0	6
Interest on Savings Bank Account ...	0	9	0	Defalcation on Savings Bank Account by the late Treasurer ...	60	0	0
Do. on 4 per cent. Govt Paper less Income Tax..	408	0	6	Balance on 25th Dec. 1893.	21,016	4	3
Total Rs...	21,484	4	9	Total Rs...	21,484	4	9

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## T. SUBBA ROW MEDAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
Balance on 27th Dec. 1892	648	11	0	Defalcation on the Savings Bank Account by the late Treasurer ...	621	0	0
Interest on Savings Bank Account ...	0	15	0	Balance on 25th Dec. 1893	38	10	0
Donation by Mr. A. Nanjundappah ( <i>Cuddapah</i> ).	10	0	0				
Total Rs...	659	10	0	Total Rs...	659	10	0

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## DONATIONS TO HEAD-QUARTERS.

RECEIPTS.				RS.	A.	P.
Mr. C. Sambiah ( <i>Mylapur</i> )	...	...	...	28	0	0
Mrs. Ida R. Patch ( <i>America</i> )	...	...	...	35	0	5
„ Mary J. Robbins ( <i>do</i> )	...	...	...	35	0	5
Mr. Jwala Prasad ( <i>Sahaswan</i> )	...	...	...	20	0	0
„ Ramkaran Sivakaran ( <i>Secunderabad</i> )	...	...	...	36	4	0
„ A. P. Khan ( <i>Colombo</i> )	...	...	...	5	0	0
“A Friend” ( <i>Calcutta</i> )	...	...	...	50	0	0
Khan Babadur N. D. Khandalwala ( <i>Poona</i> )	...	...	...	10	0	0
Mr. B. P. Basu ( <i>Vizagapatam</i> )	...	...	...	5	0	0
„ A Nilakanta Sastri ( <i>Cumbaconam</i> )	...	...	...	50	0	0
„ Lalla S’ri Ram ( <i>Bulandshahr</i> )	...	...	...	50	0	0
„ T. Sadasiva Iyer ( <i>Srivaikuntam</i> )	...	...	...	20	0	0
„ K. Edulji	...	...	...	11	0	0
„ N. H. Cama	...	...	...	5	0	0
„ H. Bowman ( <i>San Francisco</i> )	...	...	...	31	13	0
The Allahabad Branch T. S.	...	...	...	15	0	0
The Behar do	...	...	...	30	0	0
Mr. A Venkatakaniah ( <i>Arcot</i> )	...	...	...	5	0	0
The Gaya Branch T. S.	...	...	...	25	0	0
The Benares do	...	...	...	25	0	0
Dewan Bahadur S. Subramania Iyer ( <i>Madras</i> )	...	...	...	100	0	0
Mr. E. A. Neresheimer ( <i>New York</i> )	...	...	...	1,616	13	5
Dr. D. J. Edal Behram ( <i>Surat</i> )	...	...	...	10	0	0
Mr. Mahadeva S’astri ( <i>Warangal</i> )	...	...	...	1	4	0
The Mozufferpore Branch T. S.	...	...	...	10	0	0
The Nilphamari do	...	...	...	25	0	0
The Pakur do	...	...	...	75	0	0
The Berhampore do	...	...	...	50	0	0
The Jubbulpur do	...	...	...	5	0	0
Mr. A. Nanjundappah ( <i>Cuddapah</i> )	...	...	...	3	0	0
„ M. Nanjunda Naidu ( <i>Shimoga</i> )	...	...	...	84	0	0
„ Anantharai Nathji Mehta ( <i>Kundla</i> )	...	...	...	50	0	0
„ Tookaram Tatya	...	...	...	5	0	8
The Cuddapah Branch T. S.	...	...	...	341	1	0
Col. H. S. Olcott	...	...	...	16	8	0
Mr. J. St. Clair ( <i>Auckland</i> )	...	...	...	25	0	0
„ Ananta Kam Ghosh	...	...	...	15	12	0
„ J. Van der Linden	...	...	...	3	0	0
„ P. Nagesa Row ( <i>Masulipatam</i> )	...	...	...			
Total Rs...				2,933	8	11

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## SOCIETY'S HEAD-QUARTERS ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
Balance on 27th Dec. 1892 ...	824	10	6	Establishment Charges ...	2,622	9	9
Donations received :—				Food Expenses ...	326	0	9
America ... 1,686- 6-7				Printing and Stationery ...	174	0	10
India ... 1,878-15-2				Advertising and Reporting..	77	1	0
Australia ... 36- 2-0				Postages ...	130	9	6
	3,601	7	9	Telegrams ...	33	6	0
Col. Olcott ...	341	1	8	President's Travelling Ex-			
Diploma and Charter fees :—				penses ...	522	1	4
America ... 2,001- 5-11				Loan to Anniversary Fund.	1,200	0	0
Europe ... 764- 1- 6				Repaid to Indian Section on			
Australasia ... 527-13- 7				account of Loan ...	893	12	0
Ceylon ... 23- 2- 0				Animals' food and attend-			
S. America ... 65- 0- 0				ance ...	962	10	0
	3,381	7	0	Rent of land adjoining			
Sale of B. W. Mare ...	470	15	0	Adyar ...	1	0	0
Sale of Stores ...	4	8	0	Repairs to Main Building,			
Received from Mango con-				Stables, Bungalows, Car-			
tractor ...	12	0	0	riages, and Furniture ...	1,017	11	0
Boarding charges ...	137	8	0	Charities ...	53	2	0
Gram sold to Theosophist				Sundry expenses, including			
Office ...	72	7	9	Freight, Conveyances			
Sale of Australian Mare ...	100	0	0	Peons Fees and odd items..	555	10	4
Sale of 8 Rattan Mats ...	57	0	0	Carriage Hire during repairs	21	0	0
Sale of Cart ...	10	0	0	Further loan to Anniversary			
Sale of Leaves ...	3	0	0	Fund ...	200		0
Interest on Permanent Fund				Error in 1891 Account: In-			
4½% Government Papers ...	408	0	6	come Tax on Interest from			
Interest on Savings Bank a/c..	0	9	0	Government papers, not			
				charged by S. E. G. ...	11	17	2
				Do do in 1892 account	23	14	9
				Balance on 25th Dec. 1893...	598	2	9
Total...	9,424	11	2	Total...	9,424	11	2

## AUDIT REPORT.

We have made a careful examination of the Head-quarters accounts of the Theosophical Society from the 31st July 1893 (being the date on which Col. Olcott submitted his report upon the Defalcation Account) up to the 26th December 1893, and we certify that the balances of the various accounts are as follows:—

			Rs.	A.	P.
Permanent Fund	...	...	21,016	4	3
Anniversary Fund	...	...	81	9	3
Library Fund	...	...	359	15	10
Head-quarters Fund	...	...	598	2	9
T. Subba Row Medal Fund	...	...	38	10	0
Suspense A/c.	...	...	4,722	12	9
Total Rs.			26,817	6	10

The items are invested as follows:—

			Rs.	A.	P.
Permanent Fund 4% Government Paper to the nominal value of	...	...	21,000	0	0
(Deposited for safe custody with the Bank of Madras in the names of Col. Olcott and V. Coopooswami Iyer.)					
In Current Account with the Bank of Madras	...	...	5,147	15	9
Post Office Savings Bank Deposits:—					
Permanent Fund	...	...	16	4	3
Anniversary Fund	...	...	8	9	3
Head-quarters Fund	...	...	15	9	6
T. Subba Row Medal Fund	...	...	28	10	0
Library Fund	...	...	0	10	3
			69	11	3
Cash in the London and Westminster Bank, London, in the name of Col. Olcott,					
£ 20-2-7 @ Rs. 15-12 =	...	...	316	12	0
In addition to £ 7-3-7½ @ Rs. 15-12 = (in the hands of Mr. J. M. Watkins for disbursement on Library Account):—	...	...	113	0	0
			429	12	0
Cash at date in Steward's hands	...	...	78	0	0
Do in Safe:—					
Bank Notes	...	...	25	0	0
Coin	...	...	53	3	9
			78	3	9
Expenditure unaccounted for	...	...	13	12	1
Total Rs.			26,817	6	10

We should state that Col. Olcott ascertained that the total					
defalcations made by the late Treasurer amount to Rs.					
				8,649	5 7
A Subscription Fund has been inaugurated to make good					
this deficit, under the name of the "Suspense Account,"					
and the amount received on this account up to date,					
is Rs.	...	...	...	...	4,722 12 9
leaving a balance, still to be made good, of Rs.					
				...	3,926 8 10

The unpaid subscriptions towards this fund amount to Rs. 300; and since the books were closed for the year, two subscriptions, not included in the above item, of Rs. 25 and £ 7 sterling respectively, have been received and will be carried into the next year's accounts.

We have personally examined all the vouchers referring to Government Paper and all other investments of the Society, and we certify that all the balances shown are correct. We notice that the Government Paper in the Permanent Fund is deposited with the Bank of Madras for safe custody in the joint names of two Trustees only. We think that this is open to the objection that if one of these Trustees should die or resign, the other would have uncontrolled power of withdrawing the fund. This difficulty could be got over by the simple expedient of appointing a third signing Trustee, so that there should always be three signing Trustees, any two of whom should have power to operate on the Fund.

