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SUBSCRIPTIONS and DONATIONS, in aid of the Society, will be received in *Glasgow*, by the Treasurer, Secretaries, and Directors; and also at the Religious and Charitable Institution House, 11, South Frederick Street;—in *Edinburgh*, by the Rev. Dr. PEDDIE;—in *London*, by the Rev. GEORGE GREIG;—in *Liverpool*, by the Rev. Dr. STEWART;—and in *Manchester*, by the Rev. Dr. JACK.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

GLASGOW, 23d APRIL, 1829.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the GLASGOW MISSIONARY SOCIETY was held this evening at 7 o'Clock, in the TRADES' HALL, Glassford-street.

JOHN ROBERTSON, *Esq. in the Chair.*

The Meeting was opened with Prayer, by the Rev. DUNCAN M'FARLANE; after which, the Report of the Directors for the past year was read, by the Rev. GAVIN STRUTHERS, and an Abstract of the Treasurer's account, by HENRY KNOX, Esq.

The following Resolutions were then moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted:—

I. *On the motion of the Rev. MICHAEL WILLIS, seconded by WILLIAM BUCHANAN, Esq.*

"That the Report now read be adopted by this Meeting, and printed, and circulated, under the direction of the Committee."

II. *On the motion of MR. WM. ROBERTSON, Student of Divinity from Edinburgh, seconded by MR. LAING, now a Student under the Society.*

"That the following be the Office Bearers, and Directors, of the Society for the ensuing year." (See next page.)

III. *On the motion of the Rev. THOMAS BROWN, seconded by PATRICK FALCONER, Esq.*

"That this Society acknowledge, with gratitude to the Father of mercies, the protection which their Missionaries have hitherto experienced and the success which has attended their ministrations, and pledge themselves to persevere in their Missionary exertions."

IV. *On the motion of the Rev. ALEXANDER HARVEY, seconded by WILLIAM BROWN, Esq.*

"That this Society recognise the inseparable connection between abundant supplications for the outpouring of the Spirit and the spread of the Gospel, and would call upon themselves to be stirred up

to more fervent prayer, and to a more regular attendance upon the Monthly Missionary Prayer Meeting, which is conducted by the friends of the Glasgow and Scottish Missionary Societies."

V. On the motion of the Rev. JOHN MUIR, seconded by Mr. WALTER BUCHANAN.

"That this Society give their cordial thanks to the Ladies', Youths', and Greenock Auxiliaries for their friendly aid—and to those Congregations, Societies, Associations, and Individuals, who have contributed during the past year to their Funds, entreating them at the same time to continue, and extend, their benevolent support; so that this Society may be enabled to meet the greatly increased expenditure, which the augmented scale of its Mission now renders unavoidable."

The Meeting was closed with prayer, by the Rev. Mr. BROWN.

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REV. THOMAS BROWN.

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LAWS AND REGULATIONS

OF THE SOCIETY.

- I. THAT said Society shall be called, THE GLASGOW MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
- II. That the propagation of the pure and undiluted Gospel of Christ, in the dark places of the earth, shall be the sole object of the Society, and the only subject of discussion at their Meetings.
- III. That by meeting together for friendly and christian conference, by prayer to God for his blessing, and by collections, contributions, and subscriptions, they will, to the utmost of their power, promote evangelical Missions to those quarters of the world where the gospel is yet unknown.
- IV. That this Society will cheerfully correspond and co-operate with other Societies and individuals, who have the same grand object in view, and will engage in Missions to the Heathen, either separately or in conjunction with other Societies, as shall be found expedient; and that they will be ready to give to other Societies that pecuniary assistance which may be needed, and of which their circumstances will admit.
- V. That a Public Meeting of the Society shall be held annually, in the month of May, on a day to be previously fixed by the Directors, when a Sermon shall be preached, and a Collection made for the benefit of the Institution; the Report of the Directors for the past year shall be received, Office-bearers for the ensuing year elected, and the other public business of the Society transacted.

VI. That the Committee of Management shall consist of the President, Secretaries, and Treasurer of the Society, and of Twenty-four Directors, the one half of the clergy, and the other of the laity, and of such other persons as shall be chosen at the Annual Meeting;—that the Directors shall meet on the first Tuesday of each month, or at such times as shall be found necessary, and that they shall have power to supply vacancies in their number, as occasion may require.

VII. That each person contributing Five Guineas, or subscribing Half-a-Guinea yearly, or collecting to the amount of one Shilling per week; the ministers of Congregations which contribute by collection; and the Preses and Secretary of Associations for religious purposes, from whose funds a donation shall be given to this Institution,—shall be Members of the Society.

VIII. That a Public Meeting for Prayer shall be held on the last Tuesday of every month, or on such other day as shall be found more convenient, in such places of worship as shall be appointed by the Directors, and that at these Meetings an Address shall be delivered, and such intelligence concerning Missions to the Heathen communicated, as, by the blessing of God, may provoke to zeal in this good work.

IX. That if business shall occur which renders an extraordinary Meeting of the Society necessary, the Directors shall be at liberty to call a meeting for the purpose.

Form of Legacy.

I GIVE and bequeath unto the Treasurer or Treasurers, for the time being, of the GLASGOW MISSIONARY SOCIETY, for the purposes of said Society, the sum of _____ for which the receipt of such Treasurer or Treasurers shall be a sufficient discharge.

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GLASGOW MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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REPORT.

THE Directors of the GLASGOW MISSIONARY SOCIETY in presenting to their constitutents and the Christian public, an account of this year's proceedings, would humbly give thanks to God for his goodness, still vouchsafed towards them. Without dwelling upon their own feeble efforts to promote the interests of the Mission, they would at once direct the minds of their audience to the wilds of Southern Africa, where their Missionaries still continue to labour with some measure of success. Amongst the rude, the careless, the deceiving, and the cruel Caffres, the Word of the Lord, as formerly, has likewise not returned this year altogether void. The Lord of the harvest is still fulfilling his promise:—"Instead of the thorn, shall come up the fir-tree; and instead of the brier, shall come up the myrtle tree:" and our prayer and expectations are, that it shall be to the Lord for a name, and an everlasting sign, that shall not be cut off.

