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REPORT ON PRINTING MINUTES.

We recommend that nine hundred copies be printed; that the sum of ten pounds ten shillings be allowed for printing; that any deficiency in the sums sent for this purpose be paid out of the funds of the Association, and that in future the expense of printing the Minutes be paid from the said general funds of the Association.

N. VIDITO, *Chairman*.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This Association cherishes a deep sense of the obligations resting upon all Christians to extend the knowledge of Christ. Your Committee feel, at the present time, that the vast and inviting fields opening in all parts of the world, especially in Burmah, British India and China call loudly for Missionary effort. Indeed from all parts of the world the Macedonian cry comes to us for help, and should be attended to. We are fully convinced that the liberality of our Churches is adequate to the sustaining of a Foreign Mission independent of any foreign aid, as well as an Australian Mission, if the Missionaries could be obtained, and the Churches generally deem it desirable, so that the demand for men is especially urgent. We therefore recommend earnest prayer on the part of our Churches for an increase of labourers in God's harvest.

Your Committee deeply deplore the scarcity of Ministers both at home and abroad, and suspect that the cause lies somewhere among ourselves for which reason we should be deeply humbled before God. May he correct our errors and make us arise efficiently as a Denomination in all our enterprises. We sympathize with our dear Bro. A. Crawley and recommend our Churches to remember him in their prayers; and we hope and expect that his labors will become productive of much good. We however do not consider it to be the wiser course to exhaust our funds to aid the Missionary Union in sustaining their Missionaries. We have been cheered by his communications, and recommend a more frequent correspondence. Are there not young men in our