We would also recommend that in future two of the resident members of the T. S. in Madras should be appointed by the President to make a monthly audit of the accounts and verification of the state of the several investments and funds.

DAVID GOSTLING, F. R. I., B. A.,

*Architect, Bombay.*

PESTONJEE DINSHAWJEE KHAN,

26th December 1893,

*Merchant, Bombay.*

#### APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS.

Acting upon the advice of the above Report, the President-Founder requested the nomination of two Auditors residing in Madras, who would undertake the work of auditing the Society's Accounts.

Mr. C. Sambiah and Mr. Ranga Row were appointed, and after some discussion a quarterly instead of a monthly audit was decided upon.

The President then called upon Annie Besant to address the Convention upon the subject of the general view of Theosophical work in the East and West.

Annie Besant, who was received with loud applause, first pointed out the attitude which should be adopted by all disinterested workers in the cause of truth, and adverted to the dangers which might reasonably

be regarded as menacing the future of the Society if the eclectic spirit of the movement were disregarded or indifferently sustained.

In Europe, it was said, the chief characteristic of the Society was one of unceasing external activity. This was also true of America, which was almost Anglo-Saxon in its root. The movement in Europe was strongest in England and next in Sweden. The people of the latter country had a strong psychic temperament which should make them useful in a movement like ours.

In England, the people were more practical, and had the faculty of taking hold of new methods which they brought to bear upon any position in which they might find themselves.

Annie Besant then spoke of the great utility of the Theosophical "Press Gang," as it was humorously called, in England. The importance of the press in England was well-known, and an organized system which enabled us to make use of it was undoubtedly of great advantage to the movement. Now the whole of this work was carried on under the supervision of an invalid lady, whose health did not permit of more active physical work, but who was able to thus devote much time to the Society which otherwise might be lost to it. A close lookout for items of theosophical interest appearing in the press, was kept up, and suitable persons belonging to the press-group were then detailed to institute a discussion, and all questions raised upon theosophical matters were met with prompt and useful answers. By this means they were able to keep in touch with the public in all parts of the country.

This would serve as an illustration of how work might be made where it does not exist, and how each could choose such a field as was suitable to his capabilities, so that no means of creating fresh propaganda or of spreading the Truths we are banded together to publish, might remain unused. A similar use of the newspapers, it was said, might be made here in India.

It was further said that, although the idea of the realization of an Universal Brotherhood was our primary object, yet there were many who were drawn to the Society through their interest in the 2nd and 3rd objects, and such persons were utilized in general Theosophical propaganda, and served to spread the idea of the theoretical and philosophical sides of Theosophy. Later on, they would be drawn to an appreciation of the primary object of the Society in its most practical form.

Annie Besant exhorted those present to remember that the philosophical and spiritual side of the work of Theosophy should have its practical issues; precept should find expression in practice; and in her experience earnest Theosophical work may have as great an influence as platform speaking and argument carried on in the public press.

Attention was then drawn to the fact of the cyclic recurrence of spiritual effort among the nations. Two centuries ago Germany was the centre of such an impulse; a century back it was France; and at the

present day the same spiritual influence was at work in England. So, in every century, there was an effort of this nature made from the great Central A'shram. By indifference to or rejection of this spiritual movement future spiritual progress was hindered ; and because of this, France and Germany were countries in which society today made the least progress along spiritual lines. It was a warning, Annie Besant said, which needed most loudly to be proclaimed in this country. In America the movement was spreading very rapidly. The reason for this was that the soil of the American mind was very receptive and the people were very swift to catch a new idea. They had few prejudices, so that new thought had great chances of making its way into the young minds of the Americans. The older minds of Europe were less susceptible in this respect. The mingling of races, such as was seen in America, tended to break down prejudice. If we know each other better we should distrust one another less. And the breaking down of the barriers which stand between man and man on account of religion, nationality, &c., made progress possible to the race at large. If we had a single neighbour whose religion, &c. was opposed to our own, and he were the only man within, say, one hundred miles, either we must treat him as a neighbour or have none at all. When once the outside barriers of prejudice were broken down, mutual tolerance would be possible between us, and upon further acquaintance, differences of opinions having been overcome, we should find our neighbour not such a bad man after all ; and a bond of brotherhood would be established between us. Now in America the barrier which separates nation from nation had been broken down. When a Theosophist goes to America and puts forward what he has to say, he is not put under the initial difficulty of breaking down a barrier of suspicion. A person was sure to get a first hearing ; and because Theosophy is worth hearing, propaganda was easily carried on. Large numbers of people came together and were willing to take part in the movement.

This was well shown in the Chicago Congress. Among all the representative delegates of the different faiths there represented, none impressed their audiences in the same degree as did those who came from the East. They produced the most profound impression, one indeed in which the Hindus might rightly take pride and satisfaction. Not only did they cause admiration of their intellectual mastery of a foreign language and idiom, not only could they hold their own against those born to the language ; but they also showed a wide grasp of philosophical knowledge, and the readiness with which difficult problems were handled was a matter of extreme gratulation. But what had pleased her most and what would please them most, was the fact that what most affected the audiences was not the force of an intellectual impression, but that of a spiritual reality. That was the expression used over and over again by those who listened to the delegates from the East. 'These men,' they said, 'speak as if the spiritual life were to them a reality.' No better work had been done by the East for the



West, than the sending of these messengers. It gave them the idea that something was yet to be learned by a study of the old religious philosophies wherein the spiritual light outshone intellectual power.

A comic expression coming from an American newspaper reporter was quoted by Annie Besant :—"We have been spending millions to convert these Heathen, and now they have sent over half a dozen men and have converted all of us !"

More direct reference was then made to the Parliament of Religions in connection with the Theosophical Society and Annie Besant said that the position of the Theosophical Society was justified by that unity of nations and creeds, where Brahminism, Buddhism, Islamism, &c., were represented, and where in every case the impression left was not that of a special form of religion, but that of the spiritual life underlying each and all of them.

In America, it was said, there was a good deal of psychism, a product of the nation's evolution ; and hence it was never worth while to argue the reality of psychic phenomena. The questions which pressed for answer had regard only to the place these phenomena held in our consciousness, their use in the problems of the future, &c., and how these could be used as arguments against materialism.

It was the object of the Theosophical Society to combat materialism in every form, to strengthen the philosophy of the East by the experiments and recorded observations of the West, and to show how they might be used to prove the reality of the religion and philosophy in India. Thus the East and West, developed along different lines, brought different contributions to the treasury of man. And this should be a cause for each to look upon the other with welcome ; for while the East had brought philosophy to the West, the West had brought to the East power and executive ability, with something of practical altruism.

To realise the spiritual life and to develop the powers of the spirit was the object of man's existence, and it was better and greater to help humanity to find its own spirit than for one man to find that spirit for himself.

Mrs. Besant then spoke upon the mission of the Society. She said that no one came to it without knowledge accumulated from previous births, which had given him power to assimilate spiritual teachings and capacity of a greater or less order as the result of training, teaching and guidance in the past. These faculties and powers were not for himself alone. Miserable and narrow was the mind which sought knowledge only that it might be itself enriched, and gained spiritual truths only for its own advantage. The Universal spirit was of the nature only to expand itself and to give itself for the life of others, so that by its own manifestation in the souls of men they might return into Itself.

What then was the work and mission of those belonging to a Society which claimed to make no distinction between human beings in color,

race, or sex? If they were one in spirit what was the work which they should do?

If we gained spiritual power we held it in trust for others and not for our own sole possession. It was our highest privilege to work that every golden coin gained might be used for the service of others, that they might be wealthy even if we were poor. For, by such devotion, the eyes of many might be opened and the race advance. This was that noblest of ideals which, coming down through the ages had from time to time touched here and there a spirit and a heart, which sought for itself liberation only that it might come back to labour for humanity. The *Jivanmukta* gained liberation only that it might resign it again and give to the world that wisdom and knowledge that it had won for itself.

Annie Besant exhorted them therefore to attempt the spiritual ascent, if when they had climbed, they would stoop down to help others; to learn in order that they might teach; to gain power only for the service of others. There was only one reward worth taking, only one prize worth receiving, and that was the opportunity for increased service to the race; and this she would pray the great gods to give, that one might stand aside till all others had passed on even while one's hand should be yet upon the latch. This was the great privilege, that we might be first to attain and last to enjoy. [Loud applause].

The convention then adjourned.

## SECOND DAY.

The convention was called to order at 11-30 A. M. The President Founder said that the business of the Society would first be completed, and then after adjournment that of the Indian Section would be taken up.

### VOTE OF THANKS TO AUDITORS.

Col. Olcott said that he expressed for himself and those present sincere thanks to Mr. D. Gostling and Mr. P. D. Khan, who had kindly taken in hand the audit of the Society's accounts on the present occasion [Applause].

### THE RECORDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

The President stated that owing to the death of Mr. Gopala Charlu, the office of Recording Secretary and Treasurer of the Society had become vacant. Since the audit of accounts in July last, the funds of the Society had been taken charge of by the President himself, and Mr. Old had kept the accounts up to the present date. The accounts had been duly audited and found correct.