Our last year's Report concluded with the tidings of the safe arrival of all the Missionaries in Caffraria, save Mr. and Mrs. M'Lachlan, who were left behind in the colony of the cape, and who had retired into the country to try the effects of quietude and change of scenery upon a mind fretted and broken, and which was the melancholy prey of its own undetected illusions. Her wounded spirit, however, which God had touched, baffled all medical treatment, and the soothing attentions of husband and friends; and after mature deliberation, they again embarked for their native land. Mr. M'Lachlan did not leave the shores of Africa without making a fair trial; and when a Sovereign Providence still continued to afflict his spouse, he bowed to what he regarded as the will of his heavenly Father, and, according to medical advice, and under the authority of Dr. Thom the Society's Agent, returned as the guardian and nurse of her, who a little before, on the eve of their departure, had given herself to him as the partner of his labours, and

the sharer of his sorrows. Tender affection to one whom he was commanded to love, as Christ loved his Church, made him turn his back upon Caffraria, which he had long regarded as the field of his labours, and ministerial usefulness.

During the time that Mr. McLachlan was in the Colony, the other Missionaries, who had arrived in Caffraria, took up their abode at Chumie and Lovedale, and waited the issue of a complaint which was apparently deeply seated, but of the cure or alleviation of which, they had no right to dispond. The elder Missionaries examined into the proximate cause of the affliction which had come upon their absent sister. They also appointed their younger brethren a course of education in the Dutch language, and directed their attention to other matters which would fit them for future usefulness. As soon as it became evident that Mr. McLachlan would be compelled to return to his native country, they proceeded forthwith to make the most prudent division of themselves, which their circumstances permitted, and immediately commenced a new Institution: so that there are now three stations connected with the Glasgow Missionary Society in Caffraria; viz. Chumie, Lovedale, and Balfour.

Before we proceed to detail what has been doing at these three stations in the order of their seniority, it is necessary to make a few remarks upon some occurrences which are equally applicable to them all; and which are requisite to render our succeeding statements clear and succinct.

All the stations have suffered much, during the year, from the unsettled state of the country. The tribes towards the interior, naturally restless, and warlike, and covetous, have been pressing towards the frontiers of the Colony, stimulated by reports of its European riches; and by their predatory movements they have kept the whole of Caffraria in a constant state of turmoil, and of war. Colonial soldiers have been marching and counter-marching, this year, through the Missionary stations. The Caffres on the frontier, in self-defence, and inflamed by rumours of war, have been more disposed to prepare for the battle than to listen to the overtures of the Gospel of peace. On one occasion, it even became necessary for the Missionaries to solicit the protection of the Governor of the frontier, and thereby convince the proud, and cunning, and military Chiefs of Caffraria, that they were not destitute of the guardian care of the British Government.

In addition to the unsettled state of the Country, Cafferland has

also been visited this year with a scarcity of provisions bordering upon famine. Last year the crop was nearly destroyed by the palmer-worm. A severe drought followed for several months so that the grass failed, and the cows became lean, refused their milk, and many of them died. The hunger which the natives sustained was extreme. They lived for months upon roots and water, and what small pittances the Missionaries at their respective stations were able to afford them. The appearance of the inhabitants has become meagre, wasted, and ghastly.

Two consequences have naturally flowed from this state of things.—First, war and famine combined, have rendered the Caffres bold and thievish, and repeated depredations have been made upon the cattle and sheep belonging to the Missionaries.—And, secondly, they have been more careless in attending to the preaching of the Gospel, and more disposed to wait upon, propitiate, and worship the *rain-maker*. Sufferings unsanctified have been the means of causing many of them to return with fresh avidity to old customs and gross superstitions. Amid these troublous and sifting times, however, the cause of God still prospers, and the good seed sown in the heart continues to bud, to blossom, and bring forth fruit while the natural grass withereth, and the flower fadeth, and the harvest has been consumed.

CHUMIE.

AT Chumie, your oldest station, matters still wear a promising aspect. It is at present under the pastoral charge of the Rev. Mr. Thomson, assisted by Mr. Weir, Missionary mechanic, and Robert Balfour, native Teacher. Mr. Thomson did retire for a little into the Colony, that his constitution might be invigorated after the labours, and watching, and trying anxieties of a threatening season; but he has again returned to his station. Under the ministrations of this Missionary, (who was sent out by us, and who, though supported by Government, we would yet fondly call our own,) one man and three women have been admitted during the year into the visible Church, by the ordinance of Baptism. They have also joined in the observance of the Lord's Supper, and ever since their admission, they have been manifesting a conduct and conversation worthy of their high calling.

The adult school at Chumie, on account of the unsettled state of the Country, has been exceedingly fluctuating. The children's School, under the charge of Robert Balfour, continues to prosper.

Mrs. Weir has also opened a School at Chumie for little girls. About twenty attend very regularly, and are instructed by her in reading English, sewing, and the first principles of religion. A traveller bears witness that Mrs. Weir's School is entitled to more than ordinary support. And she herself appears particularly solicitous to be enabled by the kindness of Glasgow females, to clothe her little black and almost naked scholars.

LOVEDALE.

AT Lovedale matters have not materially changed since last year. This station is at present under the charge of Messrs. Bennie and Chalmers, assisted by Charles Henry as native Teacher. During the year there has been no addition made to the number of converts by Baptism. One native convert has died. "She was taken suddenly ill, and her trouble was of short duration. Yet, during her affliction, so long as she could speak, she was heard seeking for the forgiveness of her sins through the merits of her Saviour, and that God would reveal himself to her in mercy and loving-kindness for what Christ has done. She died in the hope that God was ready to forgive all who applied to him for pardon through Christ." We are grieved to add, that since her death, her husband, who was also a member, has displayed great luke-warmness, and though he has not fallen into any flagrant sins, the Missionaries have felt it to be their duty to suspend him from the enjoyment of Church privileges. These are heavy tidings—they are, however, in some measure counterbalanced by the cheering news that one of the candidates for Baptism, who was suspended last year, has been this year restored, amid many tears. Other candidates have also been added to the class of inquirers after the way of salvation of whom good hopes are entertained. The adult School has suffered from the same causes which operated against that of Chumie. The infant School is more prosperous. The growth of piety, it is hoped, is still progressive: when the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed there by one of the Missionaries, he indeed lamented that the conversation of the communicants was not so interesting as on some former occasions; and yet, after the services were concluded, he had the satisfaction of learning that the tone and vigour of their religious affections had been thereby much strengthened and improved.

BALFOUR.

