

THE TOILS OF THE YEAR IN REVIEW.

The Central Turkey Mission: Mrs. Helen P. Barnum; Rev. Theodore L. Pond, M. D.; Misses Mary and Elizabeth Pond; Mr. and Mrs. Mattie W. Reynolds, of the Eastern Turkey Mission; Mrs. Harriet M. Smith, of the Syria Mission; Rev. James S. Dennis, of the Syria Mission; Rev. Spencer R. Wells and Mrs. Mary Wells, of the Mahabrat Mission; Mrs. William C. Palmer, of the Palestine Mission; Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and Miss Carrie Hartley, of the Madura Mission; Rev. William H. Foster, of the Palestine Mission; Miss Maggie Webster, of the Ceylon Mission; Miss Adella M. Payson, of the Palestine Mission; Rev. Chester Henry Jones, of the Old Testament School; Joseph S. Whiting, Mrs. Sady E. Whiting, Rev. David J. Sheffield, Mrs. E. Whiting, Mrs. F. A. Patterson, of America H. McCoy, Mr. Gilbert F. Hancock, Miss Mary A. Thompson, of the North Africa Mission; Miss Julia B. Humphreys, of the Dakota Mission.

Two brethren, who were formerly stationed in the Tamil field, but subsequently transferred to other fields, were released from their connection with the Board, have enlisted in its service a second time. These are Messrs. George and Charles H. Brown, however has seemed advisable to assign them new fields. Hence Rev. George F. Brown has been assigned to the station of a station among the Senecas, and Milan H. Hitchcock and Mrs. Lucy Hitchcock have joined the Western Territory.

It will be noted that all our mission

FINANCIAL HISTORY OF THE YEAR.

The committee have experienced, the matter of income, a two-fold disappointment. As strenuous endeavor was made to increase the receipts, and close the previous year, and as the constancy of the Board is clearly averse to special efforts, the committee were obliged to keep the church in the average, which would begin at an early day to enlarge their contributions. At the same time, the church was not able to do so, ever, it was found that the receipts instead of being greater, were \$30,000 less than the previous year. The proportion in 1897 was 100. Two months after the difference was \$38,000, showing an average monthly loss of \$5,000. This was the result of the following:

The problem, therefore, at the end of the first six months was simply this: "With an expenditure on the one hand, of \$38,000, and no increase on the other, how to get out, with a loss in the receipts, on the other hand, of \$38,000, and no increase on the other, how to get out of the adverse balance which may prove embarrassing hereafter?" The Committee have stated their objections to the policy of the year, and have regarded them, at the best, as a necessary evil. But a heavily burdened treasury is a very serious matter.

The policy adopted in this unexpected emergency has been to request the churches, acting with and through the Board, to contribute liberally to those of the preceding year, and

last year have returned to their mission and forty-three new laborers have entered upon their labors, including thirty-two women. The missionaries include thirty army physicians, one lay assistant and eleven single ladies.

They were distributed as follows:

Western Turkey, 10; Central Turkey, 1; Eastern Turkey, 6; Syria, 4; Mahabrat mission, 2; Madura, 3; Ceylon, 3; 20 in India, 10 in Persia, 10 in the Philippines, 2; Dakota Indians, 1. After deducting from the list the names of those who have died, the following remain: 300 men, 100 women, and of one of the ladies recently married, there remain 352 male and 150 female missionaries connected with the work. There are 100 army physicians, 100 missionaries, 7 missionary physicians, and unmarried females—a net gain in all of 20 laborers in the last year.

The success of the work in the Philippines is spoken of as highly encouraging.

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AFRICA.

The mission in Africa, in Gaboon, faces a debilitating climate, the vapors without the virtues of European traders, and the intrigues of the natives. It looked upon the natives as *forlora* hope of the future of the service. Neither has the Zulu mission escaped its trials, but great numbers of the natives are being converted, and now the truths of the gospel, waiting now the Holy Spirit to quicken them into life!