The President said that the office of Recording Secretary and Acting Treasurer would be taken up by Mr. Old, and he thereupon appointed him. [Applause].

## THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

The following committee was appointed to look into the affairs of the Adyar Library and to make such suggestions as were deemed necessary.

*Committee* :—Mr. Tookaram Tatya, Mr. Govinda Dasa, Mr. Mahadeva Sastri, Mr. C. Sambiah Chetty and Mr. N. P. Subramaniam Iyer.

## THE SUBBA ROW GOLD MEDAL.

The President said that there occurred to him but one name as holding an exceptional claim upon the honour of this annual distinction, and that name he thought would be uppermost in the minds of all present, and with a gesture he indicated Annie Besant, the suggestion being received with loud applause.

Mrs. Besant immediately rose and said that she really must refuse the distinction which had been so kindly suggested; but that she felt she was really not entitled to it and that she had not earned it as all her literary work during the past year had been of a popular nature. She said that another time she might try, but that at the present she did not feel justified in accepting the medal.

Col. Olcott therefore appointed a committee to report upon the matter and to make another suitable suggestion.

*Committee* :—Mr. Old, Khan Bahadur N. D. Khandalwala, Mr. Narayanaswami Iyer, Mr. A. S. Avadhani and Mr. V. Coopooswami Iyer.

The President then vacated the chair, and the proceedings of the Indian Section T. S. proper began.

## THIRD DAY.

The President called the T. S. Convention to order at noon; and the reports of Committees were called for.

## T. SUBBA ROW MEDAL.

The Committee reported as follows :—

Your Committee are of opinion that the Medal should not be awarded this year, no work produced during the year coming up to the required standard, though several well deserve honorable mention.

(Signed) K. NARAYANSWAMI.  
 „ N. D. KHANDALWALA.  
 „ V. COOPOOSWAMI IYER.  
 „ V. V. S. AVADHANI.  
 „ W. R. OLD.

## THE ADYAR LIBRARY.

The Library Committee presented the following report :—

Your committee recommends,—That a Standing Committee be formed for the efficient management of the Library and its Funds, composed of gentlemen appointed by the President.

That Mr. W. R. Old be appointed Librarian and Secretary to this Committee with power to purchase such MSS. and books as are needed, and to make other necessary expenditure for their preservation and safe keeping; not exceeding Rs. 100 for any separate item without consent of the Committee.

That the Committee should hold in trust, on behalf of the Society, the funds and property of the Library.

That the services of Library Swami be dispensed with as unnecessary.

That the salary of the Library Pandit be raised to the nominal sum of Rs. 20 per mensem.

(Signed) TOOKARAM TATYA.

„ GOVINDA DASA.

„ N. P. SUBRAMANIAM IYER.

„ MAHADEVA SASTRI.

„ C. SAMBIAH CHETTY.

The President pointed out that the Library and its funds were as Society property already in the keeping of the Trustees of the Society, that he was the Managing Trustee, and that the Librarian was responsible to that body through him. No purchase was legal without his consent. He would take the vote of the Convention as a recommendation and try to comply with it in every way.

The report was adopted with the necessary modifications.

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Mr. Tookaram Tatya spoke of the needs of the Library, and suggested that a subscription should be taken up then and there. Several names were handed in, the total of subscriptions amounting to Rs. 585.

The T. S. Convention then adjourned *sine die* and the Indian Section resumed its Sessions.

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# BRANCHES OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

(Corrected annually on the 27th December.)

## INDIAN SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Adoni	The Adoni T. S.	1882	A. Chengelvoraya Rajoo...	Mr. S. J. Parthasarathier..	Medical Officer, Adoni.
Agra	The Agra T. S.	1893	Rai Pyare Lall	Pandit Tulsi Ram. M. A...	Professor of Philosophy and Sanskrit, St. John's College, Agra
Aligarh	The Aryan Patriotic T. S.	...	...	Dormant	...
Allahabad	The Prayag T. S.	1881	Babu G. N. Chakravorthy, M. A. & L. L. B.	Dr. Abhinash Ch. Bannerji, L. M. and S.	Colvin Medical Hall, Allahabad.
Almorah	The Tatwa Bodhini Sabha T. S.	1893	Pandit Bhairab Dat Joshi	Pandit Badri Dutt Josi, L. L. B.	Almorah, N. W. P.
Ambasamudram	The Ambasamudram T. S.	1889	Mr. S. Madanasawmy Row	Mr. R. Subbiah	First Grade Pleader, Ambasamudram.
Anantapur	The Anantapur T. S.	1885	...	Dormant	...
Arcot	The Arcot T. S.	1884	...	Enquire of Mr. A. V. Kanniah.	Sub-Registrar, Arcot.
Arni	The Arni T. S.	1885	...	Dormant	...
Arrah	The Arrah T. S.	1882	...	Babu Avadh Biharilal	Sheoganj, Arrah (Behar).
Baluchar	The Jaina Tatwagnāna Sabha T. S.	1890	...	Dormant	...

Bangalore	...	The Bangalore Cantonment T. S.	1886	Mr. T. C. Mahasawmy Pillay.	Mr. A. Singaravelu Moodliar.	Resident's Office, Bangalore.
Do	...	The Bangalore City T. S.	1886	...	Dormant	...
Bankipore	...	The Behar T. S.	1882	Babu Purnendu Narayan Sinha, M. A., B. L.	Babu Jogesh Chandra Banerjee.	Commissioner's Office, Bankipur (Behar).
Bankura	...	The Sanjeevan T. S.	1883	Babu B. B. Pramanik	Babu Kedarnath Kulabhi.	Teacher, Zillah School, Bankura (Bengal).
Bara-Banki	...	The Gyanodaya T. S.	1883	Pandit Parmeshwari Dass	Babu Debi Sahai	Dt. Surveyor, Bara-Banki (Oudh.)
Barakar	...	The Sadhu Sanga T. S.	1892	Babu Shyama Charn Bhatta.	Babu K. P. Mukherji	Barakar.
Bareilly	...	The Rohilcund T. S.	1881	...	Dormant	...
Barisal	...	The Barisal T. S.	1887	...	Dormant	...
Baroda	...	The Rewah T. S.	1882	Rao Bahadur Janardan Sakharam Gadgil, B. L.	Rao Sahib Maneklal Ghe-labai Jhaveri.	Baroda.
Beauleah	...	The Rajshahye Harmony T. S.	1883	...	Babu Sreesh Chandra Roy	Head Master, Loknath School, Beauleah (Rajashahye, Bengal).
Bellary	...	The Bellary T. S.	1882	Honorable Rai Bahadur A. Sabhapati Moodliar.	Mr. T. A. Swaminatha Iyer	"Sanmarga Samaj," Bellary.
Benares	...	The Kasi Tatwa Sabha T. S.	1885	Babu Upendra Nath Basu, B. A., L. L. B.	Babu Govinda Dasa	Durgakund, Benares City.
Berhampore	...	The Adhi Bhoutic Bhratru T. S.	1881	Babu Dinanath Ganguli...	Babu Satcoury Mukherji.	Manager, Sheristadar's Office, Berhampore, Bengal.
Bezwada	...	The Bezwada T. S.	1887	...	Mr. T. Venkatanarasiah...	Pleader, Munsiff's Court, Bezwada.

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Bhagulpore	The Bhagulpore T. S.	1881	...	Babu Motilal Misra	Bhagulpore.
Bhaunagar	The Bhaunagar T. S.	1882	His Highness Prince Harsingji Rupsingji.	Mr. J. N. Unwalla, M. A.	The College, Bhaunagar, Kathiawar.
Bhawani	The Bhawani T. S.	1893	Mr. T. M. Sundram Pillay, B. A.	Mr. M.P.K.T. Simhachary	Civil Apothecary, Bhawani.
Bhowanipore	The Bhowani T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...
Bolaram	The Bolaram T. S.	1882	...	Dormant	...
Bombay	The Bombay T. S.	1880	Mr. K. M. Shroff	Mr. S. Raghavendra Row.	Hd. Clerk, Town Custom Office, Fort, Bombay.
Broach	The Broach T. S.	1892	...	Mr. Shanmukhram Ganpatram Vin.	Hd. Clerk, Educational Inspector's Office, Broach.
Bulandshahr	The Baron T. S.	1887	...	Dormant	...
Burdwan	The Burdwan T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...
Calcutta	The Bengal T. S.	1882	Babu Norendro Nath Sen	Dr. Rakalchandra Sen, L. M. & S.	158, Old Baitokana Bazar Road, Calcutta.
Do	The Ladies' T. S.	1882	...	Dormant	...
Cawnpore	The Chohan T. S.	1882	Babu Devi Pada Roy	Babu Dharm Das Mukherji	Executive Engineer's Office, Irrigation Branch, Cawnpore.
Chakdighi	The Chakdighi T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...