BALFOUR is your third station. It was commenced last year, and named after a departed Father in Israel, that the very name of Balfour might be the means of gathering round our Mission the endearments of Christian affection, and of stirring up the Missionaries to greater zeal in all that is pure, and pious, and disinterested. It is situated in a district of country under the jurisdiction of Magoma, the eldest son of Geika. The spot fixed upon is about eighteen miles from Chumie, and thirty miles from Lovedale. The three stations lie nearly in a right line north-west and south-east. The place seems to be well watered, well wooded, and well peopled—three very essential requisites for an eligible Missionary station. It was fixed upon after repeated and careful examinations of the country. After much deliberation and many prayers, Messrs. Ross and M'Dermid were deputed by the Brethren in the beginning of March to commence the arduous undertaking. It was no doubt a great trial for Mr. Ross to leave his house, his church, his school, and the encouraging fruit of his ministry at Lovedale, and again set himself down a stranger among the ignorant, thievish, and untutored Heathen; yet he readily obeyed the call of God expressed through his servants, and went forth with his waggon from Lovedale, and we trust also with a rich train of Gospel blessings.

At their new station, Messrs. Ross and M'Dermid have had much to try their faith and their patience. The people among whom they have gone to live, are even reckoned bad among the Caffres. They are particularly addicted, as the Missionaries have already experienced, to lying and stealing, and all their concomitant vices. Idleness is one of their besetting sins. They have to be coaxed like children to work. And the least cause serves as an excuse for quitting their labour, and returning to their cattle. A promise of food will not tempt them, even in these trying times to diligence and exertion. Unaided, therefore, by the natives, save by fits and starts, Messrs. Ross and M'Dermid have laboured during the summer, to build to themselves houses, to rear a Church, and cut a water-course, at some places five feet deep, that they may thereby irrigate their pastures and gardens. By persevering diligence these works are nearly completed.

What causes great grief to these good men, is the circumstance that hitherto they have made no saving impression upon the hearts of their people. No regular and well qualified interpreter has yet

been engaged to facilitate their communications with the natives. The natives would rather hear of war than listen to the Gospel of peace. None of them have yet come and taken up their abode at the Institution of Balfour. When they pay a visit, it is rather out of curiosity, or from a desire to pick up articles about the building, or sell what they have to dispose of, than with the design of being instructed concerning the salvation of their souls. A few, however, do occasionally on week-days and Sabbath-days attend, and their demeanor is becoming a little more respectful. A School has been attempted. The surrounding kraals are visited. Hymns and little lessons are read. All the means of grace, so far as the Missionaries can employ them, are constantly used. And humbly do we hope that God will soon give testimony here also to the word of his grace. Sincerely do we commend this infant station to the fostering care of our heavenly Father, and earnestly also do we commend it to your sympathy and prayers.

MISSIONARIES.

OF your Missionaries viewed collectively; viz. Messrs. Thomson, Ross, Bennie, and Chalmers, who are labouring at these three stations, your Committee could, with a good conscience, employ terms highly eulogistic, but in the humble spirit of the Gospel they would rather give thanks to God on their behalf, than copy after the honied and high set phrase of worldly encomiums. You can never be sufficiently thankful to the King of Zion, who is also the King of nations, that he has conducted them to a wide field of usefulness; set before them an open door to the consciences of the Caffres; preserved them all in life even unto this day; imparted to them, with slight intermissions, the constant enjoyment of health; and cast the invisible shield of his protecting hand over them, amid the jealousies and wars, and conflicting interests of chiefs, tribes, and people. Blessed be the Lord who has not given them as a prey to their teeth. Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

MISSIONARY MECHANICS.

THE two Missionary Mechanics, viz. Messrs. Weir, and M'Dermid, are fully realizing the most sanguine expectations which were entertained by the Committee, at the period of their departure—Their letters manifest that they can examine both the natural and moral capabilities of the country—Its soil, its stones, its tim-

ber and its building materials have all been repeatedly animadverted upon in their communications. Their first work was to improve their dwelling-houses at the Missionary stations, and repair and refit the waggons and other implements connected with husbandry. During the succeeding part of the season Mr. Weir has been principally occupied in building and roofing the Church at Chumie, which, as was mentioned in our last report, had fallen. The war proved a serious interruption to the work; after surmounting many difficulties, however, it is now nearly entirely roofed. It will contain about three hundred sitters, besides having a place for a gallery, should it ever be required. But while our Missionaries build, let us in prayer and in dependance remember, "Except the Lord build the house they labour in vain that build it."

Mr. M'Dermid has been principally employed during the year at the new station, Balfour, erecting houses, laying out gardens for irrigation, and building a Church; were it not that thatch can with the utmost difficulty be procured during this withering season, it would, ere this time, have been covered in and completed.

To these manual labours the Missionaries do not scruple to give their countenance and assistance. When their other and more spiritual labours permit, they cheerfully handle the spade, the mattock or the axe, and the mechanics, in their turn, do what in them lies, to strengthen and to aid the Missionaries in their work of teaching and of reading the word of God; while each keeps mainly to his own department, yet, in a spirit of amity, they are fellow-helpers to each other, so far as office, propriety and Christian friendship dictate. In their operations, they are not fused and amalgamated like different metals, but they are embossed and plied like the cords of a powerful rope, which are distinct though united, and thereby difficult to untwist, and most difficult to burst asunder.

NATIVE TEACHERS.

OF the two Native Teachers the accounts are exceedingly favourable. Robert Balfour has been residing, during the year, at Chumie. The school of which he has the charge, according to the latest accounts, is in a flourishing condition. On one occasion his prudence, his courage, his Christian principles and his influence with the people, were signally displayed.—On the morning of a Sacramental Sabbath, a barbarous theft, accompanied with murder, was perpetrated at Chumie; an old man was strangled, his skull was broken and his cattle stolen; the whole inhabitants, at the institution,

rushed to arms, to avenge the blood which had been spilt. The Missionaries were confounded, they knew not what advice to give; the solemn services of the day seemed to be forsaken, for the field of slaughter; a dreadful battle was expected. Of his own accord, however, Robert interfered, entreated them to return, as it was the Sabbath, and more especially, as the Lord's supper was to be dispensed, and to wait till Monday for the interference of Mr. Thomson; and delightful it is to record that his Christian arguments were listened to, that his influence prevailed, and that the Missionaries had the satisfaction of seeing their people return, lay aside their shields and *assagais*, and come quietly to the public worship of God; the work of the Lord went forward; on that day, as formerly, and the Missionaries and native converts commemorated the death of their Redeemer with profit, though with downcast hearts.