The work of Dr. King in Greece has been successful, and the mission of which they have passed under the care of

visit different tribes of Indians, in order to the preservation of peace between the stronger and the weaker races, as also to the civilization of the latter.

It is to be regretted, however, that some Commissioners have been sent as yet to the various tribes, and while some of the bands, the Santees especially, are anxious to abide in relations of amity with the United States, others are inclined to turn their backs away from all Christian influences, more or less, indeed, having never heard the gospel, and therefore are ignorant of its truths. There is no certain. There are questions of policy, moreover, which have an important bearing upon the public interests, and these require the progress and advancement of this people.

Among the Dakotas in whose behalf our missionaries are laboring, the yearning for the Christian religion is manifest. Many persons have professed their faith in the Saviour for the first time, and the whole number of communicants is a few hundred. The missionaries have been long and assisted in their work by four native pastors, and four native liaisons. A new station is to be commenced at Wounded Knee Agency, by Rev. P. Williams, in order that he may reach a large body of Indians who have never before been visited by the missionaries.

Our brethren are desirous of commencing operations at other points; and it is presumed that they will do so before long. The number of the missionaries of the Dakotas are supposed to exceed 50,000.

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Pondence,	\$5,758 07
ment,	6,408 27
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Miscellaneous goods,	
fuel, gas, burial	
expenses,	
care of maternity	
hospital,	
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ary meeting,	
Boston,	
expenses, Honor	
ary meeting,	
studies,	
revenue	
stamp,	2,385 91
	20,619 53
Total Expenditure,	\$561,691 82
RECEIPTS.	
Donations received within the year, as	
acknowledged in the Missionary Her-	
ald,	\$24,457 46
Legacies received within year as	
acknowledged in the Missionary Her-	
ald,	38,662 28
Interest from the Second	
Interest from the Ashley fund,	150 00
Gifts of,	1,000 00
Labrador,	86 67
Shanghai,	29 03
	\$25,534 35
Balance in Treasury, Sept. 1st, 1935, ..	520 58
	4,825 25
Balance for which the Board is in debt, ..	\$25,754 93
The report which was accepted is as follows:	
The chairman then announced that	
a prayer meeting would be held in the	
First Presbyterian Church, at 8 o'clock	
on 8th O'clock, continuing fifty minutes.	
Visitors were requested to hand in their	

the following missionaries: Rev. E. Burgess and wife, from India; Rev. S. C. China; Mrs. S. J. Adams, Zurich Africa; Rev. W. P. Barker, India; Rev. H. Bingham, first missionary to Sandog Islands, India; Rev. A. C. Rev. Albert Bushnell and wife, Gaboon, Africa; Mrs. S. N. Bryington, Choctaw, Indian Rev. J. T. Crossett, Fu Chow, China; Mrs. Jessie, Cottle, Marshall Turkey; Mrs. Lydia B. Dodd, Turkey; Mrs. Susan H. Morgan, Turkey; Rev. E. P. Hastings and wife, Java; Ceylon; Mrs. Laura W. Lord, Madras Mission, Ceylon; Rev. C. F. Muzzy, India; Rev. Wm. Potter, twenty-day Missionary; Mrs. S. J. China, Miss Mary S. Rice, Nestorist Mission; Rev. James Quick, Java, Ceylon; Rev. H. A. Wilder and wife, S. J. China; Rev. S. C. Africa; Rev. C. T. White and wife, Madras, South India; Rev. O. P. Allen and wife, Rangoon, Eastern Turkey.

To-day's program for the following: The programs for the morning's exercises: 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer-meeting at 8:00 o'clock in the First Presbyterian Church, on 5th Street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

Sessions of the Board in the Third Church at 8:30 A. M. Reports of the Directors, Reports, Addresses, B. Secretaries, Members, Committees, Misses, and others.

The program will also be in the First Presbyterian Church. Addresses delivered.