Chingleput	...	The Chingleput T. S.	...	1883	Mr. K. Ramachendra Iyer	Mr. D. Raghurama Row...	Pleader, Chingleput.
Chinsurah	...	The Chinsurah T. S.	...	1883	...	Dormant	...
Chittagong	...	The Chittagong T. S.	...	1887	...	Babu Kamala Kanta Sen.	Pleader, Judge's Court, Chittagong.
Chittoor	...	The Chittoor T. S.	...	1884	Mr. C. Masilamony Mudeliar.	Mr. C. M. Duraswamy Mudeliar, B. A., B. L.	Pleader, Chittoor.
Cocanada	...	The Cocanada T. S.	...	1885	...	Mr. K. Perrazu	Pleader, Cocanada.
Coimbatore	...	The Coimbatore T. S.	...	1883	Mr. N. Annasawmy Rao...	Mr. S.N. Ramasawmy Iyer	Pleader, Coimbatore.
Combaconum	...	The Combaconum T. S.	..	1883	Mr. K. Narayanaswamier.	Mr. M. C. Krishnaswamier	Pleader, Combaconum.
Cuddalore	...	The Cuddalore T. S.	...	1883	...	Dormant	...
Cuddapah	...	The Cuddapah T. S.	...	1886	Pandit D. Venkatachella Sastry.	Mr. A. Nunjundappa, B.A., B. L.	Vakil, Cuddapah.
Dacca	...	The Dacca T. S.	...	1883	...	Dormant	...
Darjeeling	...	The Kinchinjunga T. S.	..	1882	H. H. The Mahārāja of Cooch Behar.	Babu Sreenath Chatterji.	Executive Engineer's Office, Darjeeling.
Dehra-Dun	...	The Dehra-Dun T. S.	...	1892	Lala Baldeo Singh	Babu Ishanchandra Dev, B. A.	Survey Dept., N. W. P., Dehra-Dun.
Delhi	...	The Indraprastha T. S.	...	1883	...	Enquire of Dr. Hem Chandra Sen.	Delhi.
Dindigul	...	The Dindigul T. S.	...	1884	...	Dormant	...
Dumraon	...	The Dumraon T. S.	...	1883	...	Mr. M. Omrao Ali	Inspector of Dumraon Raj Schools, Dumraon.
Durbhanga	...	The Durbhanga T. S.	...	1883	Pandit Lakshmi Narain...	Babu Ganganath Jha, M.A.	Durbhanga.

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Ellore	Gupta Vidya T. S.	1887	Mr. D. Sriramulu	...	Ellore.
Ernacolum	The Ernacolum T. S.	1891	Mr. W. Bamiyah	Mr. T. S. Subbaraya Iyer.	Clerk, Huzur English Office, Ernacolum, Cochin.
Erode	The Erode T. S.	1891	Mr. G. Narayanaswamier.	...	Erode.
Fatehgarh	The Gnāna Marga T. S.	1885	Pandit Ray Nath Sahib...	Munshi Bhaktwar Lal, B.A.	Head Clerk, Collector's Office, Fatehgarh, N. W. P.
Fyzabad	The Ayodhya T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...
Ghazipore	The Ghazipore T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...
Gooty	The Gooty T. S.	1883	Mr. J. Srinivasa Rao	Mr. P. Casava Pillay	Pleader, Gooty.
Gorakhpur	The Sarva Hitkari T. S.	1883	Dr. Jagneswara Roy	Babu Munipat Das	Library, Friends' Association, Gorakhpur.
Guntoor	The Krishna T. S.	1882	Mr. B. Veerasawmy Aiyah	Mr. P. Sriramulu	Pleader, Guntoor.
Guntur	Sadvichara T. S.	1891	Mr. L. Venkatasubbaya...	Mr. D. Purnshotham	Sadvichara T. S., Guntur.
Gya	The Gya T. S.	1882	Babu Hari Haranath	Babu Indra Narayan Chakravarti.	Government Pleader, Gya, Behar.
Hoshangabad	The Nerbudda T. S.	1885	Babu Chowdry Prayagchand.	Babu Jagannath Prasad...	Pleader, Hoshangabad, C. P.
Howrah	The Howrah T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...

Hyderabad	... The Hyderabad T. S.	... 1882	Dorabji Dassabhoj, Esq.	Capt. G. Raghoonath	... H. H. Nizam's Paiga Troops, Troop Bazaar, Hyderabad, Dec- can.
Jalandhur	... Tatwagnāna Pracharni T. S.	... 1893	Babu Sandeeram	Babu Sawan Mall	... Busteegegozan, Jalandhur, Pun- jaub.
Jalpaiguri	... Jalpaiguri T. S.	... 1889	Pandit J.B. Vidyabooshan, M.A.	Babu Benod Behary Banerji.	Dy. Commissioner's Office, Jal- paiguri.
Jamalpore	... The Jamalpore T. S.	... 1882	Babu Trailokya Nath Roy.	Babu Kali Bhushan Roy.	Secretary, Loco. Office, Jamal- pur.
Jessore	... The Tatwagnāna Sabha T. S.	... 1883	...	Dormant	...
Jeypore	... The Jeypore T. S.	... 1882	...	Enquire of Babu A. L. De	Jeypore, Rajputana.
Jubbulpore	... The Bhrigu Kshetra T. S.	... 1883	Babu Kalicharu Bose, B.A.	Mr. Manohar Lal	... Treasury Head Clerk, Deputy Commissioner's Office, Jubbul- pore, C. P.
Kanigiri	... The Olcott T. S.	... 1890	...	Mr. M. Venkatasubba Row	Pleader, Kanigiri, Nellore Dis- trict.
Karur	... The Karur T. S.	... 1885	...	Mr. T. R. Ramachendra Iyer.	Pleader, District Munsiff's Court, Karur
Kapurthala	... The Kapurthala T. S.	... 1883	Dewan Ramjas, C. S. I.	Lala Harichund	... Judicial Asst., Kapurthala, Pun- jab.
Karwar	... The North Canara T. S.	... 1883	...	Enquire of Mr. K. M. Raghavendra Row.	Teacher, High School, Karwar (North Canara District).
Krishnaghur	... The Nuddea T. S.	... 1882	...	Dormant	...
Kuch Behar	... The Kuch Behar T. S.	... 1890	...	Dormant	...
Kurnool	... The Satkalatchepa T. S.	... 1883	Mr. T. Chidambara Row.	Mr. C. Venkataramiah	... Collector's Office, Kurnool.
Lahore	... The Lahore T. S.	... 1887	Mr. Nath Mal	Mr. Motilal Ghosh, Anar- kali, Lahore.	Extra Assistant Commissioner, Lahore

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Lucknow	The Satya Marga T. S.	1892	Rai Naraindas Bahadur...	Babu Mrittonjaya Chatterji	Head Clerk, General Department Office of the Post Master General, Lucknow.
Ludhiana	The Ludhiana T. S.	1891	Pandit Chandi Prasada-shastri.	Rai B. K. Lahiri	Ludhiana.
Madras	The Madras T. S.	1882	Mr. K. Subbarayadugaru...	Mr. V. Venkateshayya.	Post-Master-General's Office, Madras.
Madura	The Madura T. S.	1883	...	Mr. P. Narayana Iyer	Vakil, High Court, Madras.
Madanapalle	The Jignasa T. S.	1891	Mr. O. L. Sarma	Mr. R. Seshagiri Row	Asst. Master, T. C. High School, Madanapalle.
Mannargudi	The Mannargudi T. S.	1891	...	Dormant	...
Masulipatam	The Masulipatam T. S.	1887	Mr. V. V. S. Avadhani, B.A.	Mr. K. Ananda Row	Head Accountant, Collector's Office, Masulipatam.
Mayaveram	The Mayaveram T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...
Meerut	The Meerut T. S.	1882	Babu Rama Prasad, M. A.	Babu Kriparam	Commissioner's Office, Meerut (N. W. P.).
Midnapore	The Midnapore T. S.	1883	Babu Hari Charan Roy, M. A.	Babu Girish Chandra Mittra.	Pleader, Judge's Court, Midnapore (Bengal).
Monghyr	The Monghyr T. S.	1887	Babu Russick Lal Banerji.	Babu Priyanath Chatterji.	Monghyr.
Moradabad	The Atma-Bodh T. S.	1883	...	Babu Kalka Prasad	Teacher, Govt. School, Moradabad, Bengal.

Mozufferpore	...	The Mozufferpore T. S.	...	1890	Babu Poorna Chunder Mitter.	Babu Raghunandan Prasad Sarma.	Zemindar of Mahamedpur-Soosta, Silhout Dt., Mozufferpore.
Muddehpoorah	...	The Muddehpoorah T. S.	...	1881	...	Dormant	...
Muttra	...	The Muttra T. S.	...	1891	Babu Jai Narain Pandit...	Dr. Ramji Mull, L. M. S....	Medical Hall, Muttra.
Nagpur	...	The Nagpur T. S.	...	1885	Rai Bahadur C. Narain-swamy Naidu.	Mr. C. Lakshmauswami Naidu.	Clerk, Chief Secretariat's Office, Nagpur (C. P.).
Naini Tal	...	The Kurmachal T. S.	...	1888	...	Dormant	...
Narail	...	The Narail T. S.	...	1883	...	Dormant	...
Narasarowpet	...	The Narasarowpet T. S.	...	1891	Mr. T. Aunjaneya Sastri..	K. Viyyanna	Pleader, Narasarowpet.
Nassik	...	The Nassik T. S.	...	1891	...	Mr. Maheshwar Narain Devdhar, B. A.	2nd Asst. Master, High School, Nassik.
Negapatam	...	The Negapatam T. S.	...	1883	Mr. Swayambhu Iyer	Mr. G. Sambasiva Iyer	Pleader, Negapatam.
Nellore	...	The Nellore T. S.	...	1882	Mr. T. Jayarama Naidu...	Mr. A. Narayana Iyer, B.A.	Collector's Office, Nellore.
Nilphamari	...	The Nilphamari T. S.	...	1892	Babu Umanath Ghosal	Babu Janaki Nath Biswas.	Nilphamari.
Noakhali	...	The Noakhali T. S.	...	1886	Babu Probodh Chander Chatterjee.	Post Master	Noakhali, Bengal.
Ongole	...	The Ongole T. S.	...	1891	...	Mr. N. Seshagiriayer	Pleader, Ongole.
Ootacamund	...	The Todabetta T. S.	...	1883	Major-Genl. H. R. Morgan	Pandit R. Jayaraja Row...	Collector's Office, Ootacamund.
Orai	...	The Orai T. S.	...	1886	...	Dormant	...
Pahartali	...	The Mahâ Muni T. S.	...	1887	...	Babu Krishna Chandra Choudhry.	Raozen, Chittagong, Bengal.