Charles Henry, the other native Teacher, has been residing mostly during the year at Lovedale. He has built to himself a little house. It was mostly built and plastered by his own hands; and the Mechanics have with great propriety, put a door upon it, and also put into it two small windows; so that others seeing him living in a house, neater and more comfortable than their huts, may be stimulated to copy his example. Charles was particularly useful in conducting Messrs. Ross and M'Dermid to the new Institution, and was engaged for several days from morning till evening in recommending them to the neighbouring Caffres. The Missionaries in all their letters still continue to speak of him as modest and amiable, and very attentive to young inquirers after the truth.

To these native Teachers another has been added during the year, viz. John Burns. All the accounts agree in representing him as one of the most active native handicrafts-men belonging to any of the stations. He can saw wood and turn his hand to any little job with considerable readiness and dexterity. He has been of great advantage to Mr. Weir. As there is about him the germ of genius as well as the appearance of decided piety, it was at one time resolved upon by the Missionaries that he should be sent into the Colony, that he might there be taught English, and receive a proper education. As soon however as this decision was known among the people at Chumie, a number of them who were dependents on John Burns stood out against him leaving the place, and to such a degree were they excited that the Missionaries deemed it the most prudent way that he should be put under the care of Mr. Weir. The docility which he manifested was truly pleasing. Af-

ter a satisfactory probation, they have now agreed, that from the first January, 1829, he shall be more actively, and they trust more usefully, employed as a native Teacher. On hearing the intimation he humbly acknowledged a total distrust of himself, as one who was unworthy of such a work.

After having stated these facts in reference to the native Readers, the Committee feel themselves called upon to acknowledge that they are entirely supported by females. Robert Balfour is supported by a few female friends in Dunfermline, Charles Henry by a few female friends in Kelso, and John Burns by a few female friends in Glasgow. It may indeed be said, that £10 annually, which is all the salary of each, is no great matter; yes, but it is the principle of pious benevolence which we hail in its refreshing streamlets, and we would not forget that the Shunamite inherited the prophet's blessing who provided for the Holy man of God a little chamber, and set for him a bed, a stool, a table, and a candlestick, that he might turn in thither and repose himself from his labours.

The RELIGIOUS, MORAL, and CIVIL condition of the various CLASSES and ORDERS of PEOPLE among whom these Missionaries and Mechanics and native Teachers officiate, is next entitled to a few observations.

CONVERTS.

LAST year the number of baptized Converts was Twenty; since that time, Four have been baptized at Chumie.—One has died and one has been excluded, so that the present number in communion is twenty-two. While the Missionaries lament the many interruptions which they have sustained from war, in their religious services, they do not intimate that their converts, as a body, have declined in piety. In the day of trial the faith of many of them was found to be strong. During the season of turmoil they expressed themselves willing, nay, desirous to part with country and kindred and retire into the Colony, that they might be under the protection of British laws, and enjoy, undisturbed, their religious privileges,

CANDIDATES.

THE number of Candidates for baptism is about the same with that of Church members. Several additions have been made to this class during the year. The Missionaries speak of them, in

general, as possessing a good degree of knowledge in the leading doctrines of the Gospel, and as being correct in their moral deportment. All are not equally eminent in their attainments, but all appear to be under the teaching of the Holy Ghost.

SCHOLARS.

THE number of Scholars, adults and children, may be reckoned about one hundred and thirty-five. For reasons already adverted to, the schools for children have this year been comparatively better attended than those for adults. Means are about to be put in operation to render the schools more attractive and useful. Large Alphabets are printing in Cape-town. The Mission press is about to be employed in printing a history of the Bible and the first Epistle of John in the Caffre language. These works are from the pen of Mr. Ross. And in addition to these elementary books the Missionaries have it also in contemplation to introduce the English language into their Schools, not to supersede the Caffre, but as a stimulus to its attainment. The best Caffre scholars, as a reward for their diligence, are to be allowed to join the English class.

PEOPLE.

THE people, in general, who live at the Institutions, usually attend the means of grace, either regularly, or at intervals. On the whole, the attendance has been better this year than last. The Missionaries, however, express their fears that many of them draw near to God, only in appearance. They think themselves safe and well, and neither the terrors of the law nor the beseechings of love seem to affect them. The Missionaries' prayer, in reference to these, is, that Jesus would call many of them effectually; and yet it is to be hoped that even some of them are being converted and saved.

A late example would lead us to cherish such an expectation. On the 28th of Sept. one of the people died at Lovedale. "He had been ill for sometime; when visited he said little, but he listened to what was said, and seemed pleased when any one prayed beside him. His wife, a member of the Church, remarked that one night in particular, he was much affected and could not sleep; when she inquired what ailed him, he replied, 'The love of Jesus affects me, O keep near him, you have chosen him for your God. Keep near him. He will never forsake you, happen what will.'

In this frame of mind he departed, and his ashes (all the inhabitants attending) were gathered unto their kindred dust.

CHIEFS.

DURING the year the chiefs have scarcely discovered the same friendship as in former seasons. Some of them have indeed visited the Stations, without intimating or attempting the least harm to the Mission. Nay, the young chief Tsaba has been in frequent attendance upon religious instruction at Lovedale, and purposes to remove from his present residence, and remain near them, whatever disadvantage, in a worldly respect, may thence arise to him. The conduct of others, however, has excited a suspicion that they were rather disposed to favour than to repress the nightly depredations which were made upon the sheep and oxen. It is to be hoped that an appetite, sharpened by hunger, has, for a season, impaired their sense of honesty and made them rather disposed to intermeddle with the property of strangers. The Missionaries do not seem to dread a settled hostility of feeling.

It is gratifying to add that the country of Cafferland has, in a great measure, become quiescent. The irruption from the interior seems to have spent its force before it reached the frontiers. Perhaps the sight and smart too of British arms may have contributed to still these savages, who are usually as cunning as they are covetous and blood thirsty. Be this as it may, under the overruling providence of God, peace is returning to their borders; and the latest accounts from the Colony, intimate the arrival of Messengers at Cape town from a nation far in the interior, entreating for Missionaries. These things would almost lead us to hope, that now in Africa, as formerly in Asia, the Lord shall shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: for lo, when these ignorant and covetous hoards are pressing up to the frontiers of the Colony, thirsting for the spoils of victory, they unexpectedly meet with the glorious light of the Gospel.

In turning from these foreign scenes to the domestic operations of the Mission, your Committee acknowledge that they have scarcely any thing to report. Besides the mere receiving of monies for the support of the Missions, and the paying of the small salaries of your Missionaries; little else has been done during the Season. The Society has neither been strengthened by gathering around it a larger increase of zeal in Glasgow, nor by extending its ramifi-

cations to other parts of the Country. In the 34th year of its existence, it has, perhaps, not such a powerful hold of the affections of the Christian public in the West of Scotland as it had at its first anniversary. Instead of blaming each other, we ought rather in a humble and self-suspicious frame, to say, Lord, is it I? Lord, is it I?

