

23. Agha Reza, Akiss-Bashee, Chief Photographer.
24. Mahomed Ali Khan, Ameen-es-Sultaneh (Keeper of the Royal Robes).
25. Sultan Hussein Meerza.
26. Ferrookh Khan.
27. Gholam Hussein Khan.
28. Mahomed Hassan Khan.
29. Jaffer Koolee Khan.

*Generals.*

30. Sultan Oveis Meerza, Ihtisham-ed-Dowleh (Son of Prince Farhad Meerza).
31. Nasrullah Khan, Nassr-el-Mulk (Half-brother of the Grand Vizier).
32. Ali Koolee Khan, Mokhber-ed-Dowleh, Director of Persian Telegraphs.
33. Hassan Ali Khan.
34. Mahomed Bakir Khan, Shujah-es-Sultaneh.
35. Meerza Kahraman, Ameen-i-Lashker.
36. Neriman Khan.
37. General Gasteiger, Austrian Officer in the Service of the Persian Government.

*Other Officials.*

38. Meerza Mikhail Khan (Brother of Meerza Malcom Khan).
39. Monsieur Delouche (Frenchman employed by Meerza Malcom Khan).
40. Ibrahim Khan.
41. Monsieur Richard (Teacher of French in the Teheran College.)
42. Meerza Ahmed Khan.
43. Latour Khan, Interpreter.

In addition to the above, it was found that there were forty-three servants in attendance, and consequently eighty-six New Testaments were ordered to be prepared, in various bindings suitable to the rank of the persons receiving them, in the hope that God would incline their hearts to accept the gift and to search therein for the rich treasure which they contain. Sir Henry Rawlinson undertook to distribute the books to the persons for whom they were intended, and in a letter, since received, has informed the Committee that this has been done, and that the gift was highly appreciated by all.

“ July 4, 1873.

“ Sir,—In reply to your letter of the 2nd inst., and in continuance of my conversation of yesterday, I am directed by Sir Henry Rawlinson to say that the whole of the Testaments forwarded by your Society for delivery to their Royal Highnesses the Persian Princes and the Persian Suite were formally handed over this morning separately to each individual.

“ They have all expressed themselves much pleased with the gift, and have promised to keep the Testaments with every possible care.

“ Their Royal Highnesses and the Suite have desired the expression of their thanks to be conveyed to your Society.

“ I should have sent you an intimation to enable you to be present, but as I explained to you yesterday, circumstances made it impossible to arrange matters sufficiently long beforehand to allow of notice being given to you.

“ Yours faithfully,

“ O. T. BURNE.

“ The Secretary, British and Foreign Bible Society.”

The bread has thus been cast upon the waters, and the word of Him who has promised that it shall be found after many days shall surely be fulfilled. Faith and prayer in connection with such an event are alike the duty and the privilege of each believer. Let the one be exercised in the promises of God, and the other used to draw down the blessing which alone can make the reading of the Scriptures effectual for the conversion of the soul, and it may yet be found that these strangers, before whom the material resources and bound-