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Pakur	The Pakur T. S.	1891	Rajah Sitish Chandra Pandar Bahadur	Babu Patiram Bannerji	Pakur, Bengal.
Palghat	The Malabar T. S.	1882	Mr. V. Vengu Iyer	Mr. S. Veeraraghava Iyer	Municipal Councillor, Palghat.
Paramakudi	The Paramakudi T. S.	1895	Mr. S. Minakshi Sundrum Iyer.	Mr. A. S. Krishnasawmy Sastriar, B. A.	Paramakudi.
Penukonda	The Penukonda T. S.	1893	Mr. A. Ramachandria	Mr. N. Kurattalwar	Head Master, Board School, Penukonda.
Periyakulam	The Periyakulam T. S.	1884	...	Enquire of Mr. V. P. Rajam Iyer.	2nd Grade Pleader, Periyakulam.
Pollachi	The Pollachi T. S.	1885	...	Dormant	...
Pondicherry	The Pondicherry T. S.	1883	Monsieur T. Sundira Poullé.	Mr. P. S. Sivagurunatham Pillai.	Teacher, Vellala Street, Pondicherry.
Poona	The Poona T. S.	1882	Khan Bahadur Naoroji Dorabji Khandalwalla	Mr. Rajana Lingu	Pleader, Camp, Poona.
Prodattur	The Prodattur T. S.	1893	Mr. T. Ramachandra Rao, B.A. & B.L.	Mr. G. Venkataramayya.	Pleader, Prodattur.
Rae-Bareilly	The Gyanavardhini T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...
Rajahmundry	The Rajahmundry T. S.	1887	Mr. V. Vasudeva Sastriar.	Mr. K. Rama Brahmam Garu.	Rajahmundry.
Rajmahal	The Rajmahal T. S.	1887	Babu Panchanam Gosh	Babu Phagu Lal Mandul.	Rajmahal, Bengal.

Ranchi	... Chotanagpur T. S.	...	1887	Mr. Nibarnan Chandra Gupta.	Babu Navakrishna Roy ...	Police Inspector, Ranchi, Chotanagpur.
Rangoon	... The Irawadi T. S.	...	1885	...	Dormant	...
Do	... The Shavai Daigon T. S.	...	1885	...	Dormant	...
Do	... The Rangoon T. S.	...	1885	...	Enquire of Mr. C. Vedaraiam Pillay.	Head Clerk, General Post Office, Rangoon.
Rawalpindi	... The Rawalpindi T. S.	...	1881	Babu Shyama Charn Bose	Mr. Rustonji Nusserwanji Bankwalla.	Rawalpindi.
Seeti	... The Seeti T. S.	...	1884	Babu Rajkishen Mukerji	Babu Priyanath Das	Loco. Office, Kancharapara, Bengal.
Searsole	... The Searsole T. S.	...	1883	...	Dormant	...
Secunderabad	... The Secunderabad T. S.	...	1882	Mr. Bezonji Aderji	Mr. Kavasha Eduljee	Pleader, Tower St., Secunderabad, Deccan.
Seoni-Chappara	... The Seoni T. S.	...	1885	Mr. Sadasheo Ganpat Subedhar	Babu Gouri Sanker	Pleader, Seoni Chappara (C. P.).
Sholapore	... The Sholapore T. S.	...	1882	...	Dormant	...
Sholinghur	... The Sholinghur T. S.	...	1891	Mr. V. Coopposwami Iyer, M. A.	Mr. L. Sreenivasa Raghavier.	Pleader, Sholinghur, North Arcot.
Siliguri	... The Siliguri T. S.	...	1885	...	Dormant	...
Simla	... The Himalayan Esoteric T. S.	...	1882	Mr. C. P. Hogan	Babu Kumud Chandra Mukherjee.	P. W. Secretariat, Simla.
Simla	... The Simla Eclectic T. S.	...	1881	...	Dormant	...
Srivilliputtur	... The Natchiyar T. S.	...	1883	...	Dormant	...

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Surat	... The Sanatan Dharma Sabha T. S.	1887	Mr. Navatamram Ootam- ram Trivedi.	Mr. Ganesh Vishnukher...	Surat.
Tanjore	... The Tanjore T. S.	1883	...	Dormant	...
Tinnevelly	... The Tinnevelly T. S.	1881	Mr. S. R. Ramakrishna Iyer, B. A.	Mr. S. Ramachendra Sas tri.	Clerk, District Court, Tinnevelly.
Tipperah	... The Tatwagāna Sabha T. S.	1889	Prince Rajakumar Nava- dwipchandra Deb Var- man Bahadur.	Babu Chandra Kumargu- ha.	Sheristadar, Collectorate, Tip- perah, E. Bengal.
Tirupattur	... The Tirupattur T. S.	1884	...	Dormant	...
Tiruvalur	... The Tiruvalur T. S.	1891	Mr. N. Vaidyanathier	Mr. T. K. Swaminathier...	2nd Grade Pleader, Tiruvalur, Tanjore District.
Trevandrum	... The Trevandrum T. S.	1883	...	Mr. R. Padmanabhacha- ryar, B. A.	Dewan's Office, Trevandrum (Tra- vancore).
Trichinopoly	... The Trichinopoly T. S.	1883	Mr. A. Ramachendra Iyer.	Mr. N. Harihara Iyer, B.A., B. L.	Pleader, Trichinopoly (S. I. Ry.).
Udamalpett	... The Udamalpett T. S.	1888	...	Dormant	...
Umballa	... The Umballa T. S.	1891	Rai Bishambernath	Babu Shyamachar Muk- herji.	Royal Medical Hall, Suddar Ba- zaar, Umballa Cantonment.
Vellore	... The Vellore T. S.	1884	...	Dormant	...
Vizagapatam	... The Vizagapatam T. S.	1887	Mr. T. Ramamurthy Pan- tulu Garu.	Mr. S. T. Srinivasiengar, M. A.	Principal, Hindu College, Viza- gapatam.
Vizianagaram	... The Vasishtha T. S.	1884	Mr. A. L. Narasinham, B. A., B. L.	Pandit C. R. Srinivasien- gar, B. A.	Head Master, Ripon High School, Vizianagaram.
Warangal	... The Satyavichara T. S.	1891	Mr. C. Luxman	Mr. T. Govindarajulu Naidu.	Care of Station Master, Waran- gal, N. G. S. Ry.



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<i>Place.</i>	<i>Name of the Branch.</i>	<i>Date of Charter.</i>	<i>President.</i>	<i>Secretary.</i>	<i>Secretary's Address.</i>
St. Louis	Arjuna T. S.	1882	Thos. B. Wilson.	Wm. F. Burrows	2012 Olive St.
New York	Aryan T. S.	1883	William Q. Judge.	Alex. H. Spencer.	144 Madison Ave.
Chicago	Chicago T. S.	1884	Geo. E. Wright.	Miss Pauline G. Kelly	278 Bissell St.
Malden	Malden T. S.	1885	Louis F. Wade.	Frank S. Collins.	97 Dexter St.
San Francisco	Golden Gate Lodge	1885	E. B. Rambo.	Wm. J. Walters.	Palace Hotel.
Los Angeles	Los Angeles T. S.	1885	Frank Neubauer.	Dr. G. F. Mohn.	453 Spring Street.
Boston	Boston T. S.	1886	Geo. D. Ayers.	Robert Crosbie	186 South St.
Cincinnati	Cincinnati T. S.	1886	Dr. J. D. Buck.	Dr. Thos. M. Stewart	104 W. 8th St.
Chicago	Ramayana T. S.	1887	Dr. W. P. Phelon.	Miss E. Applegate	619 W. Jackson St.
Minneapolis	Ishwara T. S.	1887	Dr. J. W. B. La Pierre	James C. Slafter	617 Guaranty Loan Bldgs.
Philadelphia	Krishna T. S.	1887	Alex. W. Goodrich.	Edwin Schofield	401 Commerce St.
St. Louis	Pranava T. S.	1887	Seth Wheaton.	Wm. Throckmorton	2708 Morgan St.
Omaha	Vedanta T. S.	1888	Louis A. Storch.	Harry Merriam	2919 Douglas St.
Grand Island, Neb...	Nirvana T. S.	1888	Chas. Rief.	Nathan Platt	522 Kimball Ave.
San Diego, Cal.	Point Loma Lodge	1888	Samuel Calhoun.	Dr. Thos. Docking	643 6th St.