The total of receipts during the year of which a detailed account is given in the Appendix has been £652 10 7 $\frac{3}{4}$. Last year they were £1294 1s. So that the deficiency of this year when compared with last is no less than £641 10 5 $\frac{1}{4}$. The Treasurer, however, has still a little on hand, but this will not meet the drafts which are daily expected from Caffraria.*

While the Committee, however, lament a general coolness to an Institution which belongs so peculiarly to the west of Scotland, they would not, in gratitude, forget the genuine friends of the Society. To the Rev. Mr. M'Dougal, formerly of Campbelton, but now of Kilmarnock, who preached your last annual Sermon, a tribute of thanks is due for his excellent discourse. The Ladies' Auxiliary, and the Youths' Auxiliary, in Glasgow, and the Greenock Auxiliary have, as formerly, been supplying your treasury: and do you give thanks to God over them, as the willing instruments of his benevolence. Associations and Societies also, in many parts of the country, have been kindly supplying your lack of funds. We are sorry to state that the Annual Subscribers in Glasgow have fallen off during the year, but those who still remain upon the list of contributors may, we think, cherish the conviction that they are supporting a cause on which God smiles; and, by persevering in the good work, we hope, that in due time, they shall reap if they faint not. The conversion of the Heathen is a cause which lies near the Redeemer's heart; and when he sees of the travel of his soul, and is satisfied, he will not be unmindful of those who hastened the coming of his Kingdom.

Your two former candidates for Missionary labours, still continue in connexion with the Society. The studies of both Messrs. Bell

* The Secretary thinks it proper to inform the Friends of the Society, that the Treasurer had not left the platform, on the evening of the public meeting, when a draft drawn upon him, by the Missionaries, was put into his hand for the Sum of £223. Thus concluding an interesting meeting with the damping consideration that we were considerably in debt. Next morning a letter announcing that the Perth Auxiliary Missionary Society had sent us £30 came very opportunely to hand. Blessed be God for his goodness.

and Niven, however, have been somewhat interrupted during the year.—The one from the state of his school, the other from the state of his health, which is now improving, and both are now expected to prosecute their studies with renewed vigour.

Another young man of talent and of character, viz. Mr. James Laing, has been received by the Society as a Missionary student, and as a candidate for Missionary labours. He has completed a regular college education, and has already attended three regular sessions of Theological education in the University of Edinburgh. His recommendations were highly satisfactory. The Committee were unanimously satisfied with his attainments and piety. And while they would not verge upon flattery, they would give thanks to God, that a student so far advanced in his studies, has been constrained to offer himself for your acceptance. And we pray that the Father of lights may qualify him for the great work which he has in view.

Before we close our Report, the Glasgow Missionary Society would, through the medium of its constituents, present a three-fold request to its friends, and press each petition with all becoming earnestness. It asks from you warmer affection,—more earnest prayer, and more liberal support.

1. It rests not its claims to warmer affection upon its own deserts. It is thankful for the undeserved place it has in public esteem. It deplors the failure of its first Missions, and the Editor of the Quarterly Paper shall deeply grieve, if an honest reference, in the last number, to humbling facts which happened thirty years ago, shall be the means of cooling any of its present friends. It laments that its energy should still be so weak. That its zeal should be so cold, and that its stations should be so few. It is matter of regret that it has not thrown itself more unreservedly upon the love and the sympathies of an age so ready to cast its fostering wing over every plan of usefulness. Encouraged, however, by the partial success of its humble labours, it would now claim for itself an increasing degree of interest and of ardour in the public mind. It is the sickly child just beginning to bloom with health, that attracts to himself the highest degree of maternal affection. It is the panting bird, pursued by the hawk, that takes refuge in our bosom, which we most fondly cherish. The Glasgow Society sickly at home, and in many respects an object of prey to the covetous Caffres abroad, would throw itself upon the affections of the Church of Christ in this neighbourhood, being fully persuaded that

an increased affection towards its interests on the part of the public, will produce a corresponding increase of zeal on the part of all its Constitutents, Directors, and Agents.

And while it thus humbly beseeches the yearnings of Christian affection towards its interests, and disclaims all weight of rank, of wealth, and of numbers, to attract around its exertions the gaze of wonder; it would at the same time state its undisguised conviction, that the man who will deride its feeble efforts, and refuse it countenance, because its chair is not graced by the titled of the land, and its funds are not swelled by thousands, and its associations are not ramified throughout the churches of Britain, and its Missionaries are not gathering trophies to the cross on the plains of Judea, and in the Coral Isles of the broad Pacific. Aye, that this man has yet to learn what spirit he is of, for it is not likely that he would have cried Hosanna to the Carpenter's Son, and his few, humble, and illiterate fishermen from Galilee. It is those who are doing the work of Jesus in any circumstances, or under any name, whom the Christian should esteem.

2. The Glasgow Missionary Society asks of you more earnest prayer. It has not risen to its present condition without being the object of many prayers. A Society formed and patronized by Balfour, and Bell, and Perrie, and Love, must have been often carried to a throne of Grace. It is not intimated that prayer in its behalf has ceased among its present supporters. But the sacred fire may slumber upon the altar without being extinguished. The censer may require to be replenished with fresh incense, that a cloud of grateful odour may rise before the holy of holies. If emulation should provoke our piety, it is certainly humbling to us, and should operate as an incentive to more constant and fervent prayer, that nearly as many persons attend the monthly prayer meeting in Caffraria, as what usually attend the general prayer meeting of Glasgow for the spread of the Gospel. Prayer is the breath of faith, and unless prayer is made to God continually for the outpouring of the Spirit, our zeal will languish; the dews of heaven will be restrained, and the wilderness which has begun to blossom will be covered with briers and thorns, and the Heathen Caffre may convert into cattle places, those very churches where converts now assemble, and the God of our fathers is thanked and praised. When an extraordinary spirit of supplication is poured out upon many churches in America, and when our southern friends are appointing their days of fasting and of prayer, that the arm of the Lord may be re-

vealed. It surely becomes Scotland, whose light is usually allowed to surpass her heat, to guard against her besetting pride of intellect, and humbly watch unto prayer. "If thou wouldest seek unto God by times, and make thy supplication unto the Almighty. If thou wert pure and upright, surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous."