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Bridgeport, Conn ...	Varuna T. S. ...	1888	Dr. E. A. McLellan. ...	Mrs. J. H. Butler ...	345 Broad St.
Cleveland ...	Dharma T. S. ...	1888	Wm. E. Gates ...	Mrs. Erma E. Gates ...	235 St. Clair St.
Decorah, Iowa ...	Isis Lodge. ...	1888	George W. Adams. ...	Miss Clara Reum ...	Box 901.
Milwaukee ...	Brahmana T. S. ...	1888	Mrs. Artie C. Stowe. ...	Lucius H. Cannon ...	M. O. Dep't. P. O.
Brooklyn ...	Brooklyn T. S. ...	1889	Col. H. N. Hooper ...	Alexis C. Fern ...	191 Carlton Avenue.
Santa Cruz, Cal. ...	Baudhu T. S. ...	1889	Dr. Wm. W. Gamble ...	Mrs. Lizzie A. Russell ...	Box 26.
Washington, D. C....	Blavatsky T. S. ...	1889	J. Guilford White ...	Geo. R. Boush ...	919 F. St., N. W.
San Jose, Cal. ...	Excelsior T. S. ...	1889	Miss Lizzie S. Morgan ...	Mrs. P. M. Gassett ...	351 N. 3rd Street.
San Diego, Cal. ...	Gautama T. S. ...	1889	Mrs. Anna L. Doolittle ...	Miss H. C. Mackenzie ...	1817 1st St.
Kansas City ...	Kansas City T. S. ...	1889	Henry T. Lotter ...	Dr. C. L. Hungerford ...	306 Rialto Buildg.
Oakland, Cal. ...	Aurora Lodge ...	1889	Mrs. Sarah A. Harris ...	Henry Bowman ...	630 9th St.
Tacoma, W. T. ...	Narada T. S. ...	1890	Harvey A. Gibson. ...	Mrs. Fannie A. Sheffield...	414 S. 7th St.
Stockton, Cal. ...	Stockton T. S. ...	1890	Frederic M. West. ...	Mrs. Jennie Southworth...	361 Miner Ave.
Muskegon, Mich. ...	Muskegon T. S. ...	1890	L. B. Howard. ...	Miss Sarah E. Sherman...	157 Peck St.
San Diego, Cal. ...	Upasana T. S. ...	1890	Sidney Thomas. ...	Miss J. Y. Bessac ...	1432 Date St.

Alameda, Cal.	Triangle T. S.	...	1890	Mrs. C. McIntire	...	Mrs. Clara E. Story	...	2328 Clement Ave.
Sacramento, Cal.	Eureka T. S.	...	1890	Albert Hart	...	Dr. John S. Cook.	...	922 9th St.
Sioux City, Iowa	Dana T. S.	...	1890	Dr. Grant J. Ross	...	Miss B. Wakefield	...	815 9th St.
Lincoln, Neb.	Amrita T. S.	...	1890	David A. Cline	...	...	...	Drawer 41.
Baltimore	Hermes Counsel T. S.	...	1890	Chas. F. Silliman	...	Wm. H. Numsen	..	18 Light St.
New Orleans	Vyasa T. S.	...	1890	Dr. C. J. Lopez	...	F. Carl Gessner	..	Box 837.
Kearney, Neb.	Lotus T. S.	...	1890	Rice H. Eaton	...	Herman M. Draper	...	...
Seattle, W. T.	Seattle T. S. No. 1	...	1890	Frank I. Blodgett	...	E. O. Schevagerl	...	504 Bailey Bldg.
Jamestown, N. Y.	1st T. S. of Jamestown	...	1890	Mrs. H. E. L. Fenton	...	Mrs. Grace A. Barnes	...	433 East 4th St.
Vicksburg, Miss	Siddartha T. S.	...	1890	James M. Gibson	...	T. D. Marshall	...	...
Pittsburg	Vishnu T. S.	...	1890	Wm. C. Temple	...	Miss S. A. Macmillan	..	Box 377 Wilkinsburg Pa.
Portland, Oregon	Willamette T. S.	...	1890	A. Ross Read	...	Mrs. Laura D. Durkee	...	567 4th St.
Memphis	Memphis T. S.	...	1890	Miss Elise M. Selden	...	Robert B. Orrick	...	287 Pontotoc St.
Clinton Iowa	Indra T. S.	...	1890	Mrs. C. L. Poole	...	Wm. J. Ward	...	227 5th Ave.
Pittsburg	Iron City T. S.	...	1890	John W. Dunlap	...	...	...	31 Park View Ave, Allegheny City.
Fort Wayne, Ind.	Annie Besant T. S.	...	1891	Hon. Edw. O'Rourke	...	A. A. Purman	...	...
Toronto, Canada	Toronto T. S.	...	1891	Albert E. S. Smythe	..	...	...	25 George St.
Los Angeles, Cal.	Dhyana T. S.	...	1891	Jas. R. Tallmadge	..	Mrs. K. J. Shanklin	...	408 S. Griffin Ave.
Hoquiam, W. T.	Gray's Harbor T. S.	...	1891	Dr. Owen G. Chase	...	Sidney M. Heath	...	...

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New York ...	"H. P. B." T. S. ...	1891	Chas. Seale ...	Miss Mary Douglas ..	2135 7th Ave.
Springfield, Mass. ...	Springfield T. S. ...	1891	Geo. M. Stearns ...	Dr. Wm. E. Davis ...	327 Main St.
St. Paul, Minn. ...	St. Paul T. S. ...	1891	H. P. Pettigrew ...	C. H. Buedefeldt ...	249 Selby Ave.
Soquel, Cala. ...	Pleiades Lodge T. S. ...	1891	Chas. S. Adams ...	Wm. R. Wilson ...	...
Salt Lake City U. ...	Salt Lake T. S. ...	1891	John Lloyd ...	Robt. L. Scannoll ...	Box 870.
San Francisco ...	San Francisco ...	1891	Dr. J. A. Anderson ...	Mrs. V. M. Beano ...	1717 Larkin St.
Providence, R. I. ...	Providence T. S. ...	1891	Mrs. Anna E. Percy ...	Jonathan Bailey ...	155 Ivy St.
Olympia, W. T. ...	Olympia T. S. ...	1891	David E. Bailly ...	Mrs. M. A. Whitney ...	Olympia Hotel.
New Haven, Con. ...	Atma T. S. ...	1892	Dr. Mary J. Wright ...	Frank B. Hale ...	37 College St.
Boise City, Idaho Terr.	Boise T. S. ...	1892	Morrison C. Athey ...	...	320 Washington St.
Hot Springs, Ark. ...	Hot Springs T. S. ...	1892	...	...	...
New Orleans ...	Sarasvati T. S. ...	1892	...	...	...
Victoria, B. C. ...	Kshanti T. S. ...	1892	...	...	...
Indianapolis, Ind. ...	Indianapolis T. S. ...	1892	...	...	...
Westerly R. I. ...	Westerly T. S. ...	1892	...	...	...

Montreal Con.	Monnt Royal T. S.	...	1892	...	...	...
St. George's Gren	Grenada T. S.	...	1892	...	...	...
Santa Ana, Calif	Alaya T. S.	...	1892	Benjamin F. Grouard	O. Irving Clark	1035 3rd St.
Cambridge, Mass	Harvard T. S.	...	1892	J. Austin Wilder	Cushing Stetson	25 Holyoke St.
Toledo Ohio	Toledo T. S.	...	1892	John M. Wheeler	Mrs. Helen L. Wheeler	215 10th St.
New Britain, Conn...	Kalayana T. S.	...	1893	William H. Todd	Wm. H. Witham	P. O. Box 867.
Santa Rosa, Calif	Santa Rosa T. S.	...	1893	Dr. C. J. C. Wachendorf...	Charles D. Hudoff	...
Dayton, Ohio	Dayton T. S.	...	1893	William Watkins	Wm. W. Buckwalter	735 River St.
Chicago, Ill.	Wachtmeister T. S.	...	1893	Jakob Bonggren	C. P. Wm. Westerlund	35 South Clark St.
Rapid City, S. D.	Bulwer Lytton T. S.	...	1893	Arthur E. Wallace	Wm. Norrington	...
Englewood, Ill	Englewood T. S.	...	1893	Mrs. Ellen D. DeGraff	Miss Abbietta W. Porter...	6608 Wentworth Avenue.
Columbus, Ohio	Columbus T. S.	...	1893	Wm. B. Waggoner	Dr. H. L. Henderson	801 Oak St.
Port Townsend	Port Townsend T. S.	...	1893	...	...	...
Syracuse, N. Y.	Syracuse T. S.	...	1893	...	...	...
Redding, Calif	Redding T. S.	...	1893	...	...	...
San Diego	Gautama } San Diego T. S.	...	1893	...	...	...
	Upasana }	...	1893	...	...	...
Marysville, Calif	Sravaka T. S.	...	1893	...	...	...
Corinth, N. Y.	Corinthian T. S.	...	1893	...	...	...
Lake City, Minn	Lake City T. S.	...	1893	...	...	...
<b>West Indian Sub-Section.</b>						
West Indies	The St. Thomas T. S.	...	1881	Mr. Charles E. Taylor	Mr. B. D. Azenedo	St. Thomas, Danish West Indies.
Hayti	The Haytion T. S.	...	1886	Enquire of the Rt. Rev....	The Bishop of Hayti	Port-au-Prince, W. I.

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Great Britain.					
London	London Lodge	1878	A. P. Sinnett	C. W. Leadbeater	27, Leinster Gardens, W.
Edinburgh	Scottish Lodge*	1884	(Private Lodge)	A. P. Cattanaach (Lib'n.)...	67, Brunswick St., Edinburgh.
Dublin	Dublin Lodge*	1886	H. M. Magee, B. A.	F. J. Dick, C. E.	3, Upper Ely Place, Dublin.
Do	N. Dublin Centre	...	...	J. Coates	194, Clonliffe Rd., Dublin.
Belfast	Belfast Centre*	...	...	Rev. H. W. Harrison	49, Stanhope St., Belfast.
London	Blavatsky Lodge	1887	Annie Besant	Miss Laura M. Cooper	19, Avenue Rd., Regent's Park, London.
Liverpool	Liverpool Lodge*	1888	R. B. B. Nisbet	John Hill	9, Dombey St., Liverpool.
Newcastle	Newcastle Lodge*	1890	...	John Wilson.	123, Hamilton St., Newcastle-on Tyne.
Brixton	Brixton Lodge*	1890	H. A. W. Coryn, M. R. C.S	Miss Jessie L. Horne	159, Acre Lane, Brixton.
Brighton	Brighton Lodge*	1890	Mr. Tippetts	Dr. Alfred King	30, Buckingham Place, Brighton.
Birmingham	Birmingham Lodge*	1890	W. H. Duffell	Sydney H. Old	69, Wilson Rd., Brichfields, B'ham.
Bradford	Bradford Lodge*	1891	Oliver Firth	Jno. Midgley	Osborne Chambers, New Kirk-gate, Bradford.
Chiswick	Chiswick Lodge*	1891	A. A. Harris	F. L. Gardner	37, Barrowgate Rd., Chiswick.
Battersea	Battersea Lodge*	1891	T. P. Barnes	...	121, Ingram St., Battersea.

<i>Manchester</i>	... <i>Manchester and Salford Lodge*</i>	1891	Dr. A. H. Guest	... J. Barron	... 50, St. Bee's St., Moss Side, Manchester.
<i>Croydon</i>	... <i>Croydon Lodge</i>	1891	S. P. G. Coryn	... W. A. Dunn	... 19, Wandle Rd., Croydon.
<i>London</i>	... <i>Adelphi Lodge</i>	1891	J. M. Watkins	... Frank Hills	... 7, Duke St., Adelphi, London.
<i>Do</i>	... <i>Earl's Court Lodge*</i>	1892	R. A. Machell	... Miss Macphail	... 3, Scarsdale Studios, Stratford Rd., Kensington, W.
<i>Harrogate</i>	... <i>Harrogate Lodge*</i>	1892	Hodgson Smith	... Miss Shaw	... 7, James St., Harrogate.
<i>Manchester</i>	... <i>Manchester City Lodge*</i>	1892	J. H. Fletcher	... Mrs. Corbett	... 5, Circular Rd., Withington, nr Manchester.
<i>Leeds</i>	... <i>Leeds Lodge*</i>	1892	E. S. Pickard	... H. Kitchen	... Sheepscar Branch Library, Leeds.
<i>Bournemouth</i>	... <i>Bournemouth Lodge*</i>	1892	Thos. Williams	... H. S. Green	... High St., Christchurch, Hants.
<i>Edinburgh</i>	... <i>Edinburgh Lodge</i>	1893	G. L. Simpson	... C. M. Oliver	... 152, Morningside Rd., Edinburgh.
<i>Middlesboro'</i>	... <i>Middlesboro' Lodge</i>	1893	W. H. Thomas	... Baker Hudson	... 113, Grange Road East, Middlesboro'.
<i>Bristol</i>	... <i>Bristol Lodge*</i>	1893	Mrs. Clayton	... ..	... 17, Royal Park, Clifton.
<i>London</i>	... <i>Bow Lodge</i>	1893	C. H. Collings	... A. G. Rowe	... 10, Mary St., Alfred Street, Bow Road E.
<i>Bradford</i>	... <i>Athene Lodge</i>	1893	Dr. B. E. J. Edwards	... Miss Ward	... Elden Buildings, Bradford.
<i>Southport</i>	... <i>Southport Lodge*</i>	1893	J. K. Gardner	... W. R. Carmichael	... Freshfield Road, Liverpool.
	... <i>Bath Centre*</i>	...	...	... Edwin Hill	... 9, Tynning Rd., Widcombe, Bath.
	... <i>Bilston Centre*</i>	...	...	... W. J. Knight	... Vine St., Bilston.
	... <i>Bolton Centre*</i>	...	...	... C. H. Hassall	... 76, Peel St., Farnworth, nr. Bolton.
	... <i>Cardiff Centre*</i>	...	...	... John Morgan, jun.	... Bryngolen, Llantisant, Glamorgan.

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	Darlington Centre	...	...	Mrs. Downie	... 46, Victoria Embankment, Darlington.
	Duff Town Centre*	...	...	G. McLennan	... Bookseller, Duff Town, Banffshire.
	Eastbourne Centre	...	...	Barclay Day	... Redcot, Meads, Eastbourne.
	Exeter Centre*	...	Mrs. Passingham	Miss L. Wheaton	... 10, Lion Terrace, Alphington Road.
	Falmouth Centre*	...	...	Miss S. E. Gay	... "Rosveau," Falmouth.
	Folkestone Centre*	...	...	Wm. Fagg	... Laudec Villa, Park Road, Folkestone.
	Glasgow Centre	...	...	James Wilson	... 151, Sandyfaulds St., Glasgow.
	Halifax Centre	...	...	A. Holden	... 12, Chester Road, Halifax.
	Islington Centre*	...	A. M. Glass	R. King	... 69, Barusbury St., Liverpool Rd., N.
	Llandudno Centre*	...	...	W. Kingsland	... Clarence Bdg., Gloddaeth Street, Llandudno.
	Leicester Centre*	...	...	Robt. Boynton	... 18, Cedar Road, Leicester.
	Merthyr Centre*	...	...	E. M. Thomas	... 18, Park Place, Merthyr Tydfil.
	Norwich Centre*	...	...	Selby Green	... The Croft, Lime Tree Road, Norwich.
	Peterborough Centre	...	...	L. S. Jastrzebski	... 1, Derby Ter., Lincoln Road, Peterboro'.
	Plumstead Centre*	...	...	W. G. Wratten	... 60, Wrottesley Road, Plumstead, S. E.



	Ramsgate Centre*	...	...	...	Miss H. Hunter	Leopold House, Abbott's Hill, Ramsgate.
	Sheffield Centre*	...	...	...	C. J. Barker	503, Intake Road, Sheffield.
	South Shields Centre	...	...	...	R. L. Grice	4, Alexander Ter., South Shields.
	Stoke-on-Trent Centre*	...	...	...	Thos. Ousman	36, South St.. Mount Pleasant, Stoke-on-Trent.
	Streatham Centre*	...	...	Mrs. Raphael	Jos. Deedy	69, Natal Road, Streatham S. W.
<b>Austria.</b>						
Vienna	Vienna Lodge	...	1887	Herr F. Eckstein	Count Leiningen-Billigheim,	Mosbach, Nr. Baden.
Prague	Blue Star Lodge	...	1892	Herr Fritz Schwartz	Herr Carl Weinfurter	Kolargasse, 715, Weinberge bei Prag.
<b>France.</b>						
Paris	Le Siege Français*	...	...	...	Mons. E. Coulomb	Rue Chaptal, 14, Paris.
Do	Ananta Lodge	...	1891	Mons. A. Arnould	Mons. E. Coulomb	30, Boulevard St., Michael, Paris.
Cherbourg	Cherbourg Centre	...	...	...	Mons. Syffert	18, Rue du Chateau, Cherbourg.
Breton	Breton Centre	...	...	...	Mons. le Dr. Leïssen	10, Grande Rue, Hennebont.
Toulon-Sur-Mer.	Toulon Centre	...	...	...	Dr. T. Pascal	Rue Victor Clappier, 39, Toulon- sur-Mer.
<b>Germany.</b>						
Berlin	Berlin Centro	...	...	...	Herr G. Gebhard Herr T. Reuss	Stüler Strasse, 13, Berlin. Mohrenstrasse, 50iii, Berlin.
<b>Greece.</b>						
Corfu	Ionian Lodge	...	1877	Prof. Pasquale Menelao...	Mons. Otho Alexander	Corfu, Greece.