3. The Glasgow Missionary Society asks of you more liberal support. It speaks out in plain and decided terms, that those who possess the Gospel should believe its doctrines, support its institutions, and diffuse its knowledge. And the unsophisticated state of the matter is, that Christ has given you the Gospel, you profess to believe it, and hope for salvation thereby. He has told you that there is salvation by no other name save that of Jesus. You know that there are millions who never heard of a Saviour, and he has commanded you to be at the charge of sending out a few good men with the Bible in their hands, and the grace of God in their hearts, and with the words of salvation on their lips, that they may evangelize the ignorant, polluted, and degraded heathen. And how is this to be done, since miracles have ceased, without incurring the expense which is necessary to enable a Missionary to purchase meat to eat, and raiment wherewithal to be clothed? The days of descending manna, and of shoes that waxed not old, have passed away. That some Missionaries have sold their master for a crust of bread we do not deny. There is nothing so base and hypocritical which we will not believe of corrupted human nature. And that some contributors, from a glow of momentary ardour, consecrated largely of their substance to the *infant* Missionary cause, who have now ceased their givings, we do not conceal. We have not forgotten that the Glasgow Missionary Society, during the first year of its existence, collected upwards of eleven hundred pounds. Funds flowed in from every quarter. But though some Missionaries have proved themselves bad, is that any reason why good Missionaries should not be sent forth? And though the summer brooks have failed, is that any reason why the pure perennial fountain of Christian benevolence should also become dry? It has been well said, "that no cloud can overshadow a true Christian, but his faith will discern a rainbow in it." And apart from all inferential reasoning upon the subject, Dr. Thom bears witness, that the Glasgow Missionary Society, all things considered, has been favoured in Caffraria with a very abundant measure of success.

In the wide sphere of its usefulness, it does not appear, (humanly speaking,) that there is assignable limits to its operations, save

what may arise from a want of zeal, and a crippling of its resources. Nations behind nations in Southern Africa, are entreating for the advent of Christian Missionaries. The government at Cape-town is now more anxious to humanize the Caffre tribes than exterminate them with the sword. Even during last summer, Caffres who could not previously cross the frontier of the Colony without being liable to be shot, have, by a government order, been permitted with a pass from a Missionary to enter the Colony and become citizens; not a few have already placed themselves under the guardian care of British law. A good understanding betwixt colonists and Caffres, it is hoped, will now be cherished. Chaka is dead. Missionaries, it is now confidently hoped, will be admitted into districts in Africa, which the foot of Europeans never yet trode. Other Societies are pressing forward to occupy the field. The more that come to the help of the Lord against the mighty, the more should you rejoice. They are all the soldiers of the same Master: they are all bearing the standard of the cross, and they are all warring against the prince of darkness. Among the different bands of Missionaries, whether they have been sent forth from London, from Moravia, or from Scotland, let love be the watchword, and prayer the exercise, and the only emulation that of doing good: and be you exceedingly careful to increase your company, to lift up your hands for a blessing upon them, and to cheer them on by liberal support; so that you may be the humble instruments of introducing the universal reign of the King of Zion.

The kingly sceptre, regal crown,

From Judah's outward tribe have past,

Each relict of his old renown

Low at Immanuel's footstool cast.

From ancient Israel's race and name

Their early honours far have flown,

Lord magnify thy Shiloh's name,

O Father, glorify thine own.

Till, through thy grace, from shore to shore,

Thy Kingdom spread from sea to sea;

And to thy Son, for evermore,

The gathering of the people be.

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Subscriptions, Donations, &c.

TO THE

GLASGOW MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

From April, 1828, to April, 1829.

A Praying Society's Box, & Mr. Brown,	£2	0	0
Association of Relief Theological Students, by J. Russell,	2	0	0
Alva Bible and Missionary Society,	3	0	0
Anderston and Partick Relief Congregations' Association for Religious purposes,	10	0	0
Alston, John,	0	10	6
Anderson, Matthew,	0	10	6
Anonymous, & the Rev. Mr. Struthers,	10	0	0
Alexander, John, junr.	1	1	0
A Friend,	0	10	0
Bute Society for Religious purposes, & the Rev. Mr. Denoon,	5	0	0
Bible and Missionary Society connected with the Rev. Messrs. Kidston and Brash's Congregation,	7	10	0
Brown, Robert, St. Vincent-street,	4	4	0
Bain, Joseph,	1	1	0
Bell, Robert,	0	10	6
Burns, Rev. Dr.	1	1	0
Buchanan, Allan,	1	1	0
Barclay, Hugh,	0	10	6
Brown, Robert, St. Vincent-street,	2	2	0
Brown, James, Trongate,	0	10	6
Brown, John, Gallowgate,	0	10	6
Brown, Rev. Thomas,	0	10	6
Bain, John, Mail-coach Office,	0	10	6
Brown, William,	2	2	0
Buchanan, William,	2	2	0
Bannatyne, Alexander,	0	10	0
Brown, Hugh, & Co.	1	1	0
Brown, John, Rothsay,	2	2	0
Cumnock United Associate Congregation, & Rev. Robert Brown,	4	0	0
Calton Association for Religious purposes, & Mr. A. Ralston,	6	0	0

Cumbrae's Society for Religious purposes, P P. Brown, Esq.,.....	4	0	0
Campsie Bible, Missionary, and School Society, P Mr. R. Barclay,	3	3	0
Crichton, William,.....	1	1	0
Campbell, John,.....	0	10	6
Cogan, J. & R.,.....	1	1	0
Campbell, Mr., Balshiegrie, P the Rev. Mr. Struthers,.....	1	1	0
Campbell, Mr. P the Rev. Mr. Struthers,.....	5	5	0
Craig, William,.....	0	10	6
Cuthbertson, John,.....	1	1	0
Cogan, Hugh,.....	1	1	0
Crum, John,.....	1	1	0
Campbell, J. W. & Co.,.....	1	1	0
Collection at the Annual Meeting,.....	5	12	0
Do. at Annual Sermon,	14	19	0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Do. at Monthly Prayer Meetings,.....	6	12	7
Do. at High Church, Paisley,..... £24	9	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Do. at St. George's Church, Paisley,.....	14	8	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Do. at Middle Church, Paisley,.....	9	0	5
Do. at Abbey Church, Paisley,.....	5	0	0
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Deduct for Poor,.....	9	6	1
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Do. at the Parish Church of Fenwick, P Mr. Crawford,			
of Crawfordland,.....	3	0	0
Do. at Greenock, P the Rev. Dr. Scott,..... £14	14	7	
Do. at Do. P the Rev. Mr. Wilson,....	5	5	5
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Do. at the Rev. Mr. Anderson's Church, Helensburgh,			
P the Rev. Mr. Willis,.....	3	15	0
Do. at Campbell-street, P the Rev. Mr. Turnbull,.....	10	0	0
Do. at Calton Chapel, P the Rev. Mr. Graham,	7	7	0
Do. at Biggar, P the Rev. Mr. Brash,.....	7	3	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Do. at Gaelic Chapel, Duke-street, P the Rev. Mr. Clark,	14	0	0
Do. at the Rev. Mr. Young's Meeting-house, Buchlyvie,			
P the Rev. Mr. Leitch, of Gartmore Chapel,.....	4	5	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Contribution by the Christian Caffres, in aid of the Glasgow Mis-			
sionary Society,.....	6	0	6
Dumfries and Maxwellton Bible and Missionary Society, P the Rev.			
Dr. Duncan,.....	3	0	0
Dovehill Youth's Bible and Missionary Society, in connection with			
the Rev. Mr. Barr's Congregation,.....	10	0	0
Dundee Missionary Society, P the Rev. James Thomson,.....	10	0	0
Dumfries and Maxwellton Penny-a-week Bible Society, P the Rev.			
Mr. Muir,.....	4	0	0
Dundee Juvenile Bible and Missionary Society, P Mr. C. Y.			
Roger,.....	10	0	0

Dalry Female Association for Religious purposes, & the Rev. Mr. Elles,.....	3	0	0
Davidson, Alexander, & Mr. Christie,.....	10	0	0
Dunfermline Ladies' Association for support of Robert Balfour, native Teacher, & Mrs. Gardner,.....	10	0	0
Eaglesham Association for Religious purposes,.....	2	2	0
Fenwick Female Society for Religious purposes, & Mr. J. Boyd,...	2	2	0
Fenwick Society for Religious purposes, & the Rev. Mr. Elles,...	3	0	0
Falkirk Society for diffusing Religious Knowledge, & the Rev. D. B. M'Kenzie,.....	5	0	0
Fellowship Meeting, Port Glasgow, & Mr. Simpson,.....	2	0	0
Falconer, Patrick,.....	1	1	0
Friends in Strathaven,.....	0	15	0
Fullarton, Allan,.....	1	1	0
Fleck, James,.....	0	10	6
Friend, & Mr. Reid, preacher of the Gospel, Fenwick,.....	1	0	0
Few friends, & H. Knox, jun.	2	10	0
Friend, & the Rev. Mr. Mason,.....	1	0	0
Friend, & Mr. M'Intosh,.....	1	1	0
Friend, & Mr. Harvie,.....	1	0	0
Ferguson, William,.....	1	1	0
Greenock Auxiliary Missionary Society, & R. D. Kerr,.....	5	0	0
Galston Auxiliary Bible and Missionary Society, & Mr. Wallace,	3	0	0
Govan and Partick Society for Religious purposes, & Mr. Fullarton,.....	3	0	0
Glen Lyon Bible Society, & the Rev. John M'Alister,.....	1	0	0
Greenock Association in aid of the Glasgow Missionary Society,...	30	0	0
Gunn, Rev. Adam,.....	1	1	0
Gibson, John,	1	1	0
Gilmour, William,.....	1	1	0
Gardner, James,.....	0	10	6
Graham, Rev. Matthew,.....	1	0	0
Gilfillan, Peter,.....	1	1	0
Glasgow Ladies' Association, & Mrs. Muir,.....	45	4	6
Glasgow Ladies' Association, & Mrs. Muir, in support of John Burns, a native reader,.....	5	0	0
Hamilton Bible and Missionary Society, & J. Mather,.....	5	0	0
Harvie, John,.....	0	10	6
Harvie, Rev. Alexander,...	0	10	0
Hamilton, William,.....	0	10	6
Huie, James, Excise Office,.....	1	1	0
Hood, Robert,.....	1	1	0
Henderson, J.	1	1	0
Juvenile Society, Arbroath, in aid of the propagation of the Gospel, & Mr. Caird,.....	7	0	0

Irvine Auxiliary Bible Society, ¶ Mr. Miller,	4	0	0
Johnston, David,	2	2	0
Kelso Ladies' Association, in support of Charles Henry, native Teacher,	3	3	0
Kelso Ladies' Association in support of Charles Henry, ¶ Barbara Lourie,	10	0	0
Knox, Henry,	1	1	0
Kidston, Rev. William,	1	1	0
Knox, Henry, junr.	0	10	0
Leven Bible and Missionary Society, ¶ Mr. Ferguson,	7	0	0
Largs Female Missionary Society, ¶ Mr. Kidston,	6	0	0
Lawson, Thomas,	1	1	0
Lockhart, Rev. Dr.,	1	1	0
Letham, Patrick,	1	1	0
Melville-street Congregation Society, ¶ Mr. Andrew M'Grigor, ...	3	0	0
Mauchline Bible and Missionary Society, ¶ Mr. Robert Nisbet, ...	4	0	0
Miller, James,	0	10	6
M'Intosh, John,	1	1	0
M'Farlane, Rev. Patrick,	0	10	6
M'Farlane, Rev. Duncan,	1	1	0
Munsie, William,	1	1	0
Mackay, Alexander,	1	1	0
M'Farlan, Robert & Andrew,	1	1	0
M'Alpin, John,	0	10	6
Mason, Rev. Archibald, Wishawtown,	0	10	0
M'Arthur, Miss, Rothsay,	1	1	0
M'Gown, William,	0	10	6
Mirrlees, Peter,	0	10	6
M'Kay, Hugh,	1	1	0
M'Donald, John, Duke-street,	1	1	0
M'Callum, Malcom,	1	1	0
Mathie, Benjamin,	1	1	0
Mitchell, Rev. Dr.	1	1	0
Macgeorge, Andrew, ...	0	10	6
Macfie, Dugald,	1	1	0
Milliken, James, junr.	0	10	6
Milliken, Andrew,	0	10	6
Macdowal, Alexander,	0	10	6
Muir, Rev. John, ...	0	10	6
M'Gown, William,	0	10	6
Macdonald, James,	1	1	0
M'Farlan, Rev. John,	1	1	0
M'Gilvra, Mrs. Lochgoilhead, ...	0	10	6
Nimmo, W. T.	1	1	0
Norrie, W. A.	0	10	6

Perthshire Bible and Missionary Society, & the Rev. John New-			
lands,.....	30	0	0
Port Glasgow Juvenile Missionary Society, & Francis Wallace,...	5	0	0
Peebles Auxiliary Female Missionary Society, & Miss Marshall,...	4	0	0
Port Glasgow Missionary Society, & Mr. Johnston,.....	5	0	0
Pollock, Mrs., Mearns, & Miss Balderston,	1	1	0
Paterson, James, Whyt-Bank,.....	1	1	0
Playfair, James,.....	1	1	0
Robertson-Court Sabbath Evening School,.....	0	5	0
R. J. & G. R., & A. R.....	4	4	0
Rainey, H.....	0	10	6
Robertson, John,.....	3	3	0
Reid, John—Leslie & Reid,	1	1	0
Reid, John, Miller-street,.....	1	0	0
Ronald, John,.....	1	1	0
Roger, James,.....	1	1	0
Stevenson, Nathaniel,.....	0	10	6
Strathblane Ladies' Missionary Society, & the Rev. Dr. Hamilton,	8	0	0
Strathaven Prayer Meeting, & the Rev. G. Struthers,.....	1	0	0
Stewart, The Honourable Mrs., Erskine Manse,.....	1	0	0
Steel, Mrs., Greenhill,.....	1	1	0
Shaw, Mrs. Robert, Clyde Terrace,.....	1	1	0
Smith, George & Sons,.....	2	2	0
Swanston, John,.....	1	1	0
Stewart, R. B.....	1	1	0
Somerville, James,.....	0	10	6
Stow, David,.....	1	1	0
Stewart, Rev. Alexander, Cromarty, & the Rev. Mr. Muir,.....	5	0	0
Society in Mr. Heugh's Congregation, & J. Finlay,.....	10	0	0
T. W. Esq., & Miss Balderston,.....	1	0	0
Turner, George, Wilson-street,.....	0	10	6
Watson, James, Surgeon,.....	2	2	0
Wodrow, Robert,.....	2	2	0
Wright, John, junr.,.....	1	1	0
Wilson, William,.....	0	10	6
Whyte, Andrew,.....	1	1	0
Welsh, The Rev. David,.....	0	10	6
Willis, The Rev. Michael,.....	0	10	0
Wardlaw, William,.....	0	10	6
Wilson, John,.....	1	1	0
Walker, Robert,.....	1	1	0
Youths' Auxiliary Missionary Society, & Mr. Stevenson,.....	23	0	0
Young Men's Auxiliary Missionary Society, in aid of the Glasgow Missionary Society,.....	21	16	0

Received since the Accounts were closed.

Rothsay Youths' Auxiliary Society, & J. M'Ewen,	£ 5 0 0
Perth Auxiliary Missionary Society, - - - -	30 0 0
A few Friends in Kilmarnock, - - - -	5 0 0
Cumbray Society for Religious Purposes, - -	6 0 0
The Rev. Gavin Struthers, - - - -	1 1 0
Paid into the Commercial Bank, Aberdeen, to the credit of the Rev. William Kidston, of which he received no advice, - - - -	10 0 0
Saltcoats' Female Association for Religious Purposes, & the Rev. Mr. Elles, - - - -	4 0 0
Kirkintilloch Bible, Missionary, and School Society, & Mr. Baird, - - - -	2 0 0
Glasgow College Missionary Society, & Mr. M'Mayne,	5 0 0
Kilbarchan Female Society in aid of Missions, & the Rev. Mr. Allison, - - - -	6 0 0
Class for Religious Instruction at Old Monkland, (part of Contribution,) & the Rev. W. Thomson, - -	1 8 0
A Friend, & Miss Balderston, - - - -	0 5 0
Kirkintilloch Society for Religious purposes, & the Rev. Mr. Marshall, - - - -	3 0 0

Abstract of the Treasurer's Account, from 9th April, 1828, to 23d April, 1829.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance in the hands of the Treasurer,	£	3	18	6½
- Cash in the Glasgow Bank,		80	0	0
- Donations from Sundry Societies,		360	5	6
- Donations and Annual Subscriptions,		150	12	0
- Congregational Collections, deducting Expenses,		111	15	4
- Collection at Annual Meeting,		5	12	0
- Do. at Annual Sermon,		14	19	0¼
- Half Do. at Monthly Prayer Meetings,		3	6	3½
- Proceeds of Corn contributed by the Christian } Caffres, 29th Nov. 1827. }		6	0	6

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DISBURSEMENTS.

By the Rev. W. R. Thomson, to be repaid the Mis- } sionaries,	£	20	0	0
- Ten Waggon Oxen for use of the Missionaries, & Do.		20	0	0
- James Weir, in part of Salary,		23	11	0
- The Rev. J. Bennie, Salary for last year and part } of this,		124	0	0
- The Rev. J. Ross, in part of Salary,		91	14	4
- Various Expenses on account of the Missionaries } from Cape Town to Algoa Bay, & other Items, }		19	6	2
- Salaries of the Two Native Readers,		20	0	0
- Education of the Native, J. Burns,		5	0	0
- The Rev. J. McLachlan & Wife's } passage home,		156	3	7¾
Deduct Balance returned,		28	0	0
- R. Niven, Student,		13	3	9
- The Rev. Dr. Thom, for Commission		26	10	6
- Insurance on Missionary Articles for last year,		22	3	0
- Printing Annual Report,		£18	11	0
Do. Quarterly Papers,		17	18	6
- Expenses at Annual Meeting & Sermon,		2	12	2
- Half expenses at Monthly Prayer Meetings,		2	4	9
- Chest for Books, 13/. Books binding, 36/6.		2	9	6
- Postages, Carriage of Cash, &c.		6	14	4
- Advertising Annual Sermon,		1	1	6
- Rent of Religious Institution Rooms,		20	0	0
- Collecting Subscriptions,		3	14	3½
- Cash in the Glasgow Bank,		120	0	0
- Balance in the Treasurer's hands,		27	10	9

£736 9 2¼

GLASGOW, 23d April, 1829.—We, a Committee of the Directors of the Glasgow Missionary Society, have examined the Accounts of the Treasurer, from 9th April 1828 to this date, and find the same to be correct, and that there is One Hundred and Twenty Pounds in the Glasgow Bank, and Twenty Seven Pounds Ten Shillings and Nine Pence in the hands of the Treasurer.

(Signed,) { HENRY KNOX.
WILLIAM BUCHANAN.