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<b>Holland &amp; Belgium.</b>					
Amsterdam ...	Dutch-Belgian Branch*	... 1891	Mme. H. de Neufville ...	W. B. Fricke ...	34, Amstel Dijk, Nieuwer-Amstel, near Amsterdam.
Arnhem ...	Arnhem Centre	... ..	...	Mdlle. Immerzeel ...	C/o Mme. van den Berg, Arnhem, Holland.
Charleroi ...	Charleroi Lodge*	... 1892	M. A. Oppermann ...	Mme. G. Wilmet ...	Gosselies, Courcelles, Belgium.
<b>Italy.</b>					
Olevano Romano ...	Olevano Romano Centre	... ..	...	Mme. Murphy ...	Olevano Romano, near Rome.
<b>Russia.</b>					
Odessa ...	Odessa Group	... 1883	...	Mons. Gustav Zorn ...	Box 87, Odessa, Russia.
Warsaw ...	Warsaw Centre	.. ..	...	Pan Moes Oskragiello ...	Otwock-Bojarowo, Warszawa, Poland.
<b>Spain.</b>					
Madrid ...	Spanish Group	... 1889	Senor José Xifrê ...	...	24 y 28, Tragineros Madrid.
Do ...	Madrid Lodge*	... 1893	D. Sñr. José Xifrê ...	D. Sñr. Tomas Doreste ...	Cervantes, 6 Pral, Madrid.
Barcelona ...	Barcelona Lodge	... 1893	D. Sñr. José Planay Dorca	D. Sñr. Jaime Prats y Grau.	Calle Ariban 104, 2, 1º, Barcelona
Valencia ...	Valencia Lodge	... 1893	...	D. Sñr. Manuel Garcia...	Pintor Lopez 3, Valencia.
Coruna ...	Coruna Centre	... ..	...	Señor Florencio Pol ...	Ordenes, Coruna.
Alicante ...	Alicante Centre	... ..	...	D. Sñr. J. Jimenez Ser-rano.	Comandanciasata Guardia Civil, Alicante.

				Sweden.		
Stockholm	... Swedish Lodge	...	1889	Dr. Gustav Zander	... G. Kinnell	... Medico Mekaniska Institutet, Stockholm.
Gottenburg	... Gottenburg Lodge	...	1893	Herr H. Setterberg	... Fru. H. Sjostedt	... Erik Dalbergogatan, 14, Gottenburg.
Kalmar	... Kalmar Lodge	...	1893	Herr J. Olsson	...	Apoteket, Kalmar.
Lund	... Lund Lodge	...	1893	Herr H. Bråkenhielm	... Kand S. Nilsson	... Solvesgatan, 9, Lund.
Stockholm	... Stockholm Lodge	...	1893	Herr H. Cederschiold	... Kapten G. Kinell	... Vasagatan 5, Stockholm.
Do	... Orion Lodge	...	1893	Herr Tonnes Algren	... Herr C. Trampe	... Artillerigatan 40, Stockholm.
Nykoping	... Nykoping Lodge	...	1893	Herr E. Fegrvæus	...	Fabrikor, Nycoping.
Helsingborg	... Helsingborg Lodge	...	1893	Herr E. Bogren	... Herr A. Fornstedt	... Forradsvaktmastare, Helsingborg.
Orebro	... Orebro Lodge	...	1893	Herr C. E. Hjielm	... Herr A. Anderson	... Bokhallare, Oskarsberg, Orebro.
Kristiania	... Norwegian Lodge	...	1893	Herr G. Elfwing	... Herr H. Almo	... Storgaden 10a, Kristiania.
				Switzerland.		
Bern	... Bern Centre	...	...	...	Karl Brännich	... Besenschenerweg 12, Bern.
Locarno	... Locarno Centre	...	...	...	Dr. Pioda	... Locarno, Switzerland.
Zürich	... Zürich Centre	...	...	...	Herr J. Spoaheimer	... Häring Strasse 18, Zurich, Switzerland.
				Canary Islands.		
Canary Islands	... Canary Islands Centre	...	...	...	Miss J. de Forssmann	... Lomo de los Guirrs, Puerto Oratava, Tenerife

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# CEYLON BRANCHES.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Anuradhapura	Maha Mahendra T. S.	1889	Mr. Relapanawa Ratem-maya.	Mr. A. Uluwita	Kachcheri, Anuradhapura.
Badulla	Uva T. S.	1887	Mr. D. C. Kotlawela	Mr. W. D. M. Appuhami.	Badulla.
Batticaloa	Sugatapala T. S.	1889	Mr G. V. Bastian Silva	Mr. J. Fernando	Batticaloa.
Do	Paragnāna-marga T. S.	1891	Mr. Sathasivam Pillai	Mr. R. N. Arolambalam	Kachcheri, Batticaloa.
Bentota	Bentota T. S.	1880	Mr. Andrew Silva Tillek-ratna.	Mr. P. E. Wikramasinghe.	Bentota.
Colombo	Colombo T. S.	1880	...	Mr. W. F. Wijayesekera.	61, Maliban Street.
Do	Lanka T. S.	1880	Mr. Edward F. Perera	Mr. H. J. Charles Perera.	Colombo.
Dikwella	Moggaliputta T. S.	1889	Mr. D. A. Kumaratunga.	Mr. D. S. Mutu Kumara.	Dickwella.
Galle	Galle T. S.	1880	Mr. D.O.D.S.Goonasekera	Mr. ThomasSilva Amara S	Fort, Galle.
Jaffna	The Jaffna T. S.	1890	...	...	...
Kandy	Kandy T. S.	1880	Mr. A.D.J. Goonewardana	Mr. D. S. S. Wikramaratn.	Theosophical Hall, Kandy.
Kataluwa	Sariputra T. S.	1889	Mr. Don Abaran de Silva.	Don Teberis Silva	Ahangama, Kataluwa.
Kurunegala	Maliyadeva T. S.	1889	Mr. S.N.W. Hulungalle,R.	U. Daniel Wijetunga	Kurunegala.
Matale	Ubhaya-lokārthasadhaka T. S.	1889	Mr. Dorekembura Disawa	H. D. A. Goonesekera	Matale.
Matara	Matara T. S.	1880	Mr. C. D. S. Weerasuriya.	J. W. R. Jayawardana	District Court, Matara.

Mawanella	... Ananda T. S.	... 1889	Mr. Wattedama, R. M.	... L. B. Kobbekaduwe, R.M.	Mawanella.
Panadura	... Panadura T. S.	... 1880	Mr. D. C. Abeyasekara Muh'm.	... K. S. Perera	Panadura.
Ratnapura	... Subaragamuwa T. S.	... 1887	Mr. W. Ellawala, R. M.	... J. de Alwis	Ratnapura.
Singapore	... Singapore T. S.	... 1889	Mr. B. P. DeSilva	... Mr. C. Edriwora	Main St., Singapore.
Trincomalee	... Mahadeva T. S.	... 1889	Mr. A. D. Warnasooriya	... Mr. N. B. Daniel Silva	Trincomalee.
Do.	... Sat-Chit-Ananda T. S.	... 1889	Mr. C. Chelliah	... Mr. T. Sivaratna	Kacheheri, Trincomalee.
Weligama	... Siddhartha T. S.	... 1889	Mr. D. M. Samaraweera	... Dr. D. M. Jayasuriya	Weligama.

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# AUSTRALASIAN BRANCHES.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Sydney	Sydney T. S.	1891	Mr. Geo. Peele	Mr. E. W. Minchen	Room, 6, 16 Bond St., Sydney.
Do.	Lemurian T. S.	1892	...	Mr. T. W. Willans	Box 1292, G.P.O. Sydney, N.S.W.
Brisbane	Queensland T. S.	1881	...	Enquire of Mr. J. H. Watson	Toowoomba, Queensland.
Hobart	Tasmanian T. S.	1890	...	Mr. J. Benjamin	153, Liverpool St.
Wellington	New Zealand T. S.	1888	Mr. John St. Clair	...	Box 275, P. O. Auckland
Auckland	Auckland T. S.	1891	...	...	...
Melbourne	Melbourne T. S.	1890	...	Mr. H. B. Leader	13, Eastern Arcade.
Do.	May Bank T. S.	1892	Mr. Jas. E. Pickett	...	22, Sutherland Road, Amadale.
Toowoomba	Toowoomba T. S.	1891	...	Mr. H. A. Nesbit	Harris St., Toowoomba.
Adelaide	Adelaide T. S.	1891	...	Mrs. Elise Pickett	G. P. O. Adelaide.
Rockhampton	Capricornian T. S.	1893	Dr. E. G. Edelfelt	Mr. William Irwin	Rockhampton, Queensland.
Dunedin	Dunedin T. S.	1893	...	...	...
Miscellaneous.					
Japan	Yamato T. S.	1889	...	Mr. M. Matsuyama	Nishi Hongwanji, Kioto, Japan.
Manilla	Manilla T. S.	1892	...	Mr. B. C. Bridger	Escotta 14 Manilla.
Buenos Ayres	Luz T. S.	1893	...	...	Buenos Ayres, S. America
Total Charters	Indian	151			
extant December 31st	Ceylonese	22			
1893.	European	48			
	American	83			
	Australasian	13			
	West Indian	2			
	Japanese	1			
	Philippine	1			
	S. American	1			
	Grand Total...	